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Local action for a global cause



Protestors from the Meander Valley and across the north travelled to Launceston on Saturday June 5. World Environment Day was the opportunity to bring attention to the lack of environmental action by governments across the world. From the Tamar Street gates of City Park, the protestors marched to Civic Square and then to St John Street. From left, Rohan Swinsburg from Deloraine, Peter Rubenach from Gray and daughter Sarah Rubenach from Launceston carrying Elizabeth Beveridge from Gray, Deb Hunter from Caveside, drummers Graham Swinsburg from Weegen and poet Bruce Penn from Launceston, and Javad Heidari of Prospect.. Photo supplied

Property sale breaks six generations of history

Sharon Webb

AN EXTON farming property owned by the same family since a land grant by the British Government in 1846 is for sale. It could attract around \$4m.

Carl and Kit Porter are selling 872 hectares of Woodville Run on Porters Bridge Road after the Porter family has held it for six generations.

Mr Porter said that his four adult children Leon, Joshua, Justine and Clinton have all gone in directions other than farming. He will keep the homestead and some lots for himself.

The land being offered for sale by Nutrien Harcourts is

on 10 titles on 25 to 194 hectare sized lots, all zoned rural and classified as private timber reserves.

Over the past 20 years Mr Porter has logged some land. One sale lot on Kelly Road, Reedy Marsh is contracted to Forico for a pine plantation.

Martin O'Byrne of agent Nutrien Harcourts does a balancing act in his advertisement, aiming to attract both potential buyers who may want to make money from timber on the land, or own it as environmental habitat.

He describes the land as 'timber potential', having been used as a sheep and cattle run

until the early 1970s along with timber harvesting, including several sleeper (railway) mills and at least two sawmill sites.

But with the land being mostly Land Capability Class 5 to 7, Mr O'Byrne dwells on the substantial environmental attractions of the property.

'A private timber reserve is land set aside for growing trees for the production of timber but a landowner is not forced to actually harvest the trees, and a PTR can be revoked giving confidence to prospective purchasers who are more interested in conservation values.'

He writes, 'The main area has river frontage on the

Meander River which contains platypus, water rats and a variety of fish life.

'High hills give all round magnificent views to the south, Quamby Bluff and the Great Western Tiers, to the north towards Parkham and east towards Glengarry and the West Tamar.

'The forest contains a diverse range of animal life including Tasmanian devils, quolls, wombats, wallabies, possums, sugar gliders, etc. Birdlife includes raptors with a registered wedge tail eagle nesting site.

'Vegetation is mainly dry sclerophyll forest consisting of *Eucalyptus viminalis* (white

gum), *Eucalyptus amygdalina* (black peppermint), *Eucalyptus ovata* (swamp gum) and *Eucalyptus obliqua* (brown top stringy bark) with some understory plants and native grasses.'

Should the land sell, a question mark hangs over the future of an agreement that would buffer the visual effect of logging on Woodville Run from drivers using the Bass and Meander Valley Highways.

That visual amenity agreement was signed by between the Porters, Gunns Ltd and Meander Valley Council on 7 July 2005.

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Well-loved Deloraine horse trainer dies



Terry Roles, in his office at Kanangra in Deloraine, 2019
Archive photo by Mike Moores

WELL-KNOWN DELORAINE horse trainer Terry Roles has died suddenly at his home after battling motor neurone disease for two years.

Mr Roles' thoroughbred training career spanned 32 years. He started out as stable foreman with Alan Stubbs at Osmaston, training racehorses for flat racing.

But he developed a passion for jumps racing, which became his focus locally and interstate. Over the years Terry had many prestigious wins, including five Grand National steeple chases at Deloraine, where this record still stands today.

Mr Roles, 61, was inducted into the Tasmanian Racing Hall of Fame in 2020.

Inchgower, his favourite horse, won 19 races, including the 1995 Melbourne Cup Day Hurdle at Flemington.

The youngest of eight children, Terry was born and raised in Deloraine. Even at the peak of his horse training success,

amid offers to work elsewhere, he saw Deloraine as home.

He was loved and respected as a passionate thoroughbred trainer at racetracks all over Australia. More than 600 career wins earned his horses' owners prize money of over one hundred and fifty million dollars.

Mr Roles changed career direction sharply six years after his daughter Erin had a life-threatening fall from a horse in 2006.

He became a carer at Grenoch Home Aged Care in Deloraine, obtained a Diploma of Nursing and held a management position at Kanangra Aged Care Hostel.

Mr Roles had a long relationship with Deloraine football club as a trainer, following in the footsteps of his father and uncle.

He is survived by his wife Rosanne and daughters Erin and Sophie.

His funeral service was in Deloraine on June 30.



Vale, Victor

VICTOR SMITH of Deloraine, resident at Grenoch has sadly passed away.

Victor was a founding supporter of Deloraine Online Access Centre and for many years an active member of the centre's governing committee Meander Valley Connect Inc.

Politely spoken and well dressed, UK born Victor was a regular sight about town, always ready for a chat and

passionate about keeping fit and healthy.

At 87, Victor was still making monthly deliveries of the Meander Valley Gazette around Deloraine and surrounds.

Victor's former profession as a painter and decorator proved invaluable whenever advice or work was needed.

Never slowing down until the last few years, Victor and his wife Trudy moved into Grenoch when they were no longer able to live independently.

Trudy died 18 months ago.

Prison drilling starts again

Sharon Webb

WORK ON the Northern Regional Prison on Birrale Road has ramped up now the State Government's self-imposed election gag on the issue is over, but the State Government could yet find that its chosen site is illegal.

Prison project director Colin Shepherd told Westbury residents that he expected exploratory drilling to start again on the Brushy Creek Reserve site on June 29.

In a letter dated 16 June to property owners in the Birrale area he wrote, 'A small number (5-6) of additional geotechnical core holes will be drilled on the site in coming weeks.'

A government spokesperson has confirmed that the drilling is to determine soil, clay and rock composition and that no damage would be done to plant life because drilling would be 'conducted in a manner that takes into account the sensitive natural values that have been identified on the site'.

But Westbury Region Against the Prison spokesperson Linda Poulton said, 'The Government can't even drill on site without potentially triggering processes under the *Nature Conservation Act 2002*. Given the natural values on the reserve, the proposal will unavoidably be beset by delay for as long as it runs its course. It is no wonder that the project is currently lagging behind by 12 months'.

WRAP has also presented another petition to Meander Valley Council for a public meeting on the issue, Meander Valley Council general manager John Jordan having stymied the previous petition when he found names without addresses.

That petition may be discussed at the July Meander Valley Council meeting.

As it tries to get the prison project up, the State Government is being chased by the Federal Environment Dept because Tasmania seemingly forgot its obligation to protect seven federally funded reserves, including Brushy Creek Reserve.

The Gutwein Government claims that Brushy Creek is an 'informal' reserve, but WRAP has uncovered documents indicating the Federal Environment Dept definitely regards the chosen prison site as part of the National Reserve System.

In December 2020, Federal Environment Dept assistant secretary Tia Stevens wrote to DPIPWE's Andrew Crane asking for an update of the government's 'efforts to legally protect' Brushy Creek Reserve, and for details on its management plan.

A January 2019 letter from Ms Stevens points out that DPIPWE received \$569,396 funding to manage 2289 hectares of reserves, and the government had met legal requirements to protect only three of the ten properties.

This will be the Government's second go at drilling on the

Brushy Creek Reserve site. They tried in October 2020 but pulled out within days, publicly blaming demonstrators, rain and a low hanging branch blocking drillers' water truck.

WRAP activists say that Right to Information documents show the real reason for 2020 drilling holdups. The drillers encountered a threatened species of tree on the reserve which presented an obstacle to any further progress.

RTI documents show at a meeting on 26 October 2020 between DPIPWE representatives and Justice Department consultants Johnstone McGee & Gandy, DPIPWE's Andrew Crane was tasked with ascertaining whether a Forest Practices Plan would be needed in order to prune or remove the tree.

He was also tasked to ascertain whether a Permit to Take would be necessary to remove it under the *Nature Conservation Act 2002*. In the meantime, the consultants were told to 'delay the drillers until further notice'.

DPIPWE also prepared a November 2020 parliamentary brief for Minister Roger Jaensch saying, '... drilling was planned for 19 October but was further delayed due to ... the presence of threatened flora [being] more widespread at the site than previously recorded and that as such access to the proposed drill hole locations might impact on these plants'.

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Porter land value – history, survival and conservation

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Sharon Webb

CARL PORTER says his ancestors John and Isabella Porter came to Woodville at Exton in 1846, from Bonney's Plains in the Fingal Valley, when their friend Parson Anderson had heard Crown land was being released in the area and they thought they would give it a try.

According to Carl they built a house designed in a similar colonial style to that of The Willows in Westbury, and called it Woodville Hall.

The Porters were allocated 250 acres (101 hectares) which they extended with more land grants, also buying land from other grantees who the location did not suit.

According to the old family Bible, John Porter of Leith and Isabella Harvey of Grenoch married in Scotland on 14 July 1829. John and Isabella were the first of six generations of Porters on the land, but the Porter ownership of Woodville Run (as it is now known) will end when Carl sells.

Carl said he inherited 1821 hectares from his Uncle Stuart and dad Kenneth Porter.

'It's sad, not a thing you feel proud of,' Carl said.

'You feel you're betraying them a bit. You don't like to be the last one. I'd like to sell it in one lot rather than break it up.'

When the Porters acquired Woodville Run in 1846, it was

a significant location on the route from Launceston to Alveston (Deloraine) and on to Woolnorth in the north west.

'Semaphore troops were stationed on a ford on the Meander River at Porters Bridge because there had been skirmishes between settlers and Aboriginal people when travellers tried to cross the river,' Carl said.

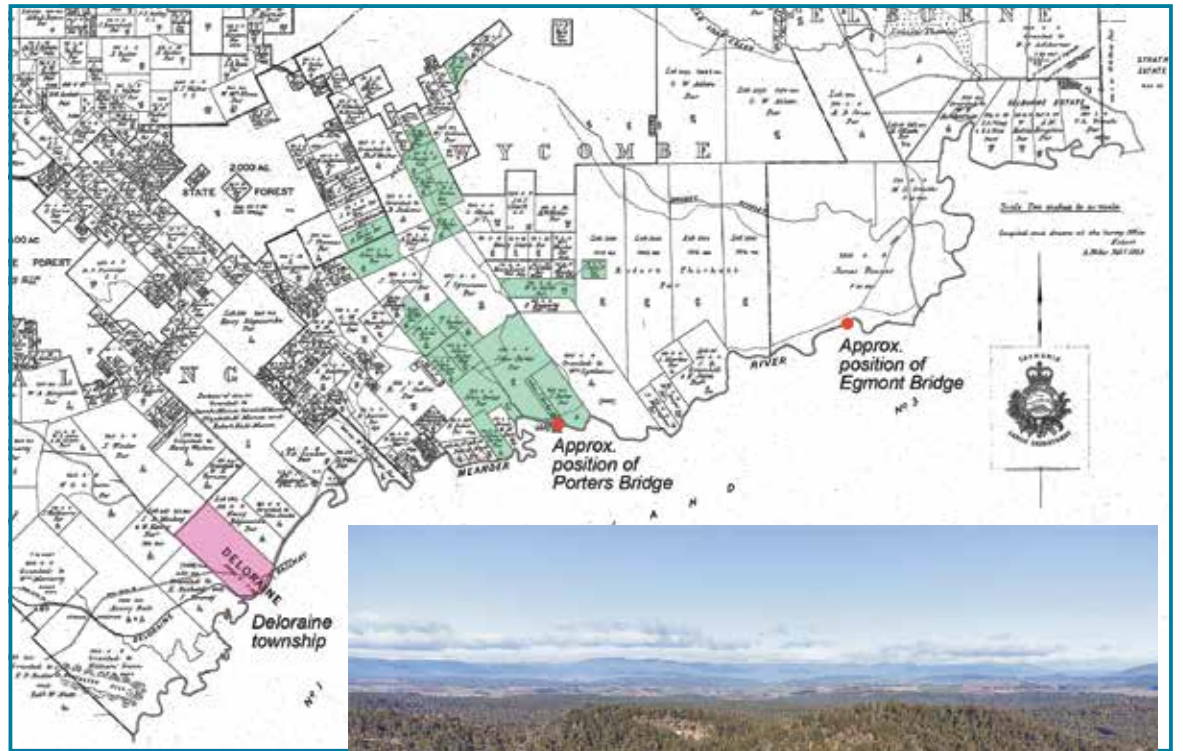
'When the trouble was over the government released land to settlers and convicts were assigned to work there.'

Land at Woodville Run wasn't suitable for growing many crops but Carl said the early Porters used horses and oxen to grow oats and potatoes. An orchard, Devon cattle and wethers for wool made for self-sufficiency.

Some Porters had another string to their bow. They used their military background to round up escaped horses, break them and sell them. Thus the locally named Brumby Creek, claimed Carl.

These days Tasmanian land is more to some people than just a living, as the Porter family has known it.

Reedy Marsh residents united with Meander Valley Council in opposing the Porter's application for a private timber reserve over the land in 2005, seeking that the land be conserved rather than woodchipped. Deputy mayor (the late) Bob Loone led the council's case before the Forest Practices Tribunal.



Above: 1923 map showing the extent of the Porter family land holdings at that time. The approximate positions of the present day Meander River bridges have been added. Map supplied

Right: Aerial view of the Porter property currently for sale. Photo supplied by Nutrien Harcourts



Reedy Marsh environmentalist Andrew Ricketts sees the land as part of the most poorly conserved area in Tasmania, the Northern Midlands Bio Region.

'Walking the hills of this property you get an overwhelming impression of a past occupation of the land,' he said.

'People regularly see eagles in this area but its most important

natural value is the combination of *Eucalyptus ovata* forest and swift parrot habitat. The Porter property probably has more Ovata forest than any in central northern Tasmania.'

The early Porters were more concerned with bodily and spiritual survival than preserving the environment.

Carl tells the story of his grandmother Frances Joyce, a

staunch Catholic who invited the local priest to her house to offer mass to the locals, and to stay for a Sunday roast.

That day, as the priest came up the driveway it was discovered that Frances' favourite dog had eaten the carefully prepared roast.

A flustered Frances decided a chook must be quickly despatched.

Aged care staff in MV struggling to be vaccinated

Sharon Webb

STAFF IN Meander Valley aged care facilities are facing long waits for vaccination against COVID-19.

Initially it was believed that staff would be vaccinated at the same time as residents received the jab from visiting Federal Government teams.

But in the muddle of the Federal Government vaccine rollout that did not happen.

Ridiculously, the Federal Government is demanding statistics on vaccinated staff numbers from aged care

management, when staff are not legally obliged to give management that information, according to Respect CEO Brett Menzies.

Not only are vaccinations not mandatory for aged care staff, in the Meander Valley aged care management has little knowledge of whether staff members have been vaccinated.

WA Premier Mike McGowan has announced that state's plans to make vaccination for aged care staff compulsory following spread of the disease by staff working at facilities in VIC and NSW.

Tasmanian Health Minister Jeremy Rockliff will only say that he is waiting for the Australian Health Protection Principal Committee to provide advice on the matter.

Respect's Brett Menzies, responsible for the 75 resident Tyler Village in Prospect Vale, said he believes staff are roughly tracking at the vaccination national average of 20 per cent.

'We have strongly recommended vaccination to our staff,' he said. 'But it's difficult when there's misinformation about vaccination on social

media. The community in general has a hesitation around COVID vaccination.'

Deloraine Aged Care CEO Nadine Ozols said she is surveying staff for the Federal Government's statistics on staff vaccinations.

'Numbers are trickling in but staff book at a clinic for the vaccination and are told they must wait four weeks. It's not for want of trying but the clinics just can't get the vaccine. Some people have threatened to leave the industry if vaccination is mandated. We'll just have to see.'

Ms Ozols said there are two main blocks to staff vaccination. People not wishing to be told they must be vaccinated and the lack of research on the long term effect of the vaccination.

The UK has recently mandated vaccination for aged care staff but Mr Menzies said Australia is not in the same position.

'The rates of transmission are not the same here as in the UK and the USA. Those places have a public safety case to urge people to be vaccinated,' he said.

'Australians haven't had a taste of that. They can't see the risk.'



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Letter from the Editor

STORIES THIS month look at how we deal with climate change, from protests to electric vehicles. We also look at how one group of students is helping the homeless.

This reinforces my belief that our diverse but tight-knit community has an amazing capacity to think beyond its own immediate comfort and embrace new ideas.

On a lighter note, another shared experience with columnist Patsy Crawford.

Last month, the dilemma of humane mouse disposal. This month, a dog with his own agenda. After our pooch stole and ate my glasses, the unsurprised optometrist confirmed this happens more often than most would have thought.
Liz Douglass

Letters to the Editor

I WANTED to acknowledge and thank our wonderful emergency services personnel.

Recently I fell in Campbell Town and needed to attend the LGH by ambulance.

I could not fault the care that I received while in the ED nor the professional and fast response by the ambulance crew from both Oatlands and Launceston. I felt very reassured by the care and treatment that I received. We are very lucky to live where we live

and have access to such first-class healthcare.

My husband attended the ED a few months prior and we could not fault the treatment that he received while in the ED and the follow up care.

I would also like to thank the many bystanders who stopped to offer their assistance. I was very humbled by their generosity. I would like to return the towel to the lovely lady who lent it to me to keep me warm.
Maureen Cameron, Chudleigh

DESPITE WHAT it says, our Council has played a critical role in the Meander Valley being chosen for the Northern Regional Prison.

Council wrote to the State Government in February 2018 to express interest for a Northern Correctional Centre to be built next to Ashley Detention Centre.

The general manager, Martin Gill, then met with State government reps to discuss sites, not near Ashley but near Westbury.

In November 2018, he used Council resources to lodge an application for the first site. The expression of interest process was always a sham.

Current Council members plead ignorance of the process leading to Westbury's selection, but this does not wash. We know how regional community networks operate.

Only a small number of elected members would be able

to honestly claim ignorance of this project before their election.

When the prison was formally announced in September 2019, Mayor Wayne Johnston was enthusiastic. Last year, when the site was changed to the nature reserve at Birralee, he expressed relief to me that the municipality would still get the project.

Mayor Johnston, like anyone, is entitled to a personal opinion. But opinions held by Councillors in favour of a prison have brought this prison to our doorstep. Ratepayers' opinions have never mattered.

The Council says that it has no role to play in relation to the project unless a planning application is submitted. But this is utter rubbish. It is obliged to consult and be accountable to its community under the *Local Government Act*.

In June last year, WRAP lodged a petition containing

Red herrings (*Clupea rugosa* subsp. *bullshitii*) found at Brushy Rivulet Reserve

The question about whether the vegetation community at Brushy Rivulet Reserve is DAD (code for black peppermint on dolerite) or DAZ (code for black peppermint on gravelly deposits) is completely irrelevant since we discovered that the DoJ's first consultant reported that the threatened flora at the site was more widespread than previously documented.

Check the Natural Values Atlas. The site is packed with rare and threatened species. The range of dwarf fanwort (*Aphelio pumilio*) has been extended west by the DoJ's first consultant, and any range extension

of a rare plant is considered of conservation significance.

Furthermore, any remnant vegetation of this type, especially considering the clearing that has occurred in the region in the past 20 years, is still required to fulfill RFA CAR (Comprehensive, Adequate and Representative) obligations whether or not the underlying geology is caenozoic deposits, dolerite or bulldust.

The vegetation has affinities with a threatened plant community. It was one of the reasons it was bought in the first place. It has always been clear that Brushy Rivulet Reserve should be protected in perpetuity.

Sarah Lloyd OAM, Birralee

WHAT IS it with John Jordan? Why is the manager of our council fighting against us, the residents of the Valley, on so many fronts?

To name an issue close to my heart – the prison. And very dear to me – the Meander Valley Gazette.

Why is Mr Jordan scurrying around behind closed doors

and not listening? Why is he not supportive of us and asking what we would like for our community?

We need our local news as Mr Jordan is not forthcoming with his secret agenda and we certainly do not need a prison.

Mrs Smith, Westbury
(real name supplied but withheld by request)

over 700 hundred signatures calling on the Council to hold a public meeting. The General Manager, John Jordan, contended that the petition was technically non-compliant and Council evaded a meeting.

On 4th June 2021, Ms Anne-Marie Loader of WRAP tried to deliver a second petition to Mr Jordan calling for a public meeting.

After some confusion about the process on Mr Jordan's part, he agreed to accept the petition and offered to consult WRAP on the meeting process.

The Council will consider whether to hold the requested public meeting on 13th July 2021.

This is the second such petition and contains hundreds of valid signatures, checked against the electoral roll by Ms Loader. We trust that Council will finally listen to everyone who signed the petition and call a public meeting as it is legally and morally obliged to do.

The alternative is to continue in wilful breach of its obligations to the community.
Linda Poulton, Westbury



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Three Valley arrests after Launceston climate demo



Rohan Swinsburg from Deloraine (right) was arrested at the June World Environment Day demonstration. Photo by Lucas Marik

Sharon Webb

THREE MEANDER Valley residents were recently arrested in their desperate bid to bring global warming to public attention.

Helen Hutchinson of Western Creek, Freya Cooper of Mayberry and Rohan Swinsburg of Deloraine were arrested on World Environment Day in June when they refused to move from St John Street in Launceston after an Extinction Rebellion demonstration. They will attend court on July 14.

Helen Hutchinson said, 'There's nothing left for us to do but get arrested. We go through all the normal actions

a citizen can do, talk to politicians, write to newspapers, but the media only seem to pay attention when we get arrested'.

Ms Hutchinson said there was no reason why Tasmania could not be 100 per cent electric. 'Instead, we're cutting down our forests and importing \$1b of fuel a year. It's crazy and I'm doing something crazy in response.'

Launceston College student Rohan Swinsburg said he was arrested to take a stand on environmental issues. 'I regard this as a serious issue that I'm committed to,' he said.

It's likely the demonstrators will be fined.



Café workers Taylor Aylett of Elizabeth Town and Seona Hume of Deloraine enjoy Ashgrove gelato with retail superstar Bronwyn van Tienen of Launceston. Photo by Sharon Webb

Sharon Webb

ICE CREAM aficionados would sum up Ashgrove's \$2m redevelopment in two words – creamy gelato!

The gelato stand takes pride of place in the new building, which frankly, is simply more of everything. Larger windows into the factory, larger café, more outdoor dining, more Ashgrove products to buy, and curated tours for visitors.

For Ashgrove's 81 year-old family patriarch, John Bennett, it's been a long haul since he first helped produce cheese on a Cheshire farm in England 60 years ago.

'We wanted to move away from Tasmania's bulk export markets of that time in skim milk powder and butter.

'Obviously you could make cheese on Tasmanian farms then but we wanted to make a business of it. Our only option was to buy land to obtain the economies of scale and to fund the capital we needed to start the business 40 years later.'

The Bennetts did some seriously planning in the 1980s and started up in cheese production in 1993. Since then, there have been four eras in adding facilities and automation, the recently opened Dairy Door being the latest.

'I'm feeling very proud, and conscious that the future of Tasmania rests not with large companies but with companies like Ashgrove. Producing goods and allowing tourists to spend an hour or two here.

'I'm indebted to my wife Connie, and Paul Bennett, who now runs the farm and chairs the company.

'Ann Bennett too, because the Dairy Door was her concept from start to finish.'

The Ashgrove Cheese company now employs more than one hundred locals, from farm hands to cheese makers, to the newest employed 'retail superstars' in the Dairy Door.

 National Threatened Species Day commemorates the death of the last captive Thylacine on 7 September 1936

Beneath the surface: fungi, slime moulds and the wood wide web

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SO I was mooching about on the deck that pokes out over the back garden when a disembodied voice drifted up from my feet. Not a soul to be seen. Here was strange business indeed.

I paused to better identify the source of the chat coming at me. It was not the sort of language you'd let fly in front of school kiddies.

What's going on down there, I shouted in the general direction of the floorboards.

There was more muffled cursing, then from under the deck crawled Crawford.

He was hunched over, Notre Dame fashion, and looking resentful.

Spider webs, dust and bits of shredded newspaper clung to his clothing.

His grubby AFL cap (Shinboners, really why does he bother?) was skew-whiff. He looked a man in pain.

I'm going to kill that bloody dog, he croaked.

We were at the nub of the matter. Spud was living on borrowed time.

There is a general rule of thumb that dictates older people and younger dogs are best mutually viewed from afar.

Patsy Crawford scribbling away

Be that as it may, about six months ago we decided (well, actually it was me) we'd take on a hound. Onto the scene sprang Spud.

Because he needed time to get acclimatised we set up a space under the deck, complete with a trampette at the entrance on which he could recline and keep a beady eye on our comings and goings. The idea was that once he gained confidence he'd shift camp to inside the house and ditch the deck.

Spud's got other ideas. Below decks has become his domain, his lair, the place he takes off to whenever he has misbehaviour in mind. The space has become cluttered with mangled haberdashery, chewed up magazines and manchester, food wrappings, eyewear, small household goods and appliances and pretty well anything else he can get his teeth into.

This does little for our peace of mind. Walk around the

corner of our place any day of the week and you'll see a man and a woman crouched beside the back steps, peering through fernery into the under house refuse centre. When vital stolen items are identified Crawford lurches into the gloom.

There have been memorable heists, none more so than his lightning raid on a full bottle of red wine which he grabbed by the neck, sprinted down two sets of steps, hung a right at the deck, bounced across the trampette and lowered carefully to the ground.

The bottle was barely marked. Not a drop of vin rouge spilt. You had to hand it to him.

My current concern is for a pair of pants which cannot be found anywhere in the house.

I have looked high and low for them. Sherlock Holmes observed that when you have eliminated the impossible, whatever remains, however improbable, must be the truth.

That leaves two alternatives. Either the pants have been taken by aliens on a mission to examine the leisure wear of earthlings, or Spud nicked them.

My money's on Spud.



We need your help compiling our history

Do you have any information or personal experiences of Aged Care Deloraine's history?

We've recently started a project to compile a comprehensive record of our organisation's history and how we got to where we are today.

We would like to pay tribute to all the wonderful people who have contributed to our organisation by capturing their stories which will be shared amongst our residents, staff, and the wider community via our website.

Christine Chilcott, one of our many fabulous volunteers, has kindly put her hand up to start the process of collating all the information for us.

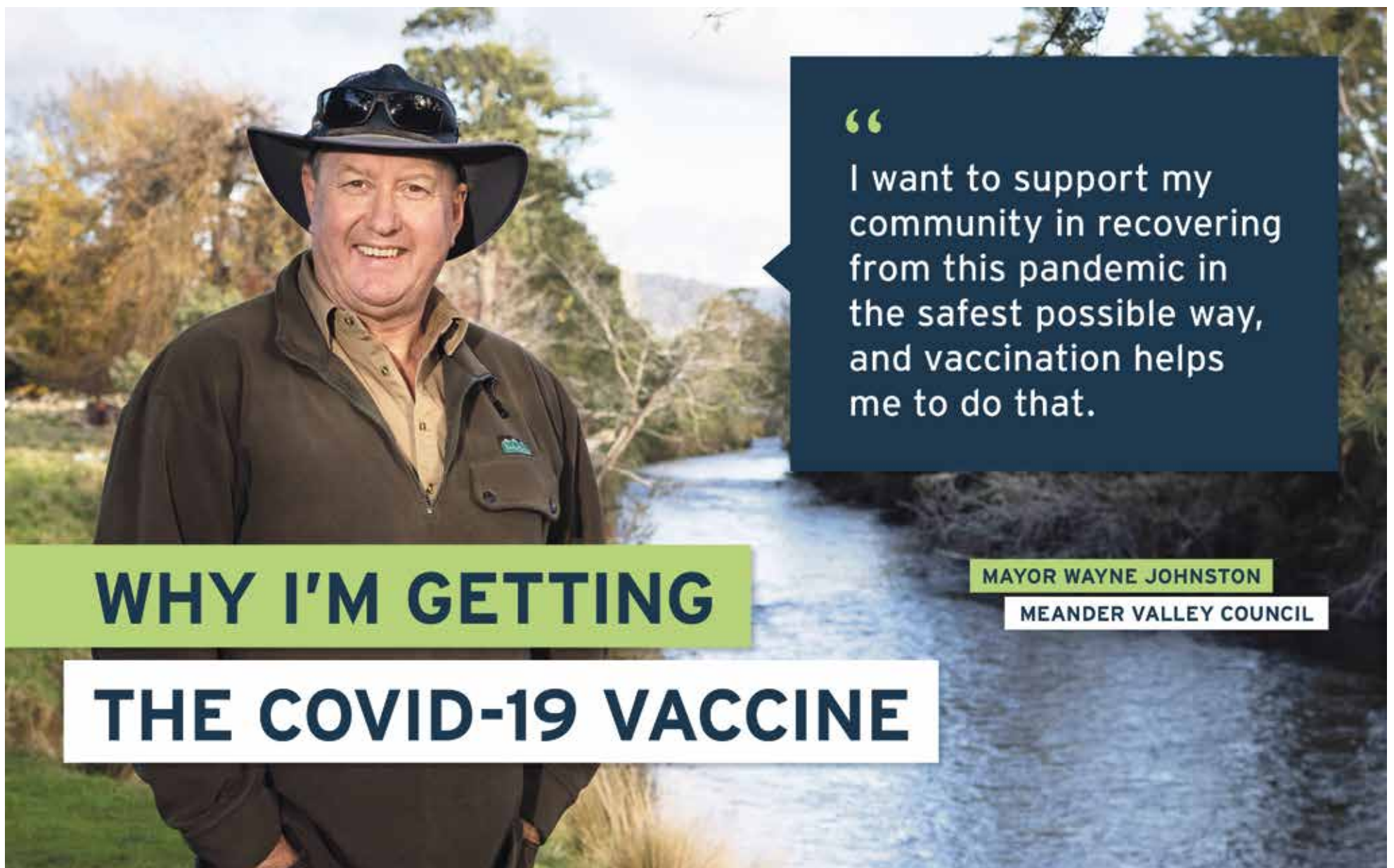
We are hopeful that we may be able to pursue a grant or some funding to help with this project and to ensure we create a document which pays homage to our rich history which can be kept and shared in our community.

We invite anyone with any information to contribute (records, documents, pictures, etc.), to please drop off any documents to either Grenoch or Kanangra main entrances during business hours weekdays.

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Deloraine High making a difference for the homeless

Aaron Gilligan

AT DELORAINE High School, our Grade 9 Project Based Learning class recently read a novel by Seven Herrick entitled *The Simple Gift*.

In this book, a young person named Billy left his abusive household and became homeless.

Through reading this book we learnt about the struggles faced by people who are homeless, and became curious about what homelessness looks like in our local community.

We visited Deloraine House to pose some of our inquiry questions.

We learnt more about the causes and effects of homelessness, and were surprised to learn about the number of people in our community who it impacts on.

Returning to school, we brainstormed several ideas on ways to help support the needs of people who are homeless.

We decided that a community food drive would be a great way for us to make a difference.

After identifying all the tasks which would need to be completed for this project, we organised teams and assigned responsibilities.

Some students wrote a script and visited MVFM to record a radio commercial, others travelled to Launceston to receive professional mentoring from Think, a creative marketing agency, to help them create promotional videos and posters.

One group was responsible for designing and constructing the donation collection stations,

and another planned and led a fundraising event at the school.

It was great to see students using initiative, showing leadership and working together as they participated in this authentic and meaningful learning experience.

All donations which we collect will be given to Deloraine House to distribute to those in need this winter.



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Clockwise, from top right: recording the video segment (Tom, Billy, Jett, Boden); creating the posters (Caitlin, Charlotte, Kyesha); the promotional poster for the appeal; one of the finished collection stations at Woolworths Deloraine; building the collection stations (Jett & Kaiden). Photos supplied

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Tasmania's reached net-zero emissions and 100% renewables – but climate action doesn't stop there



The Devils Gate Dam on spill. The dam is at the northern end of Lake Barrington. Photo supplied by Hydro Tasmania

Rupert Posner and Simon Graham

GETTING TO net-zero greenhouse gas emissions and 100% renewable energy might seem the end game for climate action. But what if, like Tasmania, you've already ticked both those goals off your list?

Net-zero means emissions are still being generated, but they're offset by the same amount elsewhere. Tasmania reached net-zero in 2015 because its vast forests and other natural landscapes absorb and store more carbon each year than the state emits.

And in November last year, Tasmania became fully powered by renewable electricity, thanks to the island state's wind and hydro-electricity projects.

The big question for Tasmania now is: what comes next? Rather than considering the job done, it should seize opportunities including more renewable energy, net-zero

industrial exports and forest preservation – and show the world what the other side of net-zero should look like.

The Tasmanian experience shows emissions reduction is more straightforward in some places than others.

The state's high rainfall and mountainous topography mean it has abundant hydro-electric resources. And the state's windy north is well suited to wind energy projects.

What's more, almost half the state's 6.81 million hectares comprises forest, which acts as a giant carbon 'sink' that sucks up dioxide (CO₂) from the atmosphere.

Given Tasmania's natural assets, it makes sense for the state to go further on climate action, even if its goals have been met.

The Tasmanian government has gone some way to recognising this, by legislating a target of 200% renewable electricity by 2040.

Under the target, Tasmania would produce twice its current electricity needs and export the surplus. It would be delivered to the mainland via the proposed A\$3.5 billion Marinus Link cable to be built between Tasmania and Victoria. The 1,500 megawatt cable would bolster the existing 500 megawatt Basslink cable.

But Tasmania's climate action should not stop there.

Other opportunities await

Tasmania can use its abundant renewable electricity to decarbonise existing industrial areas. It can also create new, greener industrial precincts – clusters of manufacturers powered by renewable electricity and other zero-emissions fuels such as green hydrogen.

Zero-emission hydrogen, aluminium and other goods produced in these precincts will become increasingly

This article was first published by *The Conversation*.

Rupert Posner and Simon Graham are part of ClimateWorks Australia, which works within the Monash Sustainable Development Institute. ClimateWorks Australia receives its core funding from philanthropic foundations and also undertakes projects which attract funding from industry and government departments and agencies.

sought after by countries and other states with their own net-zero commitments.

Tasmania's vast forests could be an additional source of economic value if they were preserved and expanded, rather than logged. As well as supporting tourism, preserving forests could enable Tasmania to sell carbon credits to other jurisdictions and businesses seeking to offset their emissions, such as through the federal government's Emissions Reduction Fund.

The ocean surrounding Tasmania also presents net-zero economic opportunities. For example, local company Sea Forest is developing a seaweed product to be added to the feed of livestock, dramatically reducing the methane they emit.

Concrete targets are needed

The Tasmanian government has commissioned a review of its climate change legislation, and is also revising its climate change action plan.

These updates give Tasmania a chance to be a global model for a post-net-zero world. But without firm action, Tasmania risks sliding backwards.

While having reached net-zero, the state has not legislated or set a requirement to maintain it. The state's current legislated emission target is a 60 per cent reduction by 2050 on 1990 levels – which, hypothetically, means Tasmania could increase its emissions in future.

Also, despite reaching net-zero emissions, Tasmania still emits more than 8.36 million tonnes of CO₂ each year from

sources such as transport, natural gas use, industry and agriculture. Tasmania's emissions from all sectors other than electricity and land use have increased by 4.5% since 2005.

Without a net-zero target set in law – and a plan to stay there – these emissions could overtake those drawn down by Tasmania's forests. In fact, a background paper prepared for the Tasmanian government shows the state's emissions may rise in the coming years and stay 'positive' until 2040 or later.

The legislation update should also include a process to set emissions targets for each sector of the economy, as Victoria has done. It should also set ambitious targets for 'negative' emissions – which means sequestering more CO₂ than is emitted.

Action on all fronts

Under the Paris Agreement, the world is pursuing efforts to limit global warming to 1.5°C this century. For Australia to be in line with this goal, it must reach net-zero by the mid-2030s.

Meeting this momentous task requires action on all fronts, in all jurisdictions. Bigger states and territories are aiming for substantial emissions reductions this decade. Tasmania must at least keep its emissions net-negative, and decrease them further.

Tasmania has a golden opportunity. With the right policies, the state can solidify its climate credentials and create a much-needed economic boost as the world transitions to a low-carbon future.



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Sean and Mandy Manners of Westbury have owned an electric vehicle (EV) for a couple of years. The Gazette asked them about life with an EV.

Q Why did you buy an electric car?

A Ever since I saw a Tesla model S about 8 years ago, I realised that this was the future even though I couldn't afford one.

Once we were in a position to purchase a less expensive Hyundai Ioniq in 1919 we did so. The main reason was because there are NO emissions from the car and far fewer emissions in manufacturing the car.

Q What are the main differences in driving an electric car compared with driving a petrol car?

A No emissions, much cheaper running costs, recharging and servicing, much much quieter, less vibration, smoother ride, generally more leg room as there is no transmission tunnel, instant torque and acceleration even in a hatchback such as the Hyundai Ioniq.

Q What things do you believe prevent people from buying an electric car?

A Currently cost is the biggest factor. The cheapest new EV is around \$45,000.

Also there is no second hand market as there are no incentives for corporations or government to purchase fleet vehicles. Perceived range anxiety is another factor.

Q What steps do you see being involved in the electric car roll-out in Australia?

A The Federal Government needs to accept the world is shifting to non internal combustion engine vehicles, supporting the transition instead of actively going against the tide.

State governments and motoring organisations are at the moment taking the momentum in different ways. For example:

- the NRMA has installed free charging across NSW and RACQ has created an electric highway in Queensland
- educating people about the benefits of owning an EV
- increasing charging infrastructure. This is happening right now very quickly.

Like any new technology, costs will come down and governments have a huge part to play in that, such as they did with rooftop solar.

Q How long do you think it will be before most Australians will be driving an electric car?

A It's very hard to know when most Australians might be driving EVs. Australia does not have a time line to phase out internal combustion vehicles unlike Germany, the UK, Norway, California, Scotland, Sweden, France, and others (see <https://thedriven.io/2020/11/12/the-countries-and-states-leading-the-phase-out-of-fossil-fuel-cars/>).

Because we have hardly any rules regarding emissions, Australia risks becoming the dumping ground for internal combustion engine vehicles just as we are for higher emission internal combustion engine cars at the moment.

Q There aren't many charging stations for electric cars in Tasmania yet. How do you go about planning long trips?

A A year ago I would have agreed with the statement above but thanks to state government funding there has been a huge increase in charging stations and it is quite easy to go anywhere in the state even with a mid range EV such as the Ioniq, with a range around 270kms (see <https://www.plugshare.com/> and put Tasmania into search box).

I have just returned from a trip from Westbury to Newcastle via Wagga Wagga, Cowra, Bathurst, Mudgee and then returned via Canberra and Albury with no problems whatsoever.

Q How has having an electric car changed your life? Would you recommend it?

A Owning an EV has made me enjoy driving again, it is not just something you do but something to be enjoyed.

Refuelling a vehicle at home for a much cheaper cost than petrol or diesel is satisfying.

It's made me realise just how noisy and smelly the majority of other vehicles on our roads are, and how much pollution vehicles are emitting.

I would recommend to anybody that if they have a chance to drive one or be a passenger in one, to give it a go.

Electric vehicles – quieter, smoother, cheaper with no emissions, says Sean



Broadcasting from Westbury, earlier this year, ABC Mornings presenter Leon Compton took the opportunity to interview Sean Manners of Westbury about his electric vehicle. Photo supplied

Electric vehicles go local in Meander Valley

Sharon Webb

WESTBURY IGA has taken its own small step towards the electric vehicle revolution by installing an EV charging station in its carpark.

While commentators accuse the Federal Government of a lack of leadership on EVs, other levels of government, businesses and individuals are moving independently on the issue, much like the rooftop solar panel revolution.

The Tasmanian Government has waived stamp duty on new EVs for the next two years, as well as registration for rental car and coach operators.

Meander Valley Council has installed charging stations outside its chambers in Lyall Street, Westbury and at Deloraine's Visitor Centre but has made no firm commitment to an EV fleet.

A council spokesperson said, 'The council will consider transition of its current fleet to hybrids and/or fully electric vehicles in line with the capacity of such vehicles to cost effectively meet operational needs'. But currently only 0.75 per cent of Australia's cars are powered by electricity. In California 10 per cent are electric and in

the whole of the US, one to two per cent are electric.

On ABC 7.30 recently, renewable energy expert Saul Griffith said, 'We need close to 100 per cent adoption by 2025 to stay on our climate targets, so we're way off'.

Griffith, who has advised US governments on renewable energy, said Australia spends \$32b a year importing petrol and diesel.

'That money would be saved if we were running our own EVs on our own renewables.'

Of even more interest to Australians is how this might affect the household budget.

'If the average Australian family was running their car electrically they'd be saving \$2000-\$4000 a year on petrol and diesel,' Griffith told 7.30.

IGA Westbury didn't pay a cent for its charging station. A spokesman said the

business was approached by Evie Networks. IGA just needed to supply the location.

Evie Networks' website says it was founded in 2017 to build Australia's largest electric vehicle fast charging network and give electric vehicle owners across the country the freedom to travel anywhere.

'It's a small price to pay for the way of the future,' IGA's spokesman said. 'I'm sceptical about EVs myself. Then again, the technology's advancing. You can get cars that do 200-300kms before recharge and batteries to store electricity in homes are improving. I can see we'll possibly have combined fuel stations in the future. Petrol and diesel would be side by side with electricity.'

Westbury IGA charging station opened for use in June, and the IGA said a surprising number of people are using it.

How are the states planning for transitioning to EVs?

State	Policy
TAS	Stamp duty on new EVs waived for two years
	Registration waived for rental and coach EV operators
ACT	Free registration on new EVs for two years
	Stamp duty waived on new EVs
	Interest-free loans on EVs
VIC	Government vehicles including ambulances and fire trucks to be EVs
	2.5c/km road tax on EVs, 2c/km road tax on hybrids and \$3000 subsidy for EVs cheaper than \$68,740
QLD	Goal – by 2030, 50 per cent of new car sales to be EVs
NSW	Lower registration and stamp duty for EVs
	\$30 discount on registration for EVs
NT, SA & WA	Goal – by 2031, 50 per cent of new car sales to be EVs
	Plans for state fleets to be EVs

Source: ABC 7.30

International EV sales targets – 100 per cent

2025	Norway
2030	Denmark
2031	Ireland, Israel, Netherlands
2031	Britain, California
?	Australia

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Northern Regional Prison Project Update - July 2021

The due diligence required to inform the combined Planning Scheme Amendment and Development Application (DA) to be submitted to the Meander Valley Council is ongoing.

The submission to the Meander Valley Council will cover all aspects of the project including, infrastructure services, natural values, bushfire management, lighting, noise, traffic impacts, Aboriginal and Historic (European) heritage, statutory planning and prison design.

Further geotechnical investigations, including the drilling of an additional six test holes, were scheduled for late June, early July 2021. A Works Authority was obtained, in advance of the drilling being undertaken, that included conditions to manage the sensitive natural values on the site.

The purpose of these investigations is to provide the Department of Justice with an understanding of the sub-surface geo-technical conditions of the land.

In conjunction with the other due diligence investigations and reporting, this information will support the preparation of the DA submission to Meander Valley Council.

Based on preliminary investigations to date, a map of the indicative area for the proposed Northern Regional Prison on the Crown Land site is shown below.



The Department has now engaged a number of consultants to finalise the following reports:

- Natural Values Assessment;
- Bushfire risk management;
- Agricultural assessment;
- Geoheritage assessment;
- Statutory planning issues; and
- Service infrastructure.

All of the information collected as part of the due diligence process will be made publicly available when the combined Planning Scheme Amendment and DA is lodged with the Meander Valley Council.

This will be the last monthly update to be printed in the Meander Valley Gazette. Future updates will be provided to community as appropriate and as the project progresses. To ensure you receive updates as they become available, register to receive them by emailing the project team northern.prison@justice.tas.gov.au

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Northern songs of praise



Phillip Ragan, from the North to the North. Photo supplied

The voices of MVFM

John Phelps

PHILLIP RAGAN was born in Yorkshire, grew up in London, moved to Western Australia and Melbourne, then finally moved to Northern Tasmania.

Phillip suggests that the accent he has accrued from all those changes is best described as 'hybrid'. And he is now one of the regular presenters on MVFM.

Phillip's song writing journey began in about 2006 when he started writing some simple songs. This progressed to a few albums of him singing and playing some of his own music and gaining some airtime, especially on community radio. Now he presents his own show.

While in Melbourne in 2016, two important things happened to Phillip. He found Christ and he met Rachel, who became his wife. He was playing music around pubs and other spots in Melbourne and he started to use his talents to write Christian music of what he calls 'a folksy style' and produced some albums of Christian music.

Then in 2019, he moved to Tasmania, called in to Deloraine, visited the local radio station, and when he heard that MVFM needed a program of Christian music, arranged to present some for the next couple of years.

His program *Praise in the Valley* is made up of old hymns, much loved tunes and lots of contemporary music of a Christian nature.

The singers featured in the program include some performers well known for their secular, uplifting music, performers such as Bob Dylan, Eva Cassidy and Johnny Cash. Phillip has received good feedback about his program from local listeners and some from north-west Tasmania as well as those from overseas, in particular, the Philippines (perhaps it's his name).

For Phillip, his music is a labour of love, therapy and an 'escape to the country'.

Praise in the Valley may be heard on MVFM 96.9 on Sundays at 8am and 8pm.

And by the way, Phillip Ragan says he loves his time in the Meander Valley.

Yorkshire seems a long way away.



THAT COLD snap in northern Tas a few weeks ago caused a funny sight in my chook pen.

The morning after a night well below freezing, I watched a couple of chooks peck at the water in their container to no avail. It was frozen solid.

Frozen water isn't too frequent here in winter. Poultry owners in North America and Europe can buy water heaters to stand their containers on but I've never seen them sold here, reflecting that we don't often need them.

Still, chooks feel the cold just like the rest of us.

Mine have just started laying again after moulting (poached eggs on toast for the first time for a while!) so I want to take care of them during the colder months.

There are a few cheap and non time-consuming things you can do.

Food

Tassie chook guru Paul Healy, who used to be on ABC Radio Chook Talkback, grew his own chili and garlic, and cooked it up into a hot mash for his chooks in winter.

My mother told me that my grandfather boiled cooked up pollard with lovelies like veggie peel. Pollard is highly nutritious bran and flour left after grain milling.

But for people on the run, my advice is to stick with a reputable commercial grain mix with an 18 per cent protein level.

Prepare your girls for the winter chill



Keep your chooks cosy in winter with good food and a roll-down blind. Photo supplied

My chooks supplement that with bugs and worms from the afternoon they free-range each day. And they get leftovers like pasta, rice, bolognese sauce, casserole or fish bones. They turn up their noses at veggie peel but anything with meat is a hit.

Water

Chooks are big drinkers. They don't gulp and go but prefer to sip and graze. Don't think that because it's winter they won't drink a lot because they will, so keep your containers filled.

To give chooks an immune system boost you can add apple cider vinegar or garlic to the water. Each time I fill my containers I add a big splash of cider vinegar, 20ml a litre should do.

Some experts say it makes little difference; others say it lowers the pH level in the

stomach, prevents worms and is a mild antibiotic, as well as having vitamins, minerals and trace elements.

Chooks spend a lot of time pecking at stuff on the ground, some of which is not too hygienic, so anything to help avoid food poisoning is helpful.

Garlic has a similar effect. If you grow your own, you may prefer it to cider vinegar. Tie a few chopped bits of garlic in muslin. Or as I did, tie it in the toe of old pantyhose and drop it into the chooks' water. Change the garlic every three weeks and savour the garlicky chook poo aroma!

Shelter

It's not hard to make your chook pen a little cosier for cold nights when the wind is blowing a gale and it's raining.

Check it for leaks and places where the wind can rattle through. Constant rattling at night can put off chooks from laying.

If your pen is on the ramshackle side, block up obvious gaps but make sure ventilation is still okay. Chooks are prone to respiratory disease from inadequate ventilation, dust and excessive ammonia odour from their urine.

If you have the traditional wide chicken mesh window at the front of your pen, one idea is to create a roll-up blind that can come down in the colder months of the year.

A friend made mine from heavy plastic left over from another project, attaching heavy lengths of timber to the top and bottom. I roll it up by hand from the bottom, using twine ties to hold it up for summer and the reverse in winter.

As you're cosying up your chooks for a chilly winter just remember, happy chooks make a happy life.

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Nikki Sabok visits Deloraine every Tuesday morning



Story Time!

STORY TIME is back again at the Deloraine and Westbury Libraries.

Term 3 will see Story Time restart at Deloraine on Monday mornings at the new time of 11am. Westbury Library Story Time is also on a Monday at the usual time of 1pm.

Jess Grace and her two year old daughter Bella Bryan (pictured) enjoy coming to the library and borrowing books. 'Story Time is a great way for children to have social interaction and it's an opportunity to borrow books for the week to read at home,' said Jess. *Photo supplied*

These sessions run for about 30 minutes and include stories, songs and rhymes for preschoolers aged from birth to four years.

Reading to children is so important. Through songs and rhymes they learn key skills that will help them become good readers and writers. Stories teach children new words and help them to increase their vocabulary.

And it's lots of fun!

Joining the library is free. Libraries Tasmania have specially developed book packs for preschoolers that make it quick and easy to borrow age appropriate books.

Or have some fun selecting stories from the book tubs!

Over the years many families have made Monday their library day in Deloraine.

Deloraine Library is looking forward to welcoming back families who have attended in the past and new families who would like to join in the fun.

All enquiries are welcome by dropping into, or calling Deloraine Library on 6701 2180 or Westbury Library on 6701 2189.

Term 3 runs from 26 July to 20 September.

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Dear Prime Minister ... about the climate ...

THE NORTH West Coast Tasmania Quaker community is asking for help in a letter writing campaign to the Prime Minister, Scott Morrison.

NW Coast Quaker members are acting as organisers for a local letter writing campaign and will share information from the national Australian Religious Response to Climate Change (ARRCC) organization.

ARRCC are supporters of the International Greenfaith movement taking a stand against climate destruction.

Local Tasmanian Quakers invite any and all community religious organisations to join with them in personally writing letters to the Prime Minister at a gathering for this purpose, to be held at Deloraine House on Thursday 22 July between 1pm and 3pm.

COVID safe practices and check in procedures will be in place.

A sociable afternoon can be anticipated, letter writing materials supplied and attendees can learn how Australia's faith communities are coming together to boldly ask the Federal Government to commit to an emission reduction target of 2/3 by 2030.

Letters to the Prime Minister will be sent in bulk to ARRCC and then delivered en masse to the Prime Minister's office on 4 August.

'For letters to make an impact, each contributor is asked to write from a personal faith based commitment to care for the environment,' organiser Jan Blakeney said. 'It is important each of us has a chance to tell federal leadership that time has run out for the planet.'

The letter writing campaign follows the ARRCC/Greenfaith sponsored 'Day of Action - Sounding the Alarm' held internationally over 300 locations on 11 March 2021 to draw attention to the climate crisis.

A silent vigil was held outside the Emu Bay Road offices of MP Guy Barnett, and a list of demands for climate action was delivered by the 20 demonstrators present on the day. Later this year, more 'Days of Action' are planned.

Local contacts are Jan and Steve Blakeney, on 0407 812 331.

Wendy Hays

I HAVE just broken the f key on my computer through violent stabbing at it whilst writing an email of grievance regarding information about the Tasmanian food scene in a popular Australian food and travel magazine.

Both the May and June editions featured articles stating that Tasmania is 'across the Tasman' rather than across Bass Strait.

Clearly the writer either failed Grade 5 geography or had a serious neural lapse. And no, they weren't from New Zealand.

To make recompense, I suggested the magazine might do a special feature on the amazing food and beverage producers, accommodation providers and eateries in the Meander Valley.

Interestingly there was no correction in this month's edition of the magazine and I have not received a response to my email. Does anyone own up to and apologise for mistakes these days?

So I will just have to practice deep breathing, put on some soothing music, brew a strong cup of tea and have a freshly baked oatly choc chip biscuit (or two) to restore my equilibrium.

Oaty Choc Chip Biscuits

Ingredients

- 125g butter, softened
- 1/2 cup castor sugar
- 1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 1 egg, lightly beaten
- 1 & 1/4 cup rolled oats
- 1 cup plain flour
- 1/2 tsp baking powder
- 1/2 tsp bicarbonate of soda
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 1 cup choc chips or 175g grated chocolate

Method

Pre-heat oven to 180°C and line four trays with baking paper.

Sift together the flour, baking powder, salt and bicarb soda.

Beat together the softened butter and sugars until thick and pale using an electric mixer.

Gradually add the beaten egg. Using a knife or metal spoon, gently stir in the choc chips/chocolate and sifted dry ingredients.

Spoon or roll tablespoons of mixture and place onto tray. Flatten the lumps slightly.

Bake for 10-15 minutes until golden brown around the edges. Cool for a few minutes on the tray then cool on a cooling rack.

The biscuits will be still soft when cooked but will firm up on cooling.

Makes about 30

Choc chips and oat biscuits, not cookies!

Healthy and delicious, these biscuits are perfect for afternoon tea or school lunches. *Photo supplied*



Paper daisies

Paper daisies (*Helichrysums*), also known as everlasting or straw flowers, are useful plants for indoor decoration in the winter months when there are few fresh flowers available.

The flowers are in either cream or yellow colours, and there is one, *H. milligani*, which is endemic to Tasmania. It is a ground hugging plant which the gardening books claim to grow solely on the mountains.

However, I remember seeing them in native bush areas in the Deloraine district in the 1930s.

H. petiolatum, pictured growing on a Dunorlan fence, is a native of South Africa. It has soft grey hairy foliage and is extremely drought resistant.

H. hookeri was named for the famous Australian botanist Joseph Hooker who was responsible for finding and describing so many Tasmanian plants. It is native to NSW, Tasmania and Victoria, and the flowers are yellow.

H. scorpioides, the Button Everlasting, is native to all eastern states. Of the 30 odd varieties listed, only two are not native to Australia. Most of the species are valued for their interesting foliage, which is a feature of the winter garden scene, rather than for the flowers.

Vegetables

Sow lettuce, peas, turnips, plant spring onions and asparagus (two year crowns). The latter are conspicuous in plant shops at this time of year. They consist of a large bundle of long stringy roots.

Patience and hard work are rewarded when the time comes to harvest those delicious tender shoots, which seldom find their way as far as the kitchen.

Prepare a trench to spade depth and add a pre-planting fertilizer plus liberal quantities of compost. Set the crowns in the bottom and cover the roots



Paper daisies in a Dunorlan garden. *Photo supplied*

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Hydrotherapy to warm up Westbury



Liza DeLatour takes a hydrotherapy exercise class at the Deloraine Primary School pool, attended by locals from Westbury, Deloraine and surrounding areas. Photo supplied

FOR MANY years Westbury Health has supported and provided hydrotherapy services in the Meander Valley.

These services were provided through the Commonwealth Home Support Programme for adults over 65 years, and now the services are available for

everyone thanks to the support of Village Central in Westbury.

But there are limitations to the current facilities. Westbury Health currently runs hydrotherapy sessions at Deloraine Primary School pool and there is a hydrotherapy pool at Launceston Aquatic Centre.

Westbury Health believes that there is a clear benefit for a dedicated hydrotherapy facility in the Meander Valley.

Such a facility could improve the health, pain and mobility of the Valley's ageing population, help and improve the life of people living with disabilities

and allow regular access to allied health services.

The support of local community groups is essential for such a large project to be planned, funded and built and Westbury Health will be seeking funding from all levels of government to achieve their goal.

Community input will be most welcome to confirm the need for hydrotherapy services in the Valley.

Westbury Health will also be establishing links with individuals and community groups willing to assist in bringing this major project to fruition.

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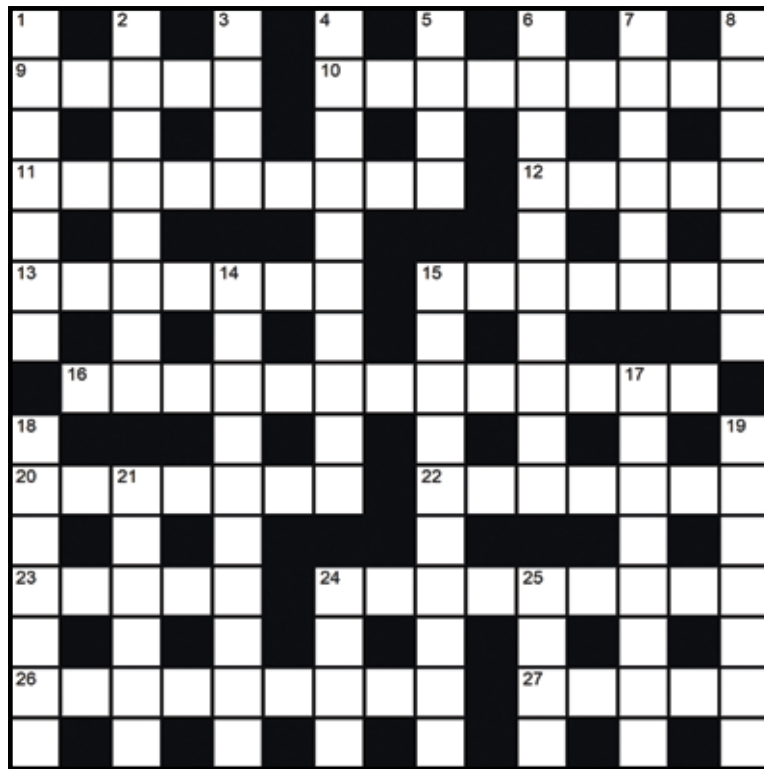
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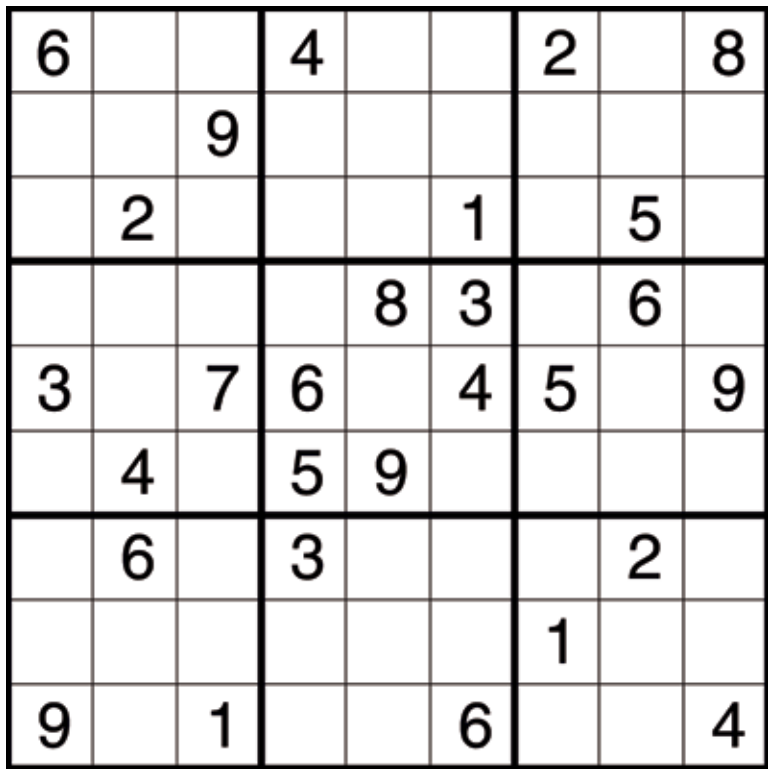
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Crossword



- Across**
- 9 Fast (5)
 - 10 Exaggerating (9)
 - 11 Upset, Donna Rica is very unforgiving (9)
 - 12 Basra native, perhaps (5)
 - 13 Instruments of offence (7)
 - 15 Some newspapers (7)
 - 16 Supervised spot for the infirm (3-4, 6)
 - 20 Compel (7)
 - 22 Sri Lankan capital (7)
 - 23 Name (5)
 - 24 Former Wallabies captain who died young (4, 5)
 - 26 Dictate (9)
 - 27 Metallic compound (5)
- Down**
- 1 'The clock struck one, the mouse ____' (3, 4)
 - 2 Sydney beach suburb (8)
 - 3 One on the streets (4)
 - 4 Electric spit (10)
 - 5 Bird's nest ____, which can be grown indoors (4)
 - 6 Supplementary (10)
 - 7 Former national field hockey captain Sandy ____ (6)
 - 8 Con (7)
 - 14 Event (10)
 - 15 Dubya's VP (4, 6)
 - 17 Transfers of furniture from one house to another (8)
 - 18 Deep tar, stirred, causes delay (3, 4)
 - 19 Lunch feature, often (4, 3)
 - 21 Gyve (6)
 - 24 Broad smile (4)
 - 25 Double (4)

Sudoku



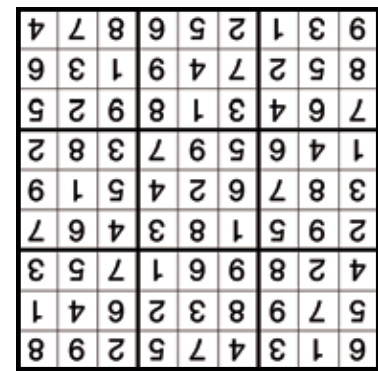
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Crossword July 2021 solution



Sudoku July 2021 solution



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Every Tuesday, 10am-12 noon	Hadspen Playgroup	During school term Uniting Church Hall, corner of Clare & Main St contact Andrew Keena 6393 6324
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Saturdays and Sundays	Deloraine Walking Club	Walks and bike rides https://delorainewalkingclub.weebly.com for program of events, contact and membership information
12th of each month, 10am-4pm	Exhibition - 12 'A message of hope'	1 Emu Bay Road, Deloraine
Tues 6 July, 10am-2pm	Hook rugging workshop	Art as Mania, 20-22 Emu Bay Rd, Deloraine 0488 137 315
Sat 10 July, 7pm sharp	Western Tiers Film Society <i>Jojo Rabbit</i>	Little Theatre, 2 Meander Valley Rd, Deloraine M drama/comedy 2019 UK/NZ 108m Info 0418 389 868
Sat 10 July, 4pm onward	Winterfire Festival	Showgrounds, Highland Lakes Rd, Deloraine food, hot drinks and fiery entertainment online ticketing at Trybooking
Thu 15 July, 1-7pm	Deloraine House Book Fair	Deloraine House, 112 Emu Bay Rd call 6362 2678 or email info@delorainehouse.com.au
Fri 16 July, 1-3pm	Soy wax candlemaking workshop	Art as Mania, 20-22 Emu Bay Rd, Deloraine 0488 137 315
Sat 17 July, 9am-1pm	Mole Creek Market	Mole Creek Memorial Hall, cnr Pioneer Drv & Caveside Rd Maree Martin 0419 631 210
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Sat 7 August, 9.30am-4.30pm	Little Birds pastels workshop	Art as Mania, 20-22 Emu Bay Rd, Deloraine 0488 137 315
Sat 14 August, 7pm sharp	WTFS <i>Days of the Bagnold Summer</i>	Little Theatre, 2 Meander Valley Rd, Deloraine M comedy 2019 UK 85m Info 0418 389 868

THE POP-UP Gallery, an Arts Deloraine initiative, continues to surprise and delight with its success.

The pop-up format is a simple and comfortable walk-in experience, where passers-by can drop in and enjoy artworks by local artists, chat with the artist about art making practices and inspirations, and even see the artist at work.

Artists are pleased with sales they have made during their residence in the gallery.

From Tuesday 15 June until Tuesday 29 June, Ann Kearon is the featured artist.

Ann is a watercolour artist whose work is well known in the Deloraine area. Mainly interested in painting flowers which she grows herself, Ann is very knowledgeable about her medium and will happily discuss and demonstrate her work while she is at the gallery.

The Pop-Up Gallery is adjacent to the Amcal Pharmacy on Emu Bay Road.

The shop space has been generously donated by Amcal Pharmacy and there is a new artist every two weeks.

The artist after Ann Kearon will be Leanne Decker, with a series of drawings and prints.

Gallery opening hours are 10am-4pm every day.

Pop-Up art success!



Ann Kearon is one of the many local artists enjoying the success of Arts Deloraine's Pop-Up Gallery in Deloraine. Photo supplied

TSO livestreaming at the Little Theatre

Darren Harris

THE ACCLAIMED Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra (TSO) played a streamed performance at the Little Theatre in Deloraine on Saturday 29 May.

The audience was enchanted by Dinah Woods' *cor anglais* in a performance of Chris Williams' *Canticum Novi Mundi*, and Julian Yu's unique arrangement of Mussorgsky's *Pictures at an Exhibition*, conducted by Elena Schwartz.

Sam Cairnduff, Director of Marketing & Communications for the TSO, gave an address about *TSO Live & On Screen*, which brings concerts filmed in Hobart's Federation Concert Hall to regional Tasmania through local presenters.

Sam said the TSO is planning more of these screenings in Deloraine in conjunction with Arts Deloraine.

TSO in July

Mozart's *Serenata Notturna* K239 conducted by Elvind Aadland will be the next *Live & On Screen Concert*, which will also feature selections from Bartok's *Hungarian Sketches* (arr. Jones) and Haydn's *Symphony No 102* in B flat.

Bartok's rustic *Hungarian Sketches* were originally composed for piano and are now a compelling instrumental arrangement by Tim Jones, TSO Principal Tuba.

Serenata Notturna provides great contrast with stately melodies and Haydn's *Symphony No 102*, one of his celebrated 'London' symphonies, is a rich finale.

The concert will be on Saturday 17 July at 4pm in the Little Theatre, with refreshments available from 3.30pm.

Tickets \$15, Arts Deloraine members \$12. Bookings online at trybooking.com/BSJYA.

To top off a pleasant afternoon, why not enjoy a meal at the Bush Inn Brewhouse. Receive a voucher for a complimentary drink with dinner on presentation of your ticket.

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27 November Beethoven's *Symphony No 5* & Barber's *Adagio for Strings* (conducted by Elvind Aadland)



Sam Cairnduff of the TSO addresses the audience at the Live and On Screen performance in Deloraine. Photo by Darren Harris

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Westbury Lions Club honour former member through Nursing Scholarship



Westbury Lions Club member Chris Kilby and Ruby Lloyd, the 2021 Adrian Geard Scholarship recipient. Photo supplied

ADRIAN GEARD was a much loved and admired member of the Lions Club of Westbury.

About 15 years ago, Adrian asked the club to support a scholarship in Nursing at UTAS, to encourage and support local students.

Adrian died after an accident in June 2017 and to honour his memory, the club renamed the award as the Adrian Geard Memorial Scholarship in Nursing.

The \$2000 scholarship is for a 2nd or 3rd year nursing student enrolling in 2022, who is from the Westbury district or surrounds (postcodes 7291-7304).

Applications open soon and close in late October. Anyone interested in applying should look at the Scholarships page at UTAS - www.utas.edu.au.

The successful applicant is asked to speak at a Lions meeting about their experiences as a student nurse.

Virtual TAFE campus

A \$10 million virtual campus will soon enable regional students to study at TasTAFE online from 2025.

TasTAFE educators are creating a blend of remote training, practical on-campus experiences and 24-hour access to digital content and learning activities, with the first courses being trialled in the second half of 2022.

A further \$4 million will be invested into rural and remote sites which can service TasTAFE training through a partnership between Libraries Tasmania and TasTAFE.

In addition, the government will invest \$10 million into the Alanvale Campus in Launceston for a new student learning hub to replace the current library, the expansion of the health training hub to include a new alcohol, drugs and youth mental health training facility, and equipment and technology upgrades to support apprentice training and keep pace with industry requirements.

Deloraine's devils on the go!



Above from left: Keah, Jorja, Doine, Asha, Zali, Charlotte, Billie, Bonnie, Mary and Maddie.

Right: Deloraine Devils Division 4 team were grand final premieres last October and hope to achieve the same this year as well.

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David Claridge

THERE HAVE been achievements to celebrate on and off the courts for the Deloraine Devils Netball club, with all teams deep into the season.

Junior and senior teams are playing hard to add to the club's trophy cabinet. The Division 4 team are fighting to keep their back-to-back grand final hopes alive.

Devils President, Erin Sherriff, is optimistic about the club's recent growth and finals appearances in recent years.

'It's the most junior teams we have ever had. It keeps growing and growing. We've just had



to order a whole heap of new dresses and double the training time slots,' she said.

'There are heaps of girls just starting to come up from our junior ranks and playing a few games with the seniors. It's new, but it's pretty exciting that we have got to that stage.

'The juniors have had many grand final experiences in the NTNA roster and at carnivals over the past five years.

'We also won a 2019 Division 1 grand final, which is pretty special for a small country club playing in the big league.'

The Devils are also part of the Meander Valley Netball Association which runs a spring roster in Deloraine. Starting in September, 'Mixed Fast Five' has boys and girls on the same team.

'It's social, but a lot of fun. We get lots of kids starting that way, then they filter into the more competitive stuff.'

The club is also in the process of gaining funding for more seating and car parking due to increased demand and participation at the new outdoor courts in Deloraine.

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