



Welshpool Lawn Mower Race Day

On Saturday 1st December, the Welshpool Recreation Reserve Committee were proud to present the 3rd Welshpool Lawn Mower Race Day held at the Arthur Sutherland Recreation Reserve. The weather leading up to the event was looking ominous, however on the day, we could not have asked for a more perfect day.

The crew from AROLMRA, Australian Ride On Lawn Mower Racing Association, arrived throughout the Friday evening and Saturday morning ready and rearing for a great racing performance. And perform they did! The crowds were entertained and many surprised, at just how fast these mowers went. With the A class mowers having 450cc motor in them they certainly flew around the track. New entrant and local, Trav Risstrom, who after attending last year's event decided to build his own racing mower, competed in the A class race. With a few teething problems on the day, Trav did not make the finals, however he gave his all and will be back!

There was plenty of other activities for the kids with jumping castles, bungee run, a giant slide, merry go round, face painting and lots more. The kids were certainly enjoying themselves and were also lucky enough to have a visit from the jolly man in the red suit, who was happy to hand out lollies to all the children.



Ready for Racing!!



The kids keen to meet Santa



Local Trav Risstrom on his mower, powered by a 450cc engine



The crowd eager to have a closer look at these machines during the dinner break

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Port Welshpool Fishing Club

The Port Welshpool Fishing Club held our annual Christmas dinner on the 8th Dec. 43 members and their children enjoyed a magnificent feast prepared by Santa's elves.

It was great for our members to catch up and share their fishing stories, as well as welcoming a number of new members.

The next club function will be a traditional Aussie BBQ to be held on Sat 26th January, Australia Day.

Competition is also hotting up for the best of species with many good size fish weighed in already.



15.251 kg Gummy weighed in by Darcy



James and Eric with a 7.315kg Snapper

A Merry Christmas and a happy 2019 to all.

Undercover Summer Market

Free Entry

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Sunday 13th January, 2019

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Helicopter rides over the Port



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- *** Spinning Wheel with great prizes and RAFFLES
- *** A visit from Santa
- *** Sausage Sizzle Gold Coin Donation
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Welcome to Welshpool

September Baby

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10am – 5pm

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Welshpool Basketball Association



Our 2018 season has come to a close and what a great season we have had on our new stadium floor. A huge thank you to all the committee members and volunteers for their help throughout the season.

Sunday 16th December was Grand Final day and a fantastic day was had by all. Congratulation to all of our finalists on what were very close enjoyable games.

SENIORS Light Blue (25) def Green (22)

MVP for season - Tyson Kirwan and Tessa Vuillermin MVP for Grand Final - Chris Pettitt

INTERMEDIATES Green (22) def Blue (19)

MVP for season – Jordan McDonald and Bianca Proudlock MVP for Grand Final - Riley DuVe

JUNIORS Green (25) def Pink (17)

MVP for season – Mylie Taylor and Archie Francis MVP for Grand Final – Mylie Taylor

MINIS Pink (14) def Orange (13)

Brendon McDonald Memorial Award – Kaitlyn Doran

Raffle Winners – 1st Alicia Jones 2nd Michael Ritchie

Well done to everyone. Look forward to seeing you all again next year.



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If you wish to participate, there are four questions listed below. Please answer these questions and return them to the Welshpool Rural Transaction Centre by the 7th January 2019.

What attracts people to Welshpool?

What does Welshpool mean to you?

What makes Welshpool unique?

What is the biggest challenge for Welshpool?



Welshpool agency

Merry Christmas.

From all of us at Welshpool agency, best wishes for the festive season and thank you for loyalty and support.

We look forward to seeing you.

Monday 24 December – 11am to 4pm

Tuesday 25 December – Closed

Wednesday 26 December – Closed

Thursday 27 December – 11am to 4pm

Friday 28 December – 11am to 4pm

Saturday 29 December – Closed

Sunday 30 December – Closed

Monday 31 December – 11am to 4pm

Tuesday 1 January – Closed

Wednesday 2 January – 11am to 4pm

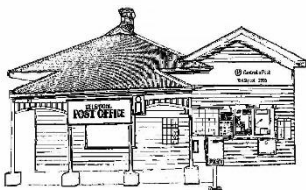
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Welshpool Lawn Mower Race Day

The Welshpool Recreation Reserve Committee would like to thank the crew from AROLMRA for putting on such a terrific show for us. Thanks also to all of our sponsors for their generous donations. Having so much support from our local businesses is wonderful.

A huge thank you to everyone who came along to this event. It's great to have so much support and we hope you enjoyed the day as much as we enjoyed bringing it to you.



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We wish you all the Merriest of Christmases, and best wishes for the New Year!!!

Thanks to all for your support throughout the year and we look forward to doing it all again next year!!!

Warmest Regards

Cath, Al, Shandi, and Dave (Joining us in the new year)



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PORT WELSHPOOL & DISTRICT MARITIME MUSEUM

PORT WELSHPOOL & DISTRICT MARITIME MUSEUM.

AS Christmas comes closer each day so do the invites to celebrate the festive season. We consume alcohol in proportions that we don't necessarily have during the year. With the days of NO random breath testing and NO blood alcohol limit for drivers, well in the past, we now take advantage of the courtesy bus supplied by most venues all in the name of staying safe and keeping clear of the blue light flashing behind us. And with this necessary pleasure we live to tell the tale.

THE HOTEL, a place of community gatherings, mainly for the blokes. For the ladies, they had the 'Ladies Lounge' to consume their drop. Ladies not being allowed to be with the men in the bars, but, the men were allowed in the lounges.

Ladies had a small window to purchase a drink where they could observe the goings on in the bar. You had to peer through the haze of cigarette smoke to try and get your mans attention. Many a night ended with a few of the males talking with their fists. Doesn't it bring a smile to your face as you remember then and compare it with now.

The Museum once traded as a "Wine Saloon". The entrance for the saloon was the second door at the front of the building. The shelves are still there that housed the bottles of alcohol, but sadly the counter is long gone, due to an infestation of borer. A curtain hand painted with roses once hung down over the counter at closing time. Little is known of the museums history as a wine saloon, other than Mrs Smith snr having a small revolver to protect herself against unwanted intruders, while her husband was away fishing. Whether she ever had to use it, is unknown, no gun licensing laws in those days and "women" carrying guns!

Desperate measures for desperate times I guess.

Newspaper reports from local papers report that Mr & Mrs Smith were both charged the sum of 25 pounds for selling sly grog at the fishermen's jetty.

Whether the wine saloon closed for family reasons or because of the opening of the Welshpool Hotel, it is yet to be discovered.

This is another little treasure of history all within the Museum.

With Santa soon to come down the chimney, the Committee and Members of the Museum would like to wish everyone a safe and happy festive season and hope you pay us a visit during the Sea Days Festival weekend for an old fashioned Devonshire Tea or Spider [not the creepy type] and a wander around your museum.

SEA DAYS FESTIVAL 2019 at the Museum. January Sat 5th and 6th.

Saturday at 1.30pm. Cheryl Glowery will be at the Museum to give an interesting talk on local history of the area.

Cheryl's newly released book will also be for Sale.

The museum has back in stock Cheryl's very popular book on Snake Island.

Either book would make an ideal Christmas present.

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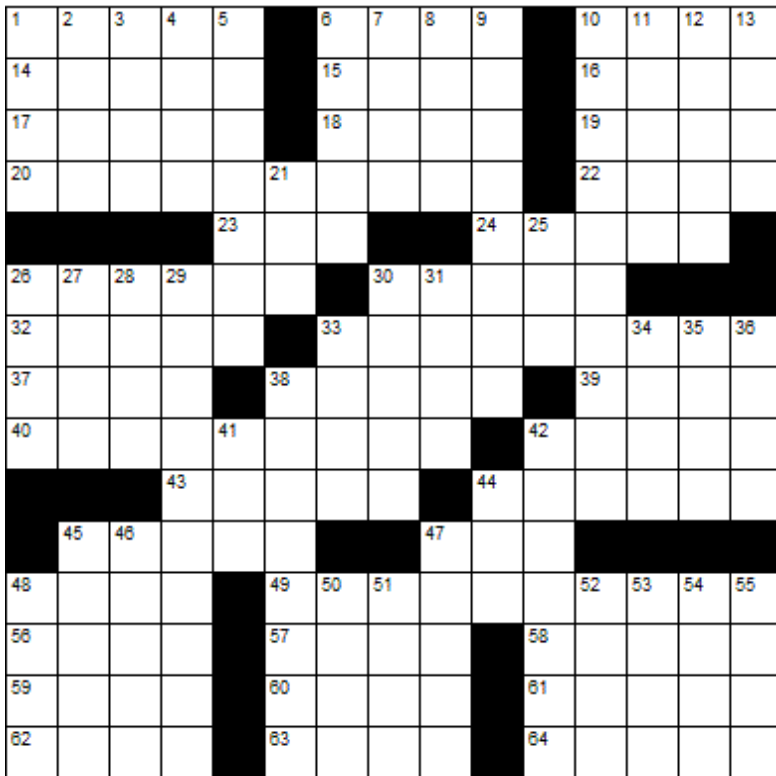
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| 10. Happy | 33. Spent frivolously |
| 14. Positive pole | 37. Pervert |
| 15. Venician magistrate | 38. Feudal lord |
| 16. Anger | 39. Jaunty |
| 17. A firm open-weave fabric | 40. Glues |
| 18. Nile bird | 42. Danish monetary unit |
| 19. Dash | 43. Specks |
| 20. A large African antelope | 44. Giggle |
| 22. Dines | 45. Diving bird |
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| 24. Therefore | 48. Secluded valley |
| 26. Veered | |

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| 49. Compensate |
| 56. Lease |
| 57. Mimics |
| 58. Prongs |
| 59. Cain's brother |
| 60. A musical pause |
| 61. Graphic symbols |
| 62. Wet, as morning grass |
| 63. Not nays |
| 64. Stop |



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| 1. Cumberbund | 31. Trailer trucks |
| 2. Ancient Peruvian | 33. Half of ten |
| 3. Unit of pressure | 34. Violent disturbance |
| 4. Modify | 35. Sea eagle |
| 5. Greek goddess of fertility | 36. One who colors cloth |
| 6. French farewell | 38. Bookish |
| 7. Gown | 41. Bro or sis |
| 8. Auspices | 42. Characterized by motion |
| 9. Art lover | 44. Buff |
| 10. A type of laurel tree | 45. Parish land |
| 11. Light purple | 46. Regenerate |
| 12. Winged | 47. Breaks |
| 13. Lairs | 48. Alumnus |
| 21. Evil | 50. Type of sword |
| 25. Eastern Standard Time | 51. Plateau |
| 26. Soft drink | 52. Type of cereal grass |
| 27. Previously owned | 53. Dwarf buffalo |
| 28. Wealthy | 54. 10 10 10 10 |
| 29. Intensely | 55. Being |
| 30. Liberates | |

LAST MONTHS CROSSWORD RESULT

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15th January, 2019

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Remember to include your name, contact number and date on your returned entry, Thank you.

Winner of the November Crossword:

Lynn Gray



Welshpool Golf Club

With the festive season almost upon us we have managed to conduct two of our major events in the past month. The first on Friday 7th December was the Martha Reville Memorial Plate. The 18 hole event was reduced to only nine holes due to the extremely hot and blustery conditions. Teams from Lang Lang, Woorayl, Wonthaggi, Leongatha, Meeniyah, Foster, Yarram and Welshpool competed on the day. The winning team came from Leongatha consisting of- Trish Owen, Colleen Touzel and Maxine Eabry posted a score of 41 points. The A Grade winner was Faye Le Page (Meeniyah) 16 points and the B Grade winner was Trish Latch with 16 points. Nearest the pins were- 3rd Elly Berryman, 6th Kaye Irwin (Yarram) , 15th Shirley Cook (Foster)

The Pat Carroll Memorial Plate was conducted on Sunday 9th December where teams from Leongatha, Korumburra, Foster, Yarram, Garfield, Maffra and Welshpool vied for the coveted Plate.

The Winning team came from Welshpool consisting of- Tom Welsh, Stan Walker, David Lucas and Alan Hayes came in with a score of 109 points. Next in was the team of Pappy Pope, Graeme English, Gary Brown and Greg Wilkinson with 107 points. The A Grade winner with 37 points was Alan Hayes and the B Grade winner was Tom Welsh with 40 points. Nearest the pins winners were- 6th R. Glasby, 8th Pieter Van Der Horst, 15th D. Smith and the 17th R. Murray.

Normal competition winners have been-

Tuesdays, Pappy Pope, Brian MacPherson, Stan Walker

Wednesday- Lomas Bennett, Di Walker and the December monthly medal to Trish Latch

Friday- Greg Wilkinson, Merv Lowe, Tom Welsh

Saturday Nathan Lucas, Graham Brennan, Nino Ditta and the December monthly medal to Harry Barlow.

Sunday- Pappy Pope, Harry Barlow, Nino Ditta.

The new Rules of Golf come into effect in January 2019 so make sure you read up and are conversant with some of the new definitions affecting our game. They have been brought about to try and speed up the game. New rules books are available from the club so grab one now and keep it in your golf bag.

Food for thought- “ You don’t hit anything with your backswing. So don’t rush it”.

“Golf is a compromise between what your ego wants you to do, what experience tells you to do, and what your nerves let you to do”.

Finally to everybody- Have a great Christmas and a wonderful New Year, and we will see you all back on the golf course next year.



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L to R: Stan Walker, Russ Barwick, Alan Hayes, Graeme Brennan, Tom Welsh

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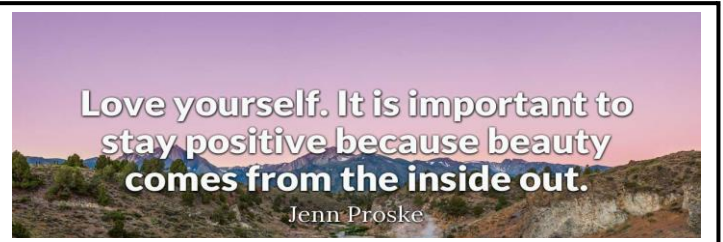
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Twenty Seven applications were received for this round of community grants. Twenty one successful applicants were acknowledged at an awards ceremony Wednesday 5th with \$130,950 awarded to community groups across South Gippsland. The contribution of Council funds will support projects with a total value of around \$430,000.

South Gippsland Shire Council Mayor, Councillor Don Hill congratulated the successful community groups.

“Congratulations to all of the successful grant recipients. Community groups are an asset to South Gippsland. Their hard work and dedication brings our communities together and helps to make South Gippsland a better place for all. This round was particularly competitive which made selecting the successful applications very challenging. Thank you to everyone who took time to submit an application during this round of funding,” said the Mayor.

Applications for Round 2 of the Community Grants Program for 2018/19 will open on 1 January 2019, and close on 31 March 2019. Changes have been made to the application process and applicants are advised to take time to read over the Guidelines. If applicants are seeking more than \$5,000 they must contact a member of the Community Strengthening team to discuss their application before applying. Anyone seeking more information can contact the team on 5662 9200.

Successful Applicant	Project	Funding Received
Toora Football Club	Replace kitchen equipment	\$1,900
Sandy Point Community Centre	Remove and replace garden edging	\$2,000
Prom Coast Festival	Prom Coast Festival 2019	\$4,750
Venus Bay Community Centre	Tarwin River Precinct Plan	\$10,000
Mount Best Hall	Dry Feet 2	\$7,000
Welshpool Recreation Reserve	Storage Shed	\$7000
Toora Community Action Team	Christmas Lights	\$1,200
Korumburra Bena Football Netball Club	Female Facilities Planning	\$10,000
Korumburra Recreation Reserve	Plan to revamp the disused netball courts	\$9,000
Nyora Recreation Reserve Committee	Replace carpets and chairs in Social Club Rooms	\$6,000
Friends of Coal Creek	Renovation of Lands Office	\$10,000
Outtrim Reserve committee	Accessible Toilet & Storage Room	\$8,000
Meeniyah Mechanics Institute	Hall Ceiling Refurbishment	\$8,000
Stony Creek Racecourse & Recreation Reserve	Masterplan for reserve	\$5,000
Korumburra & District Agricultural & Pastoral Society	Power Upgrade & Road Construction	\$3,000
Meeniyah Tourism & Traders Association	Meeniyah Arts Trail	\$8,000
Arawata Community Hall Association	Lights, Fans and Chairs	\$4,600
Allambee South Community Centre	Allambee South Outdoor Development Plan	\$9,500
St Paul's Catholic social Club	Mirboo North Italian Festa	\$5,000
Rotary Club of Leongatha	Fooverage	\$8,000
Carols in the Drome	Carols in the Drome	\$3,000