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TAGGERTY'S COMMUNITY PROJECTS TAKING SHAPE

Travellers through Taggerty will have noticed a steady stream of activity taking place throughout the area as works progress on a number of community projects.

The beginning of a new walking path is now visible along the Eastern side of Maroondah Highway leading to Little River Reserve, just one of the locations undergoing extensive refurbishment works.

"Little River Reserve is being upgraded for the use of the Taggerty Community and visitors with extensive landscaping and existing furniture being replaced with new seating and tables, along with some quiet 'reflection areas' located along the rivers", said Cathedral Ward Councillor Christine Challen.

"The first stage of the landscaping works is underway in the reserve and work will soon commence at other public areas in Taggerty.

"The other areas are those adjacent to the Taggerty Hall and to the West of the Maroondah Highway which is bordered by the Acheron River. These areas will also be landscaped and incorporate natural elements, children's play area, seating and picnic tables.

"The works have been contracted to local company Fineblade which was the successful applicant in Council's Tender process. It's pleasing to have a local company helping to deliver these projects for the local community", said Cr Challen.

"The trail will include some interpretive signage to provide

insight into Taggerty's history", said Cr Challen.

Other projects to commence soon are the installation of a suspension bridge over Little River and completion of the walking path to provide a loop incorporating Wylie St, heading West and taking pedestrians past the Taggerty General Store.

"Some tree maintenance is required as part of the projects, including the removal of dead limbs and a small number of dead trees due to safety concerns. The appropriate advice in relation to tree and limb removal has been sought from a qualified arborist", said Cr Challen.

All efforts are being made to keep the spaces open to the public as much as possible for the duration of the works, with all areas remaining open on weekends. Access will be

restricted whenever construction machinery is in operation.

"We ask the community and our visitors to be patient during the construction period. These projects will offer many benefits to the Taggerty Community and will be a real asset to the town when completed," said Cr Challen.

Funding for these projects has come from the Victorian Bushfire Appeal Fund (VBAF).

"So many generous people donated following the bushfires that devastated our region and we hope that many of them will also get to enjoy these spaces that they helped make possible", said Cr Challen.

To find out more about Taggerty Community Projects please contact Murrindindi Shire Council's Capital Works Coordinator, Paul Valente on 5772 0706.



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- Sunday 16 - Triangle Junior Fire Brigade Activities 9am @ Buxton*
- Monday 17 - Saddle Tramps AGM 7.30pm @ Narbethong Hall*
- Tuesday 18 - Buxton Historical Group Meeting 7.30pm @ Buxton Hall*
- Murrindindi Inc AGM 6pm @ Mount Pleasant Hotel—Alexandra
- Thursday 20 - Narbethong Fire Brigade General Meeting 8pm @ Narbethong*
- Saturday 22 - Marysville Open Gardens*
- Tuesday 25 - Buxton Recreation Reserve Meeting 6.30pm @ Buxton Hall*
- Gallipoli Park Precinct Committee Meeting 5.30pm @ the upstairs function room of the community centre
- Wednesday 26 -Triangle Junior Fire Brigade Activities 7pm @ Buxton*
- December 1 - Marysville District Kinder AGM 7pm @ the centre staffroom*
- December 6 - Maroondah Highway closed from 11am—2.30 pm from Andersons Lane to Juliet Crescent*



Gallipoli Park Precinct

Committee of Management

The next general meeting will be held on the 4th Tuesday of this month. The meetings are held at 5.30pm in the upstairs function room of the Community Centre. The next meeting will be November 25

Members of the Community are invited to attend.

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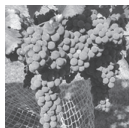
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Councillors and staff at Murrindindi Shire Council have welcomed Elaine Wyatt to the organisation to fill the vacant role of General Manager Infrastructure and Development Services. Chief Executive Officer Margaret Abbey said that she was looking forward to having Elaine as a member of the Executive Management Team.

“Elaine brings with her many years of experience in local and state government, both in Victoria and the UK. Elaine has sound knowledge and understanding of asset management and capital works programs, so will be a key driver in establishing the priorities in our program delivery come budget time”, said Margaret. Elaine and her husband relocated to Australia from the UK seven years ago and became Australian citizens last year. Elaine said that they are looking to move permanently to the area.

“I love it here in Murrindindi Shire and feel fortunate to have been given this opportunity. I am passionate about local government work and am delighted to be getting to know and serving the community of Murrindindi Shire.

“My technical background is in traffic and transport and in my previous roles I have provided expert consultancy and advice in the areas of pavements, road construction materials, geotechnical, civil and traffic engineering, transport planning and road, bridge and landscape and urban design. I hold a Bachelor’s degree in Traffic Management and a Masters in Transport Engineering and Planning and also recently completed a Masters of Business Administration at Deakin University.

“I am looking forward to relocating to Murrindindi Shire for the lifestyle opportunities it brings. I am a keen golfer and recreational cyclist and my husband is a fan of the ski slopes, so this area has everything we need”, said Elaine.

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The Bunker Restaurant team are enjoying participating in the Thursday nine hole competition and regularly appear on the winners list. Last week it was apprentice chef Kris Carlton who joined in with a stableford game on the back nine holes. Kris won the competition with 23 points and Brian Worcester was the runner up with 21 points. Rob Richards won the nearest the pin on the 18th hole.

On Saturday in hot sunny conditions players were reminded to be vigilant when a large snake was seen curled up near the 17th green. Those who had qualified for the Barton Cup final played a stroke round and the winner was Willy Williams (21) with nett 68. The runner up was David Stephen (17) with nett 72. The daily winner was Steve Coker (23) with nett 68 on a count back from Sean Williams and Willy Williams.

The ladies also played a stroke round and the winner was the in form Helen Howard (21) with nett 72 and Sabrina Stow (24) was the runner up with nett 76. The nearest the pins were won by Nick Williamson, Alan Howard, David Stephen and Ray Jones who also won the golden shot. Alan Howard with 26 putts won the putting competition. Congratulations to all the weekly winners.

The three day annual Marysville tournament commences on Friday with an 18 hole veterans event. On Saturday the competition is a 4BBB stableford competition followed on Sunday by a Men's 18 and 27 hole event. All local and visiting golfers are welcome to join members in any of these competitions. For information about the tournament, membership and bookings for the Bunker Restaurant contact the club on 5963 3241

Good Golfing
Lesley Rundle.

New Beginnings.....Church

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Date:- Sunday 16th Nov at 5 p.m.

Place:- 88 Falls Road, Marysville

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Potter.- Mairilyne (Lindsay) of Marysville, born July 31, 1948, passed away surrounded by loved ones on November 5, 2014. Dear-ly beloved wife of Stewart. Loving mother of Lynne and James and wife Alison. Much loved by all her family and friends. No longer in our lives to share, but in our hearts you'll always be there."

Potter.- A Service Celebrating the Life of Mrs Mairilyne Potter will be held in the Marysville Community Centre 40 Falls Rd, Marysville on Saturday November 15, 2014 at 11.00 am.

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Please note the Church Service on 23rd November will be at Christ Church at 10.30a.m (not Buxton)

Celebrating "Feast of Christ the King" Graeme Brown's Ordination Service will take place at the Cathedral at Wangaratta on Saturday 29th November commencing at 12.00noon. All welcome. Car-pooling to be arranged. On Sunday 30th November Graeme Brown will take his first service, no service here, all invited to St Johns for 10.30am service



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It is usually true, at least these days, that both good news and bad news often involve money. Money makes the world go around, they say, and there is certainly little we seem to achieve without it. But the test is to see how much we can do with as little as possible and for our communities this is where grants offered primarily by state and federal governments and other organisations provide welcome relief.

One of the ways in which Council stretches its resources is to allocate relatively small amounts of money in the budget for identified projects and then to use that money to leverage additional funds in order to achieve its and the community's goals for a particular area.

Now this sometimes begs the question 'why would Council be looking for extra funds to do extra works when all we hear is how short of money we are?' That is a very good question – and the reason is that Council has an inherent responsibility to do what it can to support its communities both now and into the future. All our communities deserve that support and the fact that there is a current imbalance in new and updated assets across our shire does not mean that we should not do our best to find ways to maintain and enhance those areas with much older infrastructure and streetscapes.

So we work with our communities to identify projects which might be eligible for external support, develop a business case and a plan for what is needed, and take the next appropriate opportunity to submit an application for funding, using a proportion of our own funds as a contribution. By this method we can work to maintain and enhance local facilities and amenities and keep the place attractive and functional for those who live there. But more than that, by investing in our own localities we make them attractive and functional for others to visit, to stay and potentially to consider living here too. This then provides economic benefit to the direct community and also to the wider shire because, as we well know, the best advertisements we can have are those from word of mouth. People who have visited us and had a great experience – whether it is the look and atmosphere of a community, whether it is the local cuisine, or maybe the welcome they received from the locals – usually tell their friends and relatives about it. So a small investment on our part results in wide ranging social and economic benefits not only for the current residents but for future populations as well.

So the news this week of two such successful grants has brought smiles to our communities in Yarck and Yea. In Yarck, following much community collaboration, consultation and planning, their streetscape will be more attractive and functional and will encourage many of the visitors who pass through to extend their stopovers to experience more of the area.

The upgrade to the Yea Railway Station, a heritage project, will enable the refurbishment of the railway station in a way which meets heritage requirements. Visitors and locals alike will thus be able to appreciate and enjoy this part of our history for many years to come.





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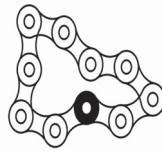
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Pictured above from left: Peter, Leah, Juanita Spinelli (Team Leader) and Jane are volunteers from Franklyn Scholar. The students are completing Certificate 111 Conservation Land Management, Marilyn Connor representing The Friends of the Marysville Walks Inc., MLA for Seymour Ms. Cindy McLeish, Minister for Environment and Climate Change Mr. Ryan Smith, Lynne Stone President, FOMWI and Ray Connor Secretary/Treasurer FOMWI.



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The AGM held at Elevation 423 on November 6th was attended by
around 18 members. There were enough nominations for commit-
tee that an election to extend the current committee to 10 members
was successfully undertaken.

The MDFNC committee now consists of-
President- Greg Elder

Vice President- Leigh Jowett

Secretary- William Metcalfe

Treasurer- Neville Goulding

AND

Jeanette Tyrrell

Matt Dean

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Richard Rogerson

Graeme Pullen

Leigh Fisher

Thank you once again to Greg McEwan at Elevation 423 for once
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Fire Action Week will run from 16 – 23 November and Mayor Margaret Rae is urging all Murrindindi Shire residents to use the time to plan and prepare for the upcoming fire season.

“Fire Action Week is Victoria’s annual fire planning and preparation period and is a great time to increase your understanding of the fire risk where you live, prepare your property, and decide what you will do if a fire starts. “We are already seeing forecasts showing that parts of Victoria are at an above average risk of bush and grass fire. More than four thousand fires burnt 460,000 hectares of land in Victoria last summer. This season we want everyone to plan ahead and be prepared.

“Involve your family in the discussion so that everyone knows the plan of what to do on hot, dry, windy days. If you live near bush and the Fire Danger Rating is Code Red, Extreme or Severe then leaving early is the safest option,” said Cr Rae.

During Fire Action Week, CFA brigades around the state are opening their doors and getting out and about in their community to talk about getting ready for summer. You can check www.cfa.vic.gov.au/events for events taking place in our region.

“There are some great resources on the CFA website which can assist residents to plan and prepare for a bushfire event”, said Cr Rae. For information on how to stay safe this summer, visit emergency.vic.gov.au or ring the Victorian Bushfire Information Line on 1800 240 667.

Image: Cr Rae looks over just some of the fire ready resources available from the CFA website.



Interruption to Mobile Library service

Murrindindi Shire Council’s mobile library bus will undergo refurbishment works from Wednesday 12 November to Thursday 4 December. During this time a temporary service will operate using a regular sized vehicle, therefore book and DVD stock will be limited. There will also be no internet service available.

Times and locations will remain the same however there will be no service in Strath Creek on Thursday 13 November.

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NEW MARYSVILLE WATER TREATMENT PLANT WORKS PROGRESSING SMOOTHLY

Work on the new Water Treatment Plant in Marysville is progressing smoothly and Goulburn Valley Water expect it to be completed in early 2015.

The new \$4.78 million membrane filtration system will include an additional upstream screen which will remove plant fragments from the water before it enters the micro-filters. Pipes downstream of the plant will be cleaned (pigged) to remove existing tobacco weed once the new plant is nearing completion. The chlorination point will then be moved closer to the filters which will restrict plant growth downstream of that point.

Tobacco weed lives on internal pipe walls and breaks off when there are sudden increases in water flow through the pipe, such as bursts or use of fire hydrants. Recently in Marysville the filling of the fire tank from GVW's reticulated system triggered such an event. Tobacco weed is extremely hardy and will survive even with extensive damage.

Goulburn Valley Water is aware that this plant is impacting local residents and businesses and would like to apologise to those who have been affected by its presence. Although not harmful to human health, the presence of tobacco weed can cause taste and odour issues. It also blocks pipes, meters and hot water services, impacting on water pressure and quality.

The new Water Treatment Plant will include a clear water storage tank which will store and supply treated drinking water for the town.

Whilst the plant is being built, GVW will continue to trial methods of reducing the amount of weed entering the Marysville water supply system.

If you notice tobacco weed in your water supply or blocking pipes or meters, please call 1800 454 500 to request assistance. Goulburn Valley Water will attend to all requests promptly.

For further information on the new treatment plant please contact Goulburn Valley Water's Communications Officer, Alice Russell, on 03 5832 4871

