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After a few sniffs and a wag of his tail, Bowza, a 6-year-old 'pound hound', settled on the mat next to his new friend Alyssa. Story by Marguerite McNeil continued on Page 7... Photo by: Mike Moores

Is the phone tower a done deal?

By David Claridge

A LACK of communication and public approval has caused an uproar with residents of Blackstone Heights who are concerned with the proposed site of a Telstra Mobile tower.

Residents were made aware that a tower would be installed in the area in April, but nobody was informed of the location for months until a site had already

been chosen.

Blackstone resident, Melissa Page, has been trying to get information about the proposed location of the tower since 12th July. She represents a group of concerned residents who live near the Tas Water site where the tower is likely going to be placed in Zenith Court, just metres away from a residential area.

"Our main concern

is the possible effect on housing prices because it will be close to the homes - it will stand out. If someone puts up a For Sale sign and people come up to the open home and see this large tower looming over them, will they want to buy?"

"Why people are so touchy and upset about it is that up until the 16th August we couldn't get a location of where

it would go. Telstra won't talk to us directly and Visionstream have been evasive."

"There were other sites considered in May before the Zenith Court site, but the landowners refused to have the tower near their homes. Putting it on the Tas Water site enables road access, power and no landowners to reject it.

"The people don't want a tower right next

to their homes when there are so many other better places where it could go.

Telstra are contractually unable to answer public questions and are suggesting concerned people talk to Visionstream who have been contracted to put up the tower.

After a lot of public outcry over how the tower has been organised, Telstra held

a community Drop in Session at Country Club Tasmania on the 20th September.

Melissa commented after the session "None of our important questions were answered and it just kept going around and around in circles, so it was a very frustrating experience."

As part of the Federal Governments Mobile Black Spot Program, Telstra is building 429 new towers over the next three years in regional and remote parts of Australia, costing \$340million.

SPRING MAKEOVER FOR BECKS DELORAINE

As the weather heats up for Spring, attention turns to all manner of DIY projects on the 'to do' list. The team at Becks Deloraine are in the midst of a renovation of their own with a total revamp of the hardware store underway to improve the shopping experience.

"It's full steam ahead. We have lots of exciting plans to brighten and improve our product offer and layout to better serve the Deloraine community", said Rob Rosier, who recently returned to the north west coast to be closer to his family and assumed the role as store manager for the iconic hardware business.

The transformation for the Deloraine site will progressively roll out over the coming months.

"You may have noticed we recently added the Dulux paint range back in store. Alongside our leading Wattyl exterior and interior range, we now have a complete solution for customers this painting season. Weber barbeques, garden and outdoor living furniture are now heavily stocked, perfect timing as the warmer weather hits.

"And for our tradies, we've built new timber racks and vastly increased our depth of timber, carrying all the popular sizes of both framing and treated pine. Something that has been sorely missing in the community.

"Aside from new products, you'll also start to notice new services and convenience as part of our revamp. We're the only hardware group in the region with a loyalty program. It's free to join and rewards you every time you shop with us. The more you shop, the more points you earn to redeem.

"And our new Click 'N Collect service gives customers the option to buy over 4,000 products online, giving our customers access to more products than ever before. For example, where we previously only stocked a few barbeques and mowers due to our small footprint, now customers can shop online for over 50 different models and have them delivered to store for collection. That's service where it matters.

"It's an exciting new era for the Becks business. We have focused on listening to what our customers want – and deserve – and are backing it up with good-old fashioned service, advice and knowledge.

The forty four-year old Deloraine store is part of the Becks store network of nine locations across northern Tasmania, currently trading under the Home Timber & Hardware banner. As part of the facelift, all Becks sites will complete a transition to the Mitre 10 brand by December.

"Becks is a proudly local Tasmanian business but we're backed up with the buying power of Australia's largest wholesaler, Independent Hardware Group, that supports the iconic brands of Mitre 10 and Home Timber & Hardware. Collectively, we have over 500 stores Australia-wide, which means we have strength in numbers to buy big and supply at highly competitive prices," says Rob.

Big brands at the right price remain the number one focus for the Becks team but, according to Rob, sometimes it's the small things that matter most in keeping customers happy.

"Service is what we pride ourselves on. The ability to source just about anything that the builder or DIYer could need is a key point of difference for us. Our delivery trucks have a new hiab crane installed which allows us to deliver bigger and more loads than ever before for tradies and DIY customers.

"We have a popular key cutting service and a specialist paint team and in-store tinter to mix to any colour. Just some of the personalised value you get from shopping local.

"Our team focus not only on selling you product, we explain how to use it and tips to keep you out of trouble with your DIY and building projects. My philosophy is get to know your customers and value the personal relationships. In retail, winning on service and convenience will keep your shoppers coming back.

This ability to offer expert advice for any job, according to Rob, comes down to experience and "knowing your stuff".

"I've been involved in the hardware industry for over 30 years, and some team members such as David Everett, Justin Carr and Glen Boxhall have a combined 105 years servicing the Deloraine area. You'd be hard pressed to find anyone with as much knowledge and experience in the hardware and building space as these three blokes.

"So whether you have plans to build, renovate or just decorate this Spring, come and visit us. Experience the difference at Becks Deloraine and see the improvements being made for yourself," says Rob.



Rob Rosier



L - R Sharni Wadley, Glen Boxhall, Justin Carr, Noah Woodhall and David Everett

Need help with your next project? Visit the Becks Deloraine team at 31 Church Street for all your timber, paint, power tools, hardware, outdoor décor and garden needs.



Young biographers remember Vets

Westbury Primary grade 6 students, Jacob Clark and Amy Taylor, worked with Westbury RSL to write stories for 'Westbury Remembers'.

Photo by: Mike Moores

STUDENTS FROM Westbury Primary School, in collaboration with Westbury RSL, have undertaken the task of researching and writing down the stories of those who served in World War One from the Westbury area.

The project has been funded by the Westbury RSL's successful application to the Federal Government's Armistice Centenary Grants Program, to which the Deloraine and Districts Community Bank added a further \$4000.

Grade 6 students worked with local historians to begin the initial research and to set the foundation for the book,

which will be named *Westbury Remembers – our World War One Roll of Honour*. The book will include 245 stories (all those who appear on Westbury RSL's WW1 Roll of Honour board), of which 60 will be written by students.

A trip to Canberra was booked and students travelled to the Australian War Memorial where they went on a guided tour of the WW1 section of the museum.

Using both digital databases and written records held there, the students finished their research and deepened their appreciation of the sacrifices those men and women made.

Jacob Clark and Amy Tay-

lor represented the students involved in the endeavour. They spoke about the process involved, its impact on them and the feelings it provoked.

"The best part of this was the trip to Canberra and visiting the memorial. It made it more real", said Amy.

Staff and students shared the feeling that going to the war memorial was what had made this massive undertaking something special.

Jacob commented, "In the classroom it felt like a task, at the war memorial it felt like an experience."

Westbury Remembers – our World War One Roll of Honour will be available from the Westbury RSL early in 2019.

Navigate My Gov easily with Deloraine Online

AS PART of 'Get Online Week', Deloraine Online Centre will be offering two free workshops.

Tuesday 16th October 1:00 - 3:00pm is 'Introduction to Email', for those who want to learn to open an email account and for those that have an email account but don't feel confident to use it.

Wednesday 17th October 1:00 - 3:00pm is 'How to open a My Gov account'. My Gov is a simple and secure way to access government online

services, but opening an account for those who are not accustomed to using government services online can be a bit of a challenge. Join Liz who will take you through the process step-by-step and provide ongoing support if you need it.

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Council at a glance

By Sharon Webb

Council in bid for new prison

Meander Valley Council will express interest to the State Government in the municipality being the site of a new northern prison on the site of Ashley Detention Centre.

The government recently invited northern Tasmanian landowners, including northern Tasmanian councils, utility companies, the property sector and economic development groups, to make submissions.

The Minister for Corrections, Elise Archer, said the government is committed

to building a new prison in northern Tasmania, at an estimated cost of \$270 million to house approximately 270 prisoners.

Council acts on power failures

Meander Valley Council will write to TasNetworks reiterating the importance of uninterrupted secure electricity supply to Westbury and the Valley Central industrial zone.

Following a front page story in the *Meander Valley Gazette* on frequent Westbury power failures, Cllr Bob Richardson requested the promised TasNetworks upgrade be fast-tracked.

Netball players get new courts this year

Meander Valley Council approved construction of two new outdoor netball courts in Deloraine at its September meeting and will manage their construction.

The plexiplave courts will be built on crown land behind the main Deloraine Community Complex building, paid for by \$129,000 in grants obtained by Deloraine Devils netball club and a \$100,000 election commitment by the State Liberal Party.

Council says cancer-causing weed killer optional

The general manager of Meander Valley Council, Martin Gill, says there are options to council's use of Roundup, the weed-killer containing the probable carcinogen, glyphosate.

In a reply to Cllr Bob Richardson, he said alternative weed control methods are available and that the council would continue to advertise and promote its No Spray Register.

Plea for churches to stay open

Meander Valley Council will request three church properties be exempt from sale in a submission to the Anglican Diocese of Tasmania.

Councillors believe that St Andrews Church, Carrick; St Andrews Church, Westbury; and St Marys Church, rectory and cemetery in



L to R: Brian Dare and John Carlton record 'Tasmania Talks'.

Only \$100 to own a Harley

THE MOLE Creek hotel hosted the launch of Rotary Club of Deloraine's Harley raffle in September.

An ambitious project, the raffle aims to raise \$50,000 for research into youth suicide and mental illness.

The launch included an onsite broadcast of the Brian Carlton radio show, 'Tasmania Talks'.

Odds of winning are high with just 1,000 tickets being sold at \$100 each, tickets

are selling fast.

The Raffle has two first prizes which are Harley Davidson Street Bob 107 Bikes. Each winner will also receive a voucher for \$2,000 to be spent at Richardsons Harley Davidson.

The draw will be at the Mole Creek Hotel on the 23rd February 2019 at 4.00pm during the annual 'A Day at the Creek, Music Festival'.

Buy tickets from Dares Electrical or Mole Creek Hotel

Hagley are working parishes with close ties to the local community and are an integral part of local and Tasmanian history.

Protest on Westbury health worker axing by council

Cllr Bob Richardson maintains the 2016 Federal Liberal

axing of three health worker positions in the Meander Valley may have resulted in increased suicide rates and increased adolescent behaviour problems. Council will make a submission to the Senate committee on regional mental health services on the issue.

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In My Opinion...

By Joanne Eisemann
Managing Editor

IN THIS environment of rapidly improving technology it may surprise some to know that there are still many people amongst us who are yet to embrace the Internet, computers and/or digital devices.

The most recent Digital Inclusion Index shows that Tasmania has the least digitally able population of any state or territory in the country.

Some of the popular reasons I hear for not learning about computers and the Internet are: it's not safe, it's too hard, or my kids try and show me but they go too quickly.

The 15th - 21st October is Get Online Week. Get Online Week is a federally funded campaign to assist people to learn new skills and start the journey towards thriving in a digital world.

This year, the campaign will focus on encouraging people to try one new thing online.

To support the campaign, Deloraine Online Centre extends an open invitation to anyone wanting to go online for the first time or to try something new online. Whether it be looking up your favourite plant, finding a new recipe, buying something on eBay or having a look at your house from above, there is a lot of fun to be had.

The Online Centre has a lovely bunch of volunteers who are only too happy to lend a hand. The centre is located at 21 West Parade Deloraine (the back of the Library building). Volunteers will make you a cuppa, offer you a bikkie, and reassure you that computers are really hard to break!

Letters In...

I WAS pleased to read Judith Ann Tahir's article about the work in our community by building contractor Zed Malunat. Zed's work has been a part of life for many years both at my home at Weetah and on my previously owned retail building at 86 Emu Bay Road (formerly Healthy Life Deloraine).

Apart from being a cooperative responsible builder, Zed is a friend and has never failed to give an honest opinion on the realities of building work. Those who have been fortunate to work with Zed will recognise what I'm saying and would not hesitate to add that if more professionals were like this man, the community would have many more satisfied customers unstinting in their praise. It has been my privilege to know Zed and I just want to say "thanks" for his part in living in Meander Valley.

Jan Blakeney
Weetah

WE WOULD like to say a big thank you to Meander Valley residents for their incredible support of Foodbank this winter through the Woolworths winter fundraising appeal.

With demand for food relief outstripping supply, you have significantly helped warm-up winter for some of the most vulnerable people in the community.

By generously adding so many \$2 Foodbank tokens to shopping trolleys, Meander Valley residents helped us reach our national goal of providing 762,948 meals to Australian families in need.

Woolworths Deloraine Store
Manager, Steve Copleman

THE ARTICLE on Pump Hydro in the last edition deserves some comment. Pump Hydro certainly has an application in a place such as South Australia, with their use of solar and wind as the base generation.

They have chosen a battery system to even out the generated supply, but are also looking at Pump Hydro using seawater, which does not require a lower storage site.

This, or a closed loop system using an upper and lower reservoir can be chosen by any state that has periods of an over-supply of generation capacity from wind or solar.

Tasmania is different, and it is our capacity to store water in our existing dams that means we can use the term Battery of the Nation.

Pump Hydro as suggested by the Hydro in pumping water up to new storages and generating from that is nonsense engineering brought to you by the same people who ran us out of water three years ago. If determined to pump water, wouldn't you pump it up to the next dam up the river and use the existing power station?

Better still, would you not use that power in our grid and turn off one of our Hydro stations and so save water for later use?

Even when we reach total self sufficiency, it will be with a mix of Hydro and wind generation, with no necessity for Pump Hydro, but using all the wind power available at all times in the grid and wiser use of our water levels to top it up to the demand level.

The real agenda of the Hydro here is that they are trying to justify another cable to the mainland, but it is time that the Minister took steps

Statewide Youth Art Award

TASMANIAN YOUNG Artist Award.

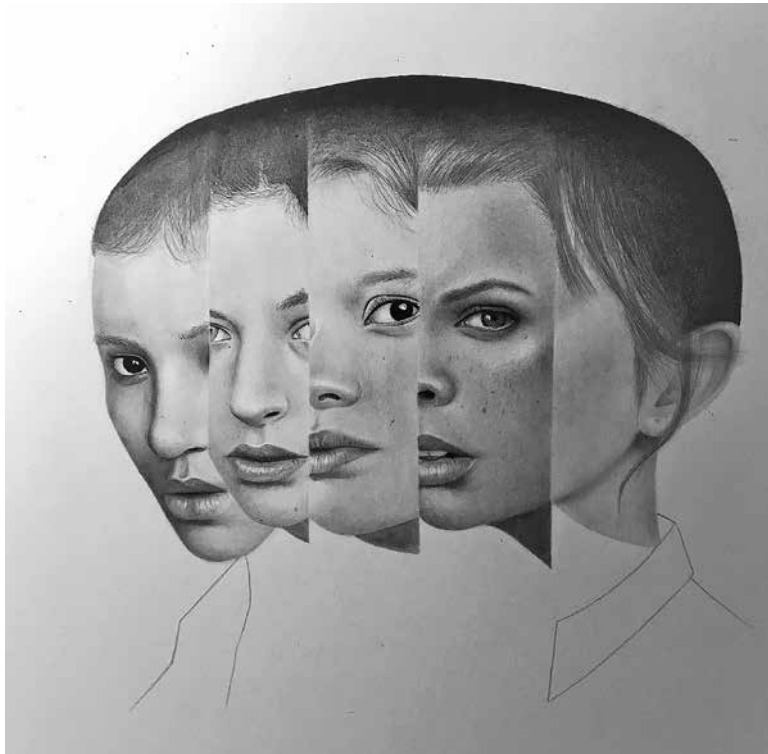
This State-wide award, financed by Rotary, offers the chance for talented young Tasmanians to exhibit their artistic talent to a wide audience.

Now in its 2nd year, the exhibition, to be shown at

the Deloraine Creative Studios, will include works by 28 talented school children from years 7 to 12 which are their personal interpretations of this year's theme of "Phases".

The exhibition will be shown from the 1st to 30th November.

Drop in and be surprised!



Ellie Newland's work entitled 'Conflicted' will be on show.

to ensure that money is not wasted in chasing a silly proposal to pump water up a hill and lose 15% in generation losses, not to mention the construction costs.

M. J. Eastley

LOOMING LOCAL government elections may prompt ratepayers to consider the present structure for the delivery of local government services in the Meander Valley. Aspiring councillors are likely to be out and about in the community, so it could be an ideal opportunity to discuss the activities of the council.

An analysis of our demographics would suggest a significant portion of our ratepayers would be elderly. A brief review of pension entitlements indicates the age pension for a couple would be around \$35,500 per year. The pension for a person living alone is considerably less.

Australian Bureau of Statistics publications indicate the median total household income (2016) in the valley would be around \$54,000 per annum. Not a huge sum for young couples educating children and paying a mortgage. Of course, the median means that half the families in the valley are getting by on less than \$54,000. As in other areas of the state there is likely to be significant under employment. The point is that for a significant proportion of residents

in the valley life is very frugal.

Each year our council prepares an annual report. The report for the year to June 17 (the most recent on the website at the time of writing) indicates the council employs a general manager and four directors. That same report reveals that the total remuneration paid to the manager and directors, during that 2017 year, was \$1,258,000 – an average of \$250,000. However, we know that not all directors received \$250,000 since one employee received an amount in excess of \$300,000.

Many ratepayers would consider an annual wage of \$100,000 to be a considerable sum. I wonder how many council employees outside senior management receive a wage more than \$100,000 per year.

Now if the administration of local government in the valley has become so complex that management salaries in the range of \$200,000 to \$300,000 per year are justified some ratepayers might question whether the current model for the delivery of local government services is appropriate to their needs and their financial circumstances. They may ask themselves whether council activities should be rationalised, simplified and stripped back to the bare essentials. This might be something to discuss with aspiring councillors when they come calling.

Bernie Lee
Deloraine

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Golden beekeeper

By Chere Kenyon

WELL-KNOWN AND loved beekeeper, Ian Stephens of Mole Creek, passed away on the 28th August, after having achieved his life goal.

It was not his family business, R Stephens Apiarists Pty Ltd, though it is a renowned honey business in Tasmania.

Neither was it his community service, though he participated in the Mole Creek Progress Association for many years and helped turn the town from overgrown blackberries to the tidy town it is today.

To Ian Stephens, his greatest achievement was his family.

"The best thing we ever did was to produce a fine family of four children," said Shirley, Ian's wife.

Ian's parents taught him to be independent and to get

on with life and Ian passed this will to work hard to his own children.

Ian continued his father's work in breeding a good line of queen bees, developed the market that exists for the business to this day, and succeeded in making the name 'Leatherwood' well-known.

"Ian believed that everybody should be able to put a jar of honey on the table at a reasonable price," said Shirley.

Shirley and Ian were married for 60 years. "We've had our ups and downs. We've been overseas, travelled and made a lot of friends in the beekeeping world. I think the name will live on and I believe he's left behind something to be proud of," added Shirley.

A small service was held for Ian on the 30th August



Ian Stephens was born on 16th May 1930 and passed away on 28th August 2018. The family business had two well-known products - Golden Bee Clover Honey and Golden Nectar Real Leatherwood Honey.

attended by family and close friends followed a few days later by a memorial service attended by 180 people.

His ashes will stay in Mole Creek according to his wishes.

Post penultimate paintings

By Marguerite McNeill

AFTER A 3 year break Deloraine artist Ann Kearon will step back into the ring at this year's Tasmanian Craft Fair to exhibit a colourful array of paintings punctuated by a palate full of P's.

Entitled the 'Post Penultimate Painting Production of Pre-Modern Paintings' by

(Pauline) Ann Kearon, the retrospective collection of water colour paintings features a mix of floral studies and scenes from Tasmania, interstate and overseas.

The exhibition can be viewed in Mrs Kearon's home gallery at 25 Meander Valley Road Deloraine from 10.00am each day of the fair.

Art of fashion

DELORAINE DRAMATIC Society is getting into the spirit of Craft Fair by holding a Wearable Art Award & Catwalk Show at the Little Theatre. You can find entry forms on Facebook or call Tara on 0409 242 184. Entries close 29th October. Daily fashion parades at 11am & 2pm, 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th November 2018.

Wayne JOHNSTON

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My family have lived and worked in the Meander Valley for four generations. Alongside my father Neil, my wife Lisa and our children Kyla, Brayden and Ryan, we run a diversified farm business.

"I believe that the Meander Valley is the greatest place in Tasmania, I want to ensure that this will be the case in the years to come for our children and grandchildren"

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Greg Hall
Former MLC

"Wayne will well represent the Meander Valley Community as Mayor"

Jan Bingley
Westbus

"I've known Wayne for 30 years and he is passionate about the Meander Valley. We need strong leadership."

Paul Bennett
Ashgrove Cheese



Fairy tales for fido

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JUST A couple of years older than her new pal, the Deloraine Primary grade 2 student smiled and then picked up a book and started to read.

Stroking the dog with one hand, Alssya relaxed and read out loud while Bowza fidgeted a bit before settling into his 'story dog' role.

Enjoying the novelty of the program, Alyssa said it was good fun to practice reading with a dog.

Aimed at improving reading skills and developing fluency and confidence,

the story dogs program encourages children to read aloud to entertain a dog in a relaxing and non-threatening way.

Story dogs go through some intensive training before being accepted as visitors into schools where they spend time with students listening to them read. And from all accounts the outcomes of the program are to be applauded.

It is said that as well as being great listeners story dogs are non-judgemental and have a calming effect that encourages children to

relax and try harder when they read.

In such a setting, childrens' focus improves, their literacy skills increase and their confidence soars.

Handler Alison Scott said that it was Bowza's first year in the program and once the vest was on he knew that he was working and coming to school. She said that as well as listening to the children reading he could tell when they were struggling with a word and would give them a nudge to help them along.

Enthusied by the success of the program she has seen a vast improvement in the reading skills of many children who have taken part, with some now reading twice as many books as before in the same time frame.

Saving St Saviours



Photo by: Mike Moores

Meander residents are joining together to save St Saviours.

IT'S NEVER a dull moment in Meander! Six community groups have joined forces to prepare a submission to the Anglican Diocese, asking for heritage-listed St Saviours Church, Sunday school and Cemetery to be removed from the list of 76 churches to be sold to fund the National Redress Scheme for victims of child sexual abuse.

The groups agree that the redress scheme is necessary, but question why only 25% of funds from property sales go to the victims. They also question the sale of

land, buildings and furnishings that community members gifted to the Church in the first place. The memory of the closure of Meander Primary School in 2014 continues to affect the community and made them aware that the loss of St Saviours will take with it priceless links to past heritage and can only be detrimental to community wellbeing. They are adamant that the church be retained.


The submission to the Diocese includes letters of support from the Deloraine Anglican

Parish and the Meander Valley Council and a petition with over 200 signatures.

On Sunday the 28th of October there will be an open day commencing with a church service at 11.30. Following the service and lunch, there will be musical items, historical displays and cemetery walks. Meander invites the public to bring a plate to share and join their community in opposition to this valuable asset being lost.

For more information contact Christine Chilcott on 0419 575 193.

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50 yrs for 'Hilton on Barrack'

By Hayley Manning

THE DAY Centre was adorned with golden balloons and flowers to celebrate the Deloraine District Hospital's 50 golden years in operation.

Around 170 invitations were sent to former and current doctors, staff, service clubs and others involved with the Hospital in some way.

Director of Nursing and Man-

ager, Lester Jones thanked everyone for their passion and commitment and made particular reference to the Hospital Auxiliary who work tirelessly to raise funds for otherwise unavailable items such as a bladder scanner, beds, televisions, outdoor furniture and coffee machines.

Lester said patients tended to stay longer at the Hospital, also fondly known as the Hilton on Barrack.



One of the original Deloraine District Hospital nurses, Liz Archer indulges in some food therapy with Director of Nursing and Manager, Lester Jones.

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Timber given kiss of life



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Launceston's Simon Ancher will be demonstrating the use of hydrowood at this year's Craft Fair.

By David Claridge

THERE IS an intriguing display set for the Deloraine Craft Fair this November - expertly crafted wooden furniture and other items - and it's intriguing because the wood

comes from underwater.

Hydrowood has been salvaged from below Lake Pieman from the wild west coast of Tasmania and given to the creative hands of four selected craftsmen to present and answer questions at the fair.

Around 25 years ago, Lake Pieman was dammed to generate hydro-electricity and many rare trees were submerged and forgotten. They were rediscovered in 2012 and, with some ingenuity, they were harvested, brought to

the surface and used.

Deloraine Craft Fair Director Lesley Dare is looking forward to showcasing Hydrowood to Craft Fair visitors.

"Hydrowood is not about cutting down trees, it's about rediscovered trees lost at the bottom of Lake Pieman."

"Through the ingenuity of Tasmanians, they've invented this system where they can retrieve the timber.

"We're showing the whole process from harvesting to crafting at the fair. Four of the top craftspeople in Tasmania have been selected to use the wood, show what they made from it, and host master classes.

Craftsman Geoff Marshall has used Hydrowood to make a variety of furniture including a light, a chair and an ottoman.

"I was at university when they were first doing studies on the wood. That is when I first learned about it" he said.

"I think it's a great story of how the wood has been rediscovered and made available for us to use. It's an amazing product."

Another Craftsman, Toby Muir-Wilson, is working on nine illustrated panels.

"It will take about 4-5 weeks

to complete them. I'm aiming to show a variety of ways in which you can texture and colour the wood," he said.

"It's an interesting project to be involved in."

One of the chosen artists, Simon Ancher, has been working with Hydrowood since the beginning. He will be looking for feedback on some benches he has worked hard on.

"I love the fact that we have a second chance to make good use of an amazing resource, a precious resource that was thought to be lost.

"I feel very fortunate to have visited the operation on Lake Pieman. It's an inspiring part of Tasmania and for me as a designer/maker I feel the connection to place and material is strong."

Huon pine, Sassafras, Eucalypt, Celery Top and Western Beech are some of the special kinds of wood that have been discovered. A brochure describes the quality like this:

"Hydrowood has a purity. No rusty nails or bolts from a previous life. Instead, untouched grain. Not salvaged timber, long dead on a musty floor but rare timber Master Builders dream of."

Fair fills the town

IT'S WELL known the Tasmanian Craft Fair is the largest working craft fair in the Southern Hemisphere, but as the event moves toward its 40th year it's time we all knew the impact it already has on our local region, and there's more to come.

From a visitor point of view, during the Craft Fair all accommodation is fully booked in the Meander Valley and areas such as Launceston and Devonport are heavily booked as well. Restaurants are fully booked for meals.

"We do know that a lot of local families also host friends who visit from across Tasmania or interstate and we'd love to see more of that to add to the numbers who

can attend" says this year's Fair Director, Lesley Dare.

The fair, which is an initiative of the Rotary Club of Deloraine, also utilises local tradespeople to make the event happen, including electricians, sign writers, builders and cleaners in addition to local bus companies and the hiring of local venues.

The traffic management over the 4 days is managed beautifully by the SES. Whilst the fair hires the organisation for that role, in addition this year the fair will fund a jaws of life rescue apparatus to assist in emergency responses, which will undoubtedly save lives.

The benefits are broad for the whole community,

and approximately 500 volunteers will work on set up, cleaning, pull down, managing gates and managing each of the 9 venues.

To organise and run a craft fair each year takes approx. 10,000 volunteer hours. Some 23 service and local community organisations receive a donation for their services. These organisations include local schools, churches, Rotary Clubs, Lions and Apex.

If that's not enough, the fair also helps to put Deloraine, the Meander Valley and the Great Western Tiers on the bucket list for visitors all year round.

Lesley adds "We ask that our fellow Tasmanians recognise the efforts of so many to deliver a quality event every year. We plan to keep evolving and our sponsors are helping us make it known

as an event of national significance. Hopefully locals will share our social media

posts, or make a phone call and invite friends from abroad to come and visit."



Funds from this year's Craft Fair will purchase a battery operated 'jaws of life' for Meander Valley SES to speed up the time taken to release crash victims.

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Mayor's Message

Above: Mayor Craig Perkins with Council's special visitor Shizuka Narita

During September, Meander Valley Council hosted special guest, Shizuka Narita.

Shizuka is a delegate from Japanese Local Government and is currently undertaking a two-year study tour in Australia.

With us for just over a week, it was a wonderful opportunity to show Shizuka the innovation of our local producers, the incredible diversity of our region and discuss the challenges local governments face in rural areas.

Shizuka is from the Wakayama Prefectural Government located in a rural area of Japan known as a "fruit kingdom". Surprisingly, some of the challenges faced by our communities were not dissimilar.

Attracting tourism and developing infrastructure are focus areas for both our local governments. Further, Shizuka was curious about the success of multiculturalism in Australia and gender equity with regards to employment.

At the conclusion of her study tour, a few things were apparent.

Firstly, Shizuka was very modest when describing her love of vegemite and secondly, I do believe that during this visit we here at Meander Valley learnt just as much from Shizuka as she did from us.

It highlights the need for all of us to strive towards continuous improvement through an open-minded approach to learning.

As I write my last edition of Mayor's Message, I am reminded of the wonderful experience and personal growth that this role has afforded me.

The collaboration, innovation and the embracing of new ideas instills in me a sense of pride and optimism for Meander Valley.

This stems from the values held by both the organisation and the community as we all continue Working Together.

Mayor, Craig Perkins

Vegetation management and the No Spray Register

Residents are advised that as part of Council's vegetation management program, roadside shoulder spraying in rural areas will be undertaken from 6 October 2018. This will take approximately one week to complete, subject to suitable weather conditions.

Any roadside area that is regularly maintained (mowed) will not be sprayed. Meander Valley Council manages roadside vegetation growth by various methods including herbicide use.

If you are the owner of a property and do not wish to have herbicides applied at your frontage, please contact Council on 6393 5300 to have your property added to the 'No Spray Register'. Property owners that have previously registered are not required to register again.

People occupying land and/or residences must request the property owner to make contact with Council.

Inclusion of your address on the 'No Spray Register' means that herbicide spraying will not occur on the property frontage from side boundary to side boundary. This does not include property that is on the opposite side of the street/road or an adjoining property.

By registering your property, you accept that the responsibility of weed and vegetation management along the property frontage will fall to the property owner. For further information on this program, including road listings, visit www.meander.tas.gov.au



Westbury Recreation Ground clubroom upgrade moves another step closer

Clubroom upgrades at the Westbury Recreation Ground are moving ahead with a development application in the process of being lodged.

The development application seeks approval for the redesigned footprint of the structure on the site.

Following an information session held in August, Council has made some adjustments and has refined the internal layout of the buildings.

"The information session was an opportunity for Council to provide an update on the project and discuss the next steps," Mayor Craig Perkins said.

Redrafted drawings will be on display during business hours in the foyer of the Council offices at 26 Lyall Street Westbury until the end of October.

Residents and users of the facility are invited to call in to view plans of the upgrade.

Meander Valley means business

We have known for some time that the Meander Valley yields some of the best produce in Australia, if not the world.

Our tally of champion producers gained another member this month with Hagley's Hazelbrae Hazelnuts taking out the prestigious Champion Australian Produce and Champion Australian Product for their amazing roasted hazelnuts.

Going head to head with over 1200 other superb Australian food products at the Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria's Australian Food Awards, a slightly shocked Christie McLeod thanked the judges for the honour and extended a huge thank you to Hazelbrae's customers who have supported the farm over the past 4 years.

The accolades don't stop there. Another three Meander Valley businesses have been shortlisted as finalists for the 2018 Tasmanian Perpetual Trustees Business Excellence Awards.

FastWay Fencing Tie Offs have been listed as finalists in the Agribusiness



Above: Christie McLeod and Mick Delphin were big winners at the Australian Food Awards last month.

Entrepreneur category, CRANKA is a finalist in both the Export and Innovation & Technology Entrepreneur categories and Kolmark has been listed as a finalist in the Manufacturing Entrepreneur category.

Earlier this year, Springfield Deer Farm took out the Delicious Award in the "From the Paddock" category for the second consecutive year.

Mayor Craig Perkins said, "This recognition is very well deserved. These awards help to promote Meander Valley more broadly and confirm our position as market leaders.

Well done to all of you. Your dedication, persistence and innovation is inspirational."



Australia Day Award Nominations

On Australia Day, Council recognises the exceptional voluntary contribution of its community members with the presentation of Australia Day Awards. The Awards are presented in the following categories:

Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, Community Event of the Year, Sports Award and Volunteer Services Recognition Awards.

If you know someone who deserves such an award, complete the nomination form available at www.meander.tas.gov.au

Nominations should be received by 4pm, Friday 16 November 2018.

For more information contact Merrilyn Young on 6393 5317.



FREE GUIDE to local aged care services

This helpful guide outlines accommodation and care options in Tasmania.

This free publication is now available for collection from the Council Offices, 26 Lyall Street Westbury.

Remember to Vote Local this October

Residents are urged to keep an eye out for their Ballot Packs that are due to hit mailboxes between 8-12 October.

Local government elections are conducted by a full postal ballot, which means there is a "polling period" rather than a single polling day.

Once you receive your ballot pack in the mail, you have

approximately three weeks to complete and return it. Almost everyone over the age of 18 living, owning or leasing a property in Meander Valley is eligible to vote.

Voting determines who represents the community as a Councillor for Meander Valley and is an opportunity for residents to influence the kind of place Meander



Valley will be. Residents are reminded that candidates standing for Mayor and Deputy Mayor must first be successfully elected as a local Councillor to be able to accept the office of these two positions.

Key Dates

25 September	8-12 October	30 October
Announcement of Candidates Following this announcement, ballot packs are printed and packed ready for posting.	Delivery of Ballot Packs If you are enrolled to vote, your ballot pack will arrive in the mail within two weeks. Most people will receive their ballot packs between 8-12 October.	Vote & Post Back You will need to post your vote back by 10am on Tuesday 30 October.

What's inside my ballot pack?

Electors will receive a booklet containing statements from the candidates, voting instructions, ballot papers, a secure ballot paper envelope and a reply paid envelope so you can post your vote for free.



Meander Valley benefits from Safer Communities Funding

A \$50,000 commitment from the Federal Government through Round 1 of the Safer Communities Fund will see 10 CCTV cameras installed in Meander Valley.

A direct means of combatting crime, the cameras will be installed around the central shopping areas of Deloraine and Westbury.

The Honourable Michael Keenan MP stated at the announcement of the funding that the "Government is committed to making our streets and communities safer by boosting efforts of local communities to reduce violence and improve safety."

Additional funds and in-kind support from Tasmania Police and Council have ensured the system will be of a standard high enough to deter crime and pursue perpetrators with quality imagery that Police can access from anywhere in the field.

Inspector Flude of the Deloraine Division has welcomed the installation adding, "CCTV is just one tool in the arsenal against crime. The best defence against theft and vandalism are the simple measures that everyone in the community should implement, like installing alarms, locking doors and windows, placing cash and other valuables in a safe and securing

vehicles when leaving them unattended'.

The design, installation and maintenance of the system will be undertaken by TMR Systems who have previously completed installations for the University of Tasmania, City of Launceston and a number of divisions within the Tasmanian Government.

Residents and business owners are invited to attend an information session about the new system in the Council Chambers from 6pm - 7pm on Wednesday 24 October.

Council officers and Police representatives will be in attendance to answer any questions.

The Hard Waste Collection will be undertaken in specified areas from 12-16 November 2018. Residents are required to register to receive this service. Registrations are open from Monday 1 October and close at 5pm on Wednesday 7 November 2018.

Register Online

Visit www.meander.tas.gov.au and click on the Hard Waste Collection Registration button on the home screen. You will be required to enter a valid email address in order to receive confirmation of your registration.

Register by phone or in person

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IT'S PRETTY rare for customers to have a say in who purchases a business once it comes time to sell, but for Chris Clark of Delquip Industrial Sales in Deloraine it was important that his customers continued to receive

the same high quality service his family had been offering for more than 50 years.

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"We've had other people look at the business over the

last twelve months or so but we wanted someone who was going to run the business very close to how we've been doing it" comments Chris.

Customers have given new owners, Danny and Dara Saltmarsh the thumbs up.

"We've had a good response from our customers, because Danny already has a good reputation in the community. They know him" says Chris.

Dara and Danny are thrilled to be buying a business that is so valued by the community it serves, and are keen to keep the business model the same with only a few minor changes planned.

In fact, as regular customers of Delquip for 25 years, one of the reasons they made the acquisition was to make sure it stayed the same.

"The whole farming area would be lost without it. Everyone would have to go to Launceston or Devonport just for a nut or a bolt" says Danny.

"This business is a mainstay of Deloraine. We don't need to fix it, right now it functions as the community needs it to. All we want to do is transition to new ownership as smoothly as possible" adds Dara

So what is it that keeps bringing farmers, contractors, local handymen and large companies alike off the beaten track to Delquip's shop and metal fabrication workshop at 27 Tower Hill St Deloraine?

"I think it's because it's a one stop shop" says Danny. "People can bring something in for repair or fabrication and know that they can purchase what they need while they are here, and if they need some

advice on something the staff are usually able to help."

"If you are looking for something a bit oddball or rare it's probably here" he adds.

Delquip offers a selection of hand and air tools, gardening implements, nuts, bolts, fasteners, springs, bearings, oils and greases. They also stock fan belts, hydraulic hoses, grinding, welding and safety gear as well as a metal fabrication workshop that repairs and makes "almost anything and everything" says Dara.

Not strangers to a challenge, Danny and Dara plan to run Delquip alongside their other two businesses, Saltmarsh Contracting and a Civil Celebrant service.

Saltmarsh Contracting employs three people and offers ploughing, harrowing, crop sowing, cultivation as well round bale hay and silage production. "You've probably seen our red Case IH tractors around Deloraine" comments Dara.

When asked how they are going to manage all this plus raise their young family plus continue their volunteer commitments to the local Apex club and the annual Tractor Pull, they are both confident that with the aid of the experienced staff members at Delquip and a supportive family network all will be well.



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Re-Elect

Mayoral race - who to choose?

Meander Valley Gazette contacted the five candidates running for the position of Mayor at the upcoming Council election and asked them to respond to the following questions: 1. Where do you live and why do you live there? 2. What is your opinion on council amalgamation? 3. What in your opinion is the most important issue for residents of Meander Valley? Their responses are presented in alphabetical order.

Susie Bower



1. I live in Westbury where I have been for the last 11 1/2 years. Westbury has a village feel about it and has all the services you could want, and the views are beautiful. The people are friendly and very welcoming, and I can truly relax and unwind especially when my work was quite stressful.

2. I don't think that Councils should shy away from discussing the issue of amalgamations. However, I am of the view that in order to do this there needs to be a process in place that includes community engagement. Only once these issues are clear can community and Council make an informed decision.

3. I think one of the most important issues is to keep rates affordable. Meander Valley has the lowest rates for home owners in the North, the second lowest for agricultural properties and I am sure rate payers would like to keep it this way.

Andrew Connor



1. I've lived in Blackstone Heights for 12 years now because it's a quiet

suburb on the outskirts of an urban area. I was raised in Launceston and have family links in Northern Tasmania dating back to the 1830s.

2. Council amalgamations are an issue that Meander Valley cannot ignore, however the current council has not given it the consideration it deserves. There are limits to what small councils can achieve, for example Meander Valley gained little out of the recent Launceston City Deal, despite almost half of its residents living in the Greater Launceston area.

3. The most serious issue I see for Meander Valley is population growth or lack thereof. Over previous Census periods, the population in our municipality has barely grown and in some years even dropped.

Wayne Johnston



1. I live at Meander where we have our farms. I am a fourth generation Meander resident and have been lucky enough to live and work overseas which has given me an appreciation of how fortunate we are to live here.

2. I will listen to the concerns of the residents and make the best decision for the Meander Valley.

3. Every town has its own issues, ranging from phone tower location, lack of public amenities, garbage collection and subdivision concerns. The cost of rates and council spending must always be a priority.

Rodney Synfield



1. I live at Western Creek - very close to the geographical centre of the municipality! I reside here because it's a great place to live, with great scenery all around and I'm the fifth generation of my family to do so.

2. I have a good appreciation of issues across the municipality and what amalgamation of the urban end of our municipality would mean to the residents thereof - an increase in average rates paid of several hundred dollars a year per property, for no tangible increase in benefit, being the likely result. I wouldn't shy away from an informed discussion about that and or rural amalgamation, in general and what benefits / detriments might ensue.

3. The most important issue is multifaceted but covered by the heading - standard of living! It goes to raising that standard across the board: higher wages; more and better jobs, especially for school leavers; better health and recreational/sporting facilities, resulting in improved health and wellbeing outcomes for all members of the community.

John Temple



1. I live Westbury and have worked here at my gallery for 17 years. Westbury has great people, beautiful scenery and room to breathe. Before Westbury, I lived in Hadspen for 25 years.

2. I am against council amalgamation as it works to defeat local knowl-

edge and locals helping locals. Councils can however work with each other on projects and share resources.

3. We need to protect our lifestyle against the demands of future development. Development needs to be on our terms and not forced upon us. Council needs to keep rates low

and affordable, and efficiently use its resources. There needs to be equity across the municipality in the delivery of services and infrastructure to make sure that some areas don't miss out. Above all, council needs to listen to and be responsive to the needs of the residents and ratepayers.

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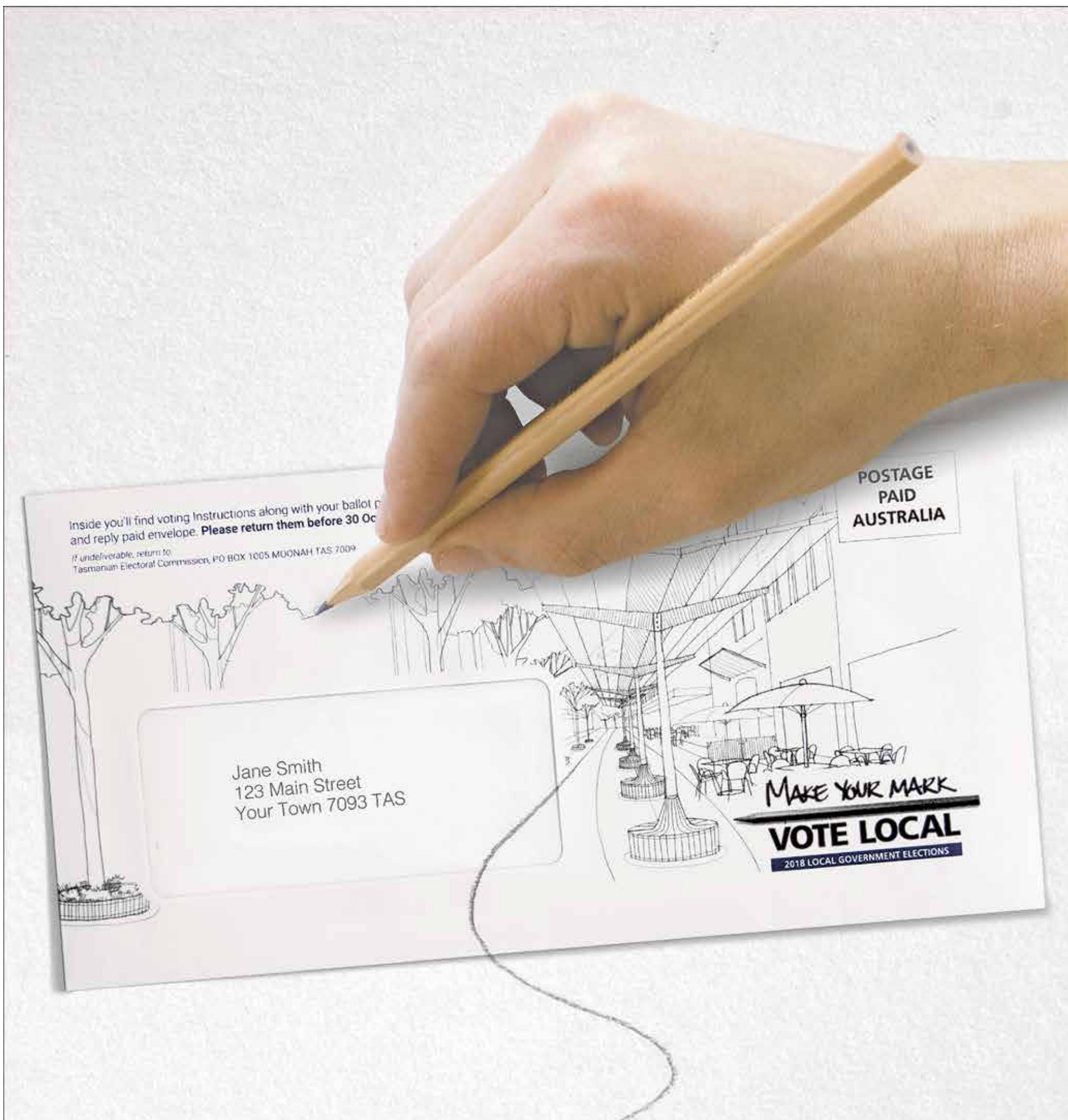
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Gold for unique flavours

By Hayley Manning

VAN DIEMENS Land Creamery won a bounty of gold medals at the Hobart Fine Food Awards in July this year. Former Meander Valley

dairy farmers, Jan and Paul Amourgis, who started making ice cream 12 years ago to supplement their income, entered 11 varieties of artisan ice cream and received a gold medal for

each, in addition to Champion in Show with their unique Pepperberry and Leatherwood Honey ice cream.

The Amourgis' say their initial plan was to estab-

lish their product at foodie events such as Agfest and the Deloraine Craft Fair, but this rapidly expanded into selling wholesale to cafés and restaurants around Tasmania and from a punt on Hobart's Constitution Dock. Fast forward and business has "boomed" to such an extent they have given up farming entirely to focus on the café they built five years ago at Christmas Hills (opposite the Raspberry Farm).

Carly Palmer, the Café's Sales and Marketing representative, suggests it is the supply of fresh milk and cream sourced from the surrounding lush green pastures that sets the Creamery

apart from other ice cream makers who may no longer use fresh dairy products because they mass produce.


"Visitors to our café will notice large milk vats and see the ice cream being made through the production room windows in our taste, sales and viewing centre," she said.

Jan and Paul say what also gives their business an award-winning edge is the ability to create unique flavour combinations in their ice cream, sorbet and gelato by using fresh, local Tasmanian produce – including walnuts, home-grown lemons, olive oil, honey and berries, while using minimal additives and preservatives.



Carly Palmer manages sales and marketing at Van Diemens Land Creamery.

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Recruiting for 2019

RIDLEY CORPORATION'S new extrusion plant located in Westbury, is advancing on schedule with the main structure now beginning to take shape.

Ground services, bulk earth and civil works have all been completed, with equipment deliveries from local and overseas suppliers now underway. Further construction and equipment installation will take place over the remainder of the year, with commissioning expected in the first half of 2019.

Ridley will be hiring locally based operators, maintenance, warehouse and administration staff, with roles to be advertised shortly.

The Tasmanian Government supplied \$2million in grant funds to support the project, which will also require approximately 250 workers during the

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Ridley Corporation CEO Tim Hart commented "We are delighted with the progress of the build and it is fantastic to see this state-of-the-art facility taking shape."

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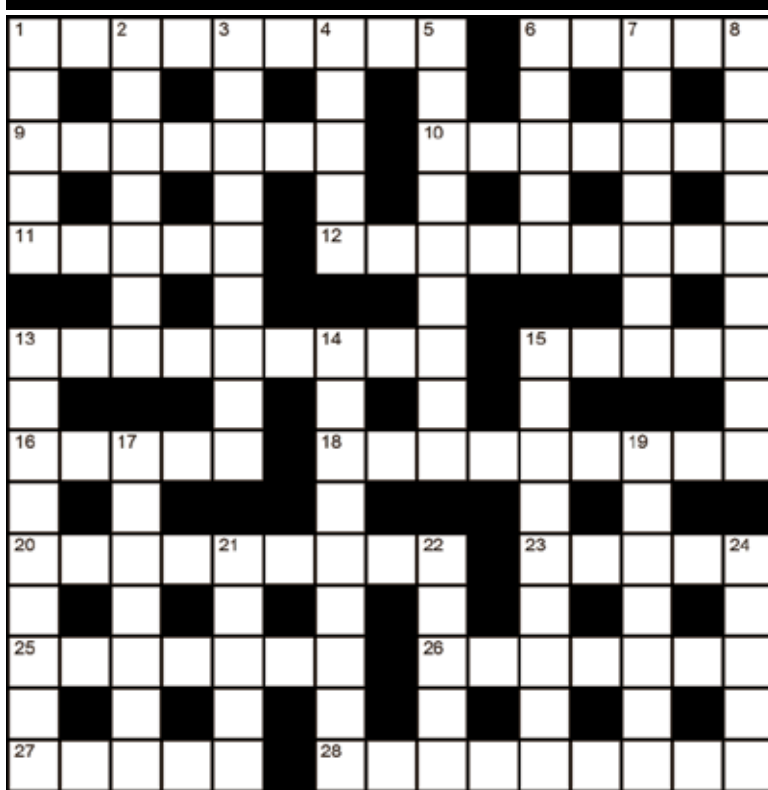
All About Reptiles will have their display of scaly friends. Eddie Freeman will have his chainsaw sharpened and ready to go. The Animal Nursery will be filled and bigger and better than ever!

There are the show dog and yard dog trials, as well as miniature ponies and horse displays. The Veteran Cars and Tractors will be in attendance, a sight not to be missed.

Hagley Rural Youth are also running the ever-popular dog jump, inviting dogs of all shapes and sizes to compete.

There will be food and drink galore as usual and the Kids Corner will be packed with free entertainment.

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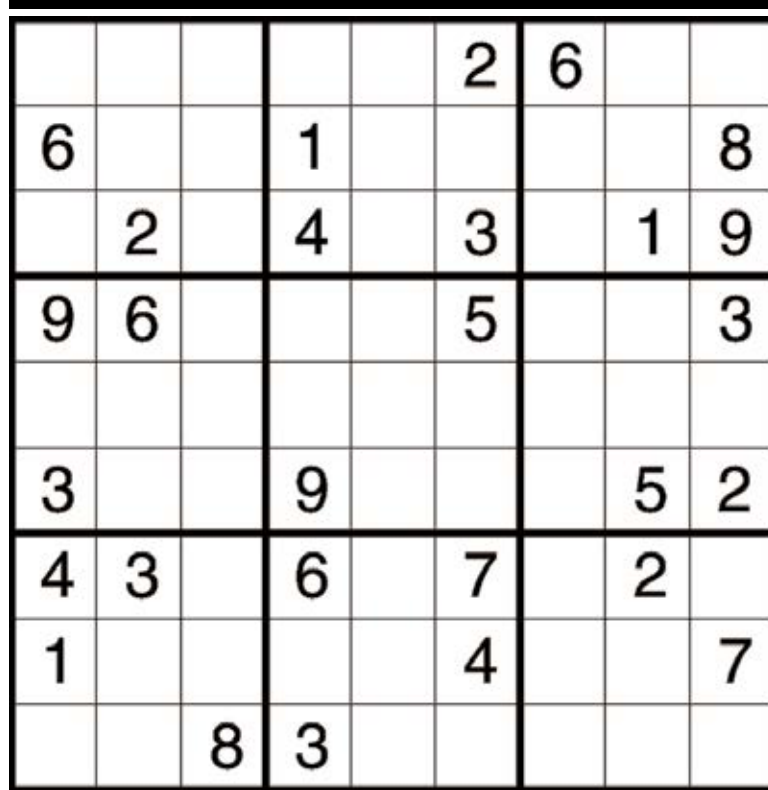
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- 12 Carry (9)
- 13 Bony structures (9)
- 15 Burning gas (5)
- 16 Forbiddingly (5)
- 18 Environmental fouling agent (9)
- 20 Deadlock (9)
- 23 Lukewarm (5)
- 25 Arabian Nights hero (3,4)
- 26 Mythical creature (7)
- 27 Expel (5)
- 28 Northern Canadian island (9)

Down

- 1 Melts (5)
- 2 Exterior (7)
- 3 Satan (9)
- 4 Larceny (5)
- 5 Practice session (9)
- 6 Defeats (5)
- 7 Grand Canyon state (7)
- 8 Confection (9)
- 13 In good order (9)
- 14 Home for abandoned children (9)
- 15 Ornamental water jets (9)
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Sudoku



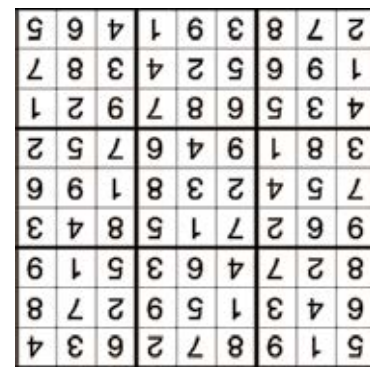
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How To Play: Each row must contain the numbers 1 to 9; each column must contain the numbers 1 to 9; and each set of 3 x 3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 to 9. Best of luck!

Crossword - October 2018 Solution



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Date and Time	Event	Details
Every day during October	Tasmanian Grandscapes - Cherrie Eisemann	Pixels Gallery, 21 West Parade Deloraine Open weekdays 10:00am-4:00pm Sat 10:00am-3:00 pm Sun 10:00-1:00pm.
Friday 12th October 2.00pm	MVU3A "Eat to cheat ageing and dementia"	Westbury RSL, Lonsdale Street, Westbury Speaker: Ngaire Hobbins Enquiries: Meander Valley U3A 0484 758 466.
Friday 12th October 7.00pm - 9.30pm	Night of Music, Song & Supper	Silk Theatre, Deloraine Folk Museum, 100 Emu Bay Rd, Deloraine \$15.00 Must buy tickets prior at Visitor Centre.
Saturday 13th October 7.30pm sharp	Western Tiers Film Society "Phantom Thread"	Little Theatre, 2 Meander Valley Rd, Deloraine R UK Drama 130m More info Ph: 0418 389 868.
Saturday 13th October 8.00am	Men's Breakfast, Guest speaker John Phelps	St Mark's Anglican Parish Church, Deloraine. RSVP Carol 0417 179 332.
Saturday 13th October	Spring Benefit Banquet	Deloraine Community Complex, Alveston Drive, Deloraine.
Mon - Sun 15th-21st October	Get Online Week, Open House Deloraine Online	All welcome to drop in for a cuppa and try 1 new thing Online - assistance provided, Deloraine Online Access Centre.
Tuesday 16th October 1.00pm - 3.00pm	Get online week, Intro to Email	Deloraine Online Centre 21 West Parade Deloraine, No Charge Bookings 6362 3537.
Wednesday 17 October 1.00pm - 3.00pm	How to open a MyGov Account	Deloraine Online Centre. 21 West Parade Deloraine, No Charge Bookings 6362 3537.
Friday 19th October 11.00am - 2.00pm	Seniors Week Australian Hearing at the Casino	Country Club Tasmania, Prospect Vale Trouble hearing? Drop by the Aust. Hearing table for a chat.
Friday 19th October 5.00pm - 7.00pm	Youth Group for Grades 7- 12	Deloraine House, 112 Emu Bay Rd, Deloraine Food provided Come & hang out & meet new friends.
Friday & Sat 19th/20th October 6.00pm	Festival of One Act Plays	Deloraine Little Theatre, 2 Meander Valley Rd Contact: Patricia Woods Festival Director 0409 568 291.
Tuesday 23rd October	Quality Tourism Roadshow Workshops	Deloraine Community House. 4x60 minute Workshops, from 12.30pm. Ph. 6231 2244 or email info@tict.com.au
Friday 26th October 2.00pm - 3.00pm	Water Wallowing with Liza	Deloraine Primary Indoor Pool \$5.00 per session Bookings req. Ph: 0417 292 622 Older adults with sore joints.
Saturday 27th October 10.00am	30th Anniversary Mountain Huts Pres. Soc	Mole Creek Mem. Hall, cnr Caveside Rd - Entry by donation RSVP essential by 19/10 Ph: 6427 9895.
Sunday 28th October 2.00pm	Tamsyn Stock-Stafford & Edrick Corban-Banks	Gallery 9, 2 West Barrack Street, Deloraine Concert.
Sunday 28th October 11.30am	Save our Churches, St Saviours, Meander	Open Day Church Service, lunch, musical items, historical displays, cemetery walk. Ph Christine on 0419 575 193.
1st-30th November	Tasmanian Young Artist Award	Deloraine Creative Studios. Exhibition theme "Phases", by 28 talented 7 to 12 year olds.
Friday 2nd - Monday 5th November	Tasmanian Craft Fair	Deloraine Community Complex, Alveston Drive, Deloraine & various venues around Deloraine.
Friday 2nd - Monday 5th November 9.00am	Pearns Steam World Grand Steam Up	Pearns Steam World, 65 Meander Valley Rd, Westbury 9.00am - 4.00pm.
Fri 2nd, Sat 3rd, Sun 4th & Mon 5th Nov.	Wearable Art Awards & Catwalk Show	Meander Valley Performing Arts Centre, 2 Emu Bay Rd, Deloraine (Craft Fair Venue 1) 11.00am & 2.00pm.
Fri 2nd, Sat 3rd, Sun 4th & Mon 5th Nov.	Ann Kearon Painting Exhibition	Ann Kearon Galley, 25 Meander Valley Rd., Deloraine. Craft Fair opening hours.
Saturday 3rd November	Creating Realism using coloured pencils	Creative Studios, Emu Bay Rd. Deloraine All materials are supplied To book Ph: 0408 010 188.
Tuesday 6th November 12.00 noon	Melbourne Cup Luncheon	Parkham Community Hall & Church \$25.00ph incl. glass champers on arrival To book Phone Kaylene 0499 554 316.
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Wednesday 7th November 10.30am	Volunteer Managers Day Celebration	Deloraine House, 112 Emu Bay Rd, Deloraine.
Saturday 10th November 8.30am - 5.00pm	Westbury Agricultural Show	Showgrounds, Lyttleton St, Westbury. Adults \$10.00 Children (6-16 yrs), \$4.00. Ph. 6392 2120 Mobile 0427 922 124.
Sunday 11th November 10.45am	Armistice Day 100 years	Commemorations held at Cenotaphs in Deloraine, Westbury and Carrick.



Sharman Lewis, Guy Barnett MP and Kaylene Aylett (President).

Flushed with success

Photo and story by Hayley Manning

THE PARKHAM Community Centre's new amenities block was formally opened by the Hon Guy Barnett at a Back to Parkham open day on 16th September.

Mr Barnett told the delighted crowd of locals and supporters enjoying the afternoon sun, this was his second official toilet block opening.

"Parkham is a special part of the world steeped in heritage and history. It's all about maintaining, supporting and giving back to the community."

The Parkham Community Inc. Committee, including amenities block grant applicant, Treasurer Deb Morice, and other volunteers have collaborated to retain their hall and church at the heart of the community.

Roos break drought

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The Kangaroos had an amazing season, finishing clear on top of the ladder with 13 out of 15 wins and a whopping 1420 scored in the season with 302 scored against them. Many games were won by more than 100 points.

Ryan Drake was awarded best on ground.

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A fast and furious final

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Bracknell Seniors made the finals this year and played South Launceston at Windsor Park. In the first quarter Bracknell stormed onto the field and were all over the opposition like a cheap suit. The play was fast and aggressive not giving Launceston time to settle. South Launceston must have received a severe pep talk because the second quarter saw them come out firing on all cylinders and soon wiped out Bracknell's lead and went on to establish a comfortable lead by the end of the quarter and were never headed. Congratulations to Bracknell Reserves who also played South Launceston in the Grand Final and took out the premiership with a 20 point margin.

Roos break the drought

By David Claridge

A LONGSTANDING drought has been broken as the Deloraine Junior Football Club U14's DIV 2 team won their first Grand Final in 27 years in the NTJFA.

Beating the East Coast Giants by 13 points at UTAS Stadium, the final score was 9.2.56 to 6.7.43.

The game started slowly and by three quarter time the Giants were 11 points up. The Kangaroos held on in the fourth and kicked four majors, keeping the Giants scoreless to win the Premiership.

Club President, Michael Huett, was elated with the hard-fought team effort:

"It's great for our club to keep the kids interested, all of the players had an impact. The boys went into the final as the favourites, but it wasn't an easy win.

"After the game we had our annual dinner. I'm thankful they did win because if we lost it would have been a disappointing night.

"It has been a good year for the club, we had two extra teams entered after a record sign up of 115 players."

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Authorised by Ken Kaine, Unit 9 315 Westbury Road Prospect