



## Welshpool Trekkers Club Choir

Over 40 people sang their hearts out at the Club Choir fundraising event at the Welshpool Golf Club on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>.

Under the direction of Bec Bones and Fiona Curram, the diverse group of “singers” learnt three songs - “Inanay”, “Throw Your Arms Around Me” and “Lean On Me” - all with special harmonies and effects. I think all the participants were very surprised with the results after only about an hour of singing. If you take a look at the Facebook page of the Welshpool Post Office you will see a video of our performance song. As well as singing, the evening was full of stories, laughs and also great hospitality.

Thank you to the Golf Club for providing the venue and to the many friends who provided food for supper. The Welshpool Trekkers are extremely grateful to the many individuals and businesses who donated goods and vouchers for a raffle held on the night.

Funds raised, in excess of \$800, have enabled the Welshpool Trekkers to reach their goal of a total of \$2000.

Thank you,  
Cath, Christina, Jeanette and Jeni.



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The Centrelink website ([www.centrelink.gov.au](http://www.centrelink.gov.au)) has been incorporated into the Department of Human Services website [humanservices.gov.au](http://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  
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## DIABETES CLINIC

Next Visit

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May**

If you would like an appointment  
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# ANZAC Day

The Welshpool ANZAC Day Service held at the Cenotaph on a spectacular Autumn morning. A large crowd attended the ceremony, with the final part of service being carried out in the Welshpool Memorial Hall.

Rod Cochrane-Lane from Toora RSL presented the service as Welshpool is acknowledged as a Sub-Branch of the Toora RSL. Representatives of the Commanding Officer RAAF Base East Sale attended this year, we thank them for their participation and continued support.

The ANZAC Requiem was read by students from the Welshpool & District Primary School and what a great job they did.

Morning Tea was served in the supper room and a big thank you to the Ladies from the Welshpool Memorial Hall Committee for a huge delicious morning tea.

We thank everyone for attending again this year and look forward to seeing you all and more at next year service.



## Community Noticeboard

Thank you to the South Gippsland Shire Council for their donation through the Community Grants Program for the purchase of a new Community Noticeboard. The noticeboard is available for all local groups and clubs with any events or programs they may wish to advertise. For display items, please drop them into the RTC.

Stay informed and be sure to keep a look out for all things local on our new noticeboard, now located in between the Rural Transaction Centre and the Op Shop in the Main Street of Welshpool.



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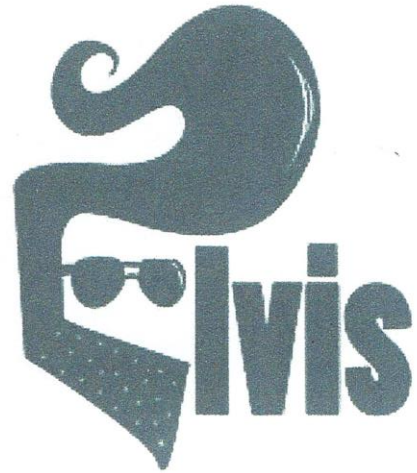
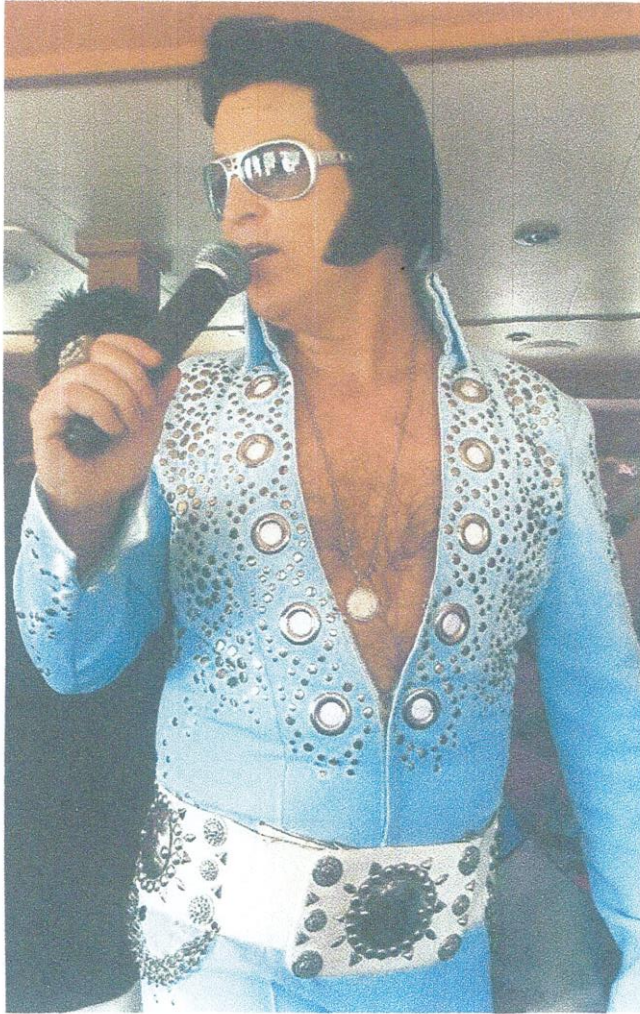
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BYO Drinks and Nibbles - Doors will open at 7pm for an 8.00pm start

Enquiries to Joy and Gary Kipps Ph 0409 940 089

Tickets can be purchased from Welshpool Post Office @ Welshpool or

Glenn's Sports & Gifts @ Foster (cash payments only please)

\*\*\* A Fundraiser for the Welshpool Memorial Hall \*\*\*

# Flying Doctor Wellbeing: Supporting the mental wellbeing of Welshpool residents

The Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) Victoria's mental health program 'Flying Doctor Wellbeing' is now offering services in Welshpool at the Welshpool Rural Transaction Centre. Flying Doctor Wellbeing provides free and confidential mental health and wellbeing services to people living in regional and remote communities.

The RFDS is encouraging people, aged 18 or older, who may be experiencing low mood, persistent worry and stress, grief, financial stress or other mental health and wellbeing concerns to reach out and access free Flying Doctor Wellbeing services. Appointments are confidential and do not require a referral from a GP.



In Welshpool, local Mental Health Clinician Diana Boyd supports residents to talk through any concerns, and provides expert advice, resources and strategies for coping. Diana has a Bachelor of Social Work and postgraduate studies in mental health. Diana has a wealth of experience having worked in a range of diverse environments including mental health, trauma recovery, sexual and family violence and refugee communities. Diana's practice is founded in the belief that when people have hope they can learn to change and replace irrational thoughts, beliefs, attitudes and are free to experience change. Diana said,

"I believe that healing is a collaborative endeavor that requires honest caring without judgment. Rather than adopting one methodology for all individuals and issues, I draw from a variety of methods to create a tailored approach for each individual and situation. I am particularly concerned with the impact of loss and trauma and improving intervention to support trauma recovery for better emotional and physical health."

**Diana is available to see clients on Thursday afternoons in Welshpool at the RTC. If you would like to make a free and confidential appointment please contact the Flying Doctor Wellbeing team on (03) 8412 0480.**

**Feeling worried or overwhelmed?**

Flying Doctor Wellbeing can help when times are tough.

Mental health and wellbeing services are now available in your community.

Flying Doctor Wellbeing provides FREE and confidential mental health appointments with no need for a GP referral.

Call (03) 8412 0480 or email [wellbeing@rfdsvic.com.au](mailto:wellbeing@rfdsvic.com.au) to find out about the service or make an appointment.



## How are you going? >

	Well			Unwell
How are you feeling?	Self-aware and calm	Irritable or impatient	Angry	Aggressive, out of control
What's your stress level?	Coping well	Worried, nervous	Very nervous, panicky	Highly anxious panic attacks
What's your outlook?	Positive outlook	Overwhelmed	Feeling hopeless	Depressed or suicidal thoughts
How are you working?	Working productively	Putting things off, forgetting	Poor performance	Unable to perform duties
How are you sleeping?	Sleeping normally	Trouble sleeping	Restless disturbed sleep	Sleeping too much or too little
What's your energy level?	Energetic	Low energy levels	Tired	Physical symptoms of illness
What's your activity level?	Keeping active	Decreasing activities	Little enjoyment from activities	Avoiding activities
How social are you?	Feeling connected	Withdrawing from social activity	Irritated and frustrated with others	Isolated from others

## What can you do? >

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Centre for Rural & Remote Mental Health

Adapted from "How are you going" poster, original development and design by the Centre for Rural and Remote Mental Health, University of Newcastle, with permission.

Keep it up!	Ask for support, try not to judge yourself	Don't put it off, act now	You must get help
	Talk to friends and family	Contact your local health service or GP	Contact your local 24hr mental health triage service
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## Welshpool CFA

On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April, our local volunteers from the Welshpool CFA were out collecting for the annual Good Friday Appeal for the Royal Children's Hospital. It was great to have so many CFA members available on the day, as well as some of their family members also there to lend a hand.

Driving through the townships of both Welshpool and Port Welshpool, it was wonderful to see so many children patiently waiting to see the fire truck and have a quick photo with the truck and members. With the communities help the Welshpool CFA were able to raise a total of \$3080.40 which is a fantastic effort. Thank you to everyone who donated on the day! The raffle was won by Erin Leach.

Whilst collecting at the Long Jetty there was a gentleman needing assistance as his boat was sinking just off the jetty. The CFA members were able to assist him and safely return him and his belongings to his vehicle.





# Welshpool & District Horticultural Society

Next Meeting: Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May

Welshpool Hall, 1pm

Topic: General Discussion on Trees

Trading Table and Afternoon Tea

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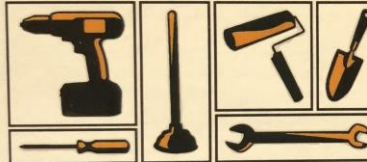
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As the Easter bunny hops away...

We look back on the week that was, it is a religious time of the year, for some, which is respected. Good Friday the day when fish is eaten, it seems whatever your faith, which isn't a real problem for those of us living near the sea but if you have to rely on retail buying, some of the prices per kilo will take your breath away.

Religious or not you have to agree, the best thing of all about Easter, just has to be the **"Chocolate"**. Regardless of your dietary requirements all are catered for. Compared to Christmas the shopping comes easy, just chocolate for everyone, even though big business are giving us a few decisions to make, we have the egg in the mug with our favourite footy team on it or the egg full of smarties, [more Chocolate?] to mention a few. The little fluffy chickens, now they have never gone away. And the fluffy pink rabbits ears for all the retail staff to wear, to remind us, just in case anyone has forgotten. How could we with all that chocolate to consume. Hot Cross Buns, now there are a few decisions to make. There's **"Chocolate"**, no surprises there, BUT, traditional has a few question marks after it, but, as we well know, nothing stays the same. Pity!

We are asked to consume as much chocolate as we like; the shops are full and have been for weeks. No need to worry about the calories, weight, blood pressure or any other associated illnesses, they are all put on hold. We will deal with them when we put on the next garment and "it's a bit tight " or we visit our GP and all is off the scales!

I always loved Easter, and I guess that's where my love of chocolate started but as a kid it was the novelty gift that came with the eggs too that I loved. Some I still have, a rabbit shaped money box, as he stands proudly smoking his pipe. How times have changed. The rabbits pulling a cart full of Easter eggs, these being a couple of gifts made of Bakelite, now I'm showing my age. A lot say Christmas is the best when you have small children and compared it with Easter maybe so, but with Easter it's fun for everyone and if you just love your chocolate as I do the world is your oyster.

At school.... at the Port Welshpool "old school", as we called it, at the end of Turnbull Street, we spent many a recess time in the playground, "the bush", making baskets. We created the baskets from our local flora and had great fun creating these precious baskets so we could go on our Easter Egg hunt. We couldn't have had a better setting, "The Bush",..... Where the rabbits live.

**APIECE OF HISTORY:** The "Old School" building now takes pride of place at the Long Jetty Caravan Park as their recreation room. The school, at the time was a one teacher school, the teacher was known as the headmaster. The Headmasters house, then, owned by the education department, is now a private home in Townsend Street over Turnbull Street. As part of his posting as a school teacher, he was given a house, whether he paid rent or not maybe a reader can fill us in on that.

*"We trust everyone had a very happy Easter and now we snuggle down as Mother Nature flicks the switch for winter, remember once as a footy fan, that was when we looked forward to the footy starting."*

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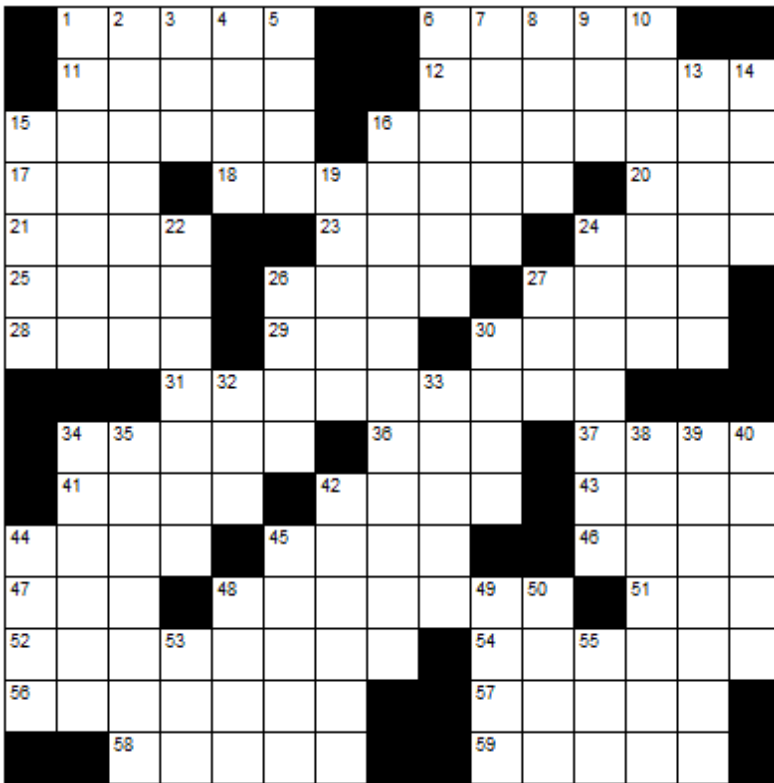
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7. French for "After"
8. Knows
9. Before, poetically
10. Handcuffs
13. Very small
14. Border
15. Ancient unit of length
16. Making fine adjustments
19. Fortuneteller's card
22. Gist
24. Incapacitate
26. Greeting at sea
27. 52 in Roman numerals
30. Gush
32. Comes after Mi and Fah
33. Blatant
34. Terminates
35. Provide commentary
38. Baggage
39. Betrothed
40. Flavor
42. Gets to one's feet
44. Plateau
45. Gleam
48. Add
49. Leer at
50. Principal
53. Type of snake
55. Scarlet

## Across

1. Thick slices of something
6. Scraped gently
11. A quantity of paper
12. Perform surgery on
15. Pinnacle
16. Trapped
17. Bar bill
18. Demesnes
20. Implore
21. Wings
23. Beers
24. Eat
25. Canines
26. Dry
27. Untruths
28. God of love
29. Goblin
30. Pantywaist
31. Crossed eye
34. Molest
36. "\_\_\_ Maria"
37. Decay from overripening
41. Baroque composer
42. Goulash
43. Roman moon goddess
44. Not less
45. Blend
46. Hens make them
47. Mistake
48. Unreal
51. Gangster's gun
52. Accommodation for animals
54. Carport
56. Amaze
57. Feudal lord
58. Relieves
59. Ceased



### LAST MONTHS CROSSWORD RESULT



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Entries must be received before

15<sup>th</sup> May, 2019

All correct entries will be put into a hat and the winner will be drawn by Supermarket staff. No correspondence will be entered into etc.

Please remember to double-check your spelling.

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

**Winner of the March Crossword:**

Bill Matthews



# Welshpool Golf Club

The new golf Rules have now been truly tried and tested. It is comical at times to see how members execute these rules. One such rule- The dropping of the ball from knee height. It appears some players have very short distances from knee to ground and they bend their backs, their knees and everything else to gain that extra inch to drop the ball from (at least they are trying). Another one that was supposed to save playing time was the putting with the flag still in the hole. Some do some don't. Take it out – put it back in- take it out- you get the picture, it has caused a longer time on the putting green for all concerned.

Our ladies pennant side has yet to win a game although there has been some very close individual games played. There is still time girls so keep up your spirits.

The mens pennant side has faired a little better with two wins recorded so far. They are now in contention to play in the final as long as they win their last game against Phillip Island at Lang Lang on the 28<sup>th</sup> April.

Our summer knockout competition has been completed with a great game of golf being played by Ian Gibson and Andrew Brown. Gibbo narrowly defeated Andrew to take out the trophy.

“It's good sportsmanship to not pick up lost golf balls while they are still rolling”

Monthly winners have been-

Tuesday- Tommy Welsh, Richard Knowles, Brian MacPherson

Wednesday- Rachael Brown (flag), Anne Skan (stableford), Trish Latch (stableford), and the April Monthly medal to Peta Barlow.

Friday- David Lucas, Kevin Stait, Merv Lowe, Steve Stewart

Saturday- Dan Conley (stableford), Paul Delaney/ Gary Brown 2 person ambrose, Paul Delaney (stroke) and the April monthly medal to Brian MacPherson.

Sunday- All stableford events to- Richard Knowles, Nino Ditta, Dan Conley and Harry Barlow.

“ A golfer I knew wanted to get more distance from his shots. I told him to hit it and run backwards”

Upcoming events-

Friday 10th May- Housewives Day

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May- Peter Petersen Trophy

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# Port Welshpool Fishing Club

Our last dinner, held on the Labour Day weekend was a great success with 50 members and guests attending with another magnificent dinner presented by our helpers. We also had Cr Ray Argento attend, updating the club members on a number of matters within the Port Welshpool area. Thank you to Ray for joining us.

The Best of Species competition is still running, with good sized fish still being weighed in. The season will conclude at midday, Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May. No fish will be accepted after this date for weigh in. This is to allow time for the committee to arrange the trophies for Presentation Night which will be held on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June.

## BEST OF SPECIES

### Current Best of Species Weighed In So Far

GUMMY SHARK.....	Craig Beekhuizen	12.71kgKg
GUMMY SHARK (Junior Boat).....	Lockie	1.72 Kg
SNAPPER (JUNIOR).....	James Petifer	5.87 Kg
FLATHEAD (Senior Boat).....	"Jack"	3.41 Kg
FLATHEAD (Junior Boat).....	Lochie.....	415gm
FLATHEAD (Senior Female Jetty).....	June Rawlins	450gm
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