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GALLIPOLI

The name Gallipoli is once again resounding around the world, in the press, on television and at the cinema. Commemorations and re-enactments are being held and many are travelling to distant shores to visit the sites which saw the original horrors of one hundred years ago. Here in Marysville we too have a very tangible link with Gallipoli. Two members of the district were killed there. Private Leonard Lawlor 2144 a Buxton farmer was killed in action April 25th 1915 and Corporal Reginald Woods 2479, the Marysville school teacher was killed in action November 28th 1915. Many years ago I received a call from the chairman of the Turkish Association here in Victoria. He was extremely interested in how it came about that we had a park named Gallipoli Park. On hearing the story the members of the Turkish Association agreed that they would come to Marysville each year for a gathering and this they have continued to do ever since. Have you ever wondered how we have Gallipoli Park here in Marysville? We know the park as a place of rest and recreation-a site for picnics, car rallies, bike rallies, football, cricket, skateboarding, fishing, walking the dog, community gatherings and simply chilling out. Six years ago it became a haven and gathering spot for many bushfire survivors making it an even more special place.

The story goes back to one of the many tragedies of Gallipoli – “The battle of the Nek” in August 1915. A young soldier who had been trained as a mounted trooper was amongst those who had to leave horses behind and become foot soldiers walking to certain death. His wife at home was expecting their first child, whom he did not live to see. His name was Lieutenant Colonel Alexander Henry White of the 8th Australian Light Horse Regiment. As Commanding Officer of the 3rd Light Horse he was killed in action on August 7th aged 33.

Alexander was the much loved brother of Joe White who owned a Marysville holiday home. Joe and his wife owned “Ahwahnee” on the hill in Kerami Crescent. His fortune was quite significant as he owned “Joe White Malsters” which supplied Malt and Hops to Carlton United Brewery (need I say more) Ahwahnee in later years became known as “Kerami Bed & Breakfast” – a much loved tourist house restored by Jan and Denis Wills.

Joe and his family were devastated by the loss and as he owned much of the land on both sides of the Steavenson River he decided to offer a significant area to the town as a permanent memorial to his brother and he chose the name Gallipoli Park. Local men rallied as volunteers and did most of the clearing and levelling, often turning up after putting in a full days work farming or timber felling. The oval in future years was used for football and cricket.

In later years the lake was dug out of the swampy area behind the school by Lloyd Gould’s worker Wally Wadsworth, operating a bulldozer. It was known for a number of years as Darmody’s pond after local hotel owner Jim Darmody. The story was told of how Lloyd called the Healesville Shire inspector to come and see the digging of the pond and having received the nod for it, promptly doubled it in size and depth after the inspector’s departure. (In those times Marysville was part of the Healesville Shire.)

The small island on the lake was Joy Gould’s special place and has a “waterfall” feature. Joy had a special love of waterfalls and cascades. Many years later a tall water spout was developed as a memorial to their daughter Wendy Murphy whose death was sudden and unexpected. This was turned off in recent years but is hoped to resume functioning again.

Gallipoli Park became known as the

home of the “Wirreanda” Festival which was held every Melbourne Cup weekend for 27 years. In the 1970’s the swampy, blackberry laden area around the oval was cleared and Gallipoli Park has been developed into a most beautiful parkland. In 2008 the oval was officially named “Trevor Harrow Oval” after the much loved Marysville identity that passed away in 2004.

Since the 2009 bushfire the area has been redeveloped and with a massive building “The Community Centre” and it would be easy to forget Gallipoli Park’s beginnings, but it’s basis goes back to those early times which must be remembered when loving brother Joe created a memorial to Alex White. LOVE NEVER DIES.

For those who “enjoy a good read” John Hamilton’s book “Goodbye Cobber – God Bless You” tells more of Alexander White’s story. A visit to our local History Centre will also help to give a deeper appreciation of this story and the stories of other locals who served in World War One. LEST WE FORGET.—

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- Living Well in the Ranges Kinglake
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April 19

- Table Tennis at 6.30pm Buxton Hall

April 21

- Table Tennis at 6.30pm Buxton Hall

April 23

- Mercy Ships Fundraiser 12.30pm at
Marysville Community Church Building

April 25

- ANZAC Day Service 10.45am for 11am
start Corner of Murchison and Lyell Street,
Marysville. Service at the cenotaph at 11am
- Gallipoli Park Precinct Committee of
Management meeting 5.30pm in the up
stairs function room of the Community
Centre

April 28

- Taliska 8pm at El Kanah

May 1

- Intrepid Bushwalkers 9.15am at
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- Ralph Wait Memorial Ride at Marysville
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May 2



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Gallipoli Park Precinct

The Gallipoli Park Precinct Committee of
Management (GPPCM) meets once a month usually on the 4th Tues-
day at 5.30pm in the Marysville Community Centre Tree Fern
Room.

The next meeting will be on the 28th April 2015 at 5.30pm.

The Community is always welcome to attend to find out what is
happening within the Precinct including the Community Centre.

Please view our website: www.marysvillecommunitycentre.com.au
to make an enquiry or to book the facility.

Mayor's Chair Cr Margaret Rae

This week sees the culmination of months of intensive work by Councillors and Council officers as Council's key draft documents – the Council Plan, the Strategic Resource Plan and the Annual Budget – are released on exhibition for review and comment by the community.

Many of you will be aware of the work that started last July, immediately after the adoption of the current budget, and of the consultation process that was conducted to discuss, consider and receive feedback on the options Council had before it. I have talked about this feedback in a recent column and how this has informed the strategy Council has now adopted in order to develop a framework for the longer term. This approach was adopted as the Council's Cost and Asset Review Project at the March 2015 Council meeting and it is worth repeating the key elements once again. They are:

- The introduction of new differential rating categories.

- The reduction of financial support for a range of assets by transferring support for those assets for which we have no responsibility to their own responsible body, and by the sale of appropriate assets.

- Engaging with community groups and committees to transfer responsibility for managing and maintaining community assets in order to provide the community with a greater say in how these assets are managed into the future.

- The development of a policy in respect of asset renewal which identifies the extent to which renewal for identified assets is assessed as appropriate for individual communities. Reducing commitment to funding renewal at an appropriate level rather than the 100% currently projected in our asset management plans will assist markedly in reducing financial pressure across the board

You will find these messages reflected consistently throughout the documents now on public exhibition. And, more importantly, you will also see how this approach informs, shapes and enables our long term aim to balance the budget whilst, at the same time, gradually reducing the projected annual rate increase. Annual increases are, to a certain extent, inevitable – we could wish it were otherwise but all commodities and materials increase in price each year, and they have to be paid for. The general rate increase for our shire over recent years has been held to 6% and the 2015-2016 year is no different. However, from then on, there is a planned reduction over the long term to bring this down to 4%. It is worth highlighting the fact that, although the general rate increase has been 6% for some years, this has not all been expended on annual operational costs. Each year one third of that amount has been transferred into the Infrastructure Renewal Reserve to assist in making provision for the renewal costs that are projected to occur. Whilst this renewal demand unavoidably happens in peaks and troughs, we need to put funds aside regularly in order to meet the sort of demand we know is on the horizon. So we have effectively been conducting our business with a 4% increase.

It is intended to continue this approach, with one third of each year's increase being committed to the Infrastructure Reserve, and two thirds being available for annual expenditure. This means that all parts of Council's business will have to manage on a steadily reducing amount. This is why we are committed to continuous improvement in our internal operations as well as working with stakeholders, Government departments and our community to find ways of achieving our goals.

I encourage you to read and carefully consider the documents now on exhibition. They are available on our website and also from Council offices. Comments and submissions are welcomed and these should be received by Council by 14 May 2015.



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Draft Budget 2015-2016 and Council Plan Review

At its Special Meeting on Wednesday 8 April 2015 the Murrindindi Shire Council resolved that the draft 2015-2016 Budget and Council Plan 2013-2017 Review incorporating the Strategic Resource Plan, be prepared by Council in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1989* and put on public display for consideration of submissions before adoption in its final form.

The draft Budget relates to the financial year commencing 1 July 2015 and ending 30 June 2016.

Copies of the documents are available for inspection from Tuesday 14 April 2015 at the Alexandra, Yea and Kinglake Municipal Offices, located at:

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Kinglake Office, 19 Kinglake-Whittlesea Road, Kinglake
Eildon Resource Centre, Main Street, Eildon
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Electronic copies are also available on Council's website at

www.murrindindi.vic.gov.au

Submission process

Any person may make a written submission on any proposal contained in the draft Budget 2015-2016 and/or Council Plan Review pursuant to Section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989*. Written submissions must be received by 5pm on Thursday 14 May 2015. Submissions can be sent via email to

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Manager Business Services, Murrindindi Shire Council, PO Box 138, Alexandra, VIC, 3714

Council will meet at 6pm on Wednesday 20 May 2015 at the Alexandra Council Chambers to consider any written submissions or verbal submission in support of a written submission.

Following consideration of submissions Council will then meet for the adoption of the Budget and Council Plan at the Ordinary Meeting of Council scheduled for 6pm on Wednesday 27 May 2015 in the Taggerty Community Hall, 5 Taggerty-Thornton Road, Taggerty.



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Marysville Golf Report

Marysville Golf Course and environs are looking beautiful with all the deciduous trees at their autumn best. Walking along the main street of Marysville pedestrians have to avoid the acorns falling from the trees and playing on the golf course golfers have to avoid apples, chestnuts and fungi lying on the ground.

The Thursday nine holers played stroke on the back nine holes and watching them tee off at the 10th tee gave the diners on The Bunker verandah some free entertainment. The winner was Bunker chef Brodie Arnott with nett. 33 and he also won the putting with 14 putts. Heather Jenkins was the runner up with nett 36 and Rob Richards won the nearest the pin on the 18th hole.

In glorious conditions last Saturday the men played a stableford round. The winner with a very creditable 44 points was Nick Williamson (8) and he also won the nearest the pin on the 9th hole. The runner up was Joe Tricarico (20) with 38 points. The ladies played the third round of the Club Championship and the daily winner was Helen Williams (34) with nett 69. Gail Leigh (9) was runner up with nett 74 on a two way countback from Heather Jenkins and Beverley Bellman. The other nearest the pins were won by Gail Leigh, Brendan Krueger and Robert Coleman who also won the golden shot. Congratulations to all our weekly winners. Mildred Lyon from Drouin was welcomed to the competition and it was good to see club President Ken Whittingham back at the club looking so well after cardiac surgery.

Last Sunday the men played the second round of their pennant competition playing the home team at Euroa and the ladies on Monday played their first round at Alexandra also against the home team. Results were not available at the time of writing.

On Thursday 16th April the ladies will welcome ladies from the Dalhousie and other neighbouring districts to the annual Sandy Wilson Memorial Bowl.

Next Saturday the men will play stableford for the second round of the Barton Cup and the ladies will play stroke for the fourth round of the Club Championship and the second round of the Barton Shield.

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Amnesty burn period to follow end of fire restrictions

The CFA has announced that the declared fire danger period will end at 1am on Monday 13 April 2015. From this time, residents in farming areas can burn-off vegetation material without needing to obtain a permit.

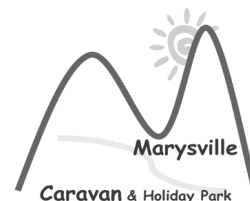
For residents in township zones and built up areas, a fire amnesty period allowing the burning of vegetation material will be held from Friday 1 May through until Monday 18 May 2015.

Fires must be no larger than one meter in diameter or one meter in height and residents need to ensure that smoke does not cause a nuisance to neighbouring properties.

For those who do not wish to burn off, Council is offering **free disposal** of vegetation material at all Resource Recovery Centres from 1 May through until 18 May 2015. Information on materials that will be accepted for free is available from Council's website at

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ANZAC Day Services 2015

The following services will be held throughout the Shire of Murrindindi to commemorate ANZAC Day.

Kellock Lodge: Friday 24 April 2015, special service for residents, 11am.

The following services will take place on Saturday 25 April 2015:

Alexandra: 6am, dawn service at Leckie Park Memorial.

10.45am, assemble for march at corner of Grant & Downey Streets.

11am, service at Leckie Park Memorial.

Eildon: Assemble at 10.50am for 11am service at Cenotaph.

Glenburn: 5.30am assemble for dawn service at Glenburn Community Centre (the old school on Melba Highway).

Kinglake: 5.30am dawn service at St Peter's Community WW1 Memorial Church, Kinglake, followed by a gunfire breakfast. 10.30am service at the Lions Club ANZAC Memorial, Kinglake Community Centre, Exton Road.

Flowerdale: 10.45am assembly for 11am service at Flowerdale Community Hall, Yea/Whittlesea Rd, Flowerdale. Refreshments to follow.

Marysville: 10.45am assemble for march on corner of Murchison & Lyell Streets. 11am service at the Cenotaph followed by refreshments at Marysville Men's Shed.

Strath Creek: 8.45am service at Strath Creek Pioneer Reserve Memorial.

Thornton: 6am assemble for dawn service at Thornton Memorial Hall.

Yarck: 10am wreath laying service at War Memorial.

Yea: 10am service at the Yea Memorial Hospital.

11am assemble for march at RSL Hall.
12noon service at Cenotaph, refreshments will follow at the RSL Hall.



BUXTON PROGRESS "AUTUMN POT LUCK DINNER"

The Buxton Progress Association inc. held a "Pot Luck Dinner" last Saturday Evening to enjoy some socialising and to show off the new improvements to the Hall.

Buxton Progress Members excelled themselves by decorating the Hall and cooking some really tasty dishes. The menu consisted of Chicken, Beef and Lentil casseroles followed by Apple Crumble, Apple Pie, Cream Puffs, Profiteroles and a Strawberry Jelly Slice. It proved to be a most enjoyable night for all those in attendance.

There were many comments to how the acoustics of the hall have been greatly improved by the installation of acoustic batts and curtaining which we were able to purchase through a grant from the Marysville and Triangle Community Foundation. We thank the M.T.C.F. for funding the improvements and "the cooks" for their very tasty contributions, also thanks to the those community members who came along and helped to make the night so enjoyable and successful.

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Helen felt moved to crochet 100 poppies via 'Creative Triangle' as there was a request for 5000 that would be displayed in Federation Square Melbourne, however Helen decided to donate her 100 locally.

Helen approached the local RSL to offer her poppies, to see if they could be used somehow.

The Marysville RSL asked Helen if she would like her 100 poppies to be used as a fund raiser, to which she enthusiastically agreed.

All money raised will go to programs that support and assist returned service personnel from all conflicts, who are suffering physical or psychological injury.

Sponsorship of a Poppy will be \$10 each, and we aim to have all 100 poppies sponsored.

Helen's 100 poppies will be on display near the Cenotaph during the ANZAC day ceremony, and then they will be in Marysville Central. After remembrance day 2015, each sponsor have the option to keep their poppy.

If you would like to sponsor a poppy, donate your \$10 and add your name to the lists at the following locations – the Buxton Hotel, Foodworks Marysville and the Marysville police station.

Poppy sponsorship will also be available on ANZAC day, at the Men's Shed after the service.

Thanks to Helen donating her wool, time and energy.

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Success for Murrindindi Shire's inaugural Harmony Day event

A cold wind and grey clouds overhead did not deter crowds who gathered in Alexandra's Rotary Park to celebrate 'Harmony Day' on Thursday 26 March.

The event, hosted by Murrindindi Shire Council, attracted over 100 people and provided an opportunity to celebrate and embrace cultural diversity and share the stories and experiences that make up our connected communities.

Murrindindi Shire Mayor Margaret Rae opened the event and a 'Welcome to Country' was performed by Uncle Roy Patterson.

"It was wonderful to have so many members of the community attend this event. We had local school children, members of Dame Pattie Menzies Centre, families and friends come out and enjoy the festivities that included boomerang painting, story time, cultural displays and face painting. Council's mobile library also made an appearance!

"The African drumming workshop conducted by band African Soul was certainly a highlight of the day. The crowd joined in enthusiastically with the singing and dancing and was delighted by African Soul's acrobatic feats", said Cr Rae.

Harmony Day coincided with the United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. Health and support services including Alexandra District Health, Koolin Balit, Mungabareena, Berry Street, Primary Care Connect, Nexus Primary Health and the Department of Health and Human Services partnered in the event and provided information and giveaways allowing people to build their own show bags.

Council and the other agencies involved in Harmony Day hope to build on the success of the event, including in other townships next year.



Fire amnesty to end Fire Danger Period

The CFA Fire Danger Period will end across Murrindindi Shire on Monday 13 April 2015 which will allow rural land owners to burn off without needing to obtain a permit.

Council will also put in place a fire amnesty to allow people in townships to undertake necessary cleaning up of their properties. The amnesty period will start on Friday 1 May and continue through until Monday 18 May 2015. After that time people will need a permit to burn in residential areas.

Mayor Margaret Rae said while the amnesty allows residents to carry out open air burns, there are important regulations that should be followed.

"Only vegetation material can be burnt and fires should be no bigger than one metre diameter by one metre high. Fires should be supervised by an adult at all times and we also emphasise the importance of having a means available at all times to extinguish the fire should it become necessary.

"Out of common courtesy, you should let your neighbours know of your burn plans and ensure that your fire does not cause a smoke disturbance.

"Nuisance fires can be caused by too much smoke or the illegal burning of materials such as tyres. If these fires are reported our Local laws officers will attend and penalty notices may be issued", said Cr Rae.

For those who do not wish to burn their vegetation material, Council is providing free green waste disposal at all Resource Recovery Centres during the amnesty period from 1 May through until 18 May 2015.

Materials that will be accepted free of charge include grass clippings, leaves, garden prunings, branches and tree trunks no bigger than 300mm in diameter and 1.5 metres long. Materials not accepted free of charge include construction timber, large branches and tree trunks over 300mm in diameter or over 1.5 metres long.

People who want to use the free service will need to prove eligibility by presenting a copy of their current rates notice (or other appropriate verification of the property you own or reside at) to site attendants.

For further information regarding the fire amnesty contact your local Fire Brigade or Council's Fire Prevention Officer Andrew Daly on 5772 0333 or mobile 0408 576 712.





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