

# Meander Valley Gazette

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## Meander's musical night



MEANDER EVENTS' most recent outing was another smash hit with attendees from all over the state when it brought Australian icon Mia Dyson's Parking Lots tour to Meander Hall on May 14.

Doors opened at 5.30pm, and support act Saree

Salter kicked the night off by playing to a seated and captivated audience.

Saree was followed by incredibly talented locals Thomas Mitchell and Henry Rippon.

Mia Dyson and her band hit the stage at 7.45pm, bringing

most to tears with huge happy grins and swaying hips.

The evening was catered to by the Women's Friendship Group, which raises funds to support Afghani friends and relatives overseas.

Valley Events would like to extend a huge thank you to:

Henry Rippon Sound, Rino Morea, Robyn Flittner and the Women's Friendship Group, Divine Objects, West Barrack St Junk Shop, Kim Clark, Bush Inn, the Meander Hall Committee, the volunteer bar staff and everyone who attended.

Valley Events aims to put

on fun, all-inclusive events in the Meander Valley, and the next event on the cards is a Hollywood themed Trivia Night, with the date yet to be decided.

To make sure you don't miss out on the good times, follow Valley Events on Facebook!



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## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Our dear friend Oscar Cripps has been delt a blow, having recently been diagnosed with B-Cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL).

ALL is a form of childhood cancer that affects the blood and bone marrow.

Chemotherapy is the first line of treatment (which Oscar has commenced), and ongoing treatment can last for up to 3 years.

Oscar's full treatment plan will be determined as things progress, but we do know that things will not be easy.

Oscar, a fun, cheeky, witty, 4-year-old is the son and grandson of long term, local residents.

He was due to start Kinder at Our Lady Of Mercy back in February but has only been able to attend a couple of part days having spent most of February in the Royal Hobart Hospital, undertaking invasive tests and specialist appointments to gain a diagnosis and

has since required ongoing hospitalisation for treatment.

A fellow Family Day Care Educator from Longford, Tammy Hilder and I have banned together to organize a fundraiser for our community to come together in a show of support for little Oscar and to help alleviate some of the ongoing financial pressures his parents, Nick Cripps and Shantelle Rogers, will face over the next few years.

Tammy and I have created a fundraiser; WE WILL WALK FOR OSCAR Sunday 31 July 2022.

The 2.8km walk is an all-weather event.

To commence 10am at the Deloraine Football Club, following the leisurely path across the first footbridge closest to the DFC, along the Deloraine River Walk, recrossing at the Rotary Footbridge and returning for a Lions Club Van lunch and hot/cold drink at the DFC.

Yours sincerely,  
**Susanna Haberle**

## LOCAL VET UNDERSTAFFED?

Dear Editor,

Around 20 minutes past midnight on May 19, we called the local Deloraine Vet - the afterhours service - for an emergency with our little Jack Russell Jaffa.

We left a message saying she was vomiting blood and needed urgent attention.

The automated message said if we had not heard back within half an hour to call again so we grabbed Jaffa and drove down to the vet centre to wait outside.

No one replied within the half hour so we called again and the on-call vet answered the phone.

The vet asked what was wrong. We said Jaffa had been quite unsettled for a couple of hours and had vomited on my bed with small blood clots in the frothy vomit.

The vet asked when it had started and I explained we had driven back from Cygnet Monday afternoon and Jaffa had vomited once in the car just outside of Bothwell and been very quiet compared to her normal self.

Once home she had just slept all evening and did not eat any food nor take any water. We couldn't confirm if she had vomited any more as she had gone outside a couple times and then back to bed.

The vet then said she would prefer if we could bring Jaffa in when the clinic opened in the morning and were we aware there was an on-call cost.

We were quite shocked and said the cost was not a problem.

The vet said she did not think Jaffa would get any worse before morning as it had obviously been happening

# We Will Walk for Oscar Cripps


Whatever the weather

Help Oscar in his fight against  
B-Cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (A.L.L.)

**Sunday July 31st, 2022**  
**10am start @ Deloraine Footy Club**  
**\$10 per person**

\*Walk the lap of the Deloraine River Bank, returning to the DFC and donate for a Lions Club catered lunch

Registration to walk and/or cash donations if you're unable to walk, yet would like to support Oscar can be made on the day or (for catering purposes we'd prefer) you prepay at a Bendigo Bank Branch OR EFT



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# Response to Ashley site decision

ON MAY 5, the Tasmanian Government ended two-and-a-half years of hotly contested prison site preparation work near Westbury when it found that the Ashley Youth Detention Centre is the more suitable location.

Due diligence investigations are underway and the intention is to turn Ashley into a maximum security prison with a focus on rehabilitation and reintegration.

Community consultation with Ashley's nearby residents found that a slim majority is opposed to the location, citing concerns including local safety, property values, traffic volume and the stigma for Deloraine and surrounds.

Meander Valley Council and Westbury Region Against the Prison Inc (WRAP) released statements regarding the decision and what this means for the region going forward.



▶ Ashley Youth Detention Centre was set to close its doors in 2024, but the site may find new life as the state government considers it for the proposed Northern Correctional Facility.

MEANDER VALLEY COUNCIL

## Prison announcement provides more certainty for the Meander Valley community

THE ANNOUNCEMENT by the Tasmanian Government to investigate the suitability of the Ashley Youth Detention Centre site for a northern correctional facility provides further certainty for Meander Valley residents.

Mayor Wayne Johnston said Council would continue to focus on ensuring the community was kept informed throughout the process.

"Council is encouraged to hear that there has been a strong

response to the Government's community consultation process with a large number of our residents providing feedback through various avenues," Mayor Johnston said.

"Council will continue to

advocate for meaningful and ongoing consultation with the community as the project progresses and we will be seeking regular briefings from the Minister so we can help relay this information to our residents.

"As a planning authority Council needs to keep an open mind but we do recognise there are both positive and negative

aspects arising from the project.

"These include benefits to jobs and the economy and also impacts on neighbouring residents and these issues will need to be fully explored by the Government before any final decisions are made.

"We look forward to being provided with more details by the Tasmanian Government in due course."

OPINION EDITORIAL

## Wrapping up

Linda Poulton  
WRAP Inc President

FOR OVER two and a half years, WRAP has fought tirelessly against the senseless proposal to burden the small rural town of Westbury with the Northern Regional Prison.

When our group incorporated to take this fight up to the Government, our

campaign's catch cry was "Save Historic Westbury."

The decision to move the proposal away from the Westbury region brings an end to WRAP's campaign.

The amenity and character of our town have been preserved, not just through our efforts but because the two sites we campaigned against were bottom of the barrel choices.

This backflip on the prison mirrors the backflip on the Burnie Court. It shows

that no good decisions are made in a hurry and without consultation.

This journey has been hard and divisive, but it has also been educational.

Tasmanians have been sold a lie. Prisons do not keep our communities safer.

They are a revolving door of misery which eventually spills out into the community. The more prisons we build the more at risk we become.

We have researched this in

depth, and we know this.

We have learned that in order to keep us all safer, the focus of the criminal justice system must shift to rehabilitation, and away from punishment.

For this reason, we welcome the new ministerial title conferred upon Elise Archer MP (Minister for Corrections and Rehabilitation).

It's one step towards rectifying this imbalance.

We sincerely hope that any Northern "correctional" facility

proposed in future will have rehabilitation as its core focus, not punishment.

We still doubt that the core needs of inmates and staff can be met by a facility in the middle of a bucolic community, far from essential services.

So, if the proposal for Ashley is for a retrograde "lock 'em up and throw away the key" facility, and the people of Deloraine and Exton oppose it, many of us here in Westbury will support them.



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# Waste management overhaul

MEANDER VALLEY Council is leading the charge for sustainable waste management in the Valley.

Council has announced a suite of changes to waste services to secure a more sustainable future for the municipality.

"We are making these announcements before the finalisation of Meander Valley's new Waste Management Strategy to give residents time to prepare for the changes, which are significant," Mayor Wayne Johnston said.

Council is making a substantial investment in waste management to provide more sustainable and cost effective services longer term.

"Importantly, we are taking this step ahead of the introduction of the State Government's waste levy, so we can minimise the costs to our ratepayers," Mayor Johnston said.

From July 1, the State Government will be charging a levy on the amount of waste going to landfill. Commencing at \$20 per tonne, the levy is set to increase to \$40 per tonne by 2024 and then \$60 per tonne by 2027.

Currently, 50 percent of

Meander Valley's kerbside waste by weight is made up of food and organic waste with a further 15 percent made up of misplaced recyclable material.

"By improving how we divert these products we can reduce the impact of the waste levy for our ratepayers and improve our sustainability at the same time" Mayor Johnston said.

"Over the coming months, we will be expanding our collection of food organics and garden organics (FOGO) and waste and recycling collection services in a staged approach where it is cost effective to do so. It's an exciting step towards our long term sustainability and we will be working hard to support our residents throughout this transition."

Meander Valley Council's waste management overhaul mirrors the direction of a number of local councils who are faced with the rising financial and environmental costs of landfill.

Mayor Johnston said the new services will bring big benefits, but they do rely on everyone establishing good waste habits.

"Every resident has a part to play, particularly when it comes to sorting. We want

every householder to become a sorting champion and we will be measuring the success of our sorting post pick up," Mayor Johnston said.

Sorting and avoiding cross contamination of bins is important as a misplaced item can lead to entire truckload being sent to landfill.

"By just being "good sorts" we can save at least 1300 tonnes of waste going to landfill across our local government area every year and that's significant," Mayor Johnston said.

From July, an additional 3,456 households across Prospect Vale, Hadspen and Traveller's Rest will be joining Blackstone Heights in receiving a FOGO collection service.

This is in addition to 47 rural property owners in serviceable areas who have opted in to receive a new waste and recycling collection, leading to additional diversion of recyclables from landfill.

Continuing the practice started last year, Meander Valley Council will also be providing waste vouchers to certain areas of the municipality.

"A one size fits all approach to waste is far too narrow for Meander Valley. Our



► Mayor Wayne Johnston is proud to introduce council's new FOGO waste collection services to the wider municipality.

municipality is made up of very diverse communities and is geographically vast. Waste vouchers are a direct measure to support those residents who need to travel longer distances to access a waste facility," Mayor Johnston said.

Ahead of the changes, residents will soon be receiving more information about their new bin collection days as well as educational

packs to help them to effectively use their new waste services.

"We will have resources available and Council staff will be here to help support everyone throughout this transition. We look forward to building better waste services as we work towards reducing our landfill.

## Calling all mural artists!

KENTISH ARTS Commerce and Tourism (Kentish ACT) is excited to announce Davies Construction Tasmanian Mural Fest will be taking place in Sheffield 7-11 November, 2022.

This year nine artists from all over Tasmania will be selected to paint a mural over a five-day period based on the theme

'The Place I Call Home'.

Two prizes will be awarded: The People's Choice Award (\$7000) and the Highly Commended Award (\$2000).

Murals will remain on display in Mural Park for eleven months until the murals are relocated to the towns they represent, forming

Kentish Arts Commerce and Tourism's newest initiative, the 'Tasmanian Mural Trail'.

This unique mural trail will begin and end in Sheffield and will showcase the special characteristics that towns around Tasmania call their own.

"Tasmanian councils and arts

groups are being encouraged to seek out and sponsor an artist to paint a mural representing their town or region at this year's Mural Fest, a mural which will find its home in the town it represents and will form part of the Tasmanian Mural Trail," stated Sandy Brattstrom, President of Kentish ACT.


This year, Mural Fest is looking for Tasmanian mural artists to compete at Mural

Fest while creating a special mural for their town/region and contributing to the launch of the Tasmanian Mural Trail in 2023.

Mural artists are requested to email an Expression of Interest to [info@murfest.com.au](mailto:info@murfest.com.au).

For further information visit [www.murfest.com.au](http://www.murfest.com.au) or phone Arts Manager, Julian Bale on 0427 475 113.

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# Better Together: National Volunteer Week 2022

**Wendy Newton**

*“The heart of a volunteer is not measured in size, but by the depth of the commitment to make a difference in the lives of others.”*

- DeAnn Hollis

MEANDER VALLEY Connect Inc. had the opportunity to recognise the vital work of our volunteers at the Deloraine and Mole Creek Online Access Centres as part of National Volunteer Week celebrations 16-22 May – and, most importantly, to say thank you for the work they do in helping to build digital literacy in our communities.

The volunteer-led Centres, which are funded by Libraries Tasmania, have been serving our communities since 1998, providing invaluable access to digital technology, advice and training to those who don't have access to equipment or the skills to digitally engage.

It can be difficult to keep up with the rapid changes in new technology and different platforms required by government, business and industry, and access isn't

always easy – in fact, TasCOSS identified Meander Valley as one of 28 communities in Tasmania as having “digital inclusion disadvantage”, with 23.1% of households in Deloraine and Westbury unable to access the internet from home.

Apart from enabling access to the internet and free Wi-Fi, the Centres are a ‘one-stop shop’, with volunteers performing a range of invaluable services, from providing general advice on IT applications and mobile phones, to printing, scanning and helping set up email accounts.

There are also training opportunities for those who would like to stretch their digital skills even further, and gaming on Saturday evenings at Deloraine if you like to challenge your technical skills and imagination.

According to Communities Tasmania, volunteering is Tasmania's largest sector, larger than both the private and government sectors, with approximately 300,000 Tasmanians contributing a staggering \$4 billion in benefits to the state in 2019 - but there's

also a ‘feel-good factor’ for the volunteer.

Research shows that giving to others can bring about a sense of purpose and greater connection, reducing stress and stimulating better mental health.

While volunteering is a powerful way to build more resilient and connected communities, and for individuals to build networks, skills and gain experience, often it is the motivation to ‘give back’ that drives people to volunteer.

Long-standing Deloraine Online Access Centre volunteer, Sandra, who has volunteered at the Centre for more than 20 years, said, “I enjoy helping others and keeping my skills alive.

If you don't use it, you lose it, especially when it comes to technology.

And you meet lots of interesting people, too.”

The Centres could not operate without the dedication and skills of these committed volunteers, who are always happy to help.

You can drop in 10.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday



▶ Two of the dedicated volunteers at the Deloraine Online Access Centre, Henry and Scott, enjoying their Monday shift. Photo by Wendy Newton.

at Deloraine, and 10.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Saturday at Mole Creek for all your technology needs.

If you are passionate about contributing to your

community and would like to find out more about volunteering at either of our Centres, we would love to hear from you.

## Volunteer Fire Brigade making the difference!

WHEN AN emergency occurs and you need help, the Deloraine Volunteer Fire Brigade is there to lend a hand. There is no job too big or too small, from tackling a fire or responding to a car crash, there's a lot volunteers do during emergencies – but there is also plenty of work behind the scenes.

Errol Gleeson, Western Tiers Group Officer has been a volunteer at the Deloraine Fire Brigade for 40 years. He has fulfilled a variety of Officer roles including Brigade Chief and now Group Officer.

Mr Gleeson said there's many

benefits to volunteering with Tasmania Fire Service.

“As a volunteer you are one of the first responders to help a person in their time of need,” he said.

“Volunteering with TFS will provide you with new skills, you will make new friends that will last a lifetime, be part of a team and make a difference in people's lives.”

Alongside his brigade members, Mr Gleeson is dedicated to helping his community.

This year the Deloraine Fire Brigade have attended nearly 50 callouts to bushfires,

structure fires, car crashes and medical emergencies where they assist Ambulance Tasmania.

“We even assisted in washing away a bulk milk spill on the highway,” Mr Gleeson said.

Deloraine Fire Brigade have just taken delivery of a brand-new state of the art Compressed Air Foam (CAFS) firefighting appliance, which allows firefighters to bring fires under control more quickly, and provides increased safety and protection to the crew.

The brigade is comprised completely of volunteers who have work and family

commitments, but still manage to find time to protect their community.

Tasmania Fire Service is very proud and appreciative of all its volunteers, for the vital work they do.

People interested in volunteering in the many diverse roles Tasmania Fire Service has to offer should visit [www.fire.tas.gov.au/volunteering](http://www.fire.tas.gov.au/volunteering) or email [fire@fire.tas.gov.au](mailto:fire@fire.tas.gov.au) to arrange contact with their local brigade.

- You will need to be:
- At least 18 years of age (unless joining as a junior or cadet member)

- Of good character
- Available to regularly attend brigade meetings and training
- Available to attend emergency incidents if undertaking a response role)
- Medically and physically fit to undertake the work volunteers are given
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- **Take a test** as soon as you find out you are a close contact, again on day 6 and on each day that you leave your home.
- **Notify** your workplace.
- **Wear a mask** indoors (not required in your own home).
- **Do not enter high-risk settings** such as hospitals and aged care facilities, unless you require urgent care, or are a critical worker with an exemption.
- **If you develop COVID-19 symptoms**, you must stay at home. If you test positive you must still isolate for at least 7 days.

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# What a way to spend retirement!

## The voices of MVFM

TWO GENTLEMEN, neighbours, both living within sight and sound of the beautiful Liffey Falls, discovered that each had a passion for music.

So, they did the obvious thing: they started to prepare music programs to present on the local community radio.

David Hanslow had been a teacher, organized the Blue Mountains Blues Festival and then managed a record shop in Katoomba.

His expectation was that, being in charge of a huge collection of records and CDs, he'd be spending less on buying them. He has had mixed success there.

As a teacher, David had

brought several groups of students to walk the Overland Track and fell in love with the Tasmanian bush, so he moved here.

When he moved to the Liffey area about five years ago, one of the first things he did was to set up his loungeroom quickly with all the equipment necessary to hear and enjoy and share plenty of music.

Then, along came Chris Thompson. Chris had been a mainland music producer and sound engineer for the past 45 years, thirty of them with the ABC and some freelance years.

He had won heaps of awards for his work, including three ARIA awards. Among the luminaries with whom Chris worked were Paul Kelly, Nick Cave, The Wakes and Redgum

(of 'I was only nineteen' fame). One of his great achievements was 'The Big Day Out'.

The two chaps got together in the loungeroom for what they call "musical therapy for two old retired blokes" and radio listeners in the Meander Valley get to benefit as they enjoy their chatty, informed

and fun time together.

Their program on MVFM 96.9 is The Liffey Lounge and may be heard on Fridays at 8 pm and Saturdays at 4 pm.

Their music covers many genres - blues, hard rock, country - but they claim that there are really only two genres of music: good and bad! They

enjoy getting to pontificate about which pieces fit into each category.

When pressed to define their choice of music a little more they said that there was just word one to describe it - "indescribable."



# More irrigation water for Greater Meander

TASMANIAN IRRIGATION is delighted to have opened Water Sales for a very exciting 11,000 megalitre augmentation of the Greater Meander Irrigation District.

This highly-anticipated project has been designed to upgrade pump intakes, extend existing pipelines, construct new pipelines and renew the Cheshunt drainage channel, resulting in improved water allocation reliability, increased water allocation licences and reduced maintenance costs.

Additional high-surety irrigation water is planned to be extracted from riparian flows and delivered to landowners via new pipeline, and water could be delivered for the first time to a new area of prime agricultural land located north east of the Bass Highway near Deloraine. The scope also includes possible pipeline extensions for Caveside, Rubicon, Quamby and Hagley.

Tasmanian Irrigation Chief Executive Officer Andrew Kneebone said a total of 11,000 megalitres of new water could be delivered to the region if sufficient demand through the Water Sales process is registered.

"This is a pivotal moment in time for the district," Mr Kneebone said.

"For the next six weeks, farmers in these areas will be able to contractually apply for water entitlements as part of this important Water Sales process.

"Across Tasmanian Irrigation's existing and proposed irrigation schemes, we are seeing record levels of interest in this reliable irrigation water.

"In the Greater Meander area, we have farmers continually asking for more water to expand their agricultural businesses focused on berries, dairy, vegetables, poppies,

nuts and pasture for livestock finishing.

"This additional irrigation water will ensure new and existing primary industries are supported, creating more jobs and underpinning millions of dollars' worth of expansion and value adding."

The Meander Dam was constructed in November 2007 as the centrepiece of the existing 28,800 megalitre irrigation scheme that services Carrick, Caveside, Chudleigh, Dairy Plains, Deloraine, Dunorlan, Elizabeth Town, Exton, Hagley, Meander, Montana, Osmaston and Westbury.

Mr Kneebone sincerely thanked the Australian Government for its \$5 million contribution toward the upgrade, as well as irrigators for investing in new water entitlements, and the Tasmanian Government for its \$2 million for an upgrade of

the Meander mini hydro power station.

"The public / private funding model adopted for irrigation infrastructure across Tasmania has delivered 15 new irrigation schemes and a further 10 are currently being planned. We are delighted that Water Sales are also open for the Tamar Irrigation Scheme and Sassafras Wesley Vale Irrigation Scheme Augmentation.

"This is a very exciting time for agriculture in Tasmania."

For more information and to download Water Sales application forms for the Greater Meander Irrigation Scheme Augmentation, please visit [www.tasmanianirrigation.com.au/schemes/greater-meander](http://www.tasmanianirrigation.com.au/schemes/greater-meander).

Water Sales close at 2pm on 24 June 2022.

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# Free circus and fire workshops



► Learn how to make art with fire at Arts Deloraine's free workshops ahead of WinterFire 2022.

ARTS DELORAINE is encouraging younger members of the community to add more colour and movement to the WinterFire bonfire procession by offering some free afternoon workshops throughout early winter.

Arts Deloraine has been fortunate to engage the talented duo, Tom and Dana from Fyrbird Flow Collective to offer these events.

The Fyrbird Flow Collective is a Tasmanian performance troupe specialising in Fire & Light performance that has performed at Dark Mofo, Houn Valley Midwinter Festival,

Launceston Beerfest and The Taste of Tasmania.

Would you like to learn some acrobatic or juggling skills? Join Super Silly Us Circus to learn basic circus skills at the Deloraine Showgrounds.

These 1hr workshops, designed primarily for young people (but open to all ages), run from 4.00-5.00 pm every Monday afternoon from 30 May to 14 July, 2022.

Fire twirling always adds drama to a dark evening.

Tom Slater and Dana Jensen from Firebird Flow Collective will provide training on the organisation of materials and

props and fire safety before training on the technical skills necessary to spin fire as a solo performer.

They will also introduce some basic choreography for group performances.

These 1hr workshops, designed for young people aged 13-25 years, run just after dark from 5.30-6.30 pm every Monday evening from 30 May to 14 July, 2022 at the Deloraine Showgrounds.

Places are limited for both courses due to safety requirements, so please book a place by emailing fae-dragonflames@outlook.com

## Pamper your Valley pets

NEW BUSINESS owner Lindy Lane is excited to be opening Valley Pets Deloraine on Emu Bay Road.

Lindy has been an animal lover all her life and saw the need for a dedicated pet supplies store in the region.

"I have had all types of pets over the years and I love my two little dogs, Miss Riley and

Poppy," Lindy said.

"Like lots of my friends, I would have to travel to Launceston or Devonport if I needed a new coat or bed, so I felt a pet store was needed here in Deloraine.

"The new store will be supplying all your pet needs for dogs, cats, rabbits, chickens and more!"

Valley Pets Deloraine will be stocking bedding, coats, jumpers, leads and toys as well as fresh bones, healthy treats made in Tasmania, dry and wet foods, and a pick-n-mix doggie biscuit bar.

Lindy is looking forward to welcoming people - and their pets! - to the store in the first week of June.



► Lindy Lane, pictured with her dog Miss Riley, is starting an exciting new venture in Deloraine. Photo by Garry Edwards.

### AGED CARE DELORAINE SUCCESSFUL IN ANOTHER AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH GRANT ROUND



### WE HAVE RECEIVED \$197,776 (EX GST) IN FUNDING SPECIFICALLY FOR KANANGRA.

Aged Care Deloraine received this funding predominately for solar installation at Kanangra. Last year we installed solar at Grenoch (thanks to another successful grant) and we have noticed a significant reduction in power costs. We are excited to be able to install solar at Kanangra as well, at no cost to the organisation. We hope to have the installation complete before the end of June.

This grant also will fund some specific marketing activities and a project to assist us to transition to our new funding model commencing in October 2022. We also received some funding to assist in covering the cost of the revaluation of our assets (this is quite a costly exercise).

We are grateful to the Australian Government Department of Health for our success in these grant rounds. We are also lucky to have an exceptional grant writer, Matt Flakemore - our Chief Financial Officer. Matt has worked to secure several grants in the last couple of years, working closely with the CEO.

This funding is a fantastic bonus and will help us reduce operating expenses and drive our organisation further.

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# Former school to be community house

COUNCILLORS HAVE acknowledged and thanked the efforts of the Meander community in working together to find a new operator for the former Meander Primary School.

The process has reached another milestone with Councillors accepting the Community Shortlisting Group's recommendation on a preferred option going forward with a proposal to establish a Meander House, based around and operated by the long running and successful Deloraine House.

Mayor Wayne Johnston said it was a welcome milestone in the process to find a tenant for the former school and Council was now in a position to progress through the next stage of negotiating a lease and arrangements to work with the community.

"It's great to be able to reach the stage where we can work

with a potential new operator to give the former school a new lease on life," Mayor Johnston said.

"Council wants to thank members of the Meander community for coming along to our consultation events and giving us feedback on what they would like to see happen at the former school site.

"We particularly want to recognise members of the Community Shortlisting Group who have given up their time to ensure we get a good outcome for the community from this process."

The Community Shortlisting Group has supported the proposal by Deloraine House Inc to establish a satellite house called Meander House which would deliver services and support to vulnerable individuals and families in the greater Meander community.

The proposal would also allow community members to

use part of the site for events and other activities.

"Councillors this week discussed the recommendation put forward by the Community Shortlisting Group and is satisfied the proposal by Deloraine House Inc meets the expectations of the community and also ticks all the boxes for Council," Mayor Johnston said.

"A key factor was the willingness of Deloraine House to work with the community and support use of parts of the site for community activities and events.

"We now need to draft up a lease agreement which clearly reflects these expectations so that any new proposal can operate in the Meander community effectively into the future."

The new lease will form the basis of a formal decision on the proposal which will come before Council in June.

# ANZAC Day gift for Deloraine RSLA

**Karl Gammler**

CONSTRUCTED IN early WW2 in Sydney, a Bathurst classed Corvette was named after Deloraine.

On January 20, 1942 off Darwin Harbour she was given instructions to follow a course to a suspected sighting of an enemy submarine.

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She immediately swung astern and narrowly avoided the attack by 10 feet.

Moments later a good echo contact was obtained and she retaliated by swiftly dropping a pattern of six depth charges.

Success was assumed when the submarine briefly broke the surface along with multiple huge air bubbles followed by large continuous slicks of oil.

Nevertheless the attack continued until Deloraine had expended all her charges and she was joined by two other ships before she went to re-load and return in the early morning.

She obtained a second contact and dropped a further



► Don Simpson giving Peter Roles the framed article.

series of charges.

Post war investigations showed that the first attack was successful and HMAS Deloraine.

Katoomba, Lithgow and Edsall were all officially credited with destroying the Japanese Submarine I-124 (a vessel of 1142 tons).

On June 28, 1977 a declaration was signed establishing the remains of the I-124 a historic shipwreck.

To commemorate the 80 year

anniversary of the declaration, a virtual reality video was made detailing the remains. The video can be found on YouTube at [www.youtube.com/watch?v=mHlySgpCEso](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mHlySgpCEso)

The full framed article, which was given to the club by Don Simpson, can be read in the bar.

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# Northern Correctional Facility Project Update

On 9 September 2021, the Tasmanian Government announced the closure of the Ashley Youth Detention Centre (AYDC) within the next three years. As many in the community have stated, the closure of AYDC presented the Government with an opportunity to consider the development of this important infrastructure project at this location. Preliminary investigations of the AYDC site undertaken by the Department of Justice indicated that the site appears to be well suited as a location for a modern, fit for purpose correctional facility in northern Tasmania, with a custodial facility already a permitted use within the current zoning of the site under the Tasmanian Planning Scheme for the Meander Valley.

The Tasmanian Government made a clear commitment to engage with the local Meander Valley community on the future use of the AYDC site before making any decision. The primary purpose of this consultation was to provide an opportunity for the Meander Valley and wider Tasmanian community to express their views on the potential use of the AYDC site for the Northern Correctional Facility (NCF), and to provide an overview of those views to the Government to help inform a decision on the future use of the site.

The Government, through the Department of Justice Project Team (the Project Team), worked hard to engage as many members of the Meander Valley community as possible during their consultation processes. This included a bulk mail out to over 6,000 delivery points through Australia Post, direct contact with near neighbours of the site (namely those owning property within a 2km radius from the site), nine print media advertisements in local newspapers, direct marketing from the Department of Justice with 140 emails forwarded to subscribers, and materials advertising the community consultation provided to local businesses and government offices.

The community consultation included shop front/drop-in sessions held at several locations over a five week period, which commenced in early February 2022 and included day, evening and weekend sessions to maximise the opportunity for members of the local community to attend a session to have their say. A total of **143** people attended these drop-in sessions across Deloraine, Westbury and Elizabeth Town. In addition to these face-to-face meetings, a total of **125** written submissions were received, and these included feedback forms provided at the drop-in sessions, e-submissions and postal submissions.

We thank all community members who provided valuable feedback and participated in the drop-in sessions over the course of this extensive consultation process. Overall, feedback provided at the drop-in sessions and through the written submissions reflect a diverse range of views. The consultation process has provided a comprehensive overview of community attitudes within the Meander Valley to the possible use of the AYDC site for the NCF. It is also clear that, for a proposal of this nature, there is an encouraging level of community support for the AYDC site with informative suggestions to be considered as the possible site for the NCF.

Following the feedback received from the Meander Valley community consultation process, and given what is currently understood about the AYDC site in terms of its potential suitability for the NCF, the Tasmanian Government has confirmed that the AYDC site is now the only site being considered for the NCF and they will halt the work being conducted at the Crown Land site at Birralee Road.

Therefore, the Project Team will now commence full project planning, including due diligence investigations. This will include extensive investigations into the service infrastructure needs at the AYDC site including access to water, sewage and telecommunications. It will also encompass the potential traffic impact of the NCF's operations and how these traffic impacts could be effectively managed. As part of the further site due diligence, the Project Team will continue to engage with local landholders and the local community.

A key part of the Government's Corrections and Rehabilitation infrastructure plan is a commitment to build a NCF. The NCF will be a modern correctional facility that will not only provide secure and safe accommodation and facilities for the offender population it houses and staff working there, but one with a strong focus on providing rehabilitation and reintegration opportunities for offenders.

For more information on the project, visit  
[www.justice.tas.gov.au/ncf](http://www.justice.tas.gov.au/ncf)



# Delicious winter warmer

Wendy Hays

WINTER IS certainly upon us. Woollen jumpers, padded jackets, beanies and gumboots have again become standard wear and homes have the clothes horse firmly positioned in front of the heater.

Many readers will have resurrected their soup pots and slow cookers.

Swedish Style Meatballs in Mushroom Sauce makes perfect winter fare.

Although I cook this recipe in an electric fry pan, I'm sure it would be equally successful cooked in your slow cooker.

The meatballs are rather fragile and tend to stick to the bottom of the pan when browning, so refrigerate them as long as possible before frying and turn them very carefully.

You can use any type of minced meat for this recipe and can use either fresh or dried breadcrumbs.

You will need slightly less cream if you use fresh breadcrumbs.

Serve over creamy mashed potato and sprinkle with freshly chopped dill if you have it growing in your garden.



## Swedish Style Meatballs in Mushroom Sauce

### Meatball Ingredients

- 3/4 C - 1 C breadcrumbs
- 500g pork and veal mince
- about 1/3 C cream to moisten
- a big pinch of nutmeg
- 1 onion - grated
- 1 egg - lightly beaten
- pepper and salt to taste
- 3 Tb. olive oil for frying

### Sauce Ingredients

- 2 Tb butter
- 400g of button mushrooms - sliced
- 1 onion - peeled and chopped
- 3 or 4 cloves of garlic - crushed
- 2 Tb flour
- 2 - 3 Tb Dijon mustard
- 1 ts turmeric
- 1 C - 2 C of water
- 1 large chicken stock cube
- Salt and pepper to taste
- Fresh chopped dill to serve (optional)

### Meatball Method

1. Mix all the meatball ingredients together. Roll into small balls and refrigerate as long as possible.
2. Brown the meatballs in hot olive oil.
3. Remove meatballs from the pan and set aside while you make the sauce.

### Sauce Method

1. In the same pan, melt the butter and add the onion, mushrooms and garlic. Cook until soft and lightly browned.
2. Stir in the flour, mustard, crumbled stock cube and turmeric.
3. Gently stir in about 1 C of water and bring to the boil. Season with salt and pepper to taste.
4. Place the meatballs back into the pan on top of the sauce and simmer very gently until meatballs are cooked through.
5. Add more water when necessary and stir very gently when needed.

Enjoy!

## At the movies with the Western Tiers Film Society

Clare Andersen

The debilitating and devastating disease of dementia is the focus in this moving June film.

The Father is as much about living with dementia and the afflicted as it is about caring for such people, and, in the process, seeing the slow whittling-away of their senses over time. It's about what it feels like to see - from outside, from within - an inexplicable rip in the fabric of one man's reality.

As we know, this is not just a topic that happens on the screen - it directly or indirectly affects 1 in 4 adult Australians. For those aged over 50, UTAS, through the Island Project, is conducting the largest dementia prevention study in the world. It looks at linking ageing and neurodegenerative disease.

To register interest or to participate, contact [islandproject.utas.edu.au](mailto:islandproject.utas.edu.au).



### THE FATHER

JUNE 11

2020 PG13, UK, 97m. Director Florian Zeller.

Londoner Anthony is 80, living defiantly alone and rejecting the carers that his daughter Anne introduces. Yet help is also becoming a necessity for Anne; she can't make daily visits anymore and Anthony's grip on reality is unravelling: he is a man that needs stability. The Father warmly embraces real life, through loving reflection upon the vibrant human condition; heart-breaking and uncompromisingly poignant -- a movie that nestles in the

truth of our own lives.

*Audience review: 'With Anthony Hopkins and Olivia Colman delivering some of the best work of their careers, The Father does a heartrending job of realistically depicting dementia.'*

*Top Critic 6/2021: 'A film about grief and what it means to grieve for someone who is still alive.'*

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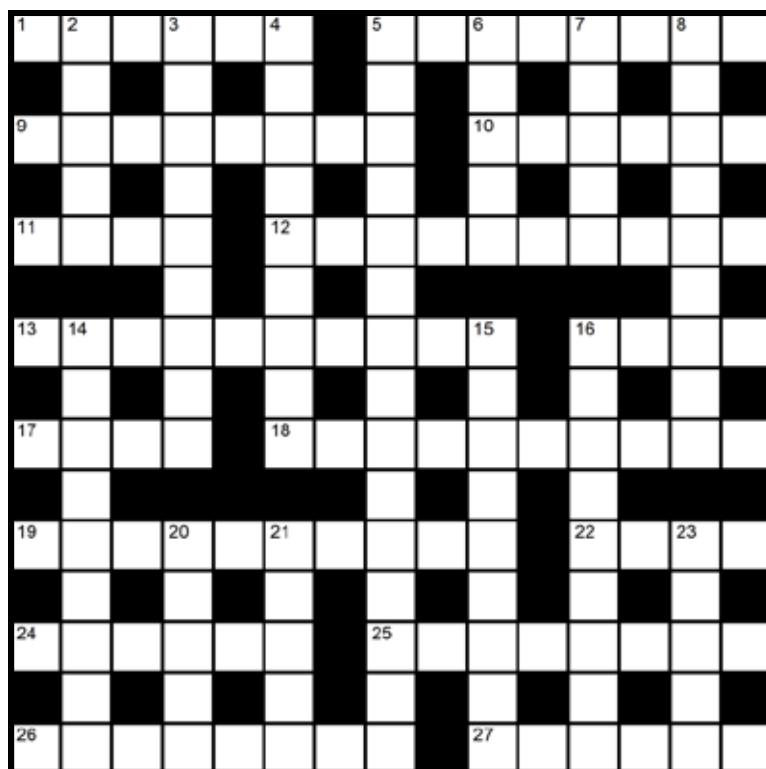
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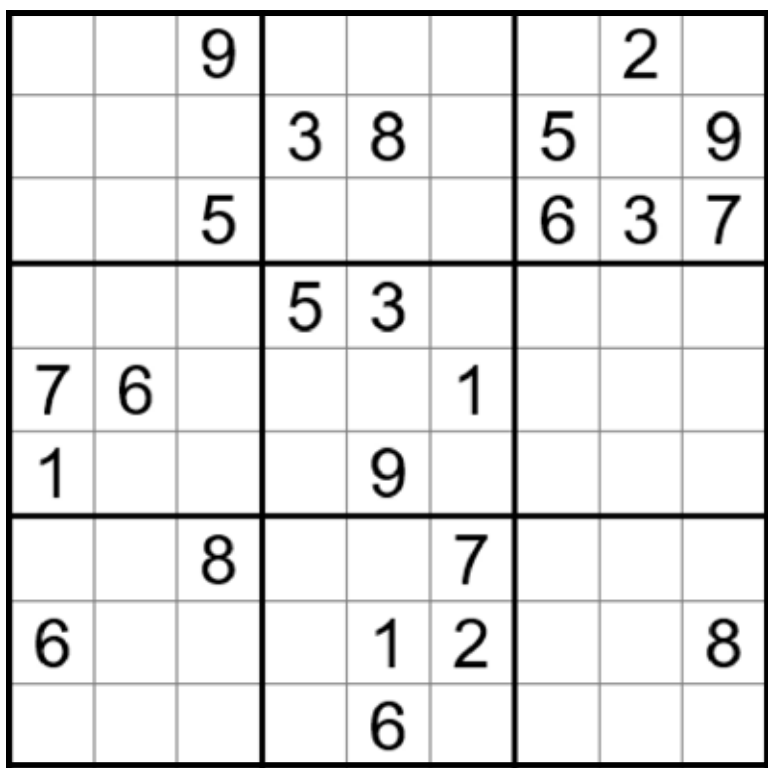
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## Crossword



- Across**
- 1 Computer threat (6)
  - 5 Queensland National Park (4,4)
  - 9 Coastal rodent in southern and eastern Australia (5,3)
  - 10 Court sport (6)
  - 11 "Yes" votes (4)
  - 12 Leaving home (6,4)
  - 13 Everything considered (10)
  - 16 Pigeon talk (4)
  - 17 Slip (4)
  - 18 Like some costume jewellery (4-6)
  - 19 Start of a piece of advice (2,1,4,3)
  - 22 Letters (4)
  - 24 Duplicated (6)
  - 25 Simon ---, leading cricketer and footballer (8)
  - 26 Student's reading (8)
  - 27 Try to make ends meet (6)
- Down**
- 2 Rough and disorderly (5)
  - 3 007 (5,4)
  - 4 German city noted for trials (9)
  - 5 Tall widespread herb, with large showy flowers (6,9)
  - 6 Boarded (3,2)
  - 7 Japanese assassin (5)
  - 8 Proceed independently (2,2,5)
  - 14 Large salt pan near the Flinders Ranges (4,5)
  - 15 Ecstatic (9)
  - 16 Underground worker (4,5)
  - 20 Narrowest part of the torso (5)
  - 21 Electromagnetic telecommunication (5)
  - 23 Five Pillars faith (5)


## Sudoku



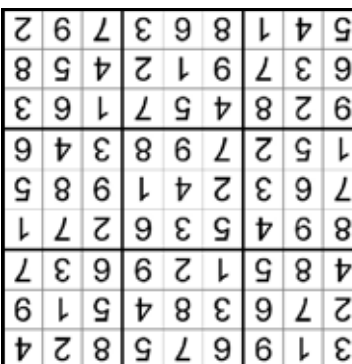
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**How to play** Each row must contain the numbers 1 to 9, each column must contain the numbers 1 to 9 and each set of 3 x 3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 to 9. Best of luck!

*Crossword June 2022 solution*



*Sudoku June 2022 solution*



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Mon, 11-11.30am	Story Time At Deloraine Library	Term 4, 11 October to 16 December. Deloraine Library, 2-4 Emu Bay Road, Deloraine. 6701 2180.
Mon, 1-1.30pm	Story Time At Westbury Library	Term 4, 11 October to 16 December. Westbury Library, 33 William Street, Westbury. 6701 2189.
Every Tues, 10am-12 noon	Hadspen Playgroup	School term. 47 Main Road, Hadspen. Contact Abby Johns 0417 264 378, hadspenplaygroup@gmail.com.
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Every Tues	Hidden Talents Craft Group	10am-12 noon. Deloraine Gospel Chapel, 46 Parsonage St, Deloraine. All welcome.
Every Wed 7-9pm	Trivia Night	Bolters, Prospect
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Fri 3, 7-9pm	Tessa Lee Live @ The General Store	Wandering Trout, Mole Creek
Sat 4, 9am-1pm	Deloraine Market	Deloraine Showgrounds
Sat 4, 10am-12 noon	Avocado Seed Carving Workshop	Visitor Centre, Deloraine
Sat 4, 1-3pm	Huon Pine Chopstick Making Workshop	Visitor Centre, Deloraine
Sat 4, 7.30-10.30pm	DFC Ball	Deloraine Football Club
Sun 5, 2-5pm	Raw Jam	Cycles @ the Empire Hotel, Deloraine
Fri 10, 7-9pm	Neil Gibson Live @ The General Store	Wandering Trout, Mole Creek
Sat 11, 12-3pm	Music on the Lawn	VDL Creamery, Elizabeth Town
Sat 11, 7.30pm	The Father	Little Theatre, 2 Meander Valley Rd, Deloraine
Fri 17, 7-9pm	Scott Mainwaring @ The General Store	Wandering Trout, Mole Creek
Sat 18, 9am-1pm	Mole Creek Market	Memorial Hall, Mole Creek
Sat 18, 9am-1pm	Westbury Market	Anglican Church, Westbury
Sat 18, 12-3pm	Bubbles & Brushes	Bush Inn Brewhouse, Deloraine
Fri 24, 7-9pm	Delilah McGill Live @ The General Store	Wandering Trout, Mole Creek
Sat 25, 12.30-3pm	Chris Cavill Mid-Winter Celebration	Marakoopa Cafe, Mole Creek
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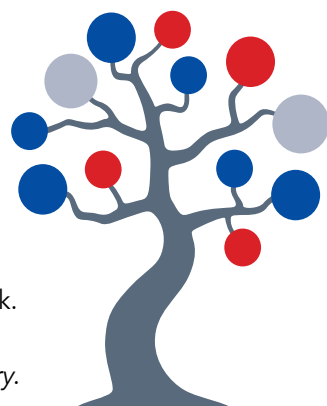
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# Local athlete competes in Boccia state titles

**Chris Gard**

DELORAINIE TABLE Tennis League member Rohan Eastley competed recently at the 2022 Paraquad Boccia State Titles in Hobart.

Boccia is one of the fastest growing Paralympic sports.

Rohan made the bronze medal game (BC3 category) against Heath Mollinaeux (Hobart).

The match was very exciting. Rohan and Heath tied over the 4 ends. In the tiebreak end, their closest bowls were both the same distance from the white 'jack' so it went to a second tiebreak end, which Heath won.

The gold medal went to Dana Devine (Launceston), and silver to Eliza King (Hobart).

In the BC1&2 category, the gold medal went to Jason Mayweather (Queensland), silver to Coreena Harrison (Canberra), and bronze to Nick Milner (Tasmania).

In the BC4 & 5 & EMU category, the gold medal went to Axil Pavey (NSW), silver to Mathew von Hoek (NSW), and bronze to Minna Blaney (Tasmania).

Rowan was delighted with his first competition, and now has his sights set on representing Australia at the next Paralympics.

"I am a University student at UTAS and I live in Deloraine. I also have Cerebral Palsy (CP). I hope to one day represent Australia at the Paralympics. I'm very happy with my performance and very much looking forward to my next competition," Rohan said.

Competition Boccia is for athletes who require a wheelchair because of their disability. But social Boccia can be played by anyone (as long as they are seated).

Rowan was delighted to discover that he could play Boccia in his home town, "I am so happy to have discovered

that Deloraine inclusion table tennis also includes Boccia."

Inclusion table tennis and Boccia is run by Deloraine Table Tennis League, in partnership with Delgunyah (the Den), and with generous support from the Deloraine Lions club and Westbury Health.

It is on every Tuesday from 3.15 to 5 pm, at the Meander Valley Performing Arts Centre ("the Little Theatre").

Inclusion table tennis and Boccia is for people of all ages and abilities, who enjoy playing together and having fun.

Deloraine Table Tennis League, with support from Westbury Health, recently obtained a State Government grant to purchase 8 new wheelchair-friendly table tennis tables, coaching equipment, table sides (made by the Deloraine Community Shed), and Boccia ramps and balls.



▶ Deloraine Table Tennis League members cheering on Rohan at the 2022 Boccia State Titles in Hobart. Clockwise from top: Adrian Buis, Rod Eastley, Nicholas Rivett, Rohan Eastley, and Molly Tillack Smith.

# Rodent poisons are doing more damage than you think

**Emily Rice,**  
*Landcare Tasmania Volunteer*

YOU'RE PROBABLY aware of the effectiveness of rodenticides (rodent poison) in keeping your home pest free-but are you aware that some of these poisons are absorbed by the predators who feed on rodents, causing disastrous effects in our ecosystems?

Second Generation Anticoagulant Rodenticides (SGARs/Gen 2) poisons have increased in popularity in recent years due to their ability to kill rodents in just one dose-which is great for us, but not so great for the environment and our ecosystem.

These hugely concentrated levels of poison easily work their way up the food chain when rodents are eaten by

predators such as eagles, hawks, owls, devils, quolls-and even domestic pets. In a 2021 study, it was found that a whopping 74% of eagles examined had some level of rodenticide in their systems.

As the colder months approach, rodents are looking for shelter- and you may find yourself with a few unwelcome rodent guests in your home. So, if rodenticides are causing harm to our ecosystem, what other options do you have for pest control?

As always, prevention is better than cure. Avoid leaving food scraps/pet food in accessible areas, keep your yard free of fruit fallen from trees, and ensure your home is secure with no entry points for mice or rats (if your little finger can fit, so can a mouse!).

Before you rush to buy poisons, you can also consider manual rat traps.

However, if you find yourself in a situation where poisons are necessary, opt for first generation poisons with the active ingredients warfarin or coumatetralyl. While first generation (Gen 1) poisons take multiple doses to kill rats, they have a lesser impact on the animals which prey on them.

If a poison contains dangerous chemicals such as bromadiolone, it is legally required to be labelled 'POISON'. If its ingredients are less toxic, it will be labelled 'CAUTION'. This distinction is very important, and will help you identify which products are best to use. While no poison is always the best option, if it is needed, opt for those with a

'caution' label.

The warning label can be found at the top of the packaging.

So remember:

- Opt for prevention and manual traps for the least environmental damage
- If necessary to buy poisons, look for those with active ingredients like warfarin and coumatetralyl, or those which contain sodium chloride.
- Always avoid poisons labelled 'one dose action' or 'one kill'. These are second generation poisons which have long lasting effects in the ecosystem.
- The most toxic rodenticides will be labelled 'POISON.' Avoid these products. CAUTION is better than POISON



▶ Masked Owls are particularly susceptible. Photo by Phil Milner.

- ALWAYS avoid rodenticides with active ingredients that start with "bro" – Bro's are a no go.

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