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New BBQ for Anchor Park

We are over the moon to announce that we have been a grant recipient through the 2025 Bendigo Community Bank Grants Program.

The members of the **Welshpool Area Future Focus Group** have been working with the South Gippsland Shire Council to have a new rotunda built in Anchor Park. Some walls will soon be erected around the rotunda offering shelter from the wind.

Recently the **Welshpool and District Advisory Group** applied for a grant through the Bendigo Community Bank Grants Program. This grant was for a BBQ to be placed within the new rotunda. We have just been notified that we were successful in our grant application and can therefore go ahead with the plans for the new BBQ.

This is very exciting for our community and visitors alike. Families and friends will be able to come together at the park and have a wide-open space for their children to play, with the bonus of a new undercover area and double BBQ.

The BBQ is also an all-abilities design, allowing wheelchairs access to those using the cooker. On behalf of the Welshpool Area Future Focus Group, the Welshpool and District Advisory Group and the community, we would like to thank the Bendigo Community Bank for their ongoing support.

We can't wait to bring this wonderful addition of a BBQ to our local park!

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Kieran Olree

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myGov Scam Alert

There are different ways scammers try to trick you, including pretending to be from myGov.

They may send you emails with a link, button or icon that takes you to a fake myGov website. These are all types of phishing links. Phishing is a way for scammers to steal your personal information, like your myGov sign in details.

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As we brace for the cold, let's stay energy efficient and save on bills.

Here are some tips to keep cosy without breaking the

💍 Set your heater between 18-20. Every degree higher adds about 15% to your energy bill.

Replace old gas heaters with reverse-cycle air conditioners. They're the cheapest and most energy efficient heating source.

Wait until your washing machine and dishwasher are full before running a cycle.

Replace old light globes with energy-efficient globes. You can wipe up to \$16 per globe annually.

Pit draught seals on windows and doors.

For more information, visit

http://energy.vic.gov.au/.../winter-energy-saving-tips

Embrace the Upcoming Cooler Weather

As we approach the cooler months, remember to embrace all South Gippsland has to offer, even during winter!

The dropping temperature is a perfect time to pop on a coat and embark on an adventure by foot or bike on one of the region's many stunning trails and tracks.

Try a stretch of the 130 kilometre Great Southern Rail Trail, running from Nyora to Yarram. The Trail has many gentle sections suitable for all ability levels, and your four-legged friends are welcome to join you on a leash!

If you are not feeling quite that energetic, South Gippsland also has a spread of festivals, cosy shops and cafes to enjoy.

Stop in at one of the many picturesque towns for a hot drink and hearty meal, or browse through one of the charming clothing or homewares boutiques. There are also galleries and libraries scattered across the region for all to enjoy.

South Gippsland is full of beauty and wonder. For all upcoming events and activities, head to:

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details of these

South Gippsland Shire Council News

2026 Kindergarten Registrations Now Open

Three-year-old and four-yearold kindergarten registrations round offer. for 2026 are now open.

To register, simply complete the online registration form and nominate your kindergarten preferences.

To ensure an easy and fair process for all parents, Council operates the central registration system on behalf of all participating kindergartens across South Gippsland.

Registrations must be lodged

by 30 June to receive a first-

Kindergarten is an important step for young children. It helps them to develop strong social skills and encourages a love of learning. Children that attend kindergarten are more independent and likely to make a smooth transition to primary school.

To find out more or to register, visit: www.southgippsland.vic. gov.au/kinder

South Gippsland Shire Council News

COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 21 May 2025 at 2.00pm Details will be available on Council's website:

www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/ councilmeetings

To watch the meeting live or when it suits

www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/live EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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DRY SEASON SUPPORT

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Tactics for Dry Times Session 1 When: Wednesday 21 May Where: Inverloch

Session 2 When: Wednesday 27 May Where: Drouin

For more information and to register, www.dairyaustralia.com.au/events-calendar

REQUEST FOR TENDERS

Council is seeking submissions fro s/applications for the

RFT/443 - 25/26 Resheet Pro RFT/443 - 25/26 Resheet Program
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Please note there will be no librarian in attendance on Wednesday 25th June



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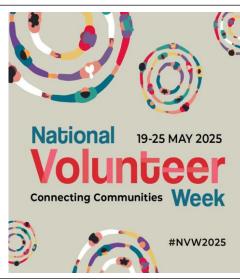




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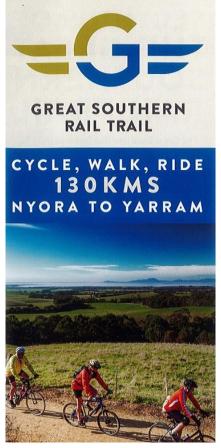


Shoes Galore!! - Just \$3 Lots of DVD's - Just \$1

An amazing range of Vintage Jewellery and Accessories Call in to the Welshpool RTC for your copy of the latest brochure for the Great Southern Rail Trail. Developed by the South Gippsland Shire Council and the Wellington Shire Council, this brochure provides information about the towns along the Rail Trail and what you can expect to see on your ride.

Also available is a map created by Great Southern Ride in Meeniyan providing distances and retail options in each town.

Both brochures are **FREE** and available now!









Welshpool Primary School

We also saw some incredible displays of perseverance and stamina when doing time trials for Cross Country. Students in Prep-2 had a go at running a full lap of the oval (400 metres!) without stopping. Students in Grades 3 completed 6 laps of the oval. Grades 5 and 6 completed 9 laps. It was wonderful to see the encouragement between the students as they cheered each other on to the finish line! A massive congratulations to Kai, Parishay and Cian who have qualified to represent out school at Division Cross Country at the Stony Creek Racecourse on the 22nd of May.

Congratulations to all the students who have earned reading awards.



Port Welshpool and District Bowling Club

It's great to see our new bowlers going so well. Andrew Stimson entered the BV State Novice Carnival in Shepparton. On Friday he paired up with a bowler from Caulfield in the Open Pairs played at Numurkah Golf & Bowls Club Inc. winning 2 out of 3, just missing the knock-out stage. Onto the Men's Singles at East Shepparton Bowls Club where he won both his preliminary games to progress to the knock-out stage. Unfortunately, Andrew bowed out in the first round of knockouts to a Morwell player.





This is a fantastic achievement for a new bowler considering "novice" is now classified as a player who has been playing pennant for up to 3 years. He should be extremely proud of his efforts and how he represented our club.

Well done, Andrew!



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Where 12 Main Street Welshpool

Date Thursday 19th June

Time 11am onwards

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Welshpool Golf Club

AT the start of the month, Pappy took home the chook with 19 points, Skiddy got a BDL with 16 points and there were no NTP's.

The first weekend saw a Stableford event on the Saturday with 9 players and Stevo continued his good form with a handy 36 points and won on a countback from Pappy who got a BDL. No NTP's or Captains ball.

Sunday was a stroke event where 8 players competed with Pappy winning with 65 nett, Joe Platt got a BDL with 71 Nett and Brett got NTP's on the 6th, 12th and 17th with Leigh Roberts also getting an NTP on the 8th.

For those that were not aware we lost the men's pennant final but as a club we are very proud of the efforts of the team. Maybe next year

The club is exploring options to have major events scheduled for Sundays as a concept to try and get more members who either work, are involved in sport etc. If you have any thoughts on this, please contact Brett Mitchell - President.

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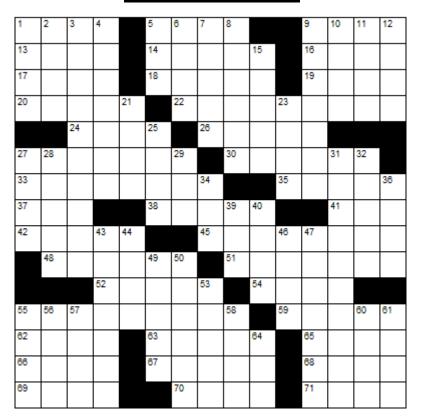
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- 2. Minute opening
- 3. Inadvertent
- 4. Rocket
- 5. Big fuss
- 6. Armed conflicts
- 7. Genus of heath
- 8. Mountain chain
- 9. Unsophisticated
- 10. Cain's brother
- 11. Handout
- 12. Adjusts
- 15. Go up
- 21. Friend in war
- 23. Supervisor
- 25. Stow, as cargo
- 27. Not barefoot
- 28. Guided visits 29. Scarlet
- 31. Sources

- 32. Existence
- 34. Tiny
- 36. French for "Head"
- 39. Angry
- 40. Largest continent
- 43. 60 in an hour
- 44. Ancient
- 46. Wicked
- 47. Arbitrate
- 49. A group of
- concubines
- 50. Exchanged
- 53. Grin
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- 56. Ear-related
- 57. Walking stick
- 58. Balm ingredient
- 60. Makes a mistake
- 61. Greek district
- 64. N N N

Across

- 1. Junk E-mail
- 5. Amazes
- 9. Bovs
- 13. Hubs
- 14. Old Persian coin
- 16. Double-reed woodwind
- 17. Circle fragments
- 18. Bay window
- 19. Whip mark
- 20. Breed of large antelope
- 22. Scrawls
- 24. Pickle flavoring
- 26. Knight's protection
- 27. Relating to stars
- 30. Soak up

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- 35. Sugary
- 37. Not in
- 38. Swelling
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- episode
- 45. Right of way
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- 52. Approaches
- 54. Assistant
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- family
- 68. Duration
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- 70. D D D
- 71. Being



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Winner of the April Crossword:





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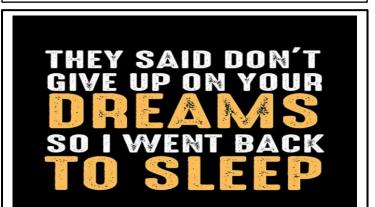
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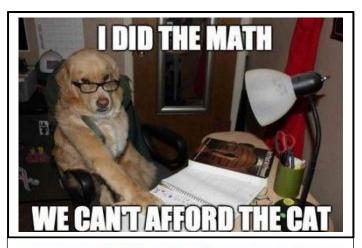
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- 250ml Guinness
- 1 Orange, juice and rind
- 225g Carrots, sliced
- 375ml Beef stock
- 225g Mushrooms, quartered
- Egg, beaten to glaze

Method:

- 1. Preheat oven to 220°C (200°C fan assisted)/ Gas 7.
- 2. Heat the butter and half of the oil in a large pan and gently fry the onions, garlic and bacon until the onions are soft. Remove from the pan and put aside. Add the rest of the oil and heat through, then quickly brown the beef.
- 3. Stir in the flour, then beer and orange juice and zest. Return the onions and bacon to the pan with the carrots and stir well, add sufficient stock to just cover, season and bring to boil. Simmer for approx. 45 min. until the meat is tender, stirring occasionally to prevent sticking.
- 4. At the end of the cooking time add the mushrooms, then allow to cool thoroughly and place in a pie dish. Place a pie funnel or upturned egg cup in the centre to help support the pastry.
- 5. Roll out the pastry large enough to cover the dish with some room to spare. With a sharp knife cut strips of pastry from edges and use to form a rim on the pie dish edge. Brush edge with beaten egg to help the pastry stick, then brush the pastry rim with egg wash.
- 6. Carefully lift the pastry, lay over the pie dish and press down edges to form a good seal and trim off excess with a sharp knife. Reserve trimmings. Knock up and flute the edges of the pie and make a hole in the centre over the pie funnel to allow the steam to escape.
- 7. Re-roll trimmings and cut out leaves or other shapes of your choice. Brush the pastry top with egg wash, arrange leaves on top and brush again. Bake for approx. 40 minutes until pastry is risen and golden brown.

