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Crafting a Vision to Accommodate Growth

By Sheila Ferguson

IF, TWENTY years ago you had been planning for the development of Prospect Vale and Blackstone Heights and were armed with what you now know, would you have come up with a design that depicted the area as it is now? Would you, for example, have placed Prospect Park in its present position and made it its current size?

Possibly, or then again, possibly not. The Park has reached capacity and, because of its position and soils, cannot be expanded.

Hindsight enables 20/20 vision but, nevertheless, hindsight can help to provide insights into pitfalls to avoid in the future and matters to take into consideration when planning.

Prospect Vale and Blackstone Heights are expected to grow substantially over coming decades and Meander Valley Council wants to plan - to try, as far as possible - to ensure that the area will reflect the needs and preferences of its population. Council would very much like residents and other interested parties to become involved in the process.

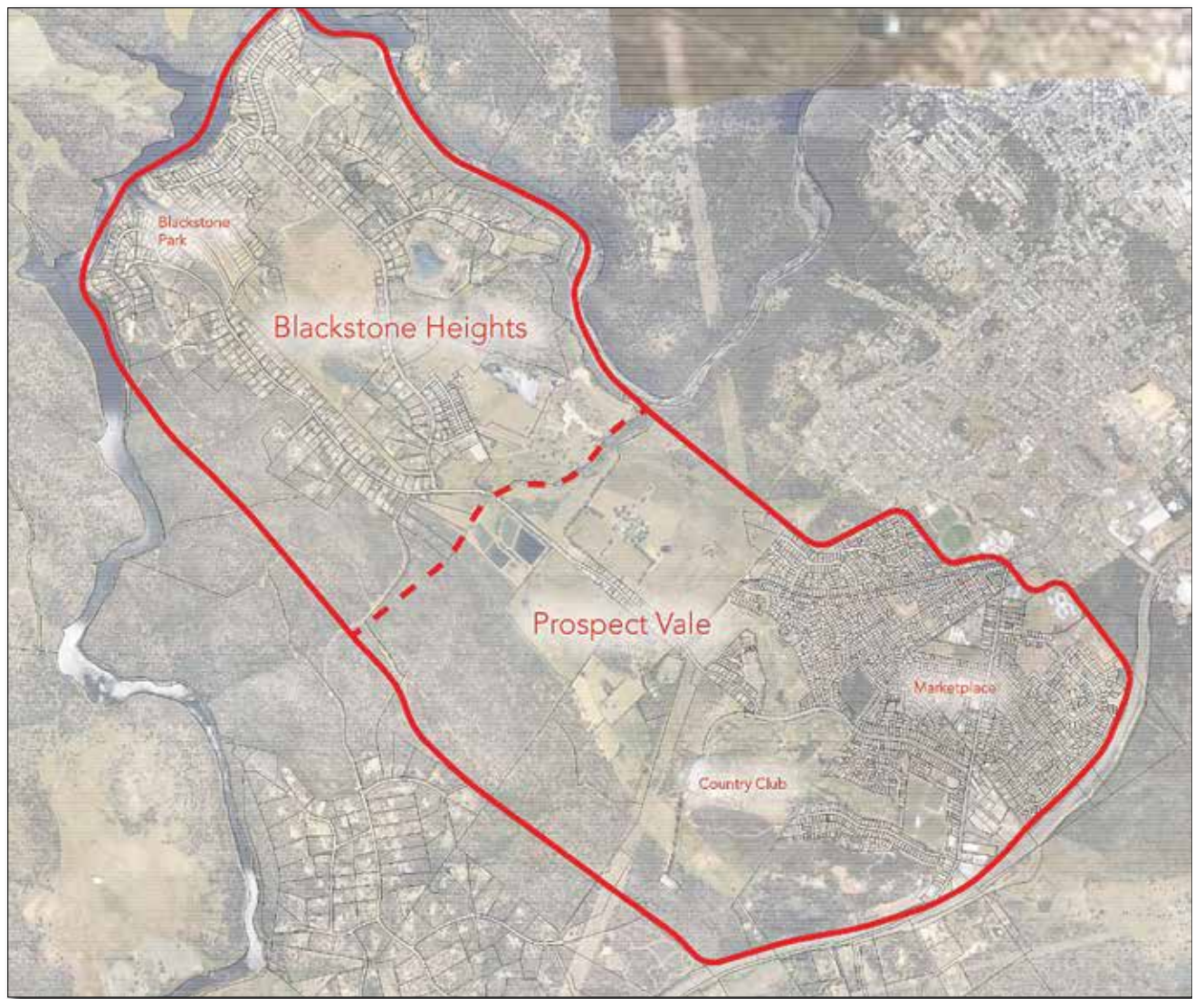
Meander Valley Council is preparing a Structure Plan which will provide an integrated blueprint for development in the area over the next twenty years. This will help identify where new housing should be located, shape the future character of the

area and the outline facilities needed to service the growing community. Already the traffic flow along Westbury Road has grown significantly and requires greater management. Demand has grown for additional commercial activity, including, for example, another supermarket.

The suggestion that one should become involved in planning procedures has a similar effect on most people to swallowing a sleeping pill but this Plan merits attention. When finalised, the Plan will influence decisions about what can be developed in the area, and where development is to be allowed and how this will affect everyone who lives there.

Think, for example, of aged-care facilities, mothers with young and not-so-young children, young people, the disabled. Consider the need for public transport, other transport including bicycles, even skateboards. And what about play areas, sports and entertainment centres, medical services, schools, shops, public access to buildings? Then there are the less exciting but profoundly important issues of water, sewerage, stormwater drains, power and cable connections. The list goes on and on. There are a myriad things to consider.

So this is your opportunity to help



Meander Valley Council's 'Structure Plan' focuses on the areas outlined above.

shape the future of Prospect Vale and Blackstone Heights. What do you like about the area? What could be improved? Is there anything you feel the world would be better with or without?

Mayor Craig Perkins said that, given the robust growth anticipated for Prospect Vale and Blackstone Heights in the coming decades, new challenges will emerge that will require dedicated management but which will also create opportunities for new infrastructure and

investment in the area. The Structure Plan will help guide this growth.

"We want to persuade the community to become involved," he said. "We want them to help shape the future of Prospect Vale and Blackstone Heights. This is the perfect opportunity for people to tell us what they want to see happen in their area."

An online survey and a series of meetings and workshops during the week 17th to 21st March generated more than 150 responses. The results of these

discussions and the survey will be circulated and people will be encouraged to express their opinions and put forward further suggestions and ideas.

A dedicated website and Facebook page have been set up to enable people to find out more about the project; these can be found at: www.prospectblackstonefuture.com and www.facebook.com/prospectblackstone

The Site will be kept updated and visitors will be apprised of fresh surveys and the dates of future meetings.

As the draft Structure Plan is developed, there will be further opportunities for the community to provide feedback.

"I encourage everyone with an interest in Prospect Vale and Blackstone Heights to keep checking the website and Facebook page for information as we work towards completing the Structure Plan by July," Mayor Perkins said.

Planning specialists Geografia, with assistance from Arup and David Lock Associates, have been commissioned to prepare the plan.

Agfest Embraces Life Without Barriers

AGFEST IS the largest single event held in Tasmania, attracting in excess of 65,000 people over three days.

The 2014 Committee has made a decision to support a charity each year by offering a free site at Agfest. This will enable a charity to promote their service to a concentrated audience. Expressions of interest were advertised and 12 outstanding applications were received.

"All charities are worthy of support, but the committee unanimously chose 'Life Without Barriers' because it supports the client, their families and the community as a whole", said Chairman Amanda Bayles.

Life Without Barriers started as a small service and now has over 100 offices in

Australia and New Zealand where people with disability are assisted to build their lives and their confidence.

Life Without Barriers operates locally, but draws on a wealth of experience across the country to ensure communities - from city suburbs to remote communities - all receive the best quality of care by solving problems and working with people to tackle even the most difficult and challenging situations.

"We've been here in Tasmania for six years and have offices in Launceston, Hobart and Burnie... offering foster and residential care, disability services, mental health, education, and refugees and asylum seeker support," said Melinda Ferrier, Operations Manager

for Tasmania's North.

"We are delighted to have been selected as the Charity Partner of Choice for Agfest 2014, running from 1st to 3rd May.

Having a presence at a major event that attracts over 65,000 people is something we could never do without this opportunity.

We also understand the huge value that Agfest brings to the Tasmanian community and the state's economy.

The event plays an important role in building and strengthening community relationships, and that's something we also stand for," she said.

More information about Life Without Barriers can be found at site M09 on the corner of First Avenue & Main Street at this year's Agfest.

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Beekopers abuzz at Agfest

THE AIM of the Tasmanian Beekeepers Association Inc. information site at this year's Agfest will be to present an educational, interesting and enjoyable experience for everyone.

The feature display will showcase products from the Tasmanian hives of pollinating bees which will include beverages, cosmetics, wax candles, confectionary, biscuits and muesli.

This season has been one of the worst for honey production, which was down 80% across Australia.

Tasmania has also experienced a difficult year with early weather conditions playing against build up and early ground flora honey. However, there will still be about 14 different varieties on show this year.

Karla Williams, who is the Apiary and Quarantine Officer for the Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment, will be on hand to give advice to prospective beekeepers.

Commercial beekeepers from all the TBA Inc. branches will also be present

to answer questions about beekeeping as an occupation and elaborate on its many benefits to humanity, including why most of the world's food production depends on this industrious insect for its very existence.

Shirley Stephens is Past President and a Life Member of the TBA Inc. and is also the Tasmanian Coordinator of Australian Honey Month for the Australian Honey Bee Industry Council (AHBIC) National Association.

"An enclosed glass beehive will give patrons a wonderful view of the inner workings of a bee hive," she says "and hopefully we will participate in the children's tour arranged by Rural Youth who run Agfest."

A selection of honeys from TBA Inc. producers will be available to buy, as well as copies of Mark Leech's book, "Bee Friendly", about Australian plants beneficial to bees.

Visitors can take part in a guessing competition at the tasting table with prizes for those who can correctly identify the floral sources and sample bags containing literature and items donated by beekeepers will be available for \$10.

The TBA Inc. Agfest display site can be found at N34 on North Street.

For more information about the TBA Inc. stall at Agfest, or about beekeeping in general, please email TBA Inc. at secretary@tasmanianbeekeepers.org.au

Alternatively, you can visit their website at www.tasmanianbeekeepers.org.au

Back to The Steppes



The Steppes Reserve, Highland Lakes Rd
Sunday, 27th April 2014
10:00 am to 3:00 pm
- Bush BBQ Lunch -
Please bring own seating

1:00 pm - Deirdre Flint, Central Highlands Mayor & Peter Mooney, General Manager, Parks & Wildlife, will acknowledge the restoration work of the Mountain Huts Preservation Society.

2:00 pm - Tour and explanation of the work with Mountain Huts Preservation Society.

Displays by MHPS, archival history of The Steppes - Photographs, film and more.

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Meander Valley Gazette Schedule for 2014

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May	21st April	28th April	9th - 16th May
June	19th May	26th May	6th - 13th June
July	23rd June	30th June	11 - 18th July
August	21st July	28th July	8th - 15th August
September	18th August	25th August	5th - 12th September
October	22nd Sept	29th Sept	10th - 17th October
November	20th Oct	27th Oct	7th - 14th November
December	17th Nov	24th Nov	5th - 12th December

That went well!

By Annie Robinson

LAST WEEKEND, Deloraine's first Stringfest was a feast for eyes and ears. Musicians and listeners enjoyed the many experiences and performances from local and visiting musicians.

This event, organized and directed by Nick Weare, was a resounding success and Arts Deloraine congratulates Nick and the committee who supported him. Arts Deloraine gave support and was proud to be part of it all.

An interesting art show called Out of the Ashes, organised by artists who live and work in the Dunalby area, is coming to Deloraine later this year. It is a pleasure to be hosting this exhibition.

By the time you read this, the Blues Brothers night, which Arts Deloraine is

hosting with the Deloraine Big Band and Georgina Harvey, will be a memory. Deloraine will have listened to the usual great music of our very own Big Band and have danced the evening away. It is hoped that those of you who attended had a great night.

A few of the committee are going to be away for the winter months. The rest of the committee would like to invite anyone to come along to the meetings, which will continue through the winter, and be part of the planning for later in the year.

New input and ideas are always welcome from all of the community.

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month in the hospital meeting room at 6pm.

Mustered Courage mustered crowds

By Patrick Gambles

EVERY TWO years the Council sponsors a Community Concert and invites top musicians from interstate or overseas to ply their talent in our community. We've enjoyed some extraordinary concerts with the Melbourne Scottish Fiddle Club, the Irish band, Beoga, and Scotland's Battlefield Band.

Last Saturday it was the turn of Mustered Courage from Melbourne to put on a great show. These boys punch out contemporary bluegrass music and can really play. It took only minutes for the 260-strong crowd to shed their inhibitions and start clapping, whistling and dancing.

During their 3 day stay they delivered, in addition to the Community Concert,



Mustered Courage wowed the crowd with some punchy bluegrass

a one-hour chat and play session for 150 Deloraine High School students and a community workshop at the Little Theatre. Thanks to all who contributed to their stay.

An added bonus this year was that Council's

Community Concert sat within a StringFest program studded with musical happenings all week-end. Deloraine was really booming.

Congratulations to Nick Weare and Arts Deloraine for bringing StringFest together.

Mexican, Italian, and Indian experiences

By Marg Leedham

IN FEBRUARY the Meander Hall was transformed into a Mexican Cantina when Meander Valley Dining Experience provided a Mexican feast, accompanied by the excellent guitar playing and singing of Eddie Tuleja.

Guests enjoyed salsas, tortillas, guacamole and other treats followed by a rich chocolate chilli cake and washed down with ginger chilli beer.

Italian food featured in the March dinner to welcome Stringfest, with the guest entertainer being none other

than the Wizard of the cigar box guitar, Justin Johnson.

About sixty enthusiastic eaters were treated to a varied antipasto platter, pork, chicken and cannelloni main courses and yummy lemon tart or tiramisu desserts, all expertly prepared by guest chef Peter Wileman.

Everyone seemed to appreciate the Mimosa cocktail at the start, made with Italian Prosecco and Spreyton orange juice.

Heirloom tomatoes from Four Springs Produce formed the basis of the Caprese

salad and Whitehouse Bakery ciabatta was complemented by Coronea Grove olive oil, in keeping with the MVDE objective of promoting local produce as much as possible.

Indian food features in the next lunch at the Deloraine Golf Club on Thursday 17th April.

Anyone wishing to be involved in the Meander Valley Dining Experience in any way is invited to contact Laura on 0437 075 266, or Marg on



Cindy and Ian Knight enjoying Mexican at Meander

6393 1075. Alternatively, you can contact Marg by email at

marg.leedham@bigpond.com

Little Red Tractor market a great success

THE LITTLE Red Tractor Farmers Market opened in Deloraine on Saturday 22 March 2014. Customers arrived at 8.30am and shopping began in earnest with many stallholders selling out of their produce.

The market showcased fresh, local produce made by family run businesses.

Among the stalls that were a hit with the locals was freshly baked bread by Apiece Bakery, Ashgrove Cheese and gourmet potatoes from Riverdale Potatoes. Locals were also thrilled to be able to source fresh, seasonal vegetables grown right here in our region.

Music played, the smell of freshly brewed coffee filled the air and people chatted and shopped. Kids busied themselves with colouring in and puzzles in the 'Pig Pen' area and giant beanbags for relaxing on.

The market organiser, Ms Carolyn Edgecombe, said "At the next market on 5th April, the

community can expect more delicious 'brunch' style foods that people can enjoy with a coffee whilst shopping.'

She added, 'Food producers were delighted with the turnout of 1200 people and many stallholders commented on the friendly reception and support they received from the Deloraine locals.'

It's a fun morning out for family and friends and a chance for people to buy quality food whilst putting their money straight back into our local community."

The market operates on Saturdays every fortnight from 8.30am-12.30pm and the next market is on 19th April.

Expressions of Interest are still being invited, especially from fruit growers and meat producers. Please contact Carolyn on 0409 774 449 or email redtractormarket@gmail.com or inbox Little Red Tractor Farmers Market Facebook page.

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Deloraine Riverbank Easter Festival

By Liz Walker
Religion Correspondent

EVERYONE IS warmly welcomed to the Easter River Festival, to be held on Saturday 19th April.

The Easter Festival, organized for the community by the "combined churches of Deloraine", is a free gift of friendship to the community from the churches of Deloraine.

All the activities for the weekend are free and there will be something for everybody.

Look forward to many activities for young and

old, including children's activities, train rides, face painting, wind tunnel, water balloon-volley ball, air hockey and much more.

There will be competitions such as large hay bale rolling and gum boot throwing. Also, a team building competition using blocks to build an arch will provide a fun challenge for families.

There will be stalls of interest including a family history stall, music and singing.

Sausage sizzles and drinks

will be available, free of charge.

This festival has been run for many years and is an opportunity to gather together as family and friends to enjoy each other's company in a relaxing and beautiful atmosphere.

Easter Sunday morning, at the riverbank, there will be an open church service; all are welcome to celebrate the true meaning of Easter.

The more who attend this wonderful festival, the greater its success.

Dance for cancer

THE MEANDER Valley Line Dancers (Bootscootin' Bunnies) are having a line dancing social to raise funds for the Cancer Council Tasmania.

It will be held at the Westbury RSL on Saturday, 3rd of May, 1pm - 6pm.

There will be a majority of

older dances with a few new ones.

Tea and coffee will be available all day and the bar will be open

Ticket prices are \$10 for participating adults, \$5 for non-dancers and \$3 for children. All adult tickets include a lucky door and 2 raffle tickets

We have at least 4

socials a year and profits are donated to charities.

Classes are held at the Westbury RSL 7 - 9pm Mondays and at Deloraine RSL 7 - 9 pm Wednesdays

For more information please contact: Margaret Donovan (Teacher) 63931516 or 0418807212 or Rayma Wilson (Publicity) on 0409867427.

Other Events

AUSTRALIAN HERITAGE Week.

Registrations are now open for events during Australian Heritage Week which will run from 12th-20th April.

Australian Heritage Week is an annual, national celebration of the places, buildings, landscapes and stories of our local communities and provides a link to our nation's heritage.

Local groups and communities can get involved by planning and hosting a range of activities to showcase their unique heritage. For details, visit <http://heritage-week.gov-space.gov.au>

THE WESTBURY and Districts Historical Society will be holding its April meeting on the 28th of April at 7pm in the Supper Room in the Westbury Town Hall. (Please note change of time due to the end of daylight saving.)

On the 6th of April the Society will be visiting Longford. If you would like to join us please contact the Society.

We now have a notice board at the IGA in William Street, on which our details will be displayed.

WOMEN IN Business (Deloraine District) is a direct result of an initiative of Deloraine on the Move.

Our goal is to support and encourage all women in business within the area and, by doing so, to help to provide a viable, sustainable economic community.

Our next get together is Wednesday 30th April 2014 at 6p.m. at the Meander Valley Enterprise Centre.

All women in business are welcome. Please bring a plate. Drinks provided.

Got An Event Going On?

Don't leave it to lady luck. Let the valley know about it!

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4th Annual Meander Valley Volunteer Expo

By Joanne Eisemann

THE FOURTH annual Meander Valley Volunteer Expo will be held at Deloraine Creative Studios 11am - 1pm on Tuesday 13th May.

Stalls showcasing the work of various Community Groups and Services from around the valley will provide the opportunity, for people attending, to learn more about the community work these groups do and find out how to get involved if desired.

Each year some inspiring guests address the expo audience offering anecdotes and insights into the world

of volunteering.

A light lunch will be served afterwards.

This year a new element has been introduced with the finalists' 3 minute videos of the 'Why do you do it?' volunteering competition being viewed and the winners announced.

Community groups wanting to have a stall at the Expo can contact Joanne Eisemann 6362 3537 or email deloraine.oac@education.tas.gov.au

Everyone is welcome to attend the Expo. Just turn up on 13th May at 11am; there is no charge.

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For more information visit ldsdevonport.org.au.

Got An Event Going On?

You've spent endless hours coming up with a great idea for an event then had meetings, planned schedules, and organised logistics.

Don't just cross your fingers and hope for the best. Let people know about it across Meander Valley!

Every month *Meander Valley Gazette* is read by thousands of locals and tourists alike. Tell us about your event well in advance and we can let the region know about it.

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WHY DO YOU DO IT? Capture it/video it on your mobile phone

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- any queries contact Vicki Pryer 6362 5280

(By submitting an entry you are agreeing to your video being used for promotional purposes)



Deloraine House – Activities and Services for April – May 2014

PLEASE NOTE: Enrolments are essential: email info@delorainehouse.com.au or phone 6362 2678. Opening hours are Monday to Friday 10.00am to 4.00pm.

Family Law, separation and care of children free information session. Launceston Community Legal Centre visiting solicitor will give a talk and answer questions at 10am – 11am on Monday 28th April. Morning tea provided.

Deloraine House 25th Anniversary Celebrations. Friday 2nd May at the House. For more information contact the House.

Families Week BBQ: at Deloraine House. 11.30am-2pm, Friday 16th May. Activities include face painting and games.

Deloraine Charity Singers and Friends Cabaret: Saturday 17th May from 7pm at the Deloraine RSL Club, West Church St. Great line up of artists, Admission \$5, includes supper, raffles and lucky door prize. Fundraising event for Deloraine House. For more information contact the House or Vera on 6362 2366.

Asian Cooking with Margaret Brooks: Starts Wed 21st May 11.30-1pm at Deloraine House 7 weeks course. Attend all weeks or as you are available. The dishes are simple, quick and tasty. All are meat based but can be adapted for vegetarians. Margaret has had over 10 years' experience cooking Thai, Chinese, Vietnamese and Malay cuisines and is looking forward to passing on her knowledge to you. Cost \$10 per session: includes recipe & lunch. Bookings essential.

Gluten Free flours, bread-making and baking: 11am-2pm on Thurs. 22nd May at Deloraine House with Mary Jane Gerson. Mary Jane is a qualified chef who has been experimenting with and perfecting gluten free baking for many years. Find out how to cook gluten free for yourself and avoid expensive commercial products. Bookings essential. Cost \$10: includes recipes, gluten free lunch and bread samples.

First Aid training: Sunday 25th May, 9am – approx. 5pm Renew your certificate or upgrade your CPR with Angela Enright. To enrol or enquire phone 6362 3633.

Visiting Services

Launceston Community Legal Centre: Visiting lawyer 28th April. 11am- 2pm. Appointments essential Ph. 1800 066 019

Literacy/Numeracy help: Make an appointment with Anne-Marie phone or text 0417 120 6710r pop in to Service Tas. or the Library.

Legal Literacy: Support with legal issues is available. Phone Deloraine House to make an appointment. Trained volunteers are available.

Reflexology with Sophie Kirkman: available at the House. Ph. 0429 622 727 for an appointment.

Regular activities

Alcoholics Anonymous: Meetings held at Westbury 7.30pm Thursdays. For more information contact Chris 0437 355 401.

Broadband for Seniors: Learn everything you need to know about the basics of computer use. Including how to email & browse the internet. One to one tuition from friendly and helpful volunteers. No cost involved. Phone 6362 2678 to express interest and organise a time to suit you.

Cores: "Community response to Eliminating Suicide" Meets 4th Monday of every 2nd month. Next meeting: 28th April.

Counselling with Debby Kemsley: Available by appointment. A fee, depending on income applies. Ph. Debby for more information or to make an appointment: 0439 695 081.

Deloraine House Playgroup & Toy Library: Come to our new group using the resources of the House; a large outdoor play area with equipment, a painting area, a cosy room with many resources and the facilities of the House Fridays 10am-noon. All welcome. Gold coin donation appreciated.

Deloraine Writer's Group: Meets on the 2nd Monday of each month from 7pm-9pm. For more information phone Annie on 6392 2166.

Deloraine Community Garden: co-ordinated by Deloraine House. Volunteers welcome. There is a fantastic range of garden, produce harvesting and preserving workshops on offer. Contact the House to get involved or for more information.

Eating with Friends: 1st Monday of each month, except October. 12 noon – 2pm. Cost \$5. Bookings essential. Next lunch: 5th May. Bookings through Deloraine House essential. Cost \$5.

Emergency Relief: food vouchers are available on a 2 monthly basis on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 10am – 4pm. Some non-perishable and frozen food is usually available on an "as needed basis".

Help with Finances: Tired of juggling your debts? Free confidential service which provides information and support for anyone experiencing financial difficulties.

Budgeting and Support: 3rd Wed. of each month – drop in service. Next visit: 1st May.

Financial counselling: 2nd Thursday of each month - appointments needed. Next visits: 16th April & 21st May.

NILS: No Interest Loan Scheme. Loans available for household items, education, health expenses and more. Anyone on any Centrelink payment can apply. Repayments are low. Contact the House for more information on how to arrange a loan.

Get Walking Groups: Walking in a group is great for your heart, a good way to meet people & motivating to form a healthy habit. Everyone walks at their own pace, no pressure. Deloraine group meets at Deloraine House every Tuesday at 10am.

Spinners Group: meet 1st and 3rd Tuesdays: 10 -3pm. Call Gem on 6497 2064. New Spinners are welcome. Childcare can be provided between 10.30am and 12.30pm, if sufficient numbers. Bookings essential.

Toy Library: The Playgroup Association Toy Library loans are available from Deloraine House on Fridays 10.30am-12noon.

Women's Circle: A friendly and confidential space to share what's happening in your life. 6pm- 8pm at Deloraine House. All women are welcome. Gold coin donation and a piece of fruit to share. For more information Ph. Gem on 64972064 or email Tara on: wattleforest@gmail.com Next gathering: 29th April.

Yoga: Wed. evenings 5.15-6.30pm at Deloraine House. Other classes in Deloraine and Western Creek available. Also Private classes at times to suit you. For info. or to enrol phone Kristina 6367 8241.

Training coming up at Deloraine Online Access Centre

A SHORT workshop is being held at Deloraine Online Centre.

On Monday 12th May, from 10am to 12 noon, attend ARTWORK ONLINE and learn how to create digital artwork using your iPad and a \$3 app called Sketch Club.

Royce Gale, our resident digital artist, will assist participants to turn photos taken with their iPad into a work of art.

The workshop is free but a donation to the Online Centre would be much appreciated.

Expressions of interest are also being taken for Computing Foundations, an 11 week course delivered by Deloraine Online Access Centre in conjunction with TasTAFE. The course is also available at the Mole Creek Online Centre, 48 Pioneer Drive, Mole Creek.

The course is suitable for people aged between 16-70 who have a little experience with computers but don't yet feel comfortable using them.

There is so much you need to know before being able to use a computer efficiently these days and Computer Foundations classes provide support in what, otherwise, can be a very frustrating experience.

Participants spend two hours per week at the Deloraine Online Access Centre with Tutor Joanne Eisemann and 3 to 4 hours per week working at home, using the text book provided, on their own computer or using the Centre's computers (unsupervised).

To register for one or all of these courses call Deloraine Online on 6362 3537 and ask for Joanne Eisemann.

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DIY Superannuation?

By Sam Horsman, Business Principal, PJS Financial

IT IS MORE than twenty years since compulsory superannuation was introduced in Australia and self-managed super funds (SMSFs) are currently the fastest growing sector of the super industry. After the dismal returns of super funds in the wake of the global financial crisis, it's not hard to see why.

The Australian Taxation Office (ATO) regulates the self-managed sector and offers advice for anyone considering striking out on their own. It recommends you get professional help before you take the plunge.

Numerous surveys have shown that the main reason people give for starting their own fund is control, followed by flexibility, a belief that they can do as well as a fund manager, tax benefits and lower fees.

As trustee of your own super fund, you have the power to ensure that every decision you make is in your

own best interests.

You choose which investments to buy and sell as well as the timing. This can have significant tax advantages because it allows you to schedule income, capital gains and losses at a time that suits you. You can also react quickly to changes in the super rules and opportunities arising from new tax strategies.

You also have the opportunity to invest in assets that public offer funds are unable or unlikely to offer.

If you want to hold direct property in super, then a self-managed fund is the only structure that allows it. You can use borrowed funds to do so.

Small business owners often choose to hold business property in their own fund, which has major tax benefits once they retire.

Remember, to successfully run your own fund you need a certain level of financial

sophistication. Even if you use an accountant, ultimately, the responsibility lies with you.

To be competitive with other types of funds, advisers recommend you have at least \$200,000 to invest and, obviously, the cost of running your own fund diminishes as its value grows.

The ATO suggests ongoing costs are about \$2000 to run a median-sized fund. The actual cost will depend on the amount of advice you pay for, the type of investments you make and transaction costs.

So if you think you may be in a position where you want to take control of your own superannuation, please contact our office to make an appointment to see one of our staff.

Disclaimer: This article is general in nature and should not be considered financial or tax advice.

Setting up for a successful autumn sale

By Ralph Heffernan, Salesman, First National Real Estate

EVEN AS the leaves begin to fall, there is no reason not to put your house on the market this autumn.

If you're planning to sell this autumn, the key is taking some extra measures to make your house stand out above others on the market, taking into account how cooler weather conditions and the changes in your garden will impact the way your home is viewed. These should include:

Curb appeal

Rotting leaves strewn around the front garden can decrease the house's visual appeal during the all-important first impression. Keep your garden and paths swept and tidy, the garden

beds well mulched and add a splash of potted colour from your local nursery. Stay on top of weeds and keep any lawn area mown and edged.

Let the light in

Schedule inspections for when your home captures the most sun. A dark house is always a turn-off and, in autumn, can make a home seem colder and unwelcoming. Let as much natural light in as possible, turn on lights during the day and have plenty of accent lamps.

Atmosphere

Most people keep doors and windows closed during the cooler months, but it's important to keep a house on the market well aired. Fresh, brightly coloured flowers

always increase appeal and room scents, such as vanilla, can really make people feel at home.

Celebrate Autumn

A large bowl of fresh autumn fruit can add colour to the kitchen and dining areas.

Heating

If you have a working fireplace or a gas fire they will seem very attractive to a potential buyer on a cool autumn day. On a cold, damp day have them turned on or at least have some logs ready in a clean fireplace. You want potential buyers to have a thorough look at the home and feel comfortable. They won't do this unless it's warm and inviting.

No fire without smoke

AS WOOD heater operation becomes more common through the winter months, it is imperative to be mindful of neighbours and the impacts of wood smoke in residential areas. The fine components of wood smoke, when inhaled, can cause heart and respiratory issues, and can have greater health implications for children and the elderly.

Smoke from a poorly

operated wood heater can be reduced by as much as 80 percent by following these few simple steps:

- Checking heaters comply with relevant Australian Standards.
- Only using well-seasoned, dry fire wood.
- Always burn with a bright flame.
- Burn the fire on high for 20 minutes after adding wood.
- Always keep the air vents

open enough to keep some kind of flame.

- Don't shut your fire right down when you go to bed.
- Never let the fire smoulder.

For further information, or for information on Backyard Burning, visit: <http://www.meander.tas.gov.au/page.aspx?u=605>; <http://www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/peh/alerts/air> or contact Council's Environmental Health Officers on 6393 5300.

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What's in a name?

By Virginia Greenhill

MUCH CAN be learned about the history of our towns by the names of our streets.

This is particularly obvious in Westbury.

To the west of the town, in the area originally known as Queenstown, the street names always arouse interest. Pensioners Row, Veterans Row, Five Acre Row, Colonization Row are perfectly logical when you know their origins. Back in the 1850's, when the transportation of convicts was coming to an end, the British government decided to help populate the colony by settling Military Pensioners here. Many acted as guards on the convict ships.

With their families they were provided with a five acre block of land on the outskirts of a town and a

small pension. Westbury had the largest settlement of these pensioners in the state

To the east of the town there are Lonsdale Parade, Albeura Street, Dexter St., and Shadforth St. These reflect the names of the officers in the military units who were stationed at Westbury to oversee the convicts while the town was laid out.

Franklin St (after the state governor), Waterloo St (after the famous battle), Lytton St (after the original owner of the land), Lyall St (after the hotel owner who owned the land on which the street was laid) all tell us about the history of the town.

The Westbury & Districts Historical Society has wonderful maps showing the very early plans of the town as well as the blocks taken up by the military pensioners.

In praise of Silvereyes

By Sarah Lloyd

MANY PEOPLE know about the mimicry of lyrebirds whose repertoire includes sounds ranging from the songs of other birds to the mechanical clicks and whirrs of cameras and chainsaws. But few people know that this skill is shared by other birds.

Silvereyes, much maligned because they take or damage fruit, are accomplished mimics. In spring they alternate their own distinctive song with snatches of sounds of other birds including parrots and goshawks. In autumn recently fledged birds sing a whisper song, also known as subsong. This quiet warbling, sung from the cover of dense shrubbery, is a practice song

akin to a baby's babbling. It is a continuous stream of imitation interspersed with Silvereye notes.

Silvereyes belong to a family of approximately 90 species found throughout Africa, Asia and the islands of the Indian and Pacific Oceans. Many are called 'white eye', because of the ring of white feathers that encircles the eyes of most members of the family.

Some of the Tasmanian silvereyes are year-round residents in coastal areas; others regularly migrate to southern Queensland. In the early 1900s the Tasmanian subspecies colonised New Zealand. (The Maori name for silvereye 'tauhou' means

'stranger'.) The birds were greeted warmly and were called 'blightbirds' for almost eliminating the woolly aphids that caused American Blight on apple crops.

Silvereyes hide and nest in areas with dense cover where they lay two to four blue green eggs in a cup-shaped nest. In late summer they lick the nectar of banksias with their brush tipped tongues and help in pollination. They also eat native cherries and native currants and spread the seeds away from parent plants.

Before they begin their migration north, Silvereyes rid many plants of the aphids that have proliferated in the warm summer weather.



Silvereye in Waratah

Then they turn their attention to grapes and other cultivated fruits: surely a well deserved reward

for providing the important ecological services of controlling insects, pollinating plants and dispersing seeds.

Gardening for April & May

By Nell Carr

MEANDER VALLEY gardeners should now be harvesting and storing the results of their labours of earlier months.

Sweet corn with most of the husks left on may be stored in odd corners in the freezer. When thawed, they are indistinguishable from freshly cut cobs.

Zucchini will keep for a week or so by wrapping them individually and closely with plastic film. To freeze for mixed vegetable pies or zucchini soup, grate them coarsely, uncooked, and freeze in plastic containers.

April and May are the optimum months for sowing broad beans. They resist winds well if they are sown in double rows, about 30cms apart, and 60 cms between each pair of rows. Dwarf beans can withstand



the winds better than those which grow more than one metre in height. Sown now, they should be ready to pick in November. If beans are wanted for Christmas, sow a couple of rows on the south - shady side of a building.

For a cheering late spring and early summer

display, ranunculus corms may be planted now. They require full sun, and a friable, fertile well drained soil with some organic matter added.

An application of liquid fertiliser once the buds form will ensure a truly bright and cheerful display at a time when the weather is not at its most amenable.

International rice makes magical meals

By Rosa Kasteel

EVERY YEAR, Deloraine House hosts a lunch to celebrate International Women's Day. Each person attending is asked to bring a dish from their country of origin. Here are 2 very different ways to prepare & cook rice.

Uzma Aamir from Pakistan, kindly gave the recipe for "Magical Rice".

Ingredients:

- 2 cups Basmati rice
- 1 tspn salt
- 1 small onion, finely chopped
- 4 tblspn vegetable oil
- ½ tspn cumin seeds
- 3 cups water

Method:

Wash rice well then soak in water for 30 minutes. Meanwhile, brown the onion in oil, then add the salt & cumin seeds. Sauté. Add the 3 cups water and bring to the boil. Drain the soaked rice and

add to the boiling water.

Put the lid on the pan and cook on medium heat until the water is almost absorbed & the rice is tender. Reduce the heat to low, simmer & cook a further 7-10 minutes.

Remove pan from heat and allow to sit for 5 minutes without removing the lid. Fluff with fork & serve.

Wassana, from Thailand, made a dessert "Black Rice Pudding".

Ingredients:

- 1 ½ cups White Glutinous Rice
- ½ cup Black Glutinous Rice
- 1 cup Palm Sugar or dark brown soft sugar
- 1 x 400ml tin Coconut Cream

Method:

Soak the rices together overnight. The rice is then steamed with a lid on for approximately ½ an hour.



Then fluffed up, either with a fork or shaking the steamer.

Whilst the rice is steaming, heat the coconut cream in a saucepan, add a pinch of salt. Bring this to the boil then add the sugar, stir to dissolve.

Combine the rice and sauce in a bowl and spread onto a tray similar to Lamington tray. When cool, cut into serving pieces.

If you wish to make it into a creamy pudding, use 2 tins of coconut cream.

There is an Asian food supplier opposite BBQs Galore in Launceston.

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Beginning of the end for XP

By Alistair Carr

ON APRIL THE 8th this year Microsoft will end support for the venerable Windows XP operating system.

What this means for people who still use XP is that Microsoft will no longer provide security patches and updates for the operating system, so if any more security vulnerabilities are found they will not be fixed.

It also means that you will not be able to download and install the free Microsoft

Security Essentials (MSE) antivirus programme for XP after this but if it is already installed on a Windows XP computer it will continue to update for a limited time.

Unfortunately, Microsoft has not said what they mean by "limited time" so this could be weeks or months. Free MSE alternatives are: Avast Free antivirus, Avira Free Antivirus, AVG Free Antivirus, Bitdefender Free, and Comodo Antivirus.

My pick is the first two as being the best and least resource-hungry. I would avoid AVG totally these

If buying a new device for your XP computer make sure it supports Windows XP

days as it has too much unnecessary rubbish in it and can have severe performance impacts on computers, especially older ones.

If you have to reinstall Windows XP then the Windows update will continue to provide existing security patches for the time being and you will still be able to activate your Windows licence automatically.

However, be aware you do need service pack three installed for Windows update to work properly.

You should also be aware that newer peripherals like cameras, printers etc are starting to appear that do not include drivers and software for XP.

This means they will not work with XP and there is no workaround to fix this.

So, if buying a new device for your XP computer make sure it supports Windows XP.

The same is also starting to happen with various types of software and, again, if you purchase any specific software to install on your XP computer you have to make sure it will actually work with XP. This should be listed in the requirements section of the software description.

If XP is not mentioned then it won't function.

If you need a helping hand

By Ros Albiston

TWENTY FIVE years ago the community of Deloraine purchased a house to use as a community centre.

It started on a purely voluntary basis then became part of the state-wide Neighbourhood House network. This provided funding from the state government to cover basic staffing and running costs.

People on low incomes or Centrelink benefits can get assistance with food vouchers, food from the pantry or other essential items

There are 34 Neighbourhood Houses across Tasmania all of which are funded to respond to communities' needs, represent their views and facilitate

delivery of programs.

The focus is also on creating connections with other groups who are working towards the same goals.

Many volunteers assist with various tasks; some help in the office, some work at the Community Garden, others cook meals for regular lunches or social gatherings, organise the Walking Group and perform countless other important functions.

Each term a program sets out planned activities, services and events. Anyone can ask to be put on the email list to receive regular updates or other information.

Many service providers use Deloraine House as a place to meet their clients so they do not have to travel to Launceston. Community groups use it for meetings or activities. Sometimes child minding is available for people attending an activity at



Deloraine House provides an extensive range of services and courses for the community

the House and there is an outdoor and indoor play area with regular Play groups and Toy Library facilities.

Deloraine House is also funded to provide Emergency Relief. On Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays people on low incomes or Centrelink benefits can get assistance with food vouchers, food from the

pantry or other essential items (depending on eligibility). However, availability does depend on funding and sometimes people are referred to other services.

Deloraine House is also an agent for NILS (No Interest Loan Scheme) which provides small loans for a range of approved items such as white goods,

car repairs, some medical and dental expenses. Anglicare PRSS (Private Rental Support Service) is another service that Deloraine assists people to access.

For further information please contact the centre between 10am and 4pm Monday to Friday on 6362 2678 or email info@delorainehouse.com.au

Business profile: J.G Pest Control

By Sheila Ferguson

DON'T LIKE SPIDERS? Want to get rid of ants? Mice a problem? Then call on J. G Pest Control to take care of the matter.

The company is a family business run by John "Guv" Gardner. His son, Jack, helps him on the job and his daughter, Abbie takes care of the office work.

The business has been in existence for about 7 years but he started working in the industry as a sub-contractor 11 years ago to satisfy licencing requirements. To earn a licence then, he needed to learn to identify various pests and study their life cycles; he had to recognise hazardous products and to be aware of the

registration requirements of different products.

Most of their business is residential, dealing with spiders, flies, millipedes, earwigs and scorpions. Tasmania has a wide variety of spiders, such as the White Tailed spider which can give a very nasty bite. They often come in from clothes lines but mostly lurk around the house. Spiders are also very fond of cars.

"If you visit a client once you have a job, but if you do it every year you have a business."

To control insects he uses pyrethrin-based products. Pyrethrins are natural organic compounds normally derived from a variety of chrysanthemum.

They are neurotoxins that attack the nervous systems of all insects and even when present in non fatal quantities still seem to have an insect repellent effect. They are non-persistent, being biodegradable, and break down on exposure to light or oxygen.

In the winter there is a lot of demand – mostly from government buildings and commercial premises – for rats and mice control. This is the time of the year when rodents want to come out of the cold. The company supplies untamperable bait boxes for these clients but it is very difficult to keep places rodent free. If they want to come in they will always find a means of doing so.

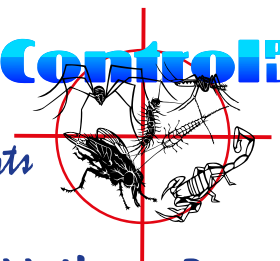
The bulk of Guv's business is regular annual visits to clients, although some people may need him

more frequently; especially those who live in the bush. He says "If you visit a client once you have a job, but if you do it every year you have

a business". He believes that trust and thoroughness are key and the company's motto is "we treat every house like our own."

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Radio president becomes a shepherd

IF YOU LISTEN to Meander Valley Community Radio (96.9FM), you may have heard the voice of Lionel Walters announcing sponsors and other segments. For the last five years, Lionel has been an active volunteer at the local radio station, serving as its president since March 2013.

By day he supports his family by working as an IT professional for computer networking giant, Cisco. The flexible work options promoted by Cisco allow him to work from home, and were actually the reason he and his family were able to move from Sydney six years ago and settle in Deloraine.

Lionel is also an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, which has a congregation in Deloraine, and volunteers with his wife, Suzanne, in the church's Family Search Centre, helping individuals trace their family history.

The church operates with a fully lay (or unpaid) ministry, comprising men and women from all walks of life who accept invitations to serve in various positions, from teaching a children's class to leading the congregation.



Lionel Walters W with assistants Dion Triffitt from Burnie (Left) and Peter Buckley from Devonport (Right)

Uniquely, people do not apply or campaign for church positions and someone who serves as a leader for a term may next be invited to be the organist or cleaner.

On March 2, Lionel was invited by worldwide leaders of the church to serve as the church's president for northern Tasmania. This position will involve overseeing the ministry, welfare and administration of the church's congregations and nearly 1,500 members across the north of the state.

For the duration of his ministry, usually nine years, Lionel will use his weekends and spare time

to travel across the region to preside at meetings and provide spiritual guidance and practical assistance to individuals and families. He may also be invited to conduct weddings or funerals from time to time — services which the church offers to the community for free.

To see Lionel in action in his new shepherding role, come to the Deloraine church at 153 Emu Bay Road on Sunday 13 April at 9.30am where he will be delivering a sermon.

You can also read about church's activities in the region at www.ldsdevonport.org.au.

Young Achievers on their way

TWO OF THE Meander Valley's young achievers are heading off to university this year, thanks to Tertiary Scholarships funded by the Deloraine and Districts Community Bank® Branch.

2014 scholarship winner, Hayley Purcell of Rosevale, is following her dream to become a doctor and has secured a place at Flinders University in Adelaide where she will complete a Bachelor of Clinical Science. Hayley said, 'While attending Riverside High School, I was inspired by a Grade 10 trip to Vietnam and Cambodia, where we provided assistance at an orphanage, . . . so I would like to do Aid work when I graduate.' Hayley has a part-time job at the Reject Shop and in her spare time plays the clarinet in the Launceston College Symphonic Band.

Juleesa Smith, of Chudleigh, who was awarded the 2013 Tertiary Scholarship, has also been funded to continue the second year of her dual Bachelor of Veterinary Biology and Science degrees at Charles Sturt University in Wagga Wagga. She achieved outstanding results in her first year, as well as



Pics: L to R: Juleesa Smith and Hayley Purcell being congratulated by Lynn Hayward (Board Chairman) and Darren Rumble (Branch Manager) of Deloraine & Districts Community Bank®.

participating in a variety of work placements in veterinary clinics and getting practical experience on farms around Wagga Wagga.

"My advice to Hayley," said Juleesa, "would be to have a good time during her first year at uni, as the courses will become increasingly demanding."

Juleesa's workload in 2014 will include forty-two hours of lectures and practical classes each week, plus

assignment work.

The two Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Tertiary Scholarships, valued at \$5,000 each, are funded by company profits from the Community Bank® in Deloraine. 'The scholarships are designed to support outstanding but disadvantaged students from the region who might otherwise struggle to be able to attend university,' said Board Chairman, Lynn Hayward.

Westbury Primary dances up a storm

WESTBURY PRIMARY School students put their Maypole dancing skills on show at the recent St Patricks Day festival.

Held each year on the Village Green at Westbury, the festival showcases a range of dancing, with the maypole dancing being a feature.

Twenty four grade 3-6 students were taught the dances by Mrs Cindy Chung, a parent at the school.

The students practiced at school and didn't put a foot wrong on the day. They performed brilliantly and were a credit to all.

Maypole dancing is a visually spectacular event with the height of the pole



and multiple colours of the ribbons. This was enhanced by the green and white handmade costumes the students wore.

Parents of the school were also involved in cooking cakes and slices for a stall at the festival organised by the Parents & Friends Association as a fundraiser for the school.

Bullying, no way!



LAST FRIDAY, the 21st of March was the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence.

This day every year provides a focus for students to take a stand against bullying and violence.

To mark this day, members of the Student Executive Council (SEC) from Deloraine High School organised a barbecue to raise money, which was accompanied by an acoustic music concert.

The event went ahead despite the threat of rain which, fortunately, held off.

Students on the day were encouraged to take a stand

against all types of bullying and violence and promote the anti-bullying message: 'Bullying. No way!'

while wearing wristbands provided to the school when it registered its participation through www.bullyingno-way.com.au

The event was a huge success and students were asked to promote this anti-bullying message with pride.

Congratulations to all staff and students who actively participated and engaged in the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence

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Rebuilding our heritage

By Geoff Berry

THE MOUNTAIN Huts Preservation Society (MHPS) started in 1988. It was founded by users of the high country and others who felt there was a need to preserve mountain huts and have a forum for debate on the management of iconic features on the plateau.

Initially, most of the MHPS membership was drawn from the Mole Creek/Deloraine community where families had a connection with the mountains but today the popularity of MHPS extends well beyond the boundaries of the Meander Valley.

Members take an active role in maintaining and restoring a variety of structures on the Tasmanian central plateau and adjoining areas while, at the same time,

promoting conservation of the natural environment and undertaking historical research of the cultural one.

The Society enjoys a good working relationship with the Tasmanian Parks and Wildlife Service and attracts members who are also involved with the Deloraine Walking Club, Tasmanian Mountain Cattlemen's Association and North West Walking Club.

Over the past 25 years the MHPS has completed several major projects including rebuilding of Trappers, Ironstone, Lady Lake Hut and Basil Steers #1 Huts.

Maintenance and restoration works have been carried out at Meston and Junction Huts and Warners Track Bridges.

The Steppes Historic Homestead receives ongoing maintenance and attention and the almost completed Liena Hut at Mole Creek is the most recent project. It is hoped soon to start rebuilding Sandy Lake Hut at Lake Mackenzie.

Today the Society boasts approx 60 members with membership open to any individual or organisation who love the mountains and their history, and to those whose wild country experiences are made particularly enjoyable by using the huts, or who appreciate the refuge they provide.

It is up to each individual how much they wish to become involved in the Society's activities.

Why not give it some thought and join in the fun of work parties, explore the mountains, learn new skills and make new friends?



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See advertisement on page 2 for more information.

Happy hooking alive & well in Deloraine

THE TEXTILE Group was established nine years ago in Elizabeth Town.

It has met at several venues over the years including at members' homes.

The group concentrates on using wool thread from the now closed Tascot Carpet Factory in East Devonport.

In the past the Group focused on an abstract landscape format using the latchet hook rug method of rugmaking.

Today it has diversified and makes products out of various woollen threads.

Barbara Oakes makes colourful hook rugs inspired by her landscape at Elizabeth Town.

There is a demonstration of the simple skill of french knitting at the group's monthly stall at Deloraine Market.

Visitors are invited to pop in on Thursday mornings at the British Hotel and see what the group does.



New residents to Deloraine are welcome to have a cuppa for \$2 and a chat from 10.00am – midday.

Songbirds' sweet sound

THE WESTBURY Choir has been going since 2001 under the leadership of Robert Clarke as conductor and currently has a membership of about twenty singers.

It performs at community and church events in Westbury and throughout the Meander Valley as well as nursing homes in the region.

The next performance will be on Anzac Day at the 11am service at the Westbury Cenotaph on the Village Green. They also hope to

perform at Kanangra & Grenoch Nursing Homes in Deloraine in May.

They welcome new as well as old members to join them on Wednesday evenings each week for their rehearsal at the Uniting Church Hall, William St. Westbury from 7.30pm-9.00pm.

For further information please contact Robert Clarke on 6392 2279, Heather Walker (President) on 6393 1567, or Maureen Hart on 6362 2055.

Westbury Lions celebrate 20 great years

THE LIONS Club of Westbury will celebrate their 20th birthday in April. The Club was sponsored by the Hadspen South Esk Lions Club in April 1994 to help a group of ex-Apex Club members.

The club, like other Lions clubs around the world, has service to the community as its focus but fun and fellowship are important.

Each year, the Club runs Fish Feast, a community dinner with entertainment that raises funds for a local charity.

Members provide the food and table service and also provide original entertainment for the 200 or more people who regularly attend.

Last year, the dinner raised \$4000 for St Giles in Launceston. to help build a new playground at the refurbished St Giles site in Amy Rd.

It regularly helps out at community events working



Left to Right: Graeme Shepherd, Adrian Geard, Phillip Paterson, Gregor Johnston, Harlan Cresswell, David Daniels, Ivan French, Anthony Harris, Chris Viney and Toby Ritter.

on gates, parking cars or running their food van but also lends a hand to community members and groups.

Over the years members have chopped and stacked wood, built fences and gates, laid pavers and built barbeque areas.

Any fundraising is spent either within the community or for those in need.

The club provides an annual Nursing Scholarship for 2nd year students at the University of Tasmania and sponsor a child to attend Giant Steps in Deloraine.

The Club meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month for a Dinner meeting at the Westbury Bowls Club.

To enquire, please phone Anthony on 0419 505 166.

Tyler Village

By Faye Lamprey

LAST MONTH Tyler Village was lucky enough to be visited by the Hobart German Choir. The interaction with the residents during the performance was very entertaining. Both staff and residents are very grateful to them for their time and efforts.

The Village is now gradually replacing outdoor with indoor activities to keep the residents moving and entertained.

This is made much easier thanks to the volunteers. If there is anyone out there who has spare time or any special talents that they would like to share, please call (03) 6343 2757.

Recently introduced is an afternoon a month when families can bring their children to spend time with their grandparents in activities such as painting, playing board games etc. This provides the perfect opportunity



for spending time together and, most importantly, the residents feel they have an active role in their grandchildren's lives.

Easter is approaching with Mothers Day not far away. The Village has put together raffles to raise money to buy some iPads and introduce residents to new technology. The next generation entering the Nursing Homes are going to be computer savvy and centres like Tyler Village must be ready for them.

Tyler Village wishes you all a happy and safe Easter.

Valleyviews

April 2014

Mayor's Message

The Prospect Vale - Blackstone Heights Structure Plan project commenced in March. It was pleasing to see a number of community members having their say about the future of the area. If you would like to give us feedback, you still can. Visit the website or Facebook page via the links below to find out more. I encourage all Meander Valley community members with an interest in these areas to get involved. Now's the time to shape the future!

Congratulations to the Westbury St Patrick's Festival and Deloraine StringFest Committees for two outstanding community events in March. They created a carnival experience through music, dance and instrument making. Council's Community Concert went off with a bang too - Top Melbourne Band Mustered Courage created a great atmosphere, playing some fine country music.

I would also like to congratulate the Tasmanian Liberal Party for taking Government at the recent State election. We look forward to building a strong relationship with the new Government to deliver Council's four priority projects that the Government has committed to fund, as well as developing an ongoing and positive relationship with all those elected in Lyons and Bass.

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Craig Perkins
Mayor

Council Updates

Winter Wood Smoke

It is important to remember that wood smoke, from wood heaters and backyard burning, can affect some people's health.

Wood smoke contains fine particles, which when inhaled can affect both the lungs and the heart. Children and older people may be more susceptible to the harmful effects of smoke.

Smoke from a poorly operated wood heater can be reduced by as much as 80 percent by following these few simple steps:

- Check your heater complies with the relevant Australian Standards
- Use well-seasoned, dry fire wood
- Always burn with a bright flame
- Burn the fire on high for 20 minutes after adding wood
- Keep the air vents open enough to keep a flame
- Don't shut your fire right down when you go to bed
- Never let the fire smoulder

For further information on wood smoke and backyard burning, contact Council's Environmental Health Officers on 6393 5300 or visit:

www.meander.tas.gov.au/page.aspx?u=605
www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/peh/alerts/air



Prospect Vale - Blackstone Heights Structure Plan

The development and growth that has occurred in Prospect Vale and Blackstone Heights over the last 30 years has been phenomenal - just have a look at the image on the right taken circa 1983!

It's easy to see why Council is now preparing a structure plan for Prospect Vale-Blackstone Heights. The plan will provide a blueprint for development in the area over the next 20 years.

The first phase of community consultation for the Plan took place in March with approximately 300 people already providing some insight into what they would like to see in the area.

The consultants preparing the document are currently working on a draft plan and will be looking for more feedback from the community in early May.

The 'community' is anyone who lives or works in the area or perhaps lives or works in a nearby suburb. Maybe you own an investment property, a business in the area or you or your children play sport at Prospect Vale Park?

'We want the community to get involved - to help shape the future of Prospect Vale and Blackstone Heights', said Mayor Craig Perkins. 'This is the perfect opportunity for anyone with an interest in the area to have their say!'



Community News

MV Community Safety Group

The Meander Valley Community Safety Group meets quarterly to progress safety initiatives and on wide topics. It has representatives from Police, Health Service, Road Safety, Red Cross, Council and the community. Its next meeting will be at 7pm on Thursday 29 May 2014 at Hadspen Memorial Centre, Clare St, Hadspen. Community members are most welcome to attend and share views about local safety issues. For information contact Patrick Gambles on 6393 5300.

Heritage Festival

May is Heritage Festival month in Tasmania. Visit Meander Valley and enjoy one of these spectacular attractions: Embark on the Westbury Silhouette Trail, the Deloraine Sculpture Trail or Deloraine history walk. Visit Yarns Artwork in Silk and the Deloraine Folk Museum. During May, mention the Heritage Festival and receive a special \$6.00 entry to the Museum including Yarns Artwork in Silk. There will be a heritage wool spinning demonstration on Sunday May 18 from 10am to 2pm.

Call into the Deloraine Visitor Centre or call 6362 5280 for more information.



Clr Ian Howard getting into the spirit of yesteryear at Deloraine Folk Museum.

Diary Dates

Events

Agfest 2014 1, 2 & 3 May
 Quercus Rural Youth Park, Oaks Road, Carrick
www.fb.com/AgfestFieldDaysTasmania

Heritage Festival 1-31 May

Heritage Festival Wool Spinning Demonstration
 Sunday 18 May, 10:00am to 2:00pm, Deloraine Visitor Centre

Markets

Little Red Tractor Farmers Market Deloraine
 Every two weeks, Sat 19 April, 3 May ongoing

Westbury Market
 Third Saturday of every month, Sat 19 April

Deloraine Market
 First Saturday of every Month, Sat 3 May

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Council will close for Easter on Friday 18 April to Tuesday 22 April (inclusive) and Friday 25 April for Anzac Day. Kerbside rubbish will be collected as normal.

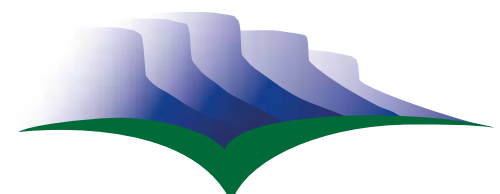
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WORKING TOGETHER

The Silent Invasion

By Peter d'Plesse

TASMANIA STRIVES for an image of being clean and green. Green it is when westerly weather systems bring welcome rain. Unfortunately, much of the greenness of summer is due to the silent invasion of noxious weeds. Gorse, Fireweed, Horehound and Ragwort are only some that add to the greening of the Tasmanian landscape.

Gorse is a declared weed under the Weed Management Act 1999 and occupies valuable land. Short drives in the Meander Valley reveal gorse invasions the size of small farms. They have been there for years with little visible effort at control.

Even worse, gorse still hasn't reached its full potential to infest more of the State.

Gorse is a serious environmental weed. Once established, it competes strongly with native vegetation, alters fire regimes and reduces biodiversity. It produces deep and extensive root systems, giving access to water at very low depths in the soil.

On the plus side, gorse can provide emergency feed and stock shelter. As fodder, gorse is high in protein and may be used as feed for livestock, particularly in winter when other food is not available.

Traditionally it was used as fodder for cattle, made palatable by crushing with mallets, grinding to a moss-like consistency or being finely chopped and mixed with straw chaff. Gorse can provide a safe refuge for vulnerable native animals from feral and domestic cats where there is little native understory left.

Gorse flowers are edible and can be used in salads or tea and to make a non-grape-based fruit wine. It is also used for land reclamation where its nitrogen fixing capacity helps other plants establish.

Do these pluses outweigh the occupation of valuable agricultural land and the associated costs? These include higher control costs, greater control effort, increased fire hazard, degraded bush land, less productive land and reduced land values.

Gorse reproduces by seed. Each plant produces huge numbers of seeds with a water-resistant coating, allowing them to remain dormant for up to 30 years.

Seeds are usually released in hot or dry conditions but can be stimulated into germination by burning or mechanical disturbance. Most seeds fall around the parent plant but pods can split open and shoot seeds up to 5m, allowing infestations to spread rapidly.

The plant spreads from seed movement in water, soil, machinery and footwear, with individual bushes living for up to 30 years.

In order to comply with the law, property owners should find out whether their land occurs in a Zone A or Zone B municipality.

In Zone A, eradication of gorse is the objective and landowners are required to plan for the removal of all gorse from their properties.

In Zone B containment is the objective. Property owners must prevent the spread of gorse by maintaining a 10 metre gorse free buffer strip

along property boundaries where these border areas are without gorse or in areas where gorse is being actively controlled. The Meander Valley is classified as Zone B with widespread infestations.

A range of techniques is desirable for gorse management but some vital points must be understood.

Destruction of existing plants is just the start of achieving eradication. The large quantities of seed in the soil will quickly germinate and re-establish the infestation if follow-up is not carried out over ensuing years. No one method will give total control of existing gorse plants and subsequent seedlings. A combination of methods must be employed to maximise long term success.

Cost effective strategies are available to small landholders. Deal with outlying bushes first, then work into the core infestation. This approach will contain the problem by stopping further spread and allow working on plants that are easier to control.

An integrated combination of other methods can be used, such as cut & paint, sprays, hand pulling of smaller plants (remembering snapped tap roots will re-grow), grazing new growth with goats or sheep. Large land holders will have access to machinery for mechanical clearing, although follow up spraying will be required.

Fire can be useful in reducing impenetrable thickets of gorse to ground level, to allow follow up spraying of regrowth. However, fire

measures designed to protect a property from the entry and spread of pests and diseases," she said. "This is the responsibility of every person who owns livestock, or visits or works on a property."

"Ultimately, good on-farm biosecurity improves our preparedness for exotic and endemic disease outbreaks."

Endemic diseases are those already present in parts of Australia, while exotic diseases, like foot and mouth disease, are not in Australia at all.

Some endemic diseases and all exotic diseases are listed as notifiable diseases, which must be reported to agricultural authorities.

"It is especially important people report any signs of notifiable diseases", Jess said.

"Everyone has a vital role in protecting the livestock industry and preventing

disease spread to animals and possibly humans. This calls for vigilance and being prepared to notify a veterinarian or calling the national all-hours emergency animal disease watch hotline on 1800 675 888 as soon as a notifiable disease is suspected."

She said the industry relied on people "on-the-ground" keeping an eye out for suspicious signs of animal diseases.

Those who work with livestock on a regular basis – such as livestock owners, stock agents, transport operators, veterinarians, and abattoir workers – were most likely to detect a disease.

For more information about on-farm biosecurity go to the LBN website at www.lbn.org.au or contact Dr Jess Coad at jcoad@lbn.org.au.



Gorse thriving and close to maturity in the Meander Valley

also stimulates seed germination. Spraying in following years will greatly reduce the seed bank. Burning is also beneficial if carried out several months after spraying to reduce dead woody stems to ash.

Efforts of land holders must have the support of councils and state government with planned, integrated programs of eradication. Visual evidence of this is difficult to observe when travelling the countryside.

It would be sad to think that local and state government have washed their hands of the problem and handed it to land holders. For example, spraying roadside gorse from a truck that kills gorse facing the road but leaves three quarters of the bush intact

does not seem like effective use of ratepayers money. Why expect landholders to ensure a 10 metre gorse free buffer zone when gorse is growing on the side of the road? A job half done has to be done again!

Some environmental issues generate publicity because they can easily be made emotive. Weeds will never generate strong emotion but represent a silent, creeping invasion. The cost of control will increase year by year until it can no longer be ignored. By then great damage will have been done and authorities will have difficulty palming the solution off to landholders.

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Farmland Security

THE LIVESTOCK Biosecurity Network (LBN) has been established to increase awareness of biosecurity risk and improve on-farm preparedness for exotic and endemic disease outbreaks.

LBN is funded as a three-year pilot program by the peak livestock industry councils, Cattle Council of Australia, Sheepmeat Council of Australia and WoolProducers Australia.

Dr Jess Coad is LBN's Tasmanian Officer, working with the livestock industry and supporting livestock producers with managing sheep and cattle health and welfare.

Jess said this was principally through increased awareness and the adoption of good biosecurity practices.

"Biosecurity is a set of



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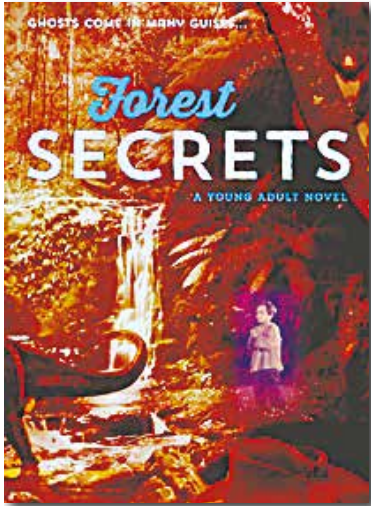
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Book Review

Reviewer: Wendy Laing

Forest Trilogy
by David Laing
Published by Jojo Publishing



TASMANIA PROVIDES the setting for author, David Laing's 'Forest' Trilogy, 'Forest Spirit', 'Forest Shadows', and 'Forest Secrets',

which are fiction novels written for the young at heart.

The three novels tell the story of a young indigenous girl who is forced to leave her old way of life to live with her aunt and uncle in Tasmania.

The protagonist, Jars, a girl of Aboriginal/Scottish decent, delivers in first person narrative the exciting adventures she shares with her cousin Snook, her faithful German Shepherd, Shadow, and their sometime friend, sometime nemesis, Quenton Quigley.

Laing's third novel, 'Forest Secrets' has David's trademark prologue, which immediately hooks the reader. The story is set on the West coast of Tasmania in a remote camping area near a Ghost Mountain. It is a spooky tale involving a dinosaur, a ghost and a cheeky possum.

As was the case with

his first two novels, 'Forest Secrets' stands on its own, and is a perfect companion and a definitely not to be missed, young adult adventure that is highly recommended.

David Laing's first book, 'Forest Spirit', hinted at his talent as a children's author, his second book, 'Forest Shadows', cemented that initial suggestion, and his third book, 'Forest Secrets', goes further, displaying a maturity in his writing, which perhaps announces that he is ready to stretch his talent, and his active imagination for even bigger and better things.

David Laing's novels, are distributed nationally and internationally in New Zealand, the United Kingdom, America and Europe and are available nationally from all good bookshops and e-book publishers.

Tree of Hazel Wood - A Family Chronicle

THE LAUNCH of the revised and updated version of the book *Tree of Hazel Wood* at Longford on Sunday 9th March brought 250 family members and friends together for a day of story telling, renewing friendship and making new friends.

Heazlewood family members travelled from all over Australia to attend the launch, which included a church service in the morning followed by the official book launch.

The Meander Valley region was well represented with extended family members

and interested historians.

Between 1823 and 1854 seven Heazlewood brothers and sisters migrated to Van Diemen's Land as free settlers. Today there are living descendants from five of the siblings.

Eighty pages of the 330 page book are dedicated to the genealogical chart details, and we know this will keep growing as we receive new information.

The book is available for \$69 plus postage.

Contact Sharon Heazlewood by email at Roselands22@bigpond.com



or by phone 0417 592 291 or Merylyn Heazlewood on 6397 3157.

Film Review - Moonrise Kingdom

Western Tiers Film Society on May 10th



THIS MONTH'S offering is *Moonrise Kingdom*, variously described as a comedy, drama and/or romance.

Directed and co-written by Wes Anderson (*Bottle Rocket*, *Rushmore*, *The Royal Tenenbaums*, *The Life Aquatic with Steve Zissou*, *The Darjeeling Limited*, *Fantastic Mr. Fox* and *The Grand Budapest Hotel*), this film stars two newcomers in Jared Gilman as Sam Shakusky and Kara Hayward as Suzy Bishop.

It also features a supporting cast, including Bruce Willis, Edward Norton, Bill Murray, Frances McDormand, Tilda Swinton and Jason Schwartzman.

Set on an island off the coast of New England in the 1960s, a young boy and girl fall in love and are moved to run away together. Various factions of the town mobilise to search for them and the town is turned upside down - which might not be such a bad thing.

Here are a few of the reviews that the film received:

Peter Bradshaw of *The Guardian* gives the film 4 stars out of 5, calling it "another sprightly confection of oddities, attractively eccentric, witty and strangely clothed."

Christopher Orr of *The Atlantic* wrote that *Moonrise Kingdom* "captures the texture of childhood summers, the sense of having a limited amount of time in which to do unlimited things" and is "Anderson's best live-action feature" because "it takes as its primary subject matter odd, precocious children, rather than the damaged and dissatisfied adults they will one day become."

Kristen M. Jones of *Film Comment* wrote that the film "has a spontaneity and yearning that lend an easy comic rhythm", but it also has a "rapt quality, as if we are viewing the events through Suzy's binoculars or reading the story under the covers by a flashlight."

Creating a Crafty Workspace

DELORAIN CREATIVE Studios Inc. is a centre for the creation and exhibition of art, craft, and design. The working studios model offers artisans the opportunity to gain recognition of their skills, display and sell their work and provides an ideal environment in which to share their knowledge and skills.

DCS Art Gallery

Visitors are able to view current exhibitions in the Art Gallery of both local and national artists. You can find details of current and future exhibitions on the events pages of the Gazette as they occur.

The use of the Gallery for Studio holders to display work between booked exhibitions is encouraged. Staff always look forward to seeing a small selection of work from artists and crafts people in the studio displayed professionally in the Gallery. And the halls

always display many local artists work for sale.

DCS Workroom

Deloraine Creative Studios Inc. encourages the acquisition of creative skills by offering a variety of workshops in the large teaching studio throughout the year.

A selection of Drawing, Watercolour and Oil Painting workshops this year offers locals professional skills-training at reasonable cost. You are encouraged to put your name on the list for your choice of workshop.

"Painting Tasmania" - Masterclass in Oils

On Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th May, renowned artist Graham Cox from NSW will teach techniques for painting with oils. The class will provide for those who are experienced painters as well as people who have commenced painting in oils only recently but have experience in other mediums. Graham will

demonstrate and assist as required. Everyone will enjoy and gain new skills.

Watercolour Wash Techniques

On Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th May, Carol McLean-Carr invites you to explore the medium of watercolour with her at Deloraine Creative Studios.

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EVENTS

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Rising Suns Promise Bright Future For Meander Valley Football

THE MEANDER Valley Football Club was formed in 2011. The story goes that the pub- lican of the Westbury Hotel and a few locals started chatting over a beer or two about how to find some way for the youth of the commu- nity to spend their spare time.

It was decided to form a new football club, drawing on young players from both Hagley and Westbury and naming the team the Suns, after the new- est team to enter the AFL competition the Gold Coast Suns.

“The long term plan for the club was always to join the NTFA.”

The MVFC, or the Suns, played for two years in the Leven competition and were very proud Premiers in their first season in 2012. This unique accolade was followed up with the

Suns being runners-up in 2013.

“The long term plan for the club was always to join the NTFA (Northern Tasmanian Foot- ball Association)” says Club Secretary Amanda Henri, and after a suc- cessful bid this year the goal has been achieved.

As Amanda explains, “A prerequisite for playing in the NTFA Div2 is to field two teams, Seniors and Reserves, and to go on to the NTFA Div1 we will need to field three teams, Seniors, Reserves and Under 19. We are hoping to be able to do this next year.”

The Suns train locally and support the local community which in turn generously returns that support to the club.

All medical supplies are purchased from the Soul Pattinson Westbury Chemist and, where possible, all canteen supplies are purchased from the Westbury IGA.

There are many other sponsors supporting the Suns including the



Left to right, Nigel Viney (Match Manager - MVFC), Tenille Pentland (Marketing Manager - Olde Tudor Hotel), Gary Clarke (Manager - Olde Tudor Hotel) and Amanda Henri (Secretary - MVFC)

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This year a new major sponsor has been found for the club, the Olde Tudor Hotel in Prospect. “We are very proud and glad to be the major sponsor for the Meander Valley Suns,” says Manager Gary Clarke, “we think local businesses should be involved in local groups and events.”

The MVFC encour- ages younger players

and believes the club has the right role models required to help the team succeed into the future.

“Just coming along to watch a game and perhaps join the club is a way of doing your bit.”

The club has a wealth of experience and guidance within its ranks for the younger recruits and is very keen to provide all the professional and per- sonal support to its members while still

maintaining a friendly family atmosphere.

The club has also held Auskick sessions on Sundays for the past two years and these will be recommenc- ing in the near future. “We are aiming to have a team in the NTJFA (Juniors)” says Amanda Henri, “but without more volunteers this is just not possible right now.”

The club recognis- es the efforts of indi- viduals and knows the importance of having a dedicated team of helpers willing to support the club. “We are in need of more volunteers for game day,” says Amanda, “whether it be to help

out in the canteen or even participate on the com- mittee. Just coming along to watch a game and perhaps join the club is a way of doing your bit.”

As an added incen- tive to attract supporters to the games, the club holds members’ and family members’ draws each home match-day (Westbury) for cash prizes but the winners must be present to collect their prize.

If you feel you would like to help support the Meander Valley Suns, or you would like any further information about the club, you can contact Leigh Watts (0417 593 466) or Amanda Henri (0408 373 090).



The Meander Valley Suns at training

What is a Pony Club?

THE PONY Club Association of Tas- mania and it’s region- al groups are there to encourage young people to ride and to learn to enjoy all kinds of sports connected with horses and riding as well as educating all members and their fam- ilies in the proper care of their animals.

Instructors provide theory and practical aspects of horseman- ship and promote the highest ideals of sports- manship, citizenship and loyalty, thereby

cultivating strength of character and self-discipline in an environment free from harassment and discrimination.

The Pony club encour- ages and caters for everyone from ages 6 to mid 20s.

Families considering joining are encouraged to come along and have a look at a rally or event and chat to members.

Come along for life long knowledge, and lasting friendships for young and old.

Find ‘Pony Club

Association of Tas- mania’ on Facebook, or visit their website www.pcat.org.au

The following clubs can be found in the Meander Valley munic- ipality:

Deloraine District Pony Club

www.deloraine.pcat.org.au

Secretary: Roseanne Roles (0417 566 856)

Next Rally 27th April 2014

Birrilee and Districts Pony Club

www.birrilee.pcat.org.au

Club Secretary: Virginia Walters (0408 302 559)

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90 King Street, Westbury \$250,000

4 bedroom brick home with separate rumpus room

Large living room with wood heating ducted throughout

Bathroom with bath, separate shower and vanity

Double garage/workshop plus double carport



13544 Highland Lakes Road, Golden Valley \$299,000

3 bedroom, 2 bathroom home

4th bedroom or office.

Open plan kitchen dining and lounge room.

Huge Saxon wood heater.

Aluminium windows.



5A Moriarty St, Deloraine \$220,000

2 bedroom brick unit

Open plan Kitchen, Dining and Lounge

New tiles in kitchen and bathroom

Bathroom has bath and separate shower

Close to school, supermarket, doctors and public transport



101 King St, Westbury \$240,000

3 bedroom brick home with wood heating

Reduced Electricity Bill - Solar System Fitted

1 car garage and workshop

Secure backyard

Close to school and shopping centre



Lot 3, 318 Wiiteena Rd, Jackeys Marsh \$207,000

Three storey, 2 bedroom home with possible third bedroom

Solar powered battery bank

Gravity fed pure water from nearby Bowmans creek



69 Meander Valley Rd, Westbury \$199,000

Large double block

Comprising large fully enclosed workshop

Second open front shed

Zoned Urban mixed use



35 Gay Street, Deloraine \$270,000

4 bedroom rendered brick home Main bedroom has built ins

New kitchen with polished Tasmanian oak floorboards

Renovated bathroom with bath and shower

Double garage

Vegetable garden

Close to school and shopping centre



32 West Goderich St, Deloraine \$385,000

Historic building, formerly St Andrews Church, circa 1883

Comprising of a new kitchen with adjoining dining/lounge

Second bedroom is located in main hall area

Original hall has open plan

Large underfloor storage area



385 Liena Rd, Mole Creek \$375,000

4 bedroom, 2 bathroom home set on 3.5 acres approx

Free standing woodheater/stove

Joined by a deck there is a separate dwelling

Small solar system fitted

Double lock up garage for 4 cars



24 Meander Valley Rd, Westbury \$375,000

4 bedroom Georgian style home Master bedroom has en suite and built -n robes

Formal dining room

Kitchen has walk-in pantry

Fully fenced

Well established garden

Bull nose veranda

Garage with remote control door