

🌟 That's a wrap on the Welshpool Basketball Spring Season 2025! 🌟

What an epic Grand Final Sunday! Every one of the eight teams absolutely turned it on — tight games, big moments, huge effort and seriously awesome sportsmanship was shown.

A massive shout-out to our amazing Welshpool basketball community. The support, the cheers, the laughs and the good vibes all season long have made this one to remember. ❤️

To our volunteer coaches and our umpires — thank you! Your time, patience and encouragement have helped our players grow, especially our Minis who have improved out of sight. See you all next season!

🏆 Grand Final Results 🏆

Seniors: Green def. Blue 41–36

Season Top Scorers: Nat Griffin (172) and Zayne Lewis (157). **Game MVP:** Zayne Lewis.

Minis: Orange def. Silver 12–10

Adrian Pyke Memorial Award: Jace Vidamour

Juniors: White def. Red 46–35

Season Top Scorers: Cian Roberts (186) and Bella Baker (63). **Game MVP:** Max Allott.

Intermediates: Blue def. Green 43–34

Season Top Scorers: Dylan Ward (221), Scarlett Dubignon (104) and Abbey Lees (104). **Game MVP:** Abbey Lees.



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Address:
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10am-3pm Monday,
Wednesday, Thursday &
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Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays.

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Kieran Olree is at the RTC every Wednesday

By appointment only - **(03) 5176 2031**

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Welshpool & District Advisory Group
Annual General Meeting
Monday 12th January
5pm at the RTC
New Members Welcome



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1800 44 6954

FESTIVE SEASON— HOURS

Our library hours will temporarily change
during the festive season.

Wednesday 24 December 2025	Closing at 3pm
Wednesday 31 December 2025.	Welshpool location unstaffed.
Wednesday 7 January 2026	Staff will attend from 12-2 and normal service return.

For more information, please visit
our website: myli.au/fsh2526



Welshpool Op Shop & Nursery

Monday to Friday

10am – 4pm

Saturday 10am – 2pm

Ph: 0417 367 629



☀ Volunteers Wanted! ☀

Welshpool Op Shop would love for some friendly new faces to join our volunteer team. Whether you can give a few hours a week or a whole day, your time makes a huge difference.

👉 What you'll be doing:

Helping customers find hidden treasures

Sorting and displaying donated goods

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No experience needed – just bring your enthusiasm and a willingness to help.

☀ Perks of volunteering:

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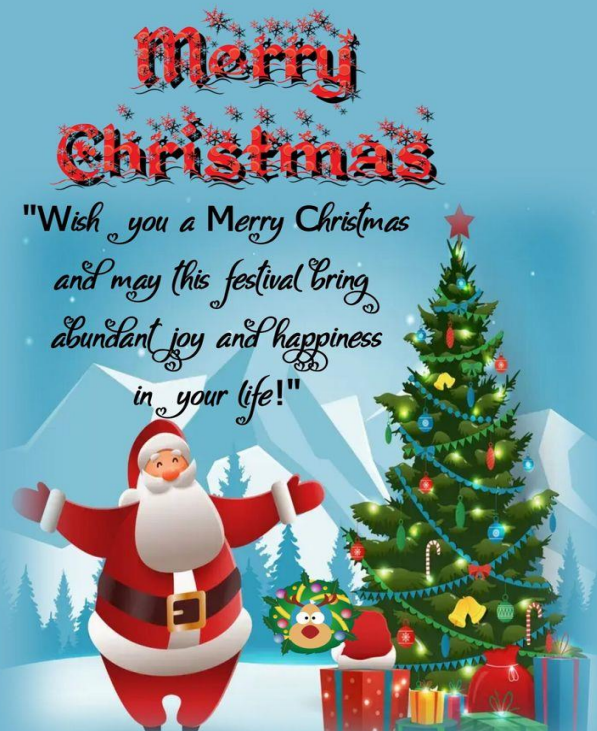
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Merry Christmas

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and may this festival bring
abundant joy and happiness
in your life!"*



Welshpool Area Future Focus Group

And so, it's Christmas, can you believe it!?

Our group has had a very productive year and has assisted in the addition of a few great new assets for our area. Thank you to the Welshpool and District Advisory Group for submitting Grants on our behalf and helping with projects.

The biggest achievement for this year has been the completion of the rotunda and of course the addition of the barbeque. Thank you once again to the Community Bank Toora and Foster for the funding for the barbeque, and to the South Gippsland Shire Council for the new rotunda.

The Community Garden has begun to take shape. We have had a few hiccups which has delayed the project; however we are now over those hurdles, and it has begun. Some time in the new year we will have a working bee to put it all together. More on that in the new year.

We still have a list of items on our plan to work towards, and we are also currently working on a few as we speak. The Long Jetty toilet block is still being worked on; however, it is a large and very involved project. You may not be seeing any action, but we are definitely working on it!

We are working towards new footpaths in Port Welshpool joining the road to the foreshore path, Wi-Fi in Welshpool, and a bike repair station in Anchor Park, just to name a few.

We do have some great news to bring in the new year. We have been working on getting bus shelters on either side of Welshpool for the VLine bus stops. We have confirmation that these will be built in the new year. This is something that has been worked towards for many years and we finally managed to make it happen.

Thank you to a couple of our volunteers for putting up Christmas decorations in Welshpool and Port Welshpool to add some cheer.

If anyone would like to join our group and be part of helping achieve our Community Plan goals, we would love to have you onboard. We meet once every two months at the RTC. If you are keen to join us, please see the girls in the RTC for details.

On behalf of the Welshpool Area Future Focus Group, we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year. We look forward to 2026 and what the year may bring.





APPLY
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Need help with the costs of study?

Community Bank Toora & Foster TAFE and University Scholarship Applications open Monday 15 September 2025 and close Friday 23 January 2026, log onto the link below for more information.

<https://communitybanktoorafoster.smartygrants.com.au/>

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Scholarship program to benefit local youth

The Llew Vale Scholarship is offered annually by the Community Bank Toora & Foster to support local students in achieving their academic and career dreams. Two Promontory District secondary school students will benefit from our Scholarship program again this year, supplementing their study costs in the first and second years of their higher education, whether it be at University or TAFE.

Sue Pilkington, Chair of the Community Bank Toora & Foster said "Our annual Scholarship program is an investment in the future of younger members of our community. The cost of higher education when you live in a rural area far exceeds that of students in metropolitan areas attending a local University or TAFE. It's not just fees. When you factor in the extra cost to a rural family of having a student live away from home this Scholarship makes a difference by relieving some of the costs faced by students".

"The Community Bank Scholarship Program is a transformative undertaking. It can change the lives of local students, providing opportunity for higher education that might not have otherwise been possible. It's a tangible example of how banking with us strengthens our community".

Successful Scholarship applicants will initially receive funding for one year. Successful completion of the first year results in funding to assist in the second year of their study.

Applications are now invited from eligible students who intend to commence tertiary or TAFE studies in 2026. Applications open on 15th September 2025 and close on 23 January 2026. All applications are assessed in early February 2026.

Last year, the Llew Vale Scholarship offered by the Community Bank Toora & Foster supported local students Zoe Greenway and Sage Anderson. Zoe is studying for a Bachelor of Secondary Education degree at Federation University and Sage for a Bachelor of Science degree at Monash University.

Zoe says "My first semester at university has been full of new friends and new experiences. It has been a great time and I can't wait for more."

Sage says "I'm honestly loving university so far, there are so many friendly people and the content has been really interesting and engaging. I feel like my gap year has really set me up for balancing a study and my own life and I'm looking forward to seeing what the rest of the year takes me!"

The Llew Vale Scholarship offered by the Community Bank Toora & Foster is part of the Bendigo Bank Scholarship Program, which focusses on supporting regional, rural, Indigenous and agricultural students. The program has been running since 2007, investing more than \$13.4 million in supporting the tertiary education of more than 1984 students across Australia.

For further information please contact Community Bank Toora on 5686 2000, Community Bank Foster on 5682 2287 or visit <https://communitybanktoorafoster.smartygrants.com.au/>



Australia Day

FAMILY FUN DAY





FREE COMMUNITY
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Free BBQ
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Monday 26th January

11am to 2pm Welshpool Anchor Park (Cnr Hwy & Port Welshpool Rd Welshpool)

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- Fireworks on the Foreshore

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Wed: 2pm-4pm & Thurs 6pm-8pm
beginners welcome, all kit supplied

Annual 3-Day Tournament

Port Welshpool & District Bowling Club

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2025

Sunday 28th December - 3 Bowl Triples.

Monday 29th December - Fours. (Dinner available on Monday)

Tuesday 30th December - 3 Bowl Triples.

\$10 PER PLAYER. 10:00 AM START.

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- Elf on the Shelf Hunt! Find the hidden elf!
- Prizes to be won

KIDS FUN

FOOD
• Toora Lions Club BBQ
• You're welcome to BYO a picnic

WINNERS OF LIGHT UP TOORA COMPETITION

DRAWING OF OUR CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

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-SNAP - Have you spotted an issue around town?

Snap to help have it fixed.

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SUNDAY 7th DECEMBER 4pm Messy Christmas

5pm **FOSTER COMMUNITY CAROLS** PEARL PARK

SUNDAY 14th DECEMBER 6pm **FISH CREEK COMMUNITY CAROLS** at MEMORIAL HALL

WEDNESDAY 17th DECEMBER 11am Thanks to Op Shop Volunteers

12noon **TOORA OP SHOP CHURCH CHRISTMAS CAROLS**

THURSDAY 18th DECEMBER 11am CAROLS AT PROM COUNTRY AGED CARE

1pm CAROLS IN THE FOSTER LANEWAY

SUNDAY 21st DECEMBER 10am FAMILY CHRISTMAS SERVICE
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TUESDAY 23rd DECEMBER SANDY POINT COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS 6pm

CHRISTMAS EVE WEDNESDAY 24th DECEMBER

5pm FISH CREEK FAMILY SERVICE

7.30pm CHURCH OF TRANSFIGURATION HEDLEY CHRISTMAS COMMUNION

CHRISTMAS DAY 25th DECEMBER 9am CHRIST CHURCH
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PORT WELSHPOOL & DISTRICT MARITIME MUSEUM.
THE COMMITTEE AND
MEMBERS WOULD LIKE TO WISH
EVERYONE A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS
HEALTH AND HAPPINESS FOR 2026

SEA DAYS FESTIVAL 2026

JANUARY SATURDAY 2ND
SUNDAY 3RD.
MUSEUM OPEN HOURS
10 TILL 4PM.

Come along to the Museum
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Saturday at 1pm: Not to be missed; Guest Speaker local historian Cheryl Glowrey who will enlighten you on the very, very early history of Snake Island. When the island had a light house and its connections. The fascinating history of how the Island was very involved with tourism and the cattlemen.

Also well penned in Cheryl's book and on sale on the day. Buy a delish Devonshire Tea to enjoy under the peppercorn tree; the tree has a history in its self.

Top the visit off with a wonder through the Museum as you see a Port that was till now with all its interesting history. Children can colour in at the table for the youngsters. A gold coin donation is all that is asked on entry to help support this important part of history for the area.

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**NEW YEARS EVE @
THE WELSHPOOL HOTEL**

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 31ST 7PM

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Tues 20th January 3:00pm @ Library LEGO!	Registration myli.au/jan26 SCAN ME	
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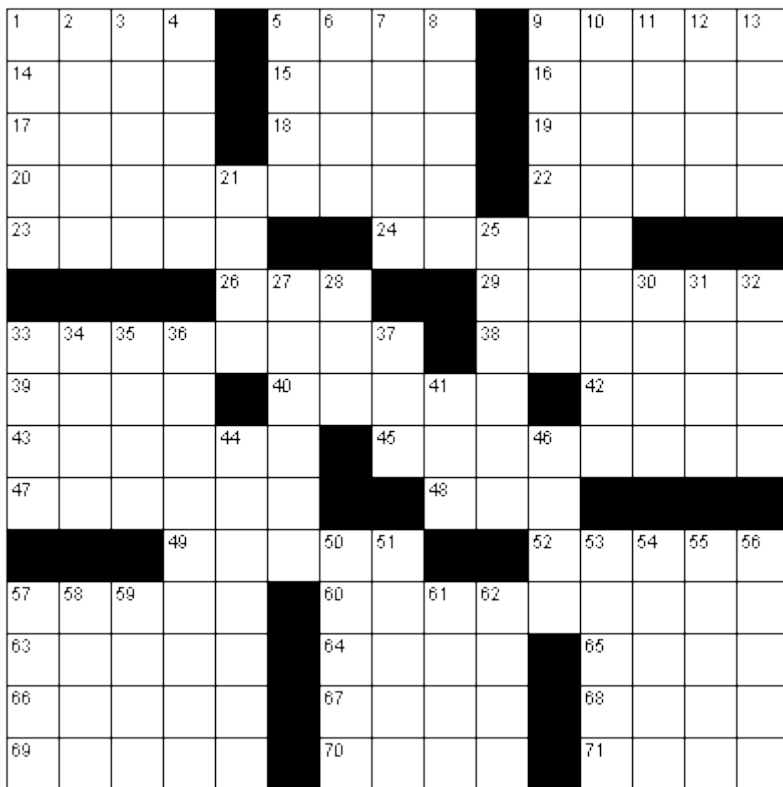
4:30pm.

Bowls provided.

Bar service available. BBQ & Salad dinners
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**NEW MEMBERS AND BOWLERS MOST
WELCOME**

CROSSWORD



1. Waistband
5. Marketplace
9. A virile male (2 words)
14. Pretentious
15. Fertilizer ingredient
16. Release through one's pores
17. Jump
18. Prompts
19. Acclaim
20. Improvised
22. Views as
23. A river in southeastern France
24. Thralls
26. 7th letter of the Greek alphabet
29. Pertaining to Australia (slang)

Across

33. Classes or conferences
38. Lacking solidity or strength
39. Affirm
40. A condensed written summary
42. Field mouse
43. The valve on the left side of the heart
45. Post-secondary institutions
47. Give pleasure to
48. Born
49. Pertaining to the Netherlands
52. Consent
57. A homeless street child
60. Remainders
63. Greek poem of the siege of Troy
64. Wing-shaped
65. Mid-month days
66. Loose temporary stitches
67. Sport played on horseback
68. Identical
69. An organic compound made from an alcohol
70. Anagram of "Tans"
71. Anagram of "Sire"

Down

1. A ragout
2. Territories
3. A financial involvement with something
4. High-strung
5. A lot
6. Wild African sheep
7. Submerged ridges of coral
8. Perceive flavor
9. Attentive
10. Beyond normal limits
11. Offspring of a male donkey and a female horse
12. Biblical first man
13. Meshes
21. Observed
25. A type of lottery
27. A small pellet of medicine
28. Arrangement (abbrev.)
30. Dirty air
31. Small island
32. Organs of sight
33. Cornmeal porridge
34. Wicked
35. Anagram of "Teem"
36. Expose to radiation
37. Urge a dog to attack
41. Long period of time
44. Apart
46. Direct from the front
50. A gambling dice game
51. A medieval serf
53. Pretence
54. Detection by radio waves
55. Oleoresin
56. S S S S
57. Correspond
58. "Oh my!"
59. Fog
61. A hall
62. To press clothes



Winning entry will receive a free coffee and cake from the Welshpool Café & Supermarket



LAST MONTHS CROSSWORD RESULT

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Mary Moore



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2025 -2026

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7th

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28th
(New Year's Weekend)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25th
(Australia Day Weekend)

SUNDAY, MARCH 8th
(Labour Day Weekend)

SUNDAY, APRIL 5th
(Easter Sunday)

8am - 12.30pm

Market Entry: \$2 adult cash, children free



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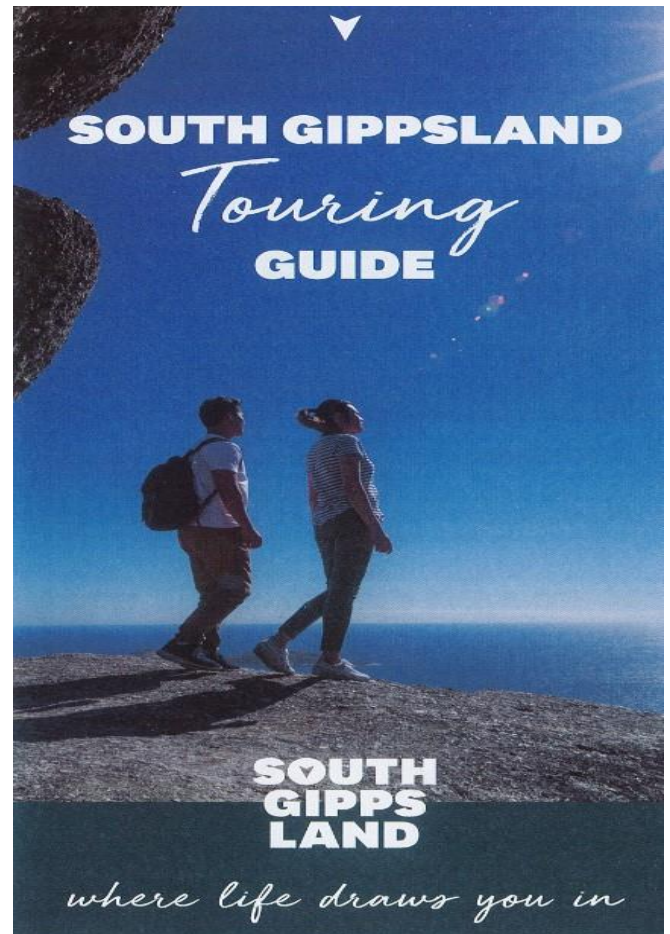
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Ingredients

Serves: 30

For the Bonbons

- 125 grams best-quality dark chocolate (finely chopped)
- 350 grams cooked and cooled Christmas pudding
- 60 millilitres sherry
- 2 tablespoons golden syrup

For the Decoration

- 100 grams white chocolate (finely chopped)
- 6 red glaze cherries
- 6 green glaze cherries

Method

1. Line a baking sheet (that will fit in the fridge) with clingfilm, baking parchment, foil or Bake-O-Glide, and set it to one side while you make the bonbons.
2. Melt the dark chocolate in a heatproof bowl suspended above a pan of simmering water, or in the microwave according to the manufacturer's guidelines.
3. Crumble the cold Christmas pudding into a bowl, add the Pedro Ximénez sherry and golden syrup and stir briskly till all is incorporated.
4. Pour in the melted dark chocolate and stir again: this will make the mixture much more cohesive.
5. To make this step easier, put on a pair of those disposable vinyl gloves sold in hardware stores and supermarkets, pinch out small lumps of mixture and roll so that you have little rounds about the size of a chocolate truffle. You should get about 30 out of this mixture; fight the impatient urge to make these balls larger as you go.
6. Cover with clingfilm and slot into the fridge to firm up.
7. To decorate, melt the white chocolate either in a heatproof bowl suspended over a pan of simmering water, or in the microwave according to the manufacturer's guidelines, then let it cool for about 5 minutes, to make it easier to work with, while you chop the red cherries into small pieces (to evoke berries), and snip the green cherries (or angelica) into miniature lengths, to represent leaves.
8. Using a teaspoon, drip a little of the melted but slightly cooled white chocolate on each bonbon, then arrange the infuriatingly sticky pieces of cherry on top.
9. Place in boxes to give away — if you use small boxes that will fit 6 bonbons each, you will get 5 adorable presents out of this — or on a plate to hand round with coffee, instead of dessert, after a post-Christmas dinner.

