

South Coast Show & Shine

On Sunday 26th February the 2017 Gear Head Sunday was held at the Toora Recreational Reserve. The crowds were treated to a wonderful display of cars, trucks, motorbikes, tractors and more. South Gippsland Tank Adventures were there with a great display of army tanks offering rides for the kids, big and small, and also a live armoury display and car crushing to finish the day. If you were game you could also venture up in the helicopter for a ride with spectacular views of our countryside.



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TRADING HOURS

MON - FRI
11.00AM - 4.00PM

- BENDIGO BANK
- CENTRELINK
- VETERANS AFFAIRS
- TAXATION INFORMATION
- MASSAGE (by appointment)
- V/LINE TICKETING OFFICE
- INTERNET ACCESS
- ROOM HIRE
- PASSPORT APPLICATIONS
- VISITING ACCOUNTANT (by appointment)
- DIABETES CLINIC (by appointment)
- TOURIST INFORMATION
- FAX, COPY & PRINT SERVICES



Centrelink Website

The Centrelink website (www.centrelink.gov.au) has been incorporated into the Department of Human Services website humanservices.gov.au. The new site is a convenient, single entry point for health, social and welfare payments and services.

Any questions regarding your payments or entitlements, this would be your first port of call.

- *You are able to register online and access details of your account.*
- *Find out the latest information regarding services.*
- *Calculations can be done to work out family assistance.*
- *Access forms and brochures.*

A touch screen computer is available at the Welshpool Rural Transaction Centre for your use.

Staff at the Centrelink agency are able to assist you with registration etc.



VLINE BUS SERVICES

**Purchase tickets at the
Rural Transaction Centre or
collect a VLINE Bus Timetable**

DIABETES CLINIC

Next Visit

Thursday, 30th March

If you would like an appointment
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Should anyone need to speak with the DVA
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Phil Head

VETERANS' AFFAIRS NETWORK

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Hedley Connection Day

Hi Everyone

Just a quick catch-up to let you know about the plans for 'Hedley Connection Day' 20th May, commencing Noon at the Hedley Hall.

Entry fee is gold coin donation and a plate to share for afternoon tea.

Luncheon of Soup and Sandwiches will be provided.

We have no finishing time, so if you wish to stay on, BBQ meat and drinks for an evening BBQ. Bruce and Nancy Atkin will provide some light musical entertainment in the evening.

This is an open invitation to all people who have had, or still have a 'Connection with Hedley'. We are relying on the bush telegraph to get the message out there to as many people as possible.

Sue is working hard, trying to secure a grant from the shire to assist with costs of the day. And, a little closer to the day, I will be asking for some assistance from the locals, to make sandwiches and soup for the day.

Both Sue and I are very excited about this and we are getting some great responses from people.

A big thank you to the Hall Committee for the support they have shown. We will be having a historical display on the day. If you think you have items or articles or photos of interest, don't hesitate to contact Sue or myself. I'm looking for original school photos, let me know if you have any.

Also find us on Facebook 'Hedley Connection'. It's a closed group, so request to become a member. I have been finding some absolute gems of photos from the Foster Historical Society items (put aside by Beryl Atkin, just for this sort of event) which I have been posting on the Facebook page. Some photos, never seen by some. So it's a great way to share with people.

Hope this information is helpful to you all

Cheers for now

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Easter Colouring Competition

KIDS - Write your name, age and a phone number and return to the RTC by Friday 7th April for your chance to win



Port Welshpool wins division flag

On the 21st February the Port Welshpool Bowls Club won their mid week Division 2 pennant. The Grand Final was held at Korumburra, against Tarwin Lower. Congratulations to everyone involved on a great win.

Back – Merv Reilly, Kane Horvath, Errol Gregory, John Roberts, Peter McPhail

Front – Cheryl Roberts, Latna McLaine, Margaret Allott, Nola Clifford, Joy Palmer, Alma Mattingley, Margaret McDonald, Bill Matthews and Belinda Crawford



Welshpool Golf Club

For those who have visited the course in the last three weeks you would have noticed a considerable change to the vista. There has been some one hundred odd stumps ground down and the residue spread neatly in the areas affected. There has also been truckloads of dirt delivered that will be spread over the areas where tree roots have caused these areas to be virtually unplayable. Thanks you Rod Walker for organising these loads.

There have been some good scores recorded and some very poor scores handed in. Winners for the last few weeks have been:

Tuesdays – A Hayes, G English, W Matthews

Wednesdays – Trish Latch, Jen Delaney and March monthly medallist Ann Skan

Fridays – G Brown, A Hayes, T Latch, H Barlow

Saturdays – Brian MacPherson, P Delaney and 4BBB event Bob Easton/Alan Hayes and March monthly medallist Pappy Pope

Sundays – M Roberts, H Barlow, R Easton

The men's ongoing eclectic event is progressing well with some very good scores being recorded on various holes for all participants. The outcome at the end of the year will be very interesting.

The ladies pennant has commenced with our team winning 3-2 at Phillip Island.

The men's pennant commences on the 19th March with the first game at Welshpool.

Our round of the South Gippsland Classic was a success with entries up by 20%. The course came up a treat with all those playing stating what a great track it was.

RULE – Ball strikes flag stick – if resting on flag – remove flag and if ball drops it is holed.

If played from off green when flag is unattended, no penalty

If played from off green when flag is attended, penalty 2 strokes

If played from on the green – penalty 2 strokes

Quips – “The older I get the better I used to be”

“These greens are so fast I have to hold the putter over the ball and hit it with the shadow.”

Upcoming Events –

March 14-19 Foster Tournament

March 19th Men's 1st round of pennant at Welshpool

March 22nd Grandmothers Trophy Day

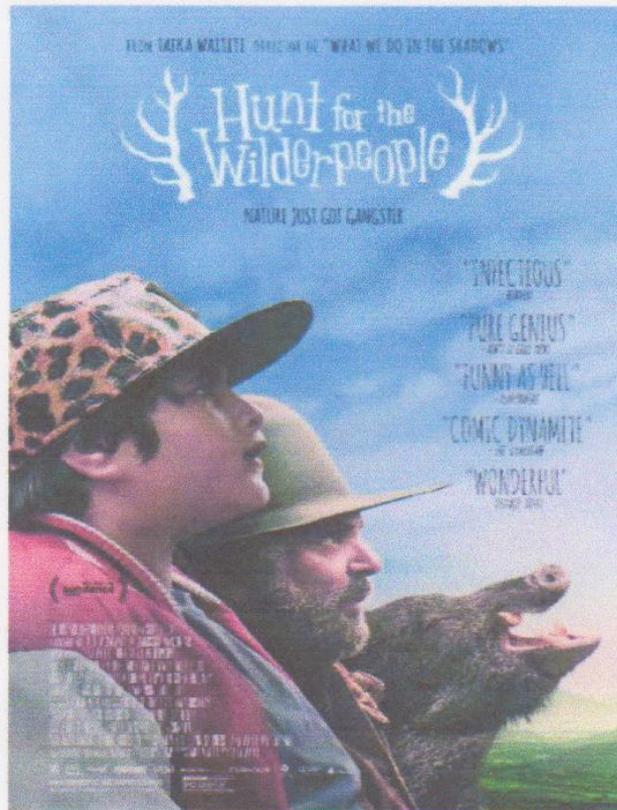


Welshpool Basketball Association

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Date: Saturday 11th March, 2017

Time: Movie starts @ Dusk

**Where: Welshpool Recreation Reserve Oval
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ENTRY: \$ 10 per person (over 16 years)

\$5 (kids 5-15)

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Scholarship helps make students university dreams a reality

16th February 2017: Foster resident, Sharni Cripps' academic dreams will become a reality, thanks to one of Australia's leading scholarship programs. The Toora & Foster Community Bank® Scholarship is awarded to first-time tertiary students whose financial circumstances might mean that a university degree is out of their reach.

Ms Cripps said she was thrilled to be able to start university with the financial security a scholarship provided. "I can't wait to get started and work towards my goal of Bachelor of Biomedicine at Deakin" she said.

Chairman of the Toora & Foster branch of Bendigo Community Bank®, Robert Liley said he was thrilled to offer Sharni the chance to further her education. Robert was also pleased to announce that Adeline Collins has qualified for her second year of funding too. Adeline is studying Bachelor of Education & Science at Monash University and doing really well.

"The board was happy to be able to help both Sharni and Adeline with their tertiary education. It is pleasing to think that our Community Bank® can help young people reach their goals in education and perhaps even one day come back into our community and help make a difference. "This is another way that our Community Bank® company commits to building stronger communities.

"Sharni and Adeline are very deserving recipients of our scholarships and the Board wishes them well on their journey to reach their career goals. We also received some fantastic news that Katie Jones, a previous scholarship recipient, has just graduated and found a job at a local primary school. This is what our Scholarship program is all about", he said



Rebecca, Adeline, Shari, Irene

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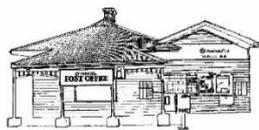
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Port Welshpool & District Maritime Museum

These days we take television a bit for granted and grumble when “there is nothing on worth watching”, but life hasn’t always been so reliant on “The Box”. Not everyone at the Port had the joy of a T.V. Some who did were always happy to share with the children of the town. When the children’s programs started after school, you could find a lounge room was full with eager eyes glued to the screen to watch Rin Tin Tin, or Lassie, to remember just a few.

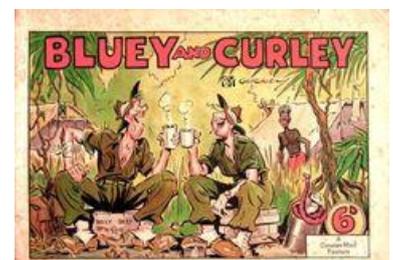
Before this invention, remember the good old days of comics, and how you couldn’t wait to get your next issue, maybe it was your hero comic, where your imagination could go to any level. All you needed was a tea towel around your shoulders and a school bag on your back and you were off flying where ever you chose. Jumping on the beds was not allowed, but gee it made a great soft landing as you dreamt of being just like your super hero.

But it wasn’t all super heroes, Disney Comics were another joy to read and everyone had their favourite. The characters displaying a mixture of the nice, the naughty, the rich, the adventurous, the cute, all relating to life in some way and we read from cover to cover to soak up the print all with a story we didn’t want to end as it was a whole week or two until the next issue. How we valued these treasures, not wanting a younger sibling to get their hands on them in case they ripped them. Swapping was a great way to get a copy you had missed and many were so treasured that we protected them right until adulthood. There were comics for all ages, like Chucklers Weekly and Footrot Flats, reading for whatever your passion or stage of life. Then there were the comic strips that featured in the daily paper, remember “Little Sport”, “Bluey and Curley” or Ben Bowyang”. We all had a favourite and enjoyed the humour.

The Weekly Times was another weekly full of all sorts of great reading, all stories relating to the country audience. For mum there were handy hints, recipes, knitting patterns or clothes patterns of the latest city fashions to send away for. For children, there were interactive columns, where readers were encouraged to write in offering poems, stories, and competitions. A feature during the war years was a section for the “Young Folk” where they could write to Auntie Connie and Uncle Ben and tell them of their adventures or of a happening in their town or area. They signed off as a niece or nephew. Looking back through the archives, a few children from the Welshpool area put pen to paper with interesting stories of their lives as they were at the time.

Ladies Magazines. The main focus, for these magazines was the lady of the house as she was the one home caring for the family and needed to be up to date with the latest gadgets, all encouraged to be bought with Hirer Purchase, all guaranteed to make her life much easier and most did. Other ads told of the latest beauty cream or remedies. Some of these magazines are still in print but haven’t got the same attraction it seems. Is it because now we are bombarded with advertising? There was always a romance story, and you couldn’t wait to get the next issue to see who ended up with whom.

And as footy season comes alive for 2017, and as we look back, who could forget, from the daily paper, “Spot the Ball”, where you marked the spot where you were “SURE” the ball had to be. You posted your entry or entries to the paper and you wait until the next weeks same day issue to see the result, and as you looked at the result you were positive you had to be close. The reward for the winning entry was 20 pounds, a nice earner if you were lucky.





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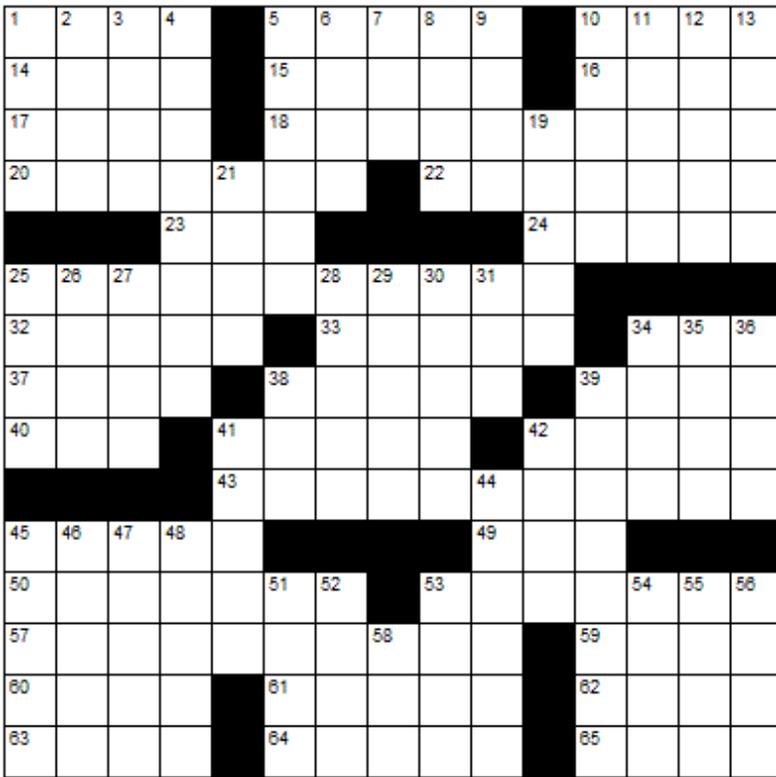
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| 1. Seductress | 33. Hirsute |
| 5. Awkward | 34. A spider spins this |
| 10. Box | 37. Glove |
| 14. Brother of Jacob | 38. Itinerant |
| 15. Afresh | 39. Heap |
| 16. Ricelike pasta | 40. N N N N |
| 17. Tears | 41. Prison-related |
| 18. Buxom | 42. Testicle |
| 20. Double-reed instrument | 43. Stone craftsmen |
| 22. Quantify | 45. Shore |
| 23. Long-haired wild ox | 49. Altitude (abbrev.) |
| 24. Yields | 50. Not outboard |
| 25. Someone excellent of their kind | 53. Australian food fish |
| 32. Vibes | 57. Obese |

Down

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| 1. "Action word" | 30. Passageway |
| 2. Largest continent | 31. Weep |
| 3. Geographic illustrations | 34. Drunkard |
| 4. House feline | 35. Distinctive flair |
| 5. Summon into action | 36. What we sleep on |
| 6. A noble gas | 38. Obtain |
| 7. Hole-making tool | 39. Mail that is paid in advance |
| 8. Damson | 41. "Hogwash!" |
| 9. Sort | 42. Big party |
| 10. Alcoholic | 44. Anything that covers |
| 11. Arrogant | 45. Flora and fauna |
| 12. Sky-blue | 46. Emissary |
| 13. Thorny flowers | 47. Poplar tree |
| 19. Tasteless | 48. Lanyards |
| 21. "Mighty" trees | 51. Coral barrier |
| 25. Arrived | 52. 10 cent coin |
| 26. Wreckage | 53. Leveling wedge |
| 27. Anagram of "Star" | 54. Brownish purple |
| 28. Rhinoceros | 55. God of love |
| 29. Land of the Rising Sun | 56. Relative status |
| | 58. A leg (slang) |

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| 59. Emanation |
| 60. Informed |
| 61. Electronic letters |
| 62. Computer symbol |
| 63. Yeses |
| 64. French of "Woman" |
| 65. Writing table |



LAST MONTHS CROSSWORD RESULT

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27th March, 2017

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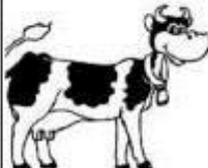


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A Trip Down Memory Lane



Queen Elizabeth Trophy goes south

Welshpool golfers Nancy Parry and Darryl Jones brought off a remarkable victory at Royal Melbourne during November with a countback victory in the prestigious Queen Elizabeth Silver Jubilee Foundation Trophy.

"Welshpool golf course doesn't give us much practice at facing these magnificent but daunting bunkers and our greens are not large and fast like these," Parry said.

"We just tried to keep the ball straight and enjoy the wonderful experience of playing at Royal Melbourne and representing our club and the South Gippsland District. It is an enormous surprise and thrill to have won the event."

Parry and Jones were one of 64 pairs to contest the final, winning with a score of 66 stableford points from Huntingdale Golf club and Sunshine Golf Club.

Their path to Royal Melbourne began some time ago when each won the club's respective nominated Queen Elizabeth Trophy stableford events.

In the South Gippsland District play-off at Woorayl in October, Parry and Jones were runners-up to the Wonthaggi club's pair G. Staples and S. Plasenti. However, as luck would have it, for the first time runners-up received a berth in the final and Darryl and Nancy earned their start at Royal Melbourne.

Both players teed off without a thought of winning, they went out to enjoy the course and particularly the greens. Parry finished with 37 stableford points and without three putting any of those "enormous greens".

With wife Dorothy as caddy, it was Jones' first round at Royal Melbourne. "There were a lot of obstacles and always something in front of you," he commented, but nevertheless he enjoyed his round and returned 29 points. It was the first major win for both players.

For many years, the Queen Elizabeth Silver Jubilee Foundation event has been conducted throughout Victoria and provided an opportunity for



Queen Elizabeth Trophy winners Nancy Parry and Darryl Jones with VGA President Doug Blair and Trust representative Colin Dunlop.

handicap golfers to earn the privilege of representing their club in the final at Royal Melbourne.

The event also has raised significant funds for the Queen Elizabeth Trust used to assist young Australians with worthwhile personal development programs. At the request of the Queen Elizabeth Trust, all future funds raised from the event will go to the Victorian Golf Foundation for use in assisting junior golf development.

Following suggestions from clubs at the VGA February Country Conference, a restructuring of the format of the event was implemented this year.

Incentive prizes were donated by Continental Airlines and Murray River Cruises to be used for a draw in which every participant's name was entered. Mrs. Jill Steer (Mirboo North) and Colin English (Warragul Golf Club) were the respective lucky winners of a trip for two to the United States and a week for two on a Murray-River cruise.

The response to the changes was encouraging with an increase in funds raised and a much improved participation rate, especially among country clubs and districts.

As part of its contribution to the Golf Foundation, the Victorian Ladies' Golf Union offered to take over responsibility for the organisation of the QEII Foundation event.

This year, the final of the Queen Elizabeth Trophy has been brought forward to Sunday, September 16, in line with requests from the country district associations.

Support will be sought to build on the advances made in 1989 and further develop this event to its full potential.

Clubs have been asked to designate one of the club stableford days during the first half of the year for the QEII event and identify a willing club member to act as a liaison to promote the event.

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Article courtesy of Darryl Jones.

If you have any local memories you would like to share please drop into the RTC.