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## The Chapples bid farewell



**C**ommunity stalwarts Arthur and Lynette Chapple will say goodbye to Maldon and their beautiful winery on

Seers Road at the end of the month.

The couple recently sold the winery to Peter Christen of Bendigo, who plans to continue making wine on the

property.

But for the Chapples, it's back to Melbourne – to the Oakleigh area where their children, grandchildren and great children live.

Mind you, moving back to the big smoke is going to take some adjustment.

Harvesting and wine making have been part of their daily routine for the past

two decades and Lynette says she has loved every minute of it.

"The picking, the sorting and everything to do with making wine has been our way of life here at the winery," Lynette says.

The couple bought the picturesque 100 acre, 'bare block of dirt' back in 1999 and built their beautiful

home, vineyard, winery plant and Cellar Door from scratch. It all sits on the shore line of beautiful Cairn Curran Reservoir.

Arthur recalls that they started off by making Shiraz and then decided they needed a white so they added a Rosé.

"We did that for a couple of years and then we discovered 150 rogue Semillon

vines amongst the Shiraz so we extended (the range) again, and later we developed a Cabernet Sauvignon," he said.

The first commercial vintage was released in 2004.

They had come a long way from their life in Mount Waverley where Arthur worked as a plumber.

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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.

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## 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 at the IGA carpark in Forest Street. Enq: www.castlemainefarmersmarket.org or 0490 366 243.

## 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 1.30 for a 2pm 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.

## LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

**CASTLEMAINE REPAIR CAFE**, 10am - 1pm at Castlemaine Community House, 30 Templeton St. Enter from back door. Bring along broken electrical, general sewing repairs and maybe a cuppa and weekend paper in case you have to wait a while. No kitchen because of COVID. Gold coin donation. Learn to repair.

## 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. 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.

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

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

## FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH

**CRYPTIC CROSSWORD MORNINGS** from 10am MNC Community garden.

## SECOND MONDAY OF THE MONTH

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

## 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 or Robyn 0418 544 966.

## EVERY TUESDAY

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

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

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

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

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

**MALDON CROQUET CLUB** 9.30am. New members welcome. Enq. Ray Austin 0448 338 251.

**YOGA AND RELAXATION**, Maldon Neighbourhood Centre Hall. Evenings 6-7.30pm. Come and try, first class free. Enq: Andrea 0427 772 878.

## FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

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

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**COMMUNITY LUNCH**, 12 noon, Maldon Community Centre. Delicious two-course lunch. Every Wed. during school terms. All welcome. \$5. Enq: 5475 2093.

**EASY STEPS TO FITNESS AEROBICS**, 9am - 10am Maldon Neighbourhood Centre, beginners welcome. Starts 5 May. \$10 concession, \$15 full. Enq: Sean 0419 210 043.

**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.

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

**YOUNG AT HEART PLAYGROUP**, Maldon Neighbourhood Centre 10-11.30am. Enq. 5475 2093 or info@maldonnc.org.au.

**MAH JONG** at the Neighbourhood Centre 6.30pm. Enq: 5475 2093.

## EVERY WEDNESDAY FORTNIGHT

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

## EVERY FOURTH WEDNESDAY

**MALDON CEMETERY FRIENDS WORKING BEE** 9.30am - 11.30am. Please come out and help get our historic cemetery clean, weed free and blooming! 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

**GENTLE TAI CHI** Resumes 30 January, 2020. 11.30-12.30 at Maldon Neighbourhood Centre. Contact Jenny 0417 475 270 to register.

**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. Ray Austin 0448 338 251.

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

**OASIS KID'S CLUB**, 3.20pm-4.45pm Maldon Baptist Hall, Edward Street. All primary aged children welcome. Free. Enq Gavin & Julie 5475 2338 or 0458 084 728.

## SECOND THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH

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

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**MALDON MUSEUM HISTORY RESEARCH CENTRE** 10am - 1pm.

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

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

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## 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.

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## SATURDAY 22 MAY

**EMERGENCY SERVICES EXPO** at the Western Reserve, Castlemaine. The free event is on from 10.30am-2pm.

## SUNDAY 23 MAY

**MALDON URBAN LANDCARE**, Launch of 'Indigenous plants for the garden in Maldon' brochure by Maldon Urban Landcare. Frances Cincotta, from Newstead Natives, recently featured on ABC Gardening Australia, will have plants for sale. At the old Battery site in Adair St. East, starting at 10.30am. Morning tea provided. Supported by a Mt. Alexander Shire Council Community Grant. Enq: Bev Phillips 0407 770 350.

**FREE VOLUNTEERS MORNING TEA** at the Maldon Vintage Machinery Museum at 10.30am. In the event of wet weather the morning tea will be held at the Maldon Freemasons, 147 High Street, Maldon.

## WEDNESDAY 26 MAY

**SUICIDE RESPONSE GROUP COMMUNITY FORUM**, at the Castlemaine Town Hall 7-9pm. Register via trybooking.com/BQTTI.

## THURSDAY 27 MAY

**BIGGEST MORNING TEA AT PLAISTOW HOMESTEAD GARDENS.** 324 Rodborough Road, Joyces Creek 10am - 12.30pm. All proceeds to the Cancer Council. Enq: Lilian and Peter Skilbeck 5476 2450.

## SATURDAY 29 MAY

**BIGGEST MORNING TEA AT PLAISTOW HOMESTEAD GARDENS.** 324 Rodborough Road, Joyces Creek 10am - 12.30pm. All proceeds to the Cancer Council. Enq: Lilian and Peter Skilbeck 5476 2450.

## SUNDAY 30 MAY

**MALDON'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA**, 10-11.30am Maldon Neighbourhood Centre, gold coin donation for crazy hair. Bookings: 5475 2093 or info@maldonnc.org.au.

**GUIDED RIVERSIDE WALK IN NEWSTEAD**, east route of the Loddon River meet at 10.30am at the Anglican Church Hall. Morning tea afterward. Bookings are essential 5479 1000. Free and all welcome.

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**THE deserted laneways of Porcupine Village, on the outskirts of Maldon, were bustling with activity last Sunday.**

People milling about in petticoats, vests, boots and bonnets, as a small, independent film crew from Melbourne were shooting the final scenes of a *A Ballad of Friendship*.

Director, Reuben Meltzer, said the classic western film

was based on the lyrics of Bob Dylan's song *The Ballad of Frankie Lee and Judas Priest*.

"All the words that Dylan sings are the actions and dialogue of the film. In essence the story of the film is about friendship and the temptations that life gives us that can get in the way of that," Reuben said.

The replica gold rush village, empty for the past

# Lights, Camera, Action!

10 years, has recently been purchased and is in the process of being brought back to life, with the help of Jimmy Chaplin, who was involved with the initial building, 30 years ago.

According to Jimmy, the previous owner would source old buildings from local towns and have them brought back to Porcupine Village and reassembled.

The biggest of these, the old Barn, Jimmy says, was originally owned by a family in Moolort, and brought to Maldon, where it was carefully returned to its original state and was often used as a place where locals would gather for dances on a full moon.

On the day of filming,

the barn was set up as a makeshift dressing room, hairdressing studio and gathering place for the cast and team of extras to warm their cold hands by the fire.

The biting cold did little to deter the excitement of the huddles of extras, all happy to spend their Sunday being part of a movie production, particularly those with a keen interest in acting and filmmaking.

Finlay Harris, 13, who would like to pursue a career in acting, was excited to have the opportunity, along with her father, Ron Harris and step-mother, Fiona Steward, to be part of the movie shoot. The three arrived early in the morning, fantastically dressed in old world garb,

of bustling dresses, bonnets and a smart suit, which they had purchased from the op shop for the occasion, and were involved in shooting when the sun went down.

Dressed in their finery they walked the dirt path between the historic buildings, following commands from the film crew to stand here, now walk over there, and please could you carry

this coffin Sir!

One of the lead actors, Sasha Cuha, who has worked with Mad Alice Productions for five years, said it was good to be involved in a small production company which enables him to take on numerous roles. *In A Ballad of Friendship* Sasha is an actor, producer, art director and he is producing

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## Fence works raise concerns



☆ Clearance works were recently undertaken to build a boundary fence around Porcupine Village in Maldon.

**SEVERAL residents have raised concerns about works that are currently underway on the perimeter of Porcupine Village on the corner of Allans and Maldon-Bendigo roads, Maldon.**

"There are bulldozer tracks there less than a metre from the Maldon-Bendigo Road and quite a few trees have been knocked down," said a resident, who did not want to be named.

"What's going on? It looks like they're putting in a BMX track or something?"

Doug Baird, the manager of Porcupine Village, told the *TT* they were actually putting in a new boundary fence for security reasons.

"(Mount Alexander Shire) Council has been informed and they have given us permission to clear a 4 metre track so the fencer can get in there and do the work," Mr Baird said.

"We've been very conscious of the number of trees we've pulled down and have actually dog-legged some to miss them."

Mr Baird said a local landscaping architect has been engaged to help work through the rest of the plan to keep everything as pristine as possible.

He said the fence should be

finished within a fortnight.

"The original idea was to build a colour bond fence but that wouldn't have fit in with the surroundings, so we've gone for a black cyclone wire mesh fence which can blend in with the background."

Mr Baird said someone had recently contacted Council to complain and sent them photographs of the work that has been done so far.

He said Council contacted the owner of Porcupine Village to check on the extent of the works and is satisfied for the works to proceed.

Mr Baird said other work to upgrade and clean up at the property was progressing well.

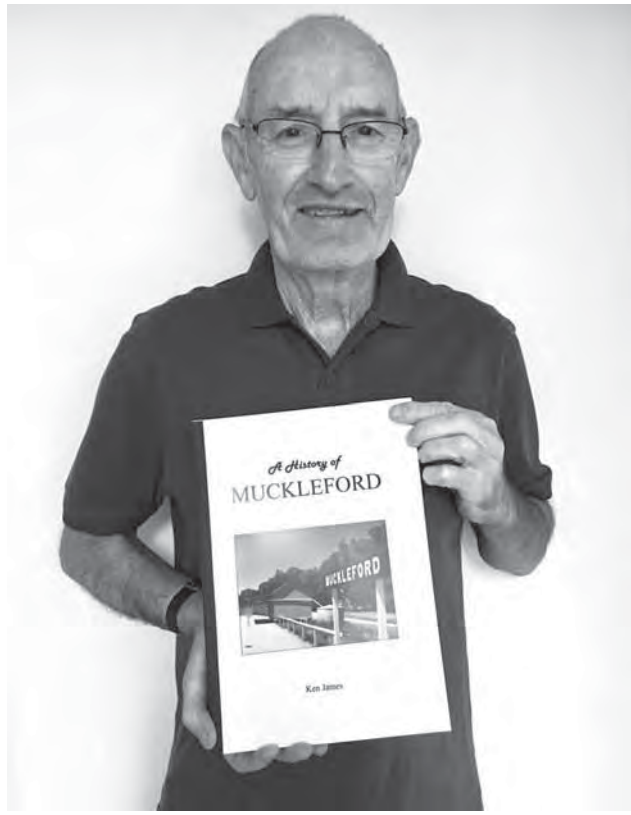
"We've been concentrating on refurbishing the inside of the motel units and the residence and then we'll move onto the restaurant."

"At the same time, we've been tidying up the old buildings (in the replica township) and making them safe."

Mr Baird said local tradespeople were being used to do the work.

"Every single one of them so far has come from Maldon or Castlemaine."

## A History of Muckleford



☆ Author Ken James with his latest book, *A History of Muckleford*.

**MELBOURNE-BASED local historian, Ken James has just completed *A History of Muckleford*.**

The book is 503 pages in length it is made up of 24 chapters and 20 appendices.

Ken is the co-author of *Yapeen of Yesterday* (2017), *A History of Seventeen Central Victorian Schools: Baringhup, Baringhup East, Baringhup West, Bradford, Brokenback, Eastville, Gowar, Muckleford, Muckleford South, Neereman, Nuggetty, Porcupine Flat, Shelbourne, Shelbourne South, Tarrengower, Walmer, Walmer North* (2018) and *A History of Guildford* (2019).

Ken's interest in

Castlemaine and surrounding districts comes from the fact that his great great grandparents, William and Elizabeth James and their children, resided at Golden Point, Chewton between 1857 and 1875, William working as a miner. In 1875, the family purchased land at Lyal, adjacent to Redesdale, which they farmed up to 1912.

Copies of *A History of Muckleford* are available from the Mount Alexander Shire Tourist Information Centre in the Market Building, Castlemaine as are copies of the other books mentioned above.

## News in Brief

### Climate Change

Business Mount Alexander's next major event will be held on Monday 7 June from 6pm-8.30pm at the Goods Shed in Kennedy Street, Castlemaine with special guest speakers, drinks and catering for a rich discussion On The Business of Climate Change.

The discussion will be centred on exploring the vast array of funding and subsidies available to help local businesses reduce their carbon emissions and save on power bills and the forum will hear from local businesses who have embraced these opportunities.

### Check out the Expo!

Here's a great activity for all the family tomorrow, Saturday 22 May.

Why not drop into the Emergency Services Expo at Western Reserve in Castlemaine?

There will be heaps of activities for kids, give-aways, and local emergency services volunteers and staff will be on hand to show off the latest and greatest vehicles,

equipment and skills.

The Castlemaine SES Unit will even be doing a live demo of a road crash rescue!

It's on from 10.30am-2pm and it's free!

### Roo warning

A reminder to motorists that there are a lot of kangaroos around at the moment.

Drivers are advised to be alert at all times when travelling on country roads. Kangaroos are very active during dusk and dawn so please take extra care during these times.

### Calling all farmers

The CFA is inviting people in the agriculture sector to participate in a focus group in Castlemaine at 7pm on Monday 24 May.

The focus group discussion will help the CFA to get a better understanding of farming sector needs, so that they can design better resources to help farmers prepare for fire on their farm.

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Community Bank Maldon & District is looking at running one of their biggest ever community grants programs in 2021!

The Community Grants Program is designed to make

targeted use of funds that are responsive to community needs in order to create a sustainable, resilient and thriving society.

The launch of the program happens with an information night where past participants will speak and further information regarding who and how to apply will be given.

The forum will be held at the Maldon Golf Club on

Wednesday 26 May 2021, with light refreshments available from 5.30pm for a 6pm start. They will also be running a facebook live stream on their facebook page for those that can't attend in person.

Branch Manager Adam Balzan regards this program as one of the diamonds in the crown of Community Banks.

"This is a great opportunity for organisations and not-for-profits to get that project off the ground that they might've been dreaming of - these funds could be just what they need to make things happen".

In their last grant round (2019), the Maldon Community Centre received new stage curtains thanks to an application for funds from the Maldon Folk Festival.

"The Community Bank was pleased to support this project with an \$8,000 grant to replace the shabby, worn stage curtains, knowing that this project has wider community benefit, with groups such as the Maldon Easter Fair, Brass Band, primary school, theatre groups and community and family events also benefiting from the upgrades," Adam said.

The stage is now surrounded by professional quality stage curtain (black rear and side curtains, and deep blue ones for front of stage) creating a more stylish space.

The drapes block the audience's view of the side stage, allowing performers, technicians and off-stage helpers to remain out of sight.

The stage acoustics are

also improved, along with the unexpected benefit of creating a warmer space for performers thanks to the insulative properties of the curtains.

"Thanks to the Maldon Community Bank for their generous grant for the new drapes. We're thrilled at the difference the drapes have made to the sound and feel

of the community centre," said Folk Festival Director Pam Lyons.

Applications for the 2021 round will be open from 1 June-9 July and can be made at [bendigobank.com.au/foundation](http://bendigobank.com.au/foundation).

For enquiries call Shannon Burdeu on 0478 435 110 or email her at [executiveof-ficer@mdcb.com.au](mailto:executiveof-ficer@mdcb.com.au).

## MALDON'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA

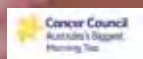
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☆ Community Bank Maldon and District's Branch Manager Adam Balzan and Maldon Folk Festival Director Pam Lyons check out the plush new drapes at the Maldon Community Centre.

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## Community Grants Forum

A Community Grant may be just what your organisation needs to make a great idea happen.

When	Wednesday 26 May
Time	Refreshments from 5.30pm for 6pm start
Where	Maldon Golf Club, Golf Link Rd

Phone Shannon Burdeu on 0478 435 110 for more information.

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The Maldon & District Community Bank Grants Program is a management account of the Community Enterprise Charitable Fund ABN 12 102 649 968 (the Fund), The Bendigo Centre, Bendigo VIC 3550. Sandhurst Trustees Limited ABN 16 004 030 737 AFSL 237906, a subsidiary of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited ABN 11 068 049 178, AFSL 237879, is the trustee of the Fund. OUT\_2031484, 29/04/2021

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# Youth Camp aims to help community recover from the year lost

MALDON'S Blue Light Youth Camp is looking at providing wholistic therapy services that will enhance and support not just at-risk youth, but the wider community at large.

"Post-COVID, people are still grieving," says the Blue Light Camp's Executive General Manager Jonathan Mitchell.

"I think there's an opportunity for us to provide programs that look at helping people mentally, physically and spiritually."

Mr Mitchell said there could also be opportunities for the Camp to help stimulate recovery for local businesses, and also become involved with tourist and event celebrations.

"For instance, we could look at becoming partners in some sort of festivals."

There is already something in the wind.

"In October, we are organising an event to explore the beauty of Maldon that will showcase a range of arts and crafts, music and a fun run

that tourists and locals can all be part of."

Since it started in 1990, the Blue Light Youth Camp has run school camps which specialise in bicycle safety and more recently have introduced programs targeting young people who have been identified as being at risk of becoming a victim or perpetrator of crime.

The Camp offers the unique opportunity for children to undertake our Bicycle Safety Program

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# Trail on track for \$1.2M funding



☆ Local were delighted to hear Bendigo MP Maree Edwards announce \$1.2 million in funding for the completion of the Castlemaine-Campbells Creek Trail.

# Backyard Fest finds a new home in Newstead

**BACKYARD Fest, a weekend music and arts festival scheduled to take place in November, has been relocated to the Newstead Racecourse and Recreation Reserve.**

The festival, which was originally planned to be held in Elphinstone, was granted approval (subject to conditions) by Council at its Meeting of Council on 16 February.

After the decision, opponents to the proposal subsequently referred

Council's decision to VCAT for review, a delay which had the potential to force the event's cancellation.

Given the commitment of Councillors to hold the event, Council staff and event organisers have been working together to find a suitable alternative venue.

"This Council believes a creative, connected community like ours should make the effort to ensure there are events and entertainment for all parts of the community," Mayor Tony Cordy said.

"A music and arts festival is something that everyone can enjoy, with the added benefit of bringing in a new cohort of visitors to our beautiful shire.

"The Newstead Racecourse and Recreation Reserve is an ideal venue for the event, and used to host large scale events, such as 'Chopped' and the 'Newstead Swap Meet'.

"The 80-acre site features camping facilities, and shower and toilet blocks, making it ideal for the event.

The Committee of Management for the Racecourse is also eager to bring events back to the site after the challenges of the past year.

"It's also a positive opportunity to promote artistic talent, bring people together and help grow tourism to the shire."

Backyard Fest will be held from 12-14 November and will showcase bands and DJs, with live performances, yoga and art installations.

**BENDIGO West Maree Edwards MP has announced nearly \$1.2 million in funding for the completion of the Castlemaine to Campbells Creek 6km accessible off-road path and trail network.**

"Mount Alexander Shire Council, Friends of Campbell Creek Landcare and other members of the community have lobbied hard for this funding and I

have enjoyed working with them to achieve it," Ms Edwards said.

"All those involved in the current section of the trail should be congratulated for their hard work and dedication to creating a healthy, restored environment, that the community can enjoy.

"I look forward to enjoying a walk along the full trail once it is completed."

## Letter to the Editor

### A plan to Make Maldon Modern?

So the sneaky Shire Council is going to 'trial' a pedestrian crossing in Maldon's tiny Main Street shopping strip.

When this rubbish idea was first proposed over a year ago, I and others protested against the proposed alterations to our historic streetscape, clearly to no avail.

Where does Stephen Gardner, our local councillor, stand on this issue? Oh, that's right, he called it 'new heritage'.

Has anyone requested this infrastructure? I doubt it. Our council is notorious for preferring to spend on new infrastructure rather than maintain heritage assets.

I call on all Main Street traders, accommodation providers, gallery owners and tourism-allied business

people, as well as residents who love our town, to contact Mount Alexander Shire Council and Stephen Gardner to protest against this attack on Maldon's biggest attraction, our historically intact Main Street precinct. Your livelihoods are under threat.

Visitor numbers will drop if Maldon starts to look more like every other town.

Those big modern rubbish bins (also meant to be a 'trial') were the thin end of the wedge, and this pedestrian crossing is the next step in what looks like a plan to Make Maldon Modern.

Why bother to underground the electricity and then do this?

Speak up, people of Maldon.

**Lauren Williams, Maldon**

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# 'We'll miss you, Maldon'

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In those days, Arthur also did a course in viticulture and went to university.

"I did a double degree in Business and Applied Commerce, but I didn't finish it – I didn't need it, the University of Life was better," he smiles.

Over the years, Chapple's Cairn Curran Estate has won many awards including gold medals at Rutherglen and Ballarat.

"Our aim has always been to make the best quality wine available and, like a lot of winemakers, I've always said 'good wine is made in the vineyard'.

"The amount of wine

we've produced here varied depending on what Hughie gave us – we had 40 barrels one year and only four barrels the next because Hughie sent four vicious frosts instead of rain."

The expression - 'Send it down Hughie' - heralds from the turn of the 20th century when bushmen would cry for the rain to come pouring down.

It goes without saying that Arthur has always been known to fancy a drop of the good red himself over the years.

"Yes, I drank a very vicious drop of Saltram's Hermitage back in the '50s and '60s – it was a throat-wrenching, tooth-straining red and that

was the way wine was made back then."

These days, Arthur drinks very little except for the occasional sip of shiraz, mainly because of his condition, Parkinson's Disease, which in turn is part of the reason why they are selling up.

"We've had a fantastic time but basically we're selling because of my ability to work the farm any more.

"But they'll need a shoe horn to get me out of the tractor and a hydraulic jack to push me out!

"We've absolutely had so many happy times here – just the parties and all the dos that we've done, it's been great.

"We're going to miss Maldon and everything to do

with the town – the people, the events – the whole thing."

Maldon is going to miss the Chapples too and the wonderful input they have made to the community over the years, which includes their terrific support for the Maldon Twilight Dinner (right from the outset), Taste of Gold, the Freemasons and the Blue Light Youth Camp to name just a few.

The final word from Arthur.

"We would like to thank all of the local people who have supported us over the years and I hope they continue to support Peter in his new adventure."

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# Vale Janet Doyle



IN November 2010 I answered an ad in the *TT* for a 'Silver Service Wait Person' in a new Maldon restaurant. I met Janet Doyle over coffee and confessed to having no experience; she explained that she could train pretty much anyone, but what she wanted a particular look. Which, apparently, I had. I got the job.

So began my involvement with Janet's restaurant ventures, and a beautiful friendship. First were the lavish Degustation evenings at her home on Newstead Road. Guests were greeted at the door with a complimentary glass of bubbly before being seated for a classy five-course meal, and later farewelled with a souvenir copy of the night's

menu.

I quickly understood that waiting is like a stage performance: in pressed black trousers, snowy white shirt, waistcoat and bow tie I was costumed to play the role of unfailingly polite and attentive-but-not-irritating servant. Janet found my actor's perspective enlightening: she had a way of making you feel interesting and with something valuable to offer. Always a self-esteem booster, that first night she described me as a 'star'. It inspired my fierce loyalty and redoubled efforts to do her proud.

In 2013 she bought the High Street premises that became the second Janet's Restaurant, and we did it all

again. Then came the Great Storm that left the kitchen ankle-deep in water, necessitating months of repairs and renovation. But we came back. The triumph of that time was the legendary 'Tapas Night' of June 2014: John Arnold and I furiously poured drinks for a crowd so huge that people had to be turned away and directed to the pubs. At one stage both microwaves died ... "what about the warmed lentils?" was the question; Janet's answer, "Get me the ice cream - it's chilled lentils now!"

Tess took over the site as proprietor of The Spotted Cow, but some years later Janet was back for one final burst, brushing aside unreliable and/or absent chefs to run the kitchen herself. It was all over when the virus came into our lives last year of course - and sadly, what is arguably the best hospitality venue in town remains vacant to this day.

Janet Doyle came from a highly distinguished academic and medical background, but she only talked about it to share a relevant story about teaching or visiting remote communities - things we had in common. It was some time before I realised she was actually Doctor Doyle! And, always the student, she would eagerly pick my brains about indigenous culture, languages, history and literature. Janet's occasional soirées brought together all she loved: good food, fine wine, music and poetry. I would contribute with a recitation from Yeats or Shakespeare or Chaucer, and sometimes reprise the drinks waiter one more time.

I was proud to be a part of the rich life she made in retirement after moving to Maldon. Through her I met some fine people, including my Book Club 'harem'. A visit to Janet's always open and welcoming home meant coming away feeling clever or interesting or well-read or good-looking or even all of the above, and with her sincere thanks for the visit ringing in your ears.

Janet Doyle passed away on the last day of March this year. A bright light has gone out, and it is difficult to imagine a world without her. As usual, The Man says it best: 'We are such stuff as dreams are made on, and our little life is rounded with a sleep.' Sleep now, my friend. You will not be forgotten.

*Mike Smythe*

## Letters

### Maldon becomes an extension of Castlemaine 'North Northcote'

I couldn't believe my eyes when I saw Main Street, Maldon, being dug up yet again, in preparation for the pedestrian crossing.

Wooden formwork in place and a truckload of rocks to build a pedestrian crossing.

Temporary? Total rubbish!

This is here to stay, just like the temporary bin in front of the fish and chip shop. What next? White zebra stripes and flashing lights or white markings for parking?

I don't think the Castlemaine planners know about the 'First Notable Town' tag. They are destroying the reason why people live here and also visit our heritage town.

Surely there are more deserving projects that could be undertaken.

Maybe removing some of the asphalt footpaths in the town that cover the century-old slate paving.

That's only one.

*Alex Gassmann, Maldon*

## AGED 50 AND OVER?

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This near new single level home combines a smart floor plan and northerly aspect to deliver a home that offers easy and comfortable modern living and with golf course views, this home ticks all the boxes. The luxurious styled interior has a lovely feel, starting with the front living room which invites lovely northerly light and intimate living space. The master suite has a calming aura, enviable walk-in robe and stylish ensuite. The additional 2 bedrooms with built in robes, run along the left side of the home and share a luxury feel family sized bathroom complete with bath, separate shower and vanity, plus a separate toilet. Off the generous hallway is a bespoke study area with built in shelving, and laundry with outside access. To the rear of the home is the relaxed open plan living with Jetmaster open fireplace, dining and kitchen space that enjoys a curated garden outlook. Entertaining is easy in the stunning kitchen with central Island bar and Caesarstone bench tops, large walk-in pantry with sink and dishwasher.

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## Lights, Camera, Action!



☆ Journalist, photographer and soon to be Editor of the TT, Jade Jungwirth also had time to play an extra in the film! Jade starts on the TT next Thursday - welcome aboard Jade!



☆ Fiona and Finlay were all smiles at the film shoot.

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the soundtrack for the film.

The director, Reuben, is hoping to screen *A Ballad of Friendship* in Maldon once

filming is complete, which might mean you'll be able to spot some familiar faces up on the big screen.

*Words and photos by Jade Jungwirth.*



☆ Locals Rodney Hamilton (seated) and Peter Thompson take a breather during filming.



☆ Jimmy Chaplin and Bernice Steinfort guard the bank at Porcupine Village.



☆ The film shoot concluded with several scenes shot at the Maldon Cemetery.

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## Castlemaine Health



**This National Volunteer Week we are celebrating our volunteers under the theme Recognise, Reconnect, Reimagine.**

The theme is pertinent. In the last few years, we have all dealt with so many life-changing challenges. It is impossible to reflect on those events - bushfires, floods and a pandemic - without recognising the volunteers who were ever-present in the crises supporting those who needed their help the most.

While our shire was fortunate to be spared the immediate impact of fires and floods, we all have friends and family who were directly affected and saw the efforts of volunteers in their communities first hand. While formal volunteering ceased during the pandemic, there was no shortage of volunteers flourishing in our community.

Volunteers set up community food pantries and delivered meals, mentors kept in touch with young people over the phone and many informally made such thoughtful gestures - dropping in puzzles, games and books to those in hospitals and aged care.

Our volunteers not only accommodated with understanding, the changes wrought by the pandemic but also adjusted roles and took on new ones. We were grateful to be supported by generous local volunteer groups such as the Castlemaine Rotary Club who set up a Pen Pal project that delighted residents with regular letters from old and young.

Events of the last few years have provided volunteers with time out to reflect on their own giving. Many volunteers have needed to scale back their volunteering to dedicate more time to themselves and their families, many of whom have experienced isolation and loneliness, mental health or financial stress, and ill-health. Castlemaine Health is not alone in seeing a decline in volunteers. During COVID-19, two-thirds of Australian volunteers stopped working. Recent evidence shows social purpose organisations continue to lose one in

four volunteers due to illness or caring responsibilities.

But evidence shows that volunteering connects us with others, leads to better mental well-being and that the very act of giving to our communities gives back to ourselves. As we at Castlemaine Health work to adapt our practices and programs to better support and engage volunteers, we fervently hope that we can once again work closely with our volunteers to deliver our shared purpose of caring for our community together.

On behalf of Castlemaine Health, I'd like to thank our volunteers for their patience, understanding and adaptability. It is time now for us to reimagine how the future can be created for volunteers. If you're interested in becoming a volunteer with Castlemaine Health, then we'd love to hear from you.

**Volunteer, Sue Race**  
**Castlemaine Health CEO**



## Thank you

Castlemaine Health would like to express our deepest thanks to our volunteers for your patience, understanding and adaptability over the past year.

To our returning volunteers, we look forward to welcoming you back over the coming months.

To our volunteers who have chosen new paths, we wish you all the best. We remain deeply grateful to you.

To new and potential volunteers, we invite you to join us. Call our Volunteer Office on 5471 3566 to start your volunteering journey with us.

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## Mayor thanks our 'community champions'

**This week (17-23 May) is National Volunteer Week when organisations Australia-wide acknowledge people who give their time and talents freely as volunteers.**

Mount Alexander Shire Council Mayor Tony Cordy said he wanted to acknowledge and thank the many volunteers who give so passionately through council services, facilities, events and organisations to build community and civic life.

"We so appreciate our many volunteers whose generous help means we can offer more activities and programs to benefit the young and old," Cr Cordy said.

"Our volunteers warmly welcome and guide tourists at the Castlemaine and Maldon Visitor Information Centres, acting as ambassadors and advocates for our many tourist sites and accommodation businesses.

"Others champion the cause for young people, serving on Council's Youth Advisory Group and helping organise events like the Young Makers Markets and Battle of the Bands to create opportunities for young

creatives.

"Dedicated volunteers drive buses to take residents to community lunches, swimming and activities that keep them active and connected. They shop for those who can't, and visit them to bring joy and company to our community's most vulnerable.

"Other volunteers help maintain cricket pitches, watering systems and other facilities at our many sporting ovals and recreation reserves.

"Let's not forget the community champions who serve on committees of management at our community halls and facilities. They're ever at the ready - taking bookings and setting up kitchens for events, then packing down afterwards and making sure we know when things need fixing or servicing."

During this week, Cr  
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☆ Council volunteer Pamela Hayward has been volunteering at the Castlemaine Visitor Information Centre for four years..



## Thank you

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## Maldon & Baringhup Agricultural Society Inc



☆ Matt Mitchell won First Prize in the Junior Boiled Fruit Cake competition at the Midland Group Annual Dinner and competition.

**C** OVID didn't stop our farmers, and nor did it stop the Committee of the Ag Show. We couldn't hold our Show last year, but the Committee kept working - submitting applications for grants and getting stuck into substantial improvement works at the Showgrounds.

Members of our Show committee also contribute to the workings of the Maldon Racecourse Reserve, the Bendigo Sheep and Wool Show and the VAS Midland Group committees... you can be assured, none of us has been sitting on our hands!

Regular Committee meetings have restarted; the Schedule for the 2021 Show is well advanced with updated sections emailed to past participants as completed. The work on the grounds and buildings continues. Willing writers are keeping everyone in touch with progress.

Competition is still happening as our 2019 winners were invited to compete again at the recently held Midland Group Annual Dinner and competition. Our congratulations go to all our entrants, especially to Matt Mitchell as, once again, he swept the field in the Junior Boiled Fruit Cake, taking out First Prize. Matt qualifies to compete in the Royal Melbourne Show late this year.

We are delighted to say our fundraising Old Time Dances are also allowed to operate again. These dances, organised by Show Committee members Ross and Hannah Dohnt, are a major source of funds. This allows us to provide entertainment for children at no extra cost. If you're not a dancer, watch out for our fundraising Wood Raffle - tickets on sale soon!

The Show has a long tradition in Maldon and Baringhup. The Committee has worked hard to keep that tradition alive. We gratefully acknowledge the work of past Committee and Society members. There is always a welcome to anyone who would like to join the Society and to help out, especially on the day of the Show itself. So come and join us or contact our fantastic secretary, Leanne Mitchell, via email: [secretary@maldonshow.com.au](mailto:secretary@maldonshow.com.au).

Maldon and Baringhup Agricultural Show, Sunday 17 October 2021, Maldon Racecourse Reserve, Lewis Road, Maldon.

**MALDON & BARINGHUP AGRICULTURAL SHOW COMMITTEE**

Thanks to our volunteers, local businesses and the wider community for their ongoing support.

The 157<sup>th</sup> Show is on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2021.  
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## Maldon Urban Landcare Inc.



☆ Sticky Everlastings.

Photo by Frances Cincotta

**A** ll are welcome at the launch by Maldon Urban Landcare (MULGA) of a new brochure, 'Indigenous plants for the garden in Maldon', on Sunday 23rd May, at the old Battery site in Adair St East, starting at 10.30am.

Morning tea will be provided. And you'll be able to buy some of the plants listed, as Frances Cincotta from Newstead Natives, (recently featured on ABC Gardening Australia) will have a plant sale at the launch. Following the launch, the brochure will be distributed to all letterboxes in Maldon, and will be available at both the Maldon and Castlemaine Information Centres. Production of the brochure was supported by a Mt. Alexander Shire Council Community Grant.

MULGA's main objective is to care for and preserve the natural environment in the Maldon area. Over the years we have assisted Parks Victoria in undertaking weed control and revegetation activities on parts of the Maldon Historic Reserve. We've recently started a new project to undertake maintenance and weed control work at the Eaglehawk Pit revegetation site, between Adair St East and Polsue St, with the support of Centennial Mining, who hold a lease for the area.

From 2017-2020 MULGA surveyed 318 original pre-1852 (pre-European settlement) eucalypts on private and public land and roadsides in the Maldon area. Of these trees, 75% are estimated to be aged between 200-550 years. You can access maps and the tree list at [www.connectingcountry.org.au/landcare/what-is-landcare/landcare-stories/mulga](http://www.connectingcountry.org.au/landcare/what-is-landcare/landcare-stories/mulga). We continue to work with Mt. Alexander Shire Council to obtain long-term protection for these precious trees.

In June 2018, MULGA re-planted the two memorial circles on Anzac Hill with 64 Yellow Gums, a local indigenous eucalypt, as all but one of the original Mahogany Gums had died. Due to the dry conditions in 2018-2019, not all of the new plants survived, so we re-planted in 2019 and 2020, but thanks to good rain last spring and summer, the vast majority are now growing well. We will continue to re-plant as necessary.

We really appreciate the MULGA members who willingly help with our activities, and it's great that we have been able to 'Reconnect' with everyone now that our working bees have got going again after the restrictions in 2020.

If you would like to join MULGA, or find out about our working bees, contact Bev Phillips on 0407 770 350 or email [maldonurbanlandcare@gmail.com](mailto:maldonurbanlandcare@gmail.com).

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**Enq: Bev Phillips**  
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Come to the launch of 'Indigenous plants for the garden in Maldon' brochure and a native plant sale on **Sunday 23rd May**, starting at **10.30am**, at the old Battery site in Adair St. East, morning tea provided.  
We welcome new members who care about Maldon's natural environment.

## Maldon Inc



☆ Maldon Inc thanks Bonnie Grainger for her tireless work over several years now, in organising the Town-wide Garage Sale. She's the reason it's been such a success!

**T**his year's theme of 'Recognise, Reconnect, Reimagine' provides a useful space for reflection on the past year.

Living with such spectacularly unexpected upheaval and uncertainty, everyone who volunteers in any sector will have had cause to reassess roles and commitments. For many volunteers, the uncertainty of personal safety has meant they've stepped back from commitments; for others, the tasks at hand have transformed into something entirely different to those they expected.

Speaking personally, the role I took on as President of Maldon Inc became one of constantly reading, assessing and analysing. The need to consider the impacts on businesses and the potential for helping to ease the stresses. I've effectively had to create a crystal ball. I've needed to work through the impacts on tourism and all the related sectors. I've also worked with the council on the actions they might take to assist.

Recognising these changes and associated stresses is important for all of us. Also, to acknowledge and address the impacts presenting for everyone's mental and emotional well-being. Doing so, and understanding the changing risk landscape, is critical if we are to reconnect with our communities and social circles. For many of us, moving back into our usual volunteer roles has required a reimagining - where some of us are busier than we've ever thought possible, and others have revamped and reinvented their lives entirely. Not to mention the influx of population with so many people moving to regions like ours.

Volunteers and volunteering have never been as important as they are now. Of course, some people have decided to step away from long-held volunteer roles that have been part of their lives. These decisions are always honoured, as are the contributions they have made.

However, the roles and rewards have only increased for those who can continue in volunteer positions or take on new roles. These are the people who keep our communities functioning. They provide the social glue that makes everyone feel a valued part of our town. And these are often the best ways we can welcome newcomers to our town and to involve them in the groups we are a part of.

So, Happy Volunteer Week to all volunteers out there. We're glad you're here!

Kate Gamble

**Maldon Inc.**

Maldon Inc. celebrates all volunteers and says thank you to all *Maldon in Winter* contributors

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## Tarrangower Village

**F**ounded in 1976 on altruistic principles still adhered to in the present day, Tarrangower Village is a not for profit organisation.

They provide low-cost retirement housing for those eligible from the Maldon District.

Over the past 40 years, 16 one-bedroom and three two-bedroom self-contained units have been built at No 4 and No 9 Chapel Street South in Maldon. The last completed in 2020.

Tarrangower Village is managed entirely by a volunteer committee, which is committed to operating the Village for the benefit of its Residents through the provision of maintenance and administrative services for those capable of living independently.

We appreciate and are proud of the efforts of our volunteer committee, all of whom are personally and actively involved in all areas of the operations of the Village, from ensuring we meet our statutory obligations to garden working bees. The transition to living in the village community is strongly supported by a committee member assisting new residents in

re-locating to and individualising their new home.

Further information can be gained from our website: [www.tarrangowervillage.com.au](http://www.tarrangowervillage.com.au) or by contacting the secretary via email at: [secretary@tarrangowervillage.com.au](mailto:secretary@tarrangowervillage.com.au) if you are interested in a place on our waiting list.

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"Independent Living in Retirement"



Providing low cost housing for  
eligible Maldon retirees.  
Managed entirely by Volunteers.  
A village within a village

## Maldon Museum & Archives Association



☆ Maldon Amalgamated Miners' Association banner - the earliest known surviving trade union banner in Victoria.

**T**he volunteers of the Maldon Museum & Archives are a multi-skilled and talented team. They are fully engaged in tasks from research and cataloguing and the associated chores of scanning and data entry to policymaking and ensuring adherence to the Museum Accreditation Program (MAP). We were awarded this in 2020 after five years of concerted effort.

To celebrate our reopening in April this year, a volunteer-created temporary pictorial and text presentation titled 'Tarrangower to Conservation' has been a special feature at the Museum and will remain on display at least until June.

Our volunteers continue to develop and refresh our permanent exhibition. They are justifiably proud of the work they do for the preservation of the history of Maldon and District and in making it accessible to the people of Maldon and the general public.

Operated and managed entirely by volunteers, the Museum is open every Wednesday and Sunday from 11.30am to 2pm. The Research Centre is open every Friday from 10am to 1pm. Find out more via our website: [www.maldonmuseum.com.au](http://www.maldonmuseum.com.au) or contact the secretary on: [secretary@maldonmuseum.com.au](mailto:secretary@maldonmuseum.com.au).

**Maldon Museum & Archives Association**  
93 High Street, Maldon  
[www.maldonmuseum.com.au](http://www.maldonmuseum.com.au)



*Volunteers are priceless –*

*thank you to all Maldon's Volunteers*

Museum open every Wednesday and Sunday 11.30am to 2pm. History Research Centre open every Friday 10am to 1pm.

## Maldon Lions Club



☆ The Maldon Lions Club Op Shop is open and doing good business.

**M**aldon Lions Club Op Shop is always looking for volunteers. "We welcome anyone who would like to help - it might be for only an hour or two a week - whatever time you can spare would be appreciated. I'm in the shop on Fridays and Sundays if you would like to come and have a chat." Lions Club Coordinator Jenny Fitzpatrick said.

This busy little enterprise occupies two spaces (61/63 High Street) in the block of four shops on the left-hand side as you drive out of town towards Castlemaine.

They have a great selection of bargains, everything from clothing and homewares to furniture. The shop is maintained beautifully by the band of volunteers. At present, they cannot take any donations as they have been overwhelmed with the locals' generosity. Of course, this will change, and they will, once again, welcome your donations. The shop is open every day except Mondays from 10am to 2pm.

The Maldon Op Shop continues to support a variety of community groups. The profits from the shop are distributed to these groups. Two major community events come under the Lions Club umbrella: the Maldon Easter Fair and Carols by Candlelight.

So, whether you would like to help out or if you are after a bargain, call in as you are welcome.



**Maldon Lions Club**

*Building a brighter future for  
the world*

**"NOT ONLY IN A CRISIS BUT EVERYDAY  
LIONS ARE SERVING YOUR COMMUNITY".**

**If you are interested in joining,  
contact Jenny on 0407 158 833**

## Maldon Seniors Club



☆ Kerry Bean assists members during their weekly Mahjong session.

**O**n a recent visit to the Seniors Club Rooms, President Lyn Costello told the *Times* that they were all happy to be back and in full swing after COVID.

The Maldon Seniors Club is a friendly, active and youthful group of over 55s who enjoy getting together. They offer fun activities, which include table tennis, mahjong and canasta. There are also occasional lunches and dinners.

When the *Times* visited the club rooms, 10 members were keen to begin their weekly game of mahjong. Volunteer Kerry Bean is always there to help out if anyone needs a little instruction on the game.

This club is not just about games. There is a bit of structure with a lot of friendship forming. New members are always welcome with an affordable membership of just \$10 per year.

Morning and afternoon teas happen weekly, and a winter lunch, at a venue yet to be announced, is planned for June.

The group also enjoy a special Christmas get together each year.

So, if you are new to Maldon and would like to make friendships, spend time with like-minded residents and enjoy one of the games offered or maybe you would like to suggest something different, contact Lyn on 0409 566 551.

## Maldon Seniors Club

Thank you to our volunteers.

*It's great to be back. Join us for:*

Table Tennis ~ Mahjong ~ Canasta ~ Lunches

Membership only \$10 per year

We meet Tuesdays & Wednesdays

At Maldon Community Centre.



Enq. Lyn 0409 566 551.



## In Maldon Today



☆ IMT Group Photo 2021.

**H**ave you heard about Maldon's very own radio program? IMT entertains over 200 listeners each Friday morning between 9am and 11am. Tune in to 94.9 MAINfm or download 'Tunein Radio' from the App Store on your phone or laptop. Search for 94.9 MAINfm. You can listen from anywhere. You can also listen later on <https://www.mixcloud.com/nancymay007/>.

*In Maldon Today* is about street talk and conversations with special studio guests predominantly from Maldon, but not exclusively. Great music is in the mix (local musician and one of the nine presenters, Kevin Spiers, is very instrumental in this).

Each week, two of the eight volunteer presenters take their turn behind the microphone to entertain their listeners with local news and views. There might be some gossip and always heaps of light-hearted banter.

Founded by Maldon residents Nancy Whittaker and Ian Slattery in 2013, IMT took over from the late Jim Migdoll's Maldon Radio Show. Nancy is passionate about Maldon, and this program allows her to share her passion. "We will notch up 400 broadcasts on 30 July 2021. We have listeners in the UK, Germany, Turkey, USA, Melbourne and of course, around the Shire," Nancy said.

On Tuesdays, the IMT crew take the time to meet to discuss their next program. This eclectic group are very fond of each other and their radio program. The friendly laughter emitting from each meeting highlights the benefits of being a volunteer. They consist of a stock market guru, a former newspaper tycoon and a plumber (who knows where all the bodies are buried). A couple of lapsed teachers, a would-be actor and gardener, a muso, a young designer and a former arts boss all add their twist. There is even a former tourism promoter whose ambition now is to become a Roman archaeologist.

Bendigo West State MP Maree Edwards drops in for a chat on the last Friday of the month. Bendigo Federal MP Lisa Chesters also visits the studio from time to time.

IMT hosts welcome your feedback and suggestions. Email the crew on [inmaldontoday@gmail.com](mailto:inmaldontoday@gmail.com). You can SMS them during the program on 0488 863 186. Please sign it, so that they can reply to you on air.

## SteamPacket



☆ Be part of the crew for Russell Morris at the station in December.

**S**uccess of SteamPacket events at The Maldon Railway Station and SteamRoller at The Maldon Vintage Machinery & Museum is in no small part due to a dedicated team of SteamPacket volunteers and the volunteers from The Machinery Museum, VGR and the bar staff from Walmer CFA.

SteamPacket events are run totally by volunteers. From creating events and booking artists to marketing and promotion, sales and ticketing, to the set up of the venue, stage, sound and lighting - and that is before the audience arrives. At the events, volunteers handle all aspects of production and every part of the audience organisation from entry to exit... and then there is the pack up and get ready for the next event.

"We have had a great batch of new volunteers join us since we re-started after lockdown. We can always use extra help, and, of course, we could not exist without the volunteers from partnering organisations," said volunteer-in-chief Clif Edwards.

SteamPacket surpluses are returned to the community in the form of income and promotion for other community groups and direct input into facilities such as the recent grant towards the purchase of a new stage for the community shed.

"Our volunteers work hard but also get to be part of the event and see world-class artists. We will need an influx of volunteers for events over the coming months like Lloyd Spiegel, Fiona Boyes, Geoff Achison, Kelly Auty and Jeff Lang. Be part of the crew for Russell Morris at the station in December," said Clif.

To join 'The SteamPacket Crew' contact [clif@steampacket.com.au](mailto:clif@steampacket.com.au).

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## Victorian Goldfields Railway



☆ You can learn new skills, gain new qualifications by becoming part of VGR's friendly team.

**V**GR is one of Central Victoria's favourite tourist attractions and it is run almost entirely by volunteers. And it's not just about trains - VGR's team of volunteers have attributes that suit a wide range of roles.

If you're over the age of 16 and you have a little time on your hands, VGR provides a friendly and supportive environment where you can learn new skills, gain experience and build friendships with like-minded people.

Here is a list of some of the positions that are available to VGR volunteers:

- Conductor, station booking officer, kiosk and shops, first class stewards - if you enjoy meeting and interacting with others, these are roles that you might consider.
- Tracks, carriages, gardens, buildings and locomotives all require maintenance. For hands-on people, there are plenty of maintenance positions at VGR.
- Civil engineering projects - VGR is entering a new era of growth and has a number of major and minor engineering projects that need people with design, project management and/or supervisory skills.
- Administration, safety management, social media, promotions, marketing, advertising - these are primarily online roles.
- Train crews, signalmen and guards - these are positions requiring a great deal of specific training. Contact VGR for more information regarding the training process.
- Young Volunteers Group - if you're between 16 and 30, you can join VGR's young volunteers who are active in all areas of the railway.

There's no doubt that you will have skills and experience that are of value to VGR. If you decide to become a VGR volunteer, you will receive in-house training for your position.

There are also opportunities for gaining qualifications (such as RSA and first aid certificates).

To take the next step towards becoming a VGR volunteer, email [volunteers@vgr.com.au](mailto:volunteers@vgr.com.au). You can find out more about VGR by going to [vgr.com.au](http://vgr.com.au) or phoning 5470 6658.

### Victorian Goldfields Railway

Our great railway is operated by dedicated and amazing volunteers of all ages! Why not join the team, make new friends and experience the ultimate virtual reality!



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[www.VGR.com.au](http://www.VGR.com.au)  
**Ph: 5470 6658**

### IMT - In Maldon Today Radio Program

**Tune in to 94.9 MAINfm**

**Maldon And Its Neighbours**

**Every Friday morning between 9am and 11am.**

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## Maldon & District Community Bank Supporting your community



☆ Participants from the first small business program in December 2020.

**T**he Maldon & District Community Bank is again partnering with Clare Fountain from *Sorted*, a regional based small business consultant, to present a new program to support local businesses recover, reshape and rebound after COVID-19. The program will be delivered both face-to-face and online by Clare, and includes seven live interactive sessions on business planning and 1:1 mentoring before and after.

Business owners will come away with a clear plan of action to relaunch their business post COVID-19. The course is designed to increase participant's knowledge, identify new opportunities and build collaboration with other businesses in the region.

Participants of the 2020 program noted the program provided them with increased confidence and motivation to work on their business and make decisions. Another business owner commented that the course

enabled them to see their business 'more objectively without getting stuck in the day-to-day detail'.

The application process is simple – just a paragraph or two about how the program will benefit you and your business. Applications are now open via our website [www.maldoncb.com.au](http://www.maldoncb.com.au) and close on Friday 18 June 2021.

Maldon & District Community Bank is subsidising this program for 16 local businesses. We are encouraging small businesses from across our catchment area, including the towns and districts of Maldon, Dunolly, Newstead, Harcourt and Mount Alexander region, to apply for the program.

"Never has there been a more important time to change gears and adapt to new horizons. The Maldon & District Community Bank is excited to present this opportunity to businesses in our region; to help them with their ongoing

viability and success," said bank Chairman Ross Egleton.

"The value per business is worth over \$900, with the Community Bank subsidising the majority of this cost. There is a cost of \$150 per business to participate, but if this amount is a barrier, notify us as part of your application, as we don't want cost to be an obstacle to businesses applying or participating," explained Ross.

### Key dates:

- Applications OPEN NOW
- Applications close Friday 18 June 2021
- Applicants notified of outcome Wednesday 30 June 2021
- Program begins Tuesday 13 July 2021

### More information:

For enquiries about the program, payment assistance and the application process please contact Executive Officer Shannon Burdeu [executiveofficer@mdcb.com.au](mailto:executiveofficer@mdcb.com.au)

[mdcb.com.au](http://mdcb.com.au) or 0478 435 110. For information about the course content, contact

Clare Fountain (*Sorted*): [sorted@clarefountain.com.au](mailto:sorted@clarefountain.com.au) or 0418 140 347.



### Community Bank Maldon & District

### Supporting your community

When you bank with Community Bank Maldon & District profits pour back into the community.

Apply now for our Business Action Program. A tailored small-business program to help you recover, reshape and rebound after COVID-19.

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Call us on 5475 1747 or [www.maldoncb.com.au](http://www.maldoncb.com.au) to apply.

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## Acknowledging the additional work of volunteers in keeping us all COVID-safe



☆ Lisa with Newstead CFA Volunteers.

**L**ast year, we recognised the important role that volunteers played whilst we were in the grips of the coronavirus pandemic.

Volunteers stepped up to help deliver food packages, check-in on vulnerable

community members and assist in the health response to the pandemic. It showed us how flexible, adaptable and vital our volunteers are to our community, even during the toughest days of the coronavirus response.

I want to again give a heartfelt thank you to all

volunteers in the region. The Maldon community has always had a strong commitment to volunteering and last year was no exception. I know from talking with many of these organisations, and their volunteers, the pride and pleasure they get from contributing towards

building and supporting a strong, inclusive and vibrant community.

There is no doubt that the coronavirus pandemic fundamentally changed volunteering as we know it. But service organisations across Maldon, Castlemaine and beyond have met the challenge head on - adapting service delivery models to continue to serve the needs of our communities and constantly evolving to meet new restrictions and requirements.

Across Central Victoria, our volunteers really are unsung heroes of our communities. Recent ANZAC Day services highlight the commitment and dedication of RSL members in our region. Whereas last year, RSLs across our state and the country adapted to physically distant commemorative services, this year

services looked different again. With attendance registers, social distancing and lots of hand sanitiser, it would've been impossible to predict that the ANZAC day of 2021 would be like this two years ago. It is a testament to those who organised this year's services that they went ahead, feeling familiar and connected once again.

This is not a unique experience for service organisations, with many requiring COVID-safe plans and fundamental changes to how they provide services. It is so important that we recognise the additional burden volunteers must shoulder to ensure community events and services remain COVID-safe.

But it is also important, now, as our lives begin to resume some sense of normalcy, to recognise the role that

community organisations and the numerous numbers of volunteers that support them are continuing to have in reconnecting, rebuilding and re-establishing services and events in our region.

There is something beautiful about being around community members who are passionate about working towards a common greater good. I encourage you to think about volunteering, or if you are not able, to think about supporting service organisations in our region. Many provided invaluable community services last year, while others did it tough and are on their own road to recovery. If we can all try to support an organisation that supported us, then we are all better off.

**Lisa Chesters**

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## THANKING ALL THE VOLUNTEERS FOR THEIR DEDICATION TO OUR COMMUNITY

Federal Member for Bendigo

**LISA CHESTERS MP**

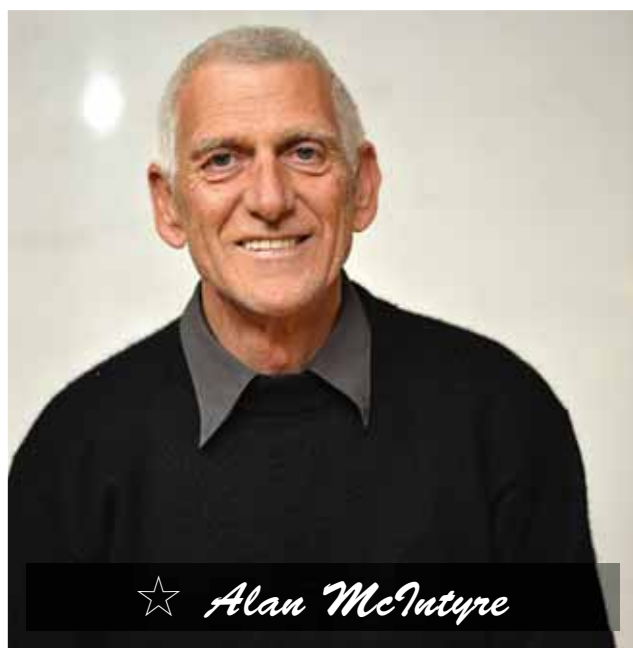
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## Maldon Fire Brigade Senior Members



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☆ *Alan Shepherd*



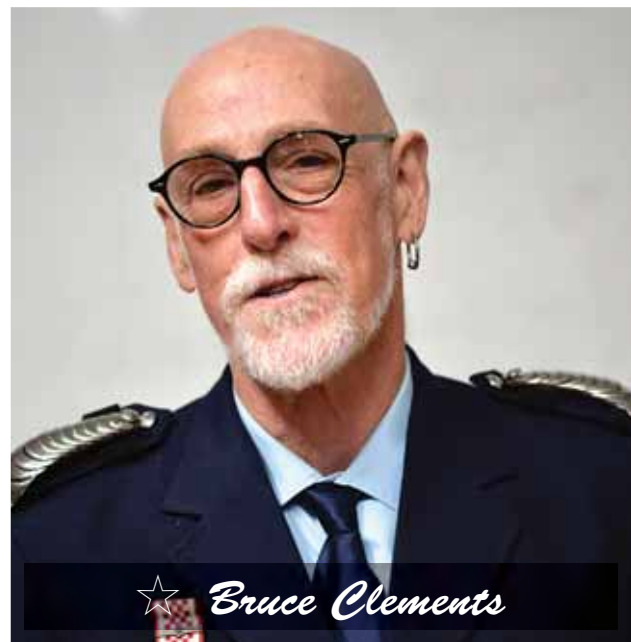
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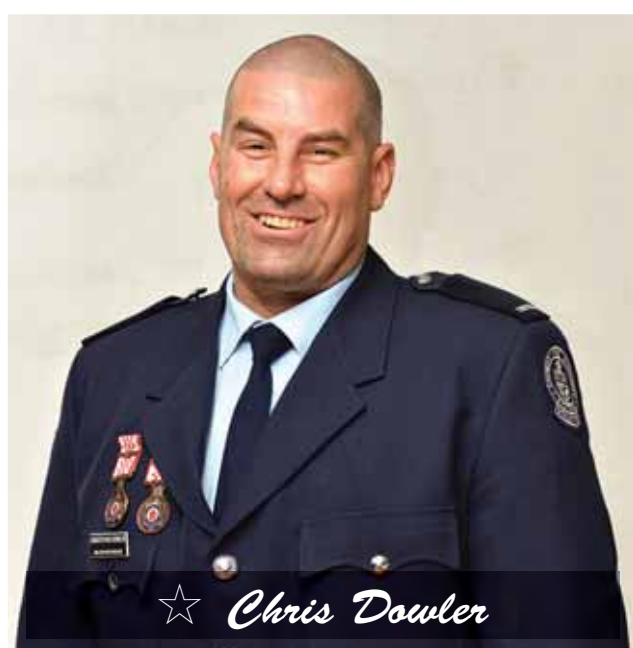
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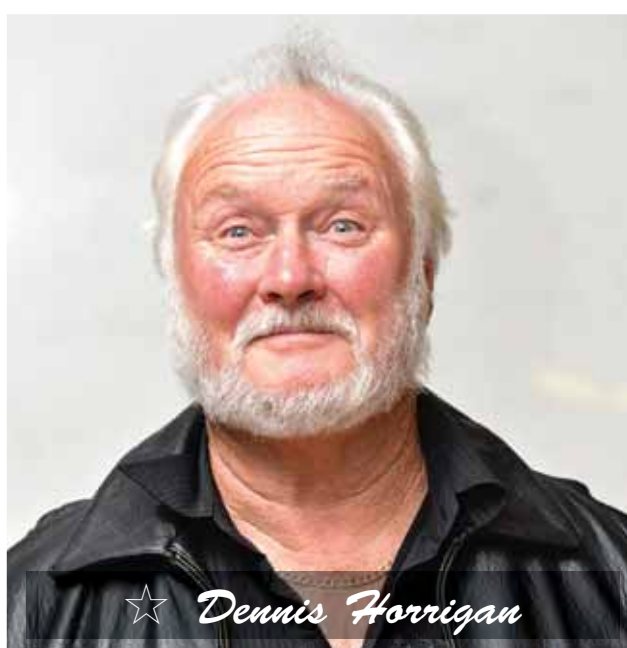
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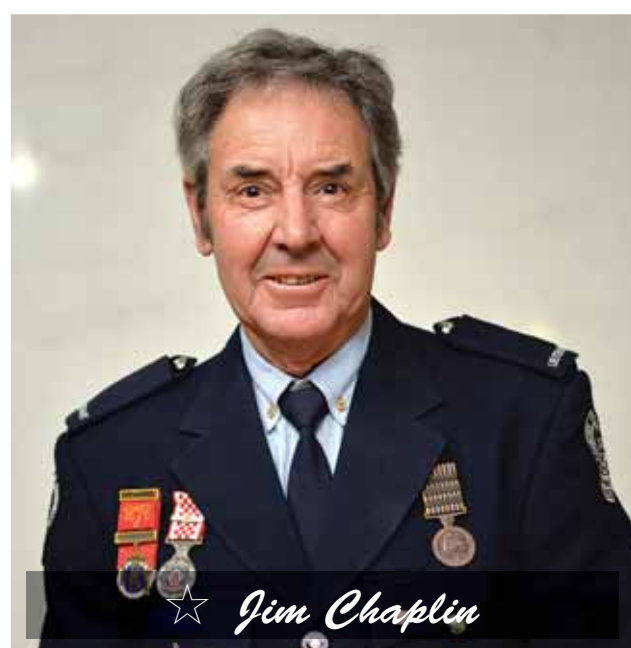
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☆ *Chris Dowler*



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☆ *Jim Chaplin*



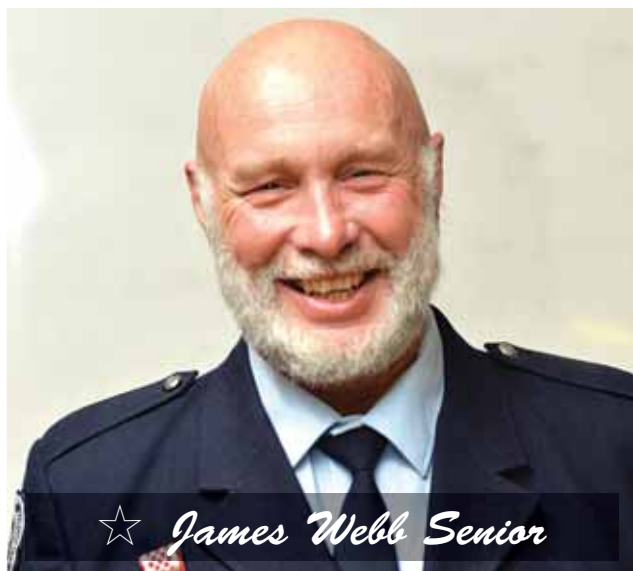
**THANK YOU!**  
**Volunteers of the Maldon Fire Brigade.**  
 New enrolments always welcome.

Contact Maldon Captain: 0408 132 591





## Maldon Fire Brigade Senior Members



☆ *James Webb Senior*



☆ *Keith Stancombe*



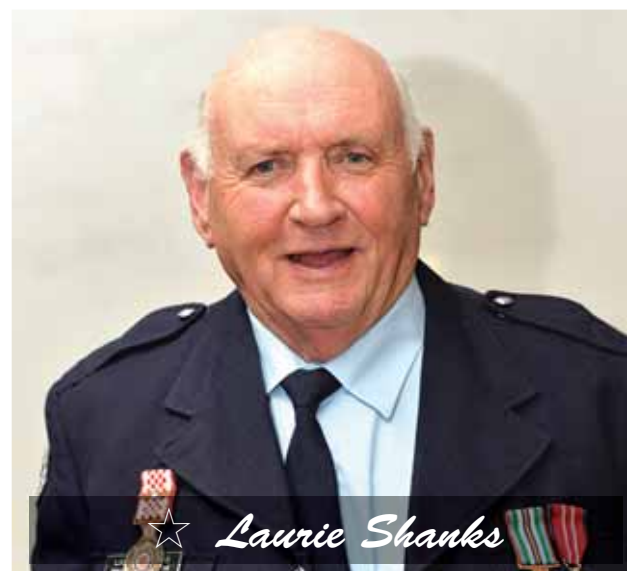
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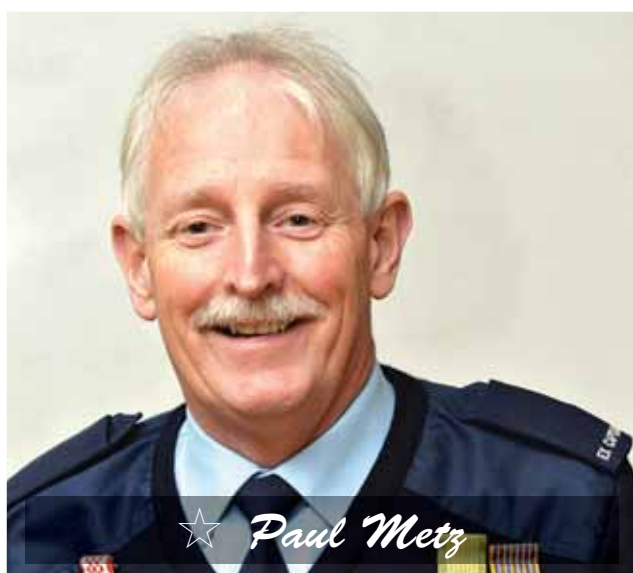
☆ *Roger Curran*



☆ *Anthony French*



☆ *Laurie Shanks*



☆ *Paul Metz*



☆ *Neil McKnight*



☆ *Luke Chaplin*



☆ *Sean McCubbin*

# THANK YOU!

Volunteers of the  
 Maldon Fire Brigade.

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☆ *Julien Harrison*



## Bill Woodfull Reserve Committee

## Maldon Golden Movies

## Maldon Brass Band



☆ Local resident Graham Thomas is President of the Bill Woodfull Reserve Committee.

**T**he President of the Bill Woodfull Reserve Committee is Maldon resident Graham Thomas. He and other Community members of the Committee represent the community at large and user groups - the football, netball and tennis clubs.

"While Council keeps the oval mown and maintained, the Committee receives funding to keep the rest of the grounds in good condition," Graham said. "We also work together to ensure that the buildings are in good repair."

"Although we receive funding annually, we always need more funds. The footy clubrooms are available to hire for social functions. We also hire the oval out to the Neighbourhood Centre to run the market. These contributions help all financially in supporting the Reserve."

The Bill Woodfull Reserve contains three well-used sporting areas: the footy oval, netball courts and tennis courts. It is also home to the historic Maldon courthouse building and bushland containing valuable old trees that predate European settlement.

This year the Easter Fair accessed the oval to hold their Dancing In The Street event. It was just a one-off due to remaining COVID restrictions, but it highlights the importance of the Reserve.

"The Reserve is a special place. It is a significant part of the community," Graham said. "We are keen for the community-minded people to join us on the Committee to help us maintain the Bill Woodfull Reserve on Maldon's behalf." If you would like to contribute, you can call Graham on 0414 343 766.

### BILL WOODFULL RESERVE COMMITTEE

It's a special place and an important part of the community - join us on the Committee and help us maintain the Bill Woodfull Reserve on Maldon's behalf.



Phone Graham: 0414 343 766



☆ Graham (MGM President) standing, with MGM members Ross (at back), Rob, Evelyn, Nancy and Ines seated.

**L**ike most clubs and community groups, Maldon Golden Movies endured a pretty non-existent 2020 season with the lockdown starting soon after the first screening for the year in February.

Luckily, as film lovers, we were more fortunate than most in being able to hunker down with the smorgasbord offered by Netflix and Stan to weather the pandemic. To help maintain interest throughout those difficult times, MGM published a weekly film review for suggested viewing in the *Tarrangower Times*.

Apart from their regular monthly screenings, MGM also presents films for community and special interest groups in conjunction with the Neighbourhood Centre. Plans are currently underway to screen one of the two excellent new releases about dementia as a part of a wider dementia awareness campaign.

As with life in general post-COVID, there have been some changes to film nights. Sadly we can no longer bring food to share but fortunately, wine, beer, soft drinks, crisps and ice creams are all still available at the bar. Membership remains at an extraordinarily low \$25 a year for 11 movies and the occasional added treat. People who paid for last year will have their memberships rolled over to this year. We always welcome new members. If you are interested in the movies and think you might enjoy being part of MGM, you would be most welcome to join our committee. It only involves one short afternoon meeting a month to plan the program and then the evening of the actual screening. It's all very informal and often quite zany!

Check out details of the monthly movie on the third Thursday of each month - details are always in the *Tarrangower Times* or ring Ines on 0421 909 835 for further information. Lights! Camera! Action! See you at the movies!

### Maldon Golden Movies

Join us on the third Thursday of each month to watch a wide range of movies for the amazing value of \$25 a year! Call Ines on 0421 909 835 for membership details.



Maldon Neighbourhood Centre



☆ The Maldon Brass Band at this year's ANZAC Day march in Maldon.

**W**hat hobbies are on your bucket list? Research shows that starting a new hobby later in life has a positive impact on the brain. It can have a positive effect on health and wellbeing too.

It can also be a great way to get involved in your local community. If you've always wanted to master an instrument, maybe this is the time to follow your dream.

The Maldon Brass Band is always looking for new members. They would be happy to arrange free tuition and provide access to an instrument. The Band practises most Tuesday nights at the Maldon Community Centre from 7.30pm.

This Easter, with the COVID-19 restrictions eased, the Band was able to participate in the Easter Fair. They performed on Good Friday at the Open Air Combined Church Service at the Beehive Chimney. They followed this by playing at the Saturday morning market, then their much-loved concert at the Maldon Shire Gardens Rotunda on Easter Sunday. Their performance at the Grand Procession capped off the festive weekend.

The Maldon Brass Band has been a constant throughout Maldon's history since being formed in 1863. Band members enjoy entertaining the community and visitors throughout the year. Carols by Candlelight in December is one of the highlights.

If you would like to join this community-minded Band contact Daniel Clarke on 0409 166 388 or email: maldonbrassband@gmail.com.

### MALDON BRASS BAND

Band Practice at Maldon Community Centre most Tuesday nights at 7.30pm. Free tuition & instruments available.



New members most welcome  
If you are interested in joining the Band or wanting to learn a brass instrument  
Go to: <https://maldon.band/>



Let's RECOGNISE, celebrate and thank volunteers for the vital role they play in our lives



Upload your wave of appreciation to social media #NVW2021 #waveforvolunteers



## Maldon Men's Shed



☆ Happy days at the Maldon Men's Shed.

**W**hen you join the Maldon Men's Shed, you not only become a member of a local and national organisation. You have access to a great workshop and facilities, and have support and friendship of new mates. You also have access to the latest information on men's health. Lastly, you can become a volunteer with a say in which events you are involved in and your level of involvement.

How do Men's Shed and its members volunteer? Last month it was the fundraiser at The Maldon Markets. We make and repair items for other community groups and people in need. Showing Maldon hospitality just before the lockdown, the group welcomed 400 people from the Daniher Drive to Fight MND. Driving the bus for the Maldon Folk Festival is another fundraiser. You can never underestimate the entertainment you can get from this, especially on the last night shift.

The Men's Shed is primarily a meeting place for men, a place to learn, use and pass on skills. But, for The Maldon Men's Shed, men's health is a vital issue with regular expert presentations. Last month there was a talk from Black Dog, and coming up is a presentation on dementia.

New members, guests and visitors are always welcome - whether you want to work on that special project, learn new skills, meet some like-minded people or just to have a game of pool, you are always welcome.

The shed is open on Wednesday 10am - 4pm and Saturday 9am - 12pm. To join or enquire, you can just turn up and introduce yourself or contact Secretary Barry Murfett at [maldon@mensshed.org](mailto:maldon@mensshed.org).

**Maldon Men's Shed**  
Rear of The Maldon Vintage  
Machinery Museum

**Now open Saturday & Wednesday**  
Visitors & New Members Welcome

Contact Barry Murfett 0403 352 753

## Maldon Primary School



☆ Maldon Croquet Club members volunteer their time to teach students the art of croquet.

**M**aldon Primary School provides our children with an excellent education. But, without volunteers, the students would miss out on the all-important extras such as the Easter Parade, involvement in the Croquet Club and the Woodwork Club. Volunteers are also invaluable when planning excursions to Art Galleries etc.

We have many parent volunteers who help with reading, excursions, camps, School Council and working bees, but it is the community volunteers who provide us with the opportunity to enrich the experiences of our students and to engage with the wider community.

Debra Watson from Maldon Primary told the *Times*, "A small snapshot of these volunteers are: Karen from Cascade Art volunteered her time to allow the kids to experience an Art exhibition and workshop. Kinga helped parents to decorate the Easter float and drove the truck for us. Maldon Croquet Club members volunteer their time to teach students the art of croquet and Peter from the RSL is helping students with woodwork projects.

"Along with this amazing community involvement there are the fundraisers including the School's major one for the year, The Folk Festival Market Day. This event just would not be possible if it wasn't for the team of hard working volunteers," Debra went on to say.

**MALDON**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

**THANK YOU** to our wonderful  
volunteers who give so much of their  
time - we appreciate your support and  
dedication.

*We value our partnerships with our  
families and the wider Maldon community.*

## Nuggetty Land Protection Group



☆ Nuggetty Land Protection Group members, large and small, gathered at the peace cairn: l. to r. Vivienne (holding Adamus), Jane, Gabe, Hannah, Christine and Ian.

**A**fter an enforced quiet year in 2020, the Nuggetty Land Protection Group is once again meeting on the first Wednesday of every month to discuss and plan our activities.

We are a diverse group, made up of 'blockies' and local farmers, with plenty of experience and knowledge to share. We care for our land and its history.

Our activities are quite varied and include weed control, nest box monitoring, revegetation and caring for the old Nuggetty School site and Peace Cairn, where we hold our ANZAC Day service each year. We conduct nature walks along the Shelbourne Railway track finishing at the Shelbourne Station and silo complex. We are currently working with the Loddon Shire to install interpretive signage which will be unveiled later this year.

Several calendars have been produced as a part of the history project we began a few years back and the process of transcribing all the oral histories is steadily progressing.

If you've read as far as this, you will understand that a Landcare group doesn't just 'plant trees'. Our members range in age from one - 90 plus and all have something to contribute.

For further information contact Christine Fitzgerald - [ckfitz5@bigpond.com](mailto:ckfitz5@bigpond.com) - 0419 347 408.

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Nuggetty and join our  
dedicated group.

Enq:  
Christine 0419 347 408



## Maree Edwards MP

State Member for Bendigo West

*"Celebrating the volunteers of Maldon, Newstead and Baringhup. Your community greatly appreciates your support and dedication"*

Authorised by M Edwards, 16 Lockwood Road, Kangaroo Flat  
Funded from Parliamentary Budget.

## Putting Community First

For information or assistance  
phone electorate office 5410 2444

[www.mareeedwards.com.au](http://www.mareeedwards.com.au)



## The Maldon Athenaeum Library



☆ Sue Lane, Brenda Shingles and Susana Menegatti - new volunteers at the Maldon Athenaeum.

### One hundred and fifty years of volunteering!

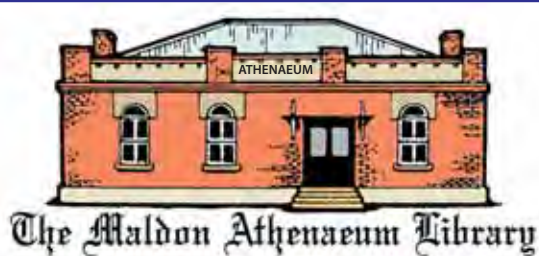
**T**he Maldon Athenaeum Community Library recently welcomed three new volunteers, Sue Lane, Brenda Shingles and Susana Menegatti.

They joined our amazing team of nearly 40 volunteers, some of whom have been giving their tireless time and support to Maldon's community library for more than 25 years. Without these volunteers, there would be no library. Sue, Brenda, and Susana had similar reasons for becoming volunteers. They are relatively new Maldon residents and wanted to become involved and participate in the community they now live in. Becoming a volunteer has enabled them to meet new people, make new friends and develop new interests and skills. Each found the library to be a friendly, peaceful oasis where they felt welcomed and privileged to become part of Maldon's living history. As Susana said, "Volunteering is also a way of leaving a small piece of yourself in the memory of such an important icon in Maldon". The library has been an essential part of Maldon's heritage for over 150 years.

Sue, Brenda, and Susana have enjoyed and appreciated the supportive guidance from the team of library volunteers who have generously passed on their years of knowledge and wisdom, continuing the tradition of freely giving service to our community and ensuring the continued future of this much-loved library.

The library committee thanks all of their past and present volunteers for their time, energy, and commitment. We welcome new members and volunteers to join us in keeping this valuable community institution alive and well.

The Athenaeum, Maldon's Community Library.



**The Maldon Athenaeum Library**  
97 High Street, Maldon  
E: maldonathenaeumlibrary@gmail.com  
W: maldonlibrary.org.au  
F: www.facebook.com/maldonathenaeumlibrary

## Wheel Cactus Warriors



☆ 'Cactus Warriors' help local Community and environment.

**T**he 'Cactus Warriors' are a group of volunteers dedicated to Landcare and the eradication of Wheel Cactus; a noxious weed infesting thousands of hectares across the Maldon, Baringhup, Nuggetty and Sandy Creek districts. The natural environments threatened includes not only farming land but also the Maldon Historic Reserve. Anyone concerned about the impact of Wheel Cactus infestations and preserving our unique environment can help by joining us at our friendly, informal community field days.

'Cactus Killing' field days are a great opportunity to spend a morning in the outdoors. Everyone is welcome, and the mornings always finish with a delicious BBQ and cuppa and friendly chat. In normal years we hold six field days at different local locations, but due to lockdowns, we've only recently held our first field day for 18 months. It seems like we've been reimagining this event for a very long time, but we thoroughly enjoyed reconnecting. And yes, we did still recognise everyone!

The Tarrangower Cactus Control Group also provides landholders with practical advice and assistance in combating Wheel Cactus infestations on their property. Please contact us on our website (cactuswarriors.org) if you'd like some help and advice for your property.

**Waging War on Wheel Cactus**

**Join the Wheel Cactus Warriors**  
*and spend a rewarding morning in the outdoors*

Contact us: [www.cactuswarriors.org](http://www.cactuswarriors.org)

**Tarrangower Cactus Control Group**

## Maldon Cemetery



☆ The historic Sexton's Cottage is open Wednesdays between 10am and 2pm for enquiries regarding family history research.

**T**he beautiful and historic Maldon Cemetery is managed by a volunteer Board of Trustees drawn from the local community.

Over the past 12 months, the Board has welcomed new members Christine Fitzgerald, Adrian Hughes, Jane Mitchell (dec), Garry Paige and Secretary, Ian Grenda. Jane gave the board energy and enthusiasm in the short time she was part of the team and, we miss her. Our long time board members Barrie McKnight, Neville Anders and Bill McKnight continue their dedicated service.

We're excited to say that the lifting of gathering restrictions due to COVID-19 has meant that we have been able to restart the Friends of the Maldon Cemetery (formerly known as the Maldon Cemetery Beautification Committee). And we have welcomed 14 enthusiastic Friends to our first Working Bee held at the end of April. Working Bees will be held regularly on the fourth Wednesday of the month from 9.30am to 11.30am (morning tea included!). We encourage you to sign up for our Volunteers and Friends Facebook group to keep track of all the goings-on.

The Cemetery Volunteer team also handle requests for information from researchers, family historians and members of the public. We also now have the historic Sexton's Cottage open for personal enquiries every Wednesday from 10am - 2pm. Research queries can also be lodged via email to [info@maldoncemetery.com](mailto:info@maldoncemetery.com) Please note that there is a fee attached for research work - \$15.00.

Come and visit or lookout for one of our guided tours which will restart soon.

### NEXT MALDON CEMETERY FRIENDS WORKING BEE

**Wednesday, 26 May from 9.30am - 11.30am.**

Please come out and help get our historic cemetery clean, weed free and blooming! 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.



**80 Shelbourne Road, Maldon 0408 599 173**

**Thompson family Funerals**

Castlemaine & District Funeral Parlors

123 Mostyn St., Castlemaine 5472 2202



- The family that cares -

Peter Thompson and family of Thompson family Funerals thank all the volunteers for their dedication and hard work in strengthening our community.

*Compassion Respect Understanding*





## Maldon Neighbourhood Centre



**HONOURING VOLUNTEERS**

SOLO CONCERT BY CLASSICAL GUITARIST CLANCY MCLEOD

**SUNDAY 23 MAY 5.30PM**  
MALDON NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE (MNC)

An invitation to all MNC volunteers

Supper included

FREE Bookings: 54752093 or info@maldonnc.org.au

**W**e wish to celebrate and acknowledge the wonderful contributions of Maldon Neighbourhood Centre volunteers and everyone who gives their time to the Tarrangower Community.

We have invited Clancy McLeod to perform a solo classical guitar concert followed by a light supper on Sunday, 23 May, for National Volunteer Week 2021.

The theme for National Volunteer Week 2021 is Recognise. Reconnect. Reimagine.

"The theme is so relevant this year," explained Amy Atkinson, Coordinator at Maldon Neighbourhood Centre. "We want to thank our many volunteers for sticking with us through the challenging COVID shutdowns and welcome them back now we are delivering all programs again."

The Maldon Neighbourhood Centre is community-run, led by a volunteer governance committee. Community members can participate in working groups, advisory groups and day-to-day volunteering; driving the community bus, helping at community lunch, in the garden or on reception at the Centre are just some examples.

"Volunteering is a great way to meet people and get connected, and it also provides new experience, skills and pathways to employment," said Amy.

There are many opportunities to get involved with the Maldon Neighbourhood Centre, so please get in touch if you are interested in volunteering with us.

National Volunteer Week runs from Monday 17 to Sunday 23 May. It seems fitting to finish with a celebration honouring volunteers.

Clancy McLeod has recently returned to Maldon, his hometown, after studying and performing in the UK. Clancy has participated in Guitar Competitions throughout the world, placing in the top three of the London Strings Competition and second in the 3MBS 'The Talent Competition'. He has made it to the final round of the 2020 Adelaide International Guitar Competition. The concert will start at 5.30pm to be followed by a light supper. All welcome, but bookings are essential.

We warmly invite all Tarrangower volunteers to the celebration. Book your spot now on 54752093 or info@maldonnc.org.au.



**Thank-you!**

Our deepest appreciation to Maldon Neighbourhood Centre's amazing volunteers and all those who give their time to the Tarrangower community.

## Freemasons Maldon



☆ Past Master of Maldon's Southern Cross Lodge, Peter Thompson. "Freemasonry is about service to the community and helping others," he said.

**T**HE Maldon Freemasons is a group of volunteers with a difference. Not everyone can join - women can't become members. Although if women would like to join, they can become a member at the Eaglehawk Lodge. It is a mixed lodge that welcomes women as well as men.

The current Maldon lodge opened in 1980. The Village Patch occupies the old Masonic Lodge building. Before that, the town's freemasons met at the Royal Theatre, which is now the Christmas Shop. You can still see the masonic symbols on the ceiling.

Freemasons Victoria is an organisation of good men, supporting each other, their families and the community. Freemasons in Victoria have been active in the community for over 170 years, enabling personal development, creating lasting friendships, and supporting the community.

The aim is to pursue their personal development by working towards the betterment of all humanity through widespread community involvement while offering support at all levels, from local fundraising to international relief supports.

Freemasonry is a fraternal organisation that accepts all religions. It doesn't matter what religion you are, provided that you believe in a higher being.

Maldon's Lodge draws members from other towns, including Castlemaine, Newstead and Kangaroo Flat. The Lodge has some younger members on the books, and family and friends often participate in social nights.

You will see Maldon Masonic Lodge members out there volunteering in numerous ways around our town throughout the year. If you are interested in joining the Lodge, you can contact Peter on 5472 2202.



**FREEMASONS MALDON**

Be part of a lasting legacy  
Supporting each other, their families and the community.

Meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday every month at 7.30pm  
**Contact Peter on 5472 2202**

## Maldon Garden Club



☆ Maldon Garden Club members Carmel, Tracey and Ruth.

**T**he Maldon Garden, Floral Art and Craft Club was established in Maldon many years ago. It now has a membership of about 60 and is run entirely by volunteers.

The Garden Club meets at 2pm on the second and third Monday of the month in the Folk Festival rooms in High Street, opposite the park. We exchange ideas and information about gardening. We often invite a speaker to address us on a gardening topic or demonstrate in their area of expertise. We also visit gardens near and far. Visits to nurseries are enjoyed by all, especially if they are further afield. We carpool to help out members who are not keen to drive and it's a fun way to get to know each other.

We usually have a weekend away, which a couple of our members voluntarily organise each year. Members who have chosen to participate have had some amazing trips to wonderful gardens further afield in Victoria. In 2019 we visited Sophie Thompson's (of ABC Gardening fame) garden in South Australia.

Each year our program includes a 'Big Event' in July, where we invite a notable gardening expert to speak on a chosen gardening topic. We have 100 guests at this event. We treat the guests to a wonderful country afternoon tea, with garden-related stalls and many fantastic raffle prizes for them to enjoy. This year Penny Woodward is our gardening expert. A writer of over 20 gardening books, she is also a guest on the ABC radio gardening series.

Tickets will be on sale on 1 June for this ever-popular day. Contact Carmel 0417 014 763 or carmelnaismith@gmail.com.

The Maldon Garden, Floral Art and Craft Club is a truly wonderful club that has continued due to the participation and volunteering of its many members over the years. We have fun, learn, socialise and enjoy a few laughs.

**MALDON GARDEN CLUB**

Welcomes you to a presentation by

**PENNY WOODWARD**

Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 at 1pm to 4pm  
Maldon Community Centre, 6 Francis St, Maldon

**DELICIOUS AFTERNOON TEA**

Tickets \$35 including 3 Raffle Tickets  
Available from 1<sup>st</sup> June

Carmel 0417 014 763 - carmelnaismith@gmail.com



## Mayor thanks our 'community champions'



☆ **Left:** Council Social Support volunteer David Sime helps people connect to the digital world with their phones, tablets, laptops and desk computers. He is pictured here helping Ann with her new phone.

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Cordy invited people to join him in offering a special wave of appreciation to all who volunteer across the shire. Without them and their example, the shire would be much the poorer, he said.

During National Volunteer Week, community members are also invited to:

Head to the Castlemaine Emergency Response Expo

from 10.30am to 2pm on Saturday 22 May. See displays and meet first responders such as the SES, CFA, Ambulance Victoria and Victoria Police, and other organisations dedicated to preventing an emergency or providing emergency relief and support.

There was a celebration for the relaunch of Connect Mount Alexander on 20 May at the Castlemaine Library.

The website has been revised to create an improved online community space. It features a community directory and events calendar, as well as a source for community support, services, resources and information. To check out the website go to: <https://connectmountalexander.com.au/>.

For more information visit [www.mountalexander.vic.gov.au](http://www.mountalexander.vic.gov.au).

## Newstead Walks and Wheels



☆ Are you interested in contributing to the development of long-distance trails linking neighbouring towns/villages?

**T**he purpose of Newstead Walks and Wheels is to develop a series of local walking and wheeling options for the community and visitors. Where feasible, they also aim to make them accessible for users of wheelchairs/mobility scooters/prams and pushers.

They are also interested in contributing to the development of long-distance trails, which link to neighbouring towns/villages.

Jen from Newstead Walks and Wheels told the *Times*, "We are always seeking more volunteers to assist with a range of tasks."

"Mapping new routes for walking and cycling, developing brochures and online information, signage projects and organising community walks (in association with CHIRP) are some of these tasks."

So please consider joining our volunteer team of Flynn, Jase, Steve, Geoff, Dean, Peter, Andrew, Darryl, Linda, Genevieve and Jen in developing opportunities for locals and visitors to be physically active in Newstead.

A big thank you for the pro bono support from Pollen Studio, Community Cartography and Chrystal Graphics and also to The Healthy Heart of Victoria initiative for funding to support our current walks.

If you would like any further information, please contact Jen on 0438 568 736.

## Newstead Walks and Wheels

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## Maldon Hospital



☆ Maldon Hospital showing their thanks to volunteers.

**M**aldon Hospital would like to take this opportunity to recognise and demonstrate our appreciation for the contribution our volunteers make. Not only to our residents and staff but also to our community as a whole.

This year has been significantly difficult for the aged care sector. Many of our volunteers were not allowed to be on-site due to COVID restrictions.

Our residents have genuinely missed the volunteers who add so much quality to their lives.

Our staff have also greatly missed the support and care of our volunteers. They are valued members of the Maldon Hospital family.

Happily, we are now able to welcome our volunteers back. Although this transition is fluid - we may need to stop and start our volunteer involvement, depending on Health Department advice.

We are keen to recruit more volunteers to help with residential care or assisting transporting residents and community members and driving our community bus. There are requirements such as documentation, police checks and volunteer training. These requirements ensure that our facility is maintaining the safety of our residents. Our team can assist you in navigating all of this if you choose to offer your time in what is often a rewarding endeavour. If you are interested, please contact hospital reception on 5475 2000 and arrange to collect a volunteer pack.



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## Castlemaine SES



☆ Don't miss the Castlemaine Emergency Response Expo Saturday, 22 May at Western Reserve, Castlemaine.

**M**aldon residents are invited to head along to the Castlemaine Emergency Response Expo at Western Reserve on Saturday, 22 May, from 10.30am - 2pm to get ready and be prepared for an emergency. It's a unique opportunity to meet first responders and find out more from those organisations dedicated to preventing an emergency or providing emergency relief and support.

Come and talk to your local emergency services and find out firsthand about basic CPR, home fire safety and how to be prepared for bushfires, flood and storm events. You can see the display of the emergency vehicles and equipment. You can also watch the SES conduct a live vehicle rescue demonstration.

Do you think you could help out in a crisis? Talk to emergency service volunteers and staff about the wide range of roles available.

It takes tens of thousands of dedicated volunteers from across the state to provide emergency assistance 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. We would like to thank all the awesome SES, CFA and CERT volunteers and their amazing families who make this possible.

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## Maldon Vintage Machinery Museum



☆ Alan Miller, pictured with the Cornelius Pettet engine - the only one of its type left in the world.

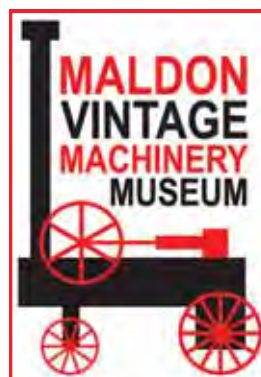
**T**his museum is Machinery heaven, with many of its treasures in working order. There is an extensive collection of agricultural machinery, from crosscut saws and artefacts and all sorts of engines, threshers, ploughs, harrows, sorters, tillers, sheep equipment and hay equipment.

The Maldon Vintage Machinery Museum works with the Maldon Men's Shed, Goldfields Railway, Maldon Easter Fair, Maldon Inc., Maldon Fire Brigade and many other organisations within the community that promote history and tourism and who work together for the good of the community at large.

Growing numbers of the general public visiting the museum continue to marvel at how past generations at Thompsons were able to design and manufacture machinery used for the extraction of gold, power generation, water and sewage transfer, rail and marine engines, to name a few.

Entry is by donation. The museum hosts an engine rally each Easter at their home in Vincents Road, Maldon. Along with the Mount Alexander Vintage Engine Club, the Walmer Fire Brigade and the Victorian Goldfields Railway, the museum runs Muckfest at Muckleford yearly. Along with these well-loved events, the museum space also hosts the popular Steampacket Events during the year.

The members are very proud of what they have achieved in just a few years of hard work and dedication. The Maldon Vintage Machinery Museum is always looking to welcome volunteers. So, if you have an interest in vintage machinery or would like to spend some time helping out, contact their secretary at [secretary@maldonmachinery.com.au](mailto:secretary@maldonmachinery.com.au) or phone 5472 2202.



If you enjoy old working machinery, you'll enjoy volunteering with us.

**Join up!**

Cnr. Vincents Road & Phoenix St, Maldon  
**Ph. 5472 2202**

## Maldon Folk Festival



☆ Willy from Claymore with Mandy Connell.

### Volunteering with benefits

**T**his year we celebrate the 47th Maldon Folk Festival. The festival will begin at 6pm Friday 29 October and run until 11.30pm Monday 1 November.

The Line up this year includes Gina Jeffreys, Claymore, Rich Davies & The Low Road, Greg Champion, and Albie and The Wolves from NZ.

Our volunteers and families that billet performers are the backbone of the festival. Their role is invaluable in welcoming performers and visitors from across the country and overseas. Each volunteer or person who billets will receive weekend tickets to the festival.

Volunteers do a total of six hours in two-hour shifts in dedicated teams. These responsibilities include - office ticket scanning, ticket sales, performer merchandise sales, wristband checking at the venue doors, set-up (from Wednesday onwards) and pack up on Monday.

Our billets welcome performers into their homes and often make long term friendships. InesJewell and Rob Jorritsma, who have been billeting for many years, commented, "It is a win-win situation. We have formed great friendships with performers over the years. As a bonus, we receive weekend passes. We would recommend billeting to anyone."

It is an opportunity to assist with this long-standing community event. As a bonus, you will be able to attend some excellent concerts.

If you would like to assist, please ring or email Pam 0421 643 478, [pamlonsmgt@gmail.com](mailto:pamlonsmgt@gmail.com).



## Maldon RSL



☆ RSL march down High Street. ANZAC Day 2021.

**O**ur Maldon RSL Sub Branch celebrated its 100th birthday in May 2020. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, celebrations were not possible. It was better late than never when on 13 March 2021, members finally caught up for a formal dinner to celebrate.

The RSL was founded in 1916 to provide comradeship and support to Australia's veterans and their families.

Their mission is to provide the best possible support and services to all generations of Veterans in Victoria.

The RSL works to ensure that every Veteran in Victoria is respected and supported, together with their families.

Empathy, Tradition, Integrity, Mateship, Transparency, Compassion, Respect are powerful motto words for a powerful group.

Annually on 26 April, the Maldon RSL Sub Branch holds the dawn ANZAC Day Service, followed by a hearty breakfast provided by the members in their hall behind the Athenaeum Library. The main Service on ANZAC Day is held at 11am in the Shire Gardens.

Maldon RSL Sub Branch has an impressive membership of over 50 paid up members. Members fundraising efforts have financed the maintenance of the building, where the non-profit organisation meets every second Friday of the month.

If you would like to find out more or would like to join, contact Brian Fitzgerald on 0421 324 893 or Sharon Telford on 0409 434 851.



Maldon RSL Sub-Branch meets every second Friday of the month at 3pm in the building at the rear of the Athenaeum Library.

**Thanking our generous volunteers for all of their hard work. They are very much appreciated.**

**If you would like to join, phone the Sub-Branch Secretary on 0409 434 851**

# Tarrangower Times

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To our proofreaders Beth and Mike, and all those who provide articles, sports reports, photos, letters, encouragement and news tips, our sincere thanks.

Your contribution is greatly valued, and makes the *TT* a true community newspaper.

*Jeff and Karen*



## CHIRP Community Health



☆ Some of CHIRP Community Health's Maldon Walking Group volunteers Brenda Shingles, David Morland and David Elliot

**CHIRP Community Health recognises the generous contribution of volunteers this National Volunteer Week, 17 - 23 May.**

Di Couch, CEO of CHIRP Community Health, describes volunteers as an integral part of the organisation.

"Our 81 volunteers assist with administration and support programs such as Walking Groups, Tai Chi Groups, Youth Mentoring, Companion Walking, Strength Training, Community Friends, Respect Ambassadors, Nordic Pole Walking and Housing. A big thank you to every one of our volunteers for their contribution to creating a healthier community in Mount Alexander Shire. Our community has a rich legacy of volunteerism, and it's been heartening to see the ongoing support from our volunteers during the COVID-19 pandemic. Many of our volunteers took up informal roles to help others during the pandemic while taking care to stay safe. More recently, volunteers have adapted to their usual roles, but in a COVID-safe way."

For further information about current volunteering opportunities with CHIRP Community Health, call 5479 1000 or visit: [https://chirp.org.au/category\\_volunteers/volunteers/](https://chirp.org.au/category_volunteers/volunteers/).



**Thank You to all of our volunteers!**

Your support for our Administration, Housing, L2P, Nordic Pole Walking, Strength Groups, Tai Chi, Walking Groups and Youth Mentoring all contribute to a healthier community.

## Maldon Easter Fair



☆ The Maldon Easter Fair is one of the town's most treasured institutions.

**The Maldon Easter Fair is a unique and treasured event and is Australia's oldest continuous Easter Fair.**

Each year, the Easter Fair Committee holds a range of low-cost, family-friendly events popular with locals and visitors. They include firm favourites such as the scone bake, the ecumenical church service, the hole in one, the concert, the street market and of course, the grand parade.

Last year was very different. COVID-19 restrictions prevented most of the 2020 Maldon Easter Fair events from taking place, but we did develop the online church service and continued the Monday Easter Parade with a first ever online Easter Parade.

But this year, although some events could not take place, the fair went ahead! The scone bake relocated to the courtyard of the Maldon Hotel. COVID-19 requirements meant that numbers needed monitoring. Dancing in the Street became 'Dancing on the Woody' when moved to the footy oval for the same reason. Both events were highly successful and delighted locals and visitors alike. The grand parade was a great success as usual.

The weather smiled favourably on the event, with near-perfect days over the entire weekend. The Maldon Easter Fair volunteers work hard towards making this event successful each year. They have already begun planning the 2022 Easter Fair!



Proud to be volunteers.

Come and join us

- you'll be most welcome!

Enq. 0408 146 537

## Health Column

### Dealing with cold sores



☆ Trent Twomey.

**COLD sores are a common condition that many people suffer from, and one which can recur repeatedly as the herpes virus 'hides' in the nerve cells and can be triggered by factors including cold weather, fever, illness and fatigue.**

A tingling sensation in the affected area is often the first sign of an emerging cold sore.

Triggers for cold sores can include:

- sunburn or too much sun
- stress
- cold weather
- menstruation
- fever
- some foods
- tiredness
- exposure to wind

There are four main stages of the cold sore virus.

1. Prodromal stage — when the cold sore virus is activated, people may feel a tingling, burning feeling around the lips or nose.
2. Blister stage — as the virus multiplies, small red swollen areas appear on the skin. These then turn into blisters, which may last for a few days.
3. Ulceration stage — the blisters burst and fluid seeps out. At this stage the

virus is very contagious.

4. Crusting stage — the blister dries up and becomes crusty, with the scab usually clearing up within seven days.

According to the National President of the Pharmacy Guild of Australia, Trent Twomey, at the first sign of a cold sore you need to speak to your community pharmacist who can provide advice of any treatment which may be suitable for you.

While cold sores are usually just an annoying — and often unsightly — problem for most of us, people with some types of immune-suppression are at an additional risk of the sores spreading and this may result in severe symptoms which may require special medicine.

Complications that require treatment can include bacterial infections which are at times characterised by redness around the blisters, a fever and pus developing within the blisters.

Professor Twomey warned that cold sores can spread to the eyes, fingers or other parts of the body.

"A cold sore in the eye requires immediate medical attention as sight can be affected if it is left untreated," he said.

"Avoiding cold sores is difficult as there is no cure for them but we can reduce the risk by avoiding known triggers.

"Wearing sun screens on the face, avoiding stress and getting run down, and looking after your general health are good basic defences."

Another defence is avoiding activities which transmit the virus — especially in the first few days when the blister begins to form which is when it is at its most infectious. Direct contact or via saliva are among the most common ways of transmitting the virus.

Kissing and contact with the blisters should be avoided but also people with cold sores should not share toothbrushes, cups and glasses, cutlery, towels and so on.

Your community pharmacist can advise and help you to deal with cold sores so don't hesitate to ask them for help at the first sign of a cold sore emerging.

**Pharmacy Guild of Australia**

## Female Councillors

**RESPECT, integrity and trust across local councils will be strengthened through a wide-ranging review of cultural issues backed by the State Government.**

Local Government Minister Shaun Leane announced the review this week.

The discussion paper will look into the history of the culture in local government and ways to promote a more positive and inclusive work environment.

In particular, it will consider ways to make local government a more welcoming and safe environment for women, following

a Victorian Auditor-General's Office report that found more than one in four councillors and council staff had experienced sexual harassment in the past 12 months.

"The vast majority of councils and councillors do a fantastic job for their communities, but there have been examples of poor behaviour and bad governance in recent times — not just in Victoria but across the country," Mr Leane said.

"I strongly believe that by working together we can improve the culture overall. Our goal should be to put out a clear message that, as a sector, we won't accept poor

behaviour."

A series of workshops with the local government sector will follow, with the final report due to be published in the last quarter of 2021.

Mr Leane also announced further support for women in local government, increasing the government's support for the Australian Local Government Women's Association mentoring program to \$41,000.

The funding will support 60 new women councillors in this term of council and provide opportunities for leaders in the sector to be trained as mentors.

## Grants to control gorse

**PROPERTY managers, their neighbours or local Landcare groups can now apply for up to \$5,000 in grants to help combat gorse in your local area.**

The Victorian Gorse Taskforce will support groups, starting from just two landholders, who are genuinely willing to control gorse and keep it under control.

VGT Chair Ron Cosgrave said if infestations of gorse are not controlled, they will continue to get worse. The time to start control is now.

"The VGT grant funding is about helping those who haven't received past incentives, have old stands of gorse

and need more support," Mr Cosgrave said.

"In a way it's like seed funding, a way to help landholders get the ball rolling in managing gorse."

Interested landholders not part of a Landcare group can come together to deliver a project on their own.

All landholders who receive grant funding must sign up to a three-year voluntary agreement to maintain their control.

The VGT 2021/22 community small grants program close on 28 May. For more information on how to apply, visit [www.vicgorsetaskforce.com.au/](http://www.vicgorsetaskforce.com.au/).



# TT Dine Out Directory

## BERRYMAN'S CAFÉ & TEA ROOMS - MALDON

30 Main Street - 5475 2904  
Open 7 days  
Full menu is available to take away.  
We also have some individual home-made frozen meals and we will soon be offering them in family size portions.

## DIG CAFE - NEWSTEAD

13 Lyons Street - 5476 2744  
Well known, well loved cafe with excellent food and coffee, fully licensed. Open 8.30am until 3.30pm each day and Friday nights for takeaway pizza from 5pm until 8pm. Bookings advisable at present on 5476 2744. [www.digcafe.com.au](http://www.digcafe.com.au)

## MALDON ROSE CAFE - MALDON

6 Main Street  
(formerly Zen Cafe)  
Everything baked on premise.  
All Press coffee, Harney & Sons tea.  
High teas available.  
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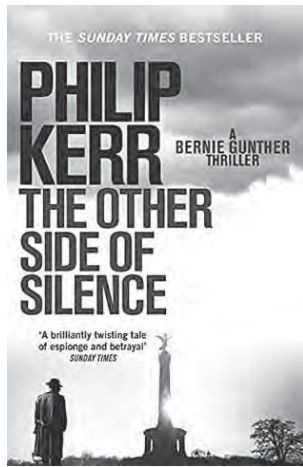
## You might enjoy one of these

A book just published this year is **A Crooked Tree**. This very different novel is written by American-born writer Una Mannion who now lives in County Sligo Ireland. This book has a scary theme which most of us would find impossible to imagine. When rage engulfs the car the driver, a mother with her five children in

the car, pulls to a halt and orders her small 12-year-old daughter to get out of the car and then drives away despite the screams and pleas of her other children. Some teasing between the children started an argument and the mother loses the plot. The child is abandoned at least six miles from her home and darkness is approaching. This terrible

incident changes everything for all the Gallagher children.

**The Other Side Of Silence** is a thriller by Philip Kerr. It's a twisting tale of espionage and betrayal with the setting being 1956 on the French Riviera. I find it intriguing when writers mix fictional stories with real life characters and this book is a prime example of that. Somerset Maugham becomes a target of a former Nazi commander, Harold Henning, who now lives from the proceeds of blackmail. A photograph of Maugham with a group of naked men including British spies, Guy Burgess and Donald Maclean, is held by Henning who is demanding \$50,000 for its release.



Burgess and Maclean had recently defected to Russia so this was another aspect to be considered.

**The Reader** is an older book written by Bernhard Schlink. It has been translated from the German into

English by Carol Brown Janeway in 1997. It's a serious book looking at the connections between Germany's past and its present (up to 1995 when it was first published in Germany) and it won praise across Europe for the tact and power with which it handles its material. It has been described by Ruth Rendell as 'Deeply moving, sensitive enough to make me wince, a holocaust novel but light years away from the common run.'

**Cross Fire** is by James Patterson. I've said it before but I have to say it again, I cannot believe the number of books written by Patterson! Every time we find a new one I think, 'It can't be!!' but

here we have another Alex Cross thrilling the Patterson readers with another chilling story. There is a sniper in Washington and he's already killed two corrupt and hated politicians so is he a murderer or a hero? As the media frenzy intensifies Alex Cross battles with a rival in the FBI as to the jurisdiction of the case. Alex Cross is also trying to plan his wedding as the killings begin so yet another difficulty for him.

Please remember to also look carefully on the shelves of the various genres and you may come across a book just waiting for you.

As always I hope that you enjoy your reading.  
**Joy Leneaux-Gale.**

## More pain in store for universities and TAFE, says Chesters

**BENDIGO MP, Lisa Chesters has written to the Prime Minister demanding answers on university and TAFE funding cuts hidden in last week's Federal Budget.**

"I've written to the Prime Minister demanding to know what impact his higher education funding cuts will have on our local LaTrobe University Bendigo campus and Bendigo TAFE," Ms Chesters said.

"I'm calling on the government to guarantee that cuts to higher education in this year's budget will not result in further job losses or course

cuts at our local higher education institutions."

Ms Chesters said last week's Federal Budget was a double blow to the higher education sector.

She said the Budget shows the Government is cutting university funding by 10 per cent over the coming years, with a cut of around \$430 million in the next two years alone.

Since the start of the pandemic, the Federal Government has locked universities out of JobKeeper, cut overall funding to the sector and introduced a higher education bill making

it harder and more expensive for students to go to university, Ms Chesters said.

"To top it all off, the Liberals have refused additional support to the sector, despite the budget showing that international borders are likely to remain closed until mid-2022.

"Universities have been brought to their knees by the Morrison government, and instead of using this Budget to help them, Scott Morrison has made further funding cuts."

More than 17,000 university workers have lost jobs since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic and universities lost an estimated \$1.8 billion in revenue

compared to 2019.

"The first round of volunteer redundancies in 2020 saw 239 La Trobe staff lose their jobs, including 25 from Bendigo. Since then, we have lost more jobs and courses. Additionally, more degrees and courses have been moved to an online only delivery model."

"I fear another ugly year for the higher education sector. "That's why, I have written to the Prime Minister, urging him to guarantee that there will be no further job losses or course cuts at LaTrobe University Bendigo Campus or Bendigo TAFE brought on as a result of the 2021 Federal Budget."

## A big thank you to our nurses

**MALDON Hospital was part of a celebratory day to mark International Nurses Day on Wednesday 12 May.**

"Amid the backdrop of the pandemic, this day assumes great significance for nurses," said Katrina Sparrow, the hospital's Director of Nursing.

"This past year we have seen multiple challenges both personally and professionally for nurses as they focused on keeping their patients, residents and community safe.

"The pandemic created multiple challenges for

nurses as they worked through fatigue, workforce challenges, upskilling and wearing full PPE for most of the year, however they showed resilience by rapidly adjusting their practice to adapt to the ever-changing environment of health delivery during these unprecedented times.

"Maldon Hospital nurses were amazing, often finding new ways of working and engaging including harnessing technology to support residents to stay connected."

## In Maldon Today



**TODAY we meet the remarkable Kate Hayward, who has lived a life of sustainability: growing produce and developing a garden-to-table lifestyle that's almost intimidating in its scope. Nancy and Mike will be asking the cheeky questions.**

Last week Nancy and Slat learned all about how Ian Cuming (pictured with Nancy), a relatively new Maldonian, changed course after studying Law at Melbourne University. He moved onto totally unrelated activities in North Yorkshire including farming, cheese making and working/living with people with disabilities. Ian eventually moved back to Australia

and worked as a Youth Worker in the Yarra Valley. Then he bought a kiwi fruit farm in Beenak, which he converted to Bio Dynamic certification, and sold fruit into the organic market through the Melbourne Farmers Markets, which involved running a business, accounting and marketing - all while learning on the job. Next Friday Alison and Kev meet Wendy of The Lolly Shop and find out what prompted her to forsake the sweets and move into crystals.

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## MALDON BRIDGE CLUB RESULTS

### A Running Double



**I wonder what the odds would have been if we had a bet on the 'running double' this week at Bridge? What is a Daily and Running Double you may well ask?**

Well known in racing circles but not so at the bridge tables! A Daily Double/Running Double requires you to pick the winning runner of two of the nominated double races on the race card. Doubles pay the nominated tote dividend.

I believe the odds would have been very short this week as the daily winners were certainly an odds-on bet as they partnered for the second consecutive week. Given their formidable form it was, as you say, 'a no-brainer' that they would 'streak' the field by a comfortable margin.

There were five tables in play and all players tried very hard to gain the extra trick or two required for a top score. Unfortunately, for some, defenders gained the advantage in final scoring which can be disappointing when partnerships work hard for a contract win. Such is the scoring system we use.

It is the belief that defenders should be rewarded!

We welcomed new player Peter Fitzpatrick who played well given it was his first try at bridge.

The scorers and computer operators were quickly onto the job to 'crunch' the numbers to find the winners and placegetters for the day. In first place came the call, are Maldon Elizabeth and Roger, starting at very short odds, who achieved a great scoring margin of 96 points. Congratulations to the duo on great play. Not a bad effort indeed, as Elizabeth, our inaugural member, will be celebrating her 92nd birthday in a few days and is as astute as ever.

Bob and Jan combined well to achieve second pace with 91 points followed by Ken and Sandy with 89 points. Werner and Judy were fourth with 83 points. Aileen and Louise came in at fifth place with 76 points and Lillian and Fred were 6th with 70 points, with the latter managing two successful doubles this week. Well done everyone.

As is the usual practice we had a break for afternoon tea which seems to help us 'tune up our brains' to tackle the remaining cards on offer. Thank you Maldon Hotel team once again.

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## DEATHS

**Patrick Noel Cullen**  
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Passed peacefully at Castlemaine Hospital. Husband of Erica, father to Kathryn, Elizabeth and Daniel, stepfather to Miranda, father-in-law to Nathan, Sarah and Josh. Grandad to Ciaran, Archer, Ruby and Kathryn

May he Rest In Peace

**PATRICK** - what a lovely man, quiet, unassuming, gentle and kind. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him. Our deepest sympathies to Erica and family.  
**Kerry & Bernie Cain**

## FUNERALS

**Patrick Cullen**

Family and friends are invited to attend the funeral service for Mr Patrick Cullen, to be held in the Church of Christ, Blakeley Road, Castlemaine on Monday (May 24) at 2.30pm. A private cremation will follow. For details of livestreaming, please see Patrick's tribute page on the website of Mount Alexander Funerals.

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## It's time to take a breath ... and re-set



A range of workshops for the local business community aimed at helping people develop practical tools for managing their mental health are being offered by Mount Alexander Shire Council.

The program is called Mindfit at Work, and comprises of seven sessions held monthly from May to November that each explore a different aspect of mental

health and wellbeing.

"It's been a challenging 12 months for many people, and now more than ever, we need to find the time to stop, take a breath, and re-set," said Council's Economic Development Officer, Eva Parkin.

"Our business community has found unique ways to adapt during the last year, and it's been remarkable to see. However, the pandemic

has put extra pressure on people, and we want to help them prevent burn-out before it happens.

"These workshops offer people within the local business community the chance to learn skills to build their own emotional resilience, increase their overall wellness, and boost their professional performance."

The Mindfit at Work program is being delivered by a Castlemaine-based wellbeing consultancy company, and uses a mix of behavioural science research, psychology and mindfulness techniques to enable participants to transform how they think, feel and behave.

The workshops will be held at the Chewton Senior Citizens Centre, 201 Main Road, Chewton. Places are limited.

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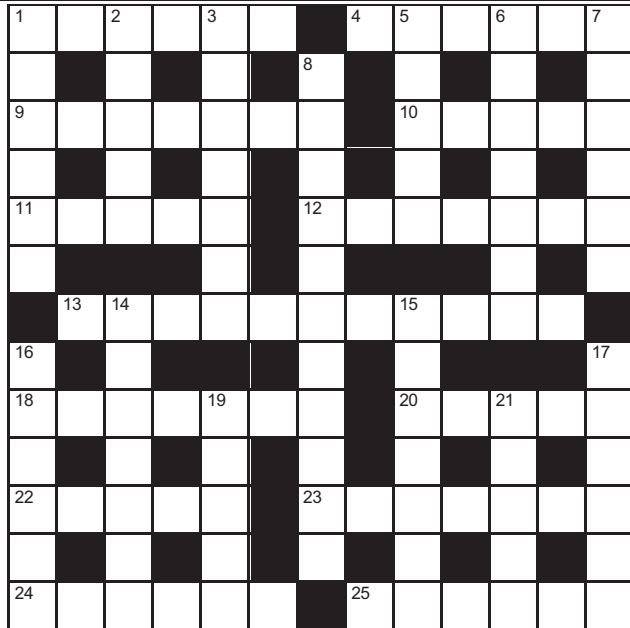
## CROSSWORD Number 801

### Across

- 1 Inheritance
- 4 Complicated situations
- 9 Vast
- 10 Taunt
- 11 Follow
- 12 Cornered
- 13 Elocution
- 18 Pamphlet
- 20 Compass point
- 22 Foe
- 23 Before
- 24 Without difficulty
- 25 Alters

### Down

- 1 Hang around
- 2 Competitions
- 3 Sentence
- 5 Additional
- 6 Hair cleaner
- 7 Pays out
- 8 Inevitable conclusions
- 14 Puts in order
- 15 Childish outburst
- 16 Arm covering
- 17 Carnivorous fish
- 19 Devoted
- 21 Period of rule



### Solution to No. 800



## Rainfall Baringhup

Week Ending 18.5.21

5.3mm

### Monthly Totals So Far:

Month	2021	2020	2019
Jan	92.9	44.6	3.2
Feb	8.9	56.3	12.6
Mar	72.3	32.8	4.3
Apr	9.8	99.6	4.5
May	26.4	49.2	100.8
June		38.3	75.2
July		23.5	35.3
Aug		48.7	45.7
Sept		40.9	19.1
Oct		47.1	4.9
Nov		25.7	38.6
Dec		29.1	3.9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>210.0</b>	<b>535.8</b>	<b>348.1</b>

## Rainfall Maldon

Week Ending 18.5.21

12.0mm

### Monthly Totals So Far:

Month	2021	2020	2019
Jan	83.4	35.2	4.8
Feb	17.0	52.8	21.6
Mar	83.8	37.0	7.6
Apr	14.4	145.4	5.6
May	34.8	66.2	115.5
June		49.2	92.2
July		32.8	53.6
Aug		62.2	57.6
Sept		54.6	29.4
Oct		73.2	8.6
Nov		37.2	43.0
Dec		39.2	9.8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>233.4</b>	<b>685.0</b>	<b>449.4</b>

## Rainfall Newstead

Week Ending 18.5.21

10.4mm

### Monthly Totals So Far:

Month	2021	2020	2019
Jan	101.6	53.6	5.0
Feb	13.6	38.0	18.2
Mar	67.2	35.8	6.2
Apr	11.4	107.6	5.0
May	33.8	56.2	113.6
June		46.6	82.8
July		29.4	43.0
Aug		69.6	51.6
Sept		46.8	31.2
Oct		56.2	9.8
Nov		22.8	42.0
Dec		31.2	8.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>227.0</b>	<b>593.8</b>	<b>416.8</b>

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Round 5



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our under 17.5s now sitting fourth on the ladder with three wins and two losses.

Dylan Ross played a very good game kicking four goals and getting best on ground for the day.

The boys are starting to build some momentum with great assistance from the four or five under 14.5s boys who step up each week to fill the teams.

**Best players:** Dylan Ross, Billy Miller, Bailey O’Dell, Tyla Brereton, Harry Cossens, Austin Peace.

**Goal scorers:** Dylan Ross 4, Tyla Brereton 2, Harry Cossens 2, Blake Farrell 2, Billy Miller 1, Austin Peace 1, Callum Buchanan 1, Robbie Muscat 1.

## UNDER 14.5s FOOTBALL

Maldon 11.17 -83 def  
Navarre 2.1-13

The under 14.5s are sitting pretty on top of the ladder with five straight wins, but Saturday was their biggest test to date only managing 11 goals against a very competitive Navarre team. Callum Buchanan was there standing in the backline helping to keep Navarre to just two goals for the game

**Best Players:** Callum Buchanan, Blake Farrell, Izaak Mason, Brodie Doyle, Brodie Roberts, Robbie Muscat.

**Goal Kickers:** Brodie Doyle 4, Robbie Muscat 3, Blake Farrell 1, Thomas Smith 1, Izaak Mason 1, Sam Aherne.

## UNDER 11.5s FOOTBALL

Maldon 1.0-6 def  
Newstead 5.8-38

Maldon U11.5s showed great spirit against a highly skilled Navarre. We matched their game but they proved dominant in goal kicking. Lysander Tansley was best on ground as Aihen Turner

continued his stellar season. Essie Egleton was everywhere and mini Xavier Silckerrodt showed his talent. Tom Hamilton and Perry Tansley battled all day. Many positives as we continue to improve.

**Best Players:** Lysander Tansley, Koebi Berkeley, Xavier Silckerrodt, Tom Hamilton, Perry Tansley.

**Goal Scorers:** Lysander Tansley 1.

## A GRADE NETBALL

Maldon 43 def Navarre 42

What a nail bitter, right down until the end.

Maldon and Navarre played a very tight game with never anymore than two points in it. Maldon won it with turnovers throughout the court and accuracy under the goals.

A great team game by all players on the court, walking away with a well deserved win by one point. Maldon will be hoping to keep that winning feeling over the next few weeks.

**Best on:** Zoe Backway

## B GRADE NETBALL

Maldon 41 def Navarre 25

B grade came away with a nice win 41-25, as the first two quarters were a close and competitive game, with a few mid court changes in third saw B grade exaggerate with determination to come away with a big win.

**Best on:** Courtney Holden

## C GRADE NETBALL

Maldon 32 def Navarre 22

This week had us at home against Navarre. It has always been a hard game against Navarre and this week was no different. Maldon came out strong in the first quarter, but in the second quarter had lost its momentum a bit by some mistakes. Come the third and fourth quarter the girls held it together and played an amazing last half and with their drive and determination got them a great

win Maldon 32 to Navarre 22. Great team effort again girls, keep up the great work.

**Best on:** Tessa Fiskén

## UNDER 17s NETBALL

The 17 and under team were pushed in the first quarter with Navarre’s defence very tight and goals hard to come by taking a slight lead in the first quarter 5-4.

Maldon were able to rally in the next three quarters and with excellent team work and defence in the mid court were able to take out another win 37 – 20.

**Best Players:** Grace Koolen with her exceptional defence and rebounding skills in the goal ring.

## UNDER 15s NETBALL

The 15 and under netball again came out the starting gates at a rate of knots with excellent feeding into the circle and with the accuracy at goal they were able to take a 19 – 0 lead into the second quarter.

The team worked well again for next three quarters coming out with a very impressive win of 59 – 6 to beat Navarre in an excellent

display of netball for such a young team.

Bester Player was Tiffany Williams for her drive in the mid court and feeding into the shooters.

## UNDER 13s & 11s NETBALL

May 15, what a day at the office. It was freezing and a wee bit wet early in the morning but we were happy to take on our opposition in any conditions. U11s took a wee bit to find their way but once they did their leads were strong and passes were long. Navarre just had really long arms making their defence incredibly tricky to get around.

Maldon 3 def by  
Navarre 10

**Encouragement awards:** Elsa and Martha.

U13s this weekend found their grit and strength. They were on song with their leads, prelims and strong passes. Both ends displayed exciting skills and abilities.

Maldon 16 def Navarre 5

**Encouragement awards:** Jess and Eva.

**Jamie Cox**  
*President | MFNC*

## Youth Camp aims to help community recover from the year lost

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whilst enjoying the history and adventure that the camp and the town offers.

Mr Mitchell said historically the Blue Light Youth Camp has had outdoor education staff run programmes.

“That’s fine but looking at the current environment, the philosophy moving forward gives us an opportunity to provide a strength-based model of practice to encourage both youth and

the community to identify their inner talents as part of trauma recovery.”

He said the Camp has just employed a new manager who has a background in psychological counselling.

“Our activities coordinator is a teacher and we’re also looking at people who come from a social work or community development background.

“Potentially, in the future, we could be looking at providing a space for the community to recover from the year lost.”

## BLAST FROM THE PAST

### THE SIMULTANEOUS MISSION

On the evening of Saturday, 28 June, 1902 American evangelist the Rev Ernest Shanks held the opening meeting of Maldon’s ‘Simultaneous Mission’. The clergymen of Maldon’s ‘dissenting’ churches had organized the mission. The churches involved were the town’s three Methodist chapels, the Congregational, Presbyterian and both the Welsh and English Baptist Churches.

Simultaneous missions were part of a religious revival that swept eastern Australia in 1901 and 1902. This revival started in Sydney in 1901 when Methodists launched the Centenary Commemoration Fund hoping to raise 50,000 guineas to support their Church’s work. The Fund’s chairman, Ebenezer Vickery, suggested that they should also aim to “win 50,000 souls for Christ”. Methodists accepted this challenge and decided to hold tent missions in every major town in NSW.

In April 1902 a simultaneous mission was held in Melbourne. Over 200 churches participated. A group of 50 missionaries, led by American evangelist Dr Reuben Torrey, preached at a wide range of venues including the Melbourne Town Hall and the Exhibition Building. Torrey recruited several other American preachers to join the mission. Later these missionaries held similar event in regional cities and towns. Rev Shanks had previously conducted missions at St Kilda and at Eaglehawk in Bendigo.

In Maldon mission meetings were held in the Temperance Hall, (now the Community Centre). They

were held each night of the week with an additional meeting on Sunday afternoon. A choir drawn from members of all the local churches was a major attraction of these meetings. It contained as many as 100 singers and was conducted by John Roberts.

Rev Shanks’ first meeting began with 15 minutes of singing and prayer. Shanks, who the Maldon News described as “earnest, kind, sympathetic and humorous”, told the packed hall that he had been working under heavy pressure for the past ten weeks and did not expect to rest in the near future. The previous day he had held two rousing meeting at Eaglehawk at which fifty souls had been saved and he believed there were many more waiting for redemption in Maldon. Shanks then spoke about the need to be practical Christians, to support the Church and practice kindness and gentleness.

Rev Shanks’ meetings proved extremely popular with most of them drawing full houses. He also held a children’s meeting at which he spoke on the subject, “Even a child is known by his doings”. At the end of Shanks’ last meeting on the evening of Sunday 6th July a large number of the audience came forward to profess their conversion.

Rev William Watson from Melbourne replaced Shanks who left to conduct another simultaneous mission at Mornington. The Maldon mission continued with large attendances until it concluded on the evening of Sunday, 20 July.

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## MALDON FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB REPORT

### Round 5



☆ It was one-way traffic in the Seniors last Saturday, with the Bombers running out winners by 111 points.

### SENIOR FOOTBALL

Maldon 21.18-144 def  
Navarre 5.3-33

With our best side to date put on the park we were very confident going into the game, but still cautious

because Navarre was 2 wins and 2 losses and found themselves only one position below us on the ladder going into Saturday's game!

The Coaching staff asked for a no nonsense, no excuse first quarter and the playing group delivered, being up by 23 points at quarter time! The boys never relaxed for the rest of the game and ran out comfortable winners by 111 points!

**Better players:** Hayden Kelly, Tom Cain, Brendan Josey, Nick McKnight, Josh Pascoe and Alex Farrow.

**Goal scorers:** Rhys Ford 5, Tommy Horne 4, Hayden Kelly 4, Jack Fowler 3, Andrew Wilson 2, Harley Muscat 2, David Wilson 1.

### RESERVES FOOTBALL

Maldon 25.16.166 def  
Navarre 4.6.30

The reserves finally were able to put together a fit and healthy 22 out on the park to take on Navarre. Seven goals in the quarter saw the game put beyond doubt. However, credit to Navarre took it up to our boys which saw some lack-lustre defence concede 3 goals in the first half.

With the defence tightening up, we were able to add 11 goals to 1 in the second half, which saw the reserves come out victorious by 136 points.

**Best players:** Riley Taft, Riley Taft showed his speed on the wing to put in a solid game returning from injury, with Bailey Brown again showing his marking ability around the ground. Dave Carroll showed his class up

forward to boot 8 goals, and was well supported at ground level by Harley Brereton with 3.

**Goal scorers:** David Carroll 8, Kyle Winstanley 3, Harley Brereton 3, Jamie

Cox 2, Bailey Muscat 2, Beau Kitchingman 2, Nick Petersen 2, Dane Winstanley 1, Bailey Brown 1, Marc Carroll 1.

### UNDER 17.5s FOOTBALL

Maldon 14.24.108 def  
Navarre 2.1.13

Another Great win by  
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## MALDON PÉTANQUE CLUB



☆ Gerry's dog, Eggy, is not the slightest bit interested in the day's results because his master didn't win.

*Our travels continue  
Yet another venue*

**MALDON Petanque Club ventured to Campbells Creek to play the Autumn Challenge against Castlemaine U3A last Friday.**

The MPC was disappointed with its performance on the recent trip to Halls Gap, so were determined to do well against our opponents. U3A had a number of new players who were still learning the game, but MPC showed no mercy in winning all the games in the first two rounds. U3A fired up in the last round and took one game off us. The final score MPC 11 U3A 1. The best players for Maldon were Sandy Noble and Chris Przygody whilst the best for

U3A were Robert and Mick. We now look forward to the Spring Challenge which will be held in Maldon.

Last Sunday we were back at St Brigid's for our usual fortnightly club games. Whilst we are still in Autumn it was a typical winter's day, cold and intermittent showers. Luckily we have plenty of wood from the tree that was recently cut down so the fire was lit for the first time this year. It certainly brought some good cheer.

The normal 3 games were played with the results showing 2 players with 3 wins 16 points, after the percentages were calculated Bev Forsyth was declared the winner with Andrew Leckie runner up, in third

place was Sandy Noble 2 wins 15 points.

Our next event will be the Inaugural MPC Doubles Tournament to be held on Saturday 29 May at St Brigid's. There are 48 entrants from all over the State. It should be a great day of Petanque. Players will be chasing prizes over \$1,000. We wish to acknowledge Maldon Community Bank of the Bendigo Branch for their generous sponsorship.

Our next club games will be on Sunday, 30 May, usual time and venue.

On Sunday 27 June we will be joined by members of the Woodend Hanging Rock Club who will join in our usual fortnightly games.

**Geoff McLennan**

## MALDON GOLF CLUB



**PRESIDENT Peter Gerolemou elevated himself to the status of 'Peter Perfect' last Saturday when eclipsing the field of golfers with probably his best-ever golf game to date - an 8-shot under his handicap to par with an event winning score of 57 nett. His current handicap of 25 may have seen its last days as the Handicapper's pencil is sharpened for the pending review...well played Peter!**

Another result that also displayed perfection on the day was Wayne Brasher's play on the 316 metre, Par 4, Hole 3. Wayne's tee shot ended on the scrape with his putt holing out for a great score of 2-. A well earned Eagle for his hours of practice and endless rounds of golf. Wayne now joins the elusive and exclusive Eagles Nest Club with only the second Eagle in Competition Play at our Club this year.

### RESULTS

#### ...18-HOLE INDIVIDUAL STROKE...

<b>WINNER</b>	Peter Gerolemou	57 nett
<b>RUNNER-UP</b>	John Hoskins-on countback	61 nett
<b>BALL-WINNERS</b>	Nick VanWamel	61 nett
	John Purcell	65 nett
	Gary Hutchins	65 nett
<b>NEAREST the PIN</b>	Bruce McGregor	HOLE 4
<b>Ca\$h-HOLE</b>	No Winner....Jackpot this week.	

### GOLF TOMORROW

**CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP - Mixed Pinehurst  
Pinehurst Event for other Players  
REGISTRATION 12.15pm ~ HIT-OFF 12.30pm**

### SUNDAY

**Simon Sheedy's Junior Golf Clinic  
ALL WELCOME  
10am-11am  
Golf Clubs available.**

Bob Briggs

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