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## Visual History Map unveiled in San Remo



Visual Artist and Illustrator, Gaston Vanzet with San Remo's business and tourism group member, Bronwyn Pratt at the unveiling of the map.



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## Bass Valley Community Centre

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## Home & Community Care group heads offshore

In April, our Home and Community Care program (HACC), affectionately known as the Bass Valley Friendship Group, went on two sea-going trips. The first was a visit to French Island via the ferry, locally known as the barge. This was a great day out with perfect weather conditions. We drove our bus on the barge and left Corinella at 9am, arriving at French Island 20 minutes later. Once at French Island, we drove to the old chicory farm owned by Lois Ains who is a lifelong resident and tour guide at French Island. Awaiting us was a delicious Devonshire Tea, during which time Lois gave a talk on the history of French Island and the chicory farm. We then went sightseeing around the island, stopping off at the French Island General Store for lunch. After lunch we were back on the road and it was not long before we came across some rangers catching koalas high up in a tree. This was very exciting and all the clients were fascinated watching. The ranger told us that due to the high numbers of koalas and the damage they were causing to the environment, they were catching the females and injecting them with a birth control implant to control their breeding; the implant lasts for five years. *Continued on page 5.*

Rangers catching koalas for desexing to protect the environment.



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### - TUESDAY -

**SHOPPING BUS TO WONTHAGGI** Our Centre provides a door-to-door bus service for community members wanting to shop or to attend medical appointments in Wonthaggi. Patrons will arrive outside Safeway at approximately 10:30am and leave at approximately 1:30pm. This service is available mainly for residents of Corinella, Coronet Bay, Grantville, Pioneer Bay, The Gurdies, Tenby Point and Bass. Residents from adjacent towns are welcome to enquire. Bookings are essential. Cost \$15.

**MEN'S SOCIAL GROUP** 10am to 2pm. On offer are cards, darts, pool with a professional table, hot dogs, barbecue, tea or coffee and biscuits. Drop in for a chat or give us a call to find out more.

### - WEDNESDAY -

**BASS VALLEY FRIENDSHIP GROUP** (Home and Community Care, 10am-2pm. As per Monday. Cost \$15.

**LINE DANCING** 7pm-9pm. Held in our community hall. For further details contact Tracy on 0417 142 386.

### - THURSDAY -

**ART CLASS** 10am-12pm. Paint or draw in any medium with like-minded people. Nicholas, the group's leader, is an accomplished artist with his work displayed in many collections, as well as having illustrated for wildlife books.

**SQUARE DANCING** (*Golden Squares*) 7:30pm-10pm. Held in our community hall. For further details contact Graham Jameson on 9703 0309.

### - FRIDAY -

**SHOPPING BUS to WONTHAGGI** As per Tuesday. Cost: \$15.

**COMPUTER CLUB** 10am-12pm. Informal computer learning and problem solving for your computer, laptop or notebook. Equipment is available if you do not have your own. We also have access to the Internet. Refreshments are provided. Open to all age groups. \$8 per week. Members \$5. Please book.

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### - SATURDAY -

**PAUL'S TABLE** 10am-2pm. A Community Café with delicious food and great coffee. Everyone is welcome to drop in and have a chat while enjoying some of our home-made cooking.

### - SUNDAY -

**PAUL'S TABLE** Community Café. 10am-2pm. As per Saturday.

## Bass Valley Community Centre

Bass School Road, Bass 3991

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**Website** [bvcg.org.au](http://bvcg.org.au)  
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## Bass Valley Community Centre Monthly Report

The Bass Valley Community Group Inc., continues to build its online presence, thus staying in touch with the community. The BVCG website is constantly being updated, thanks to volunteer and tech-wiz Steve. And our Facebook pages for the Community Centre and the Hadden House Op Shop are updated regularly, thanks to our volunteer, Carolyn. Not everyone has access to the internet but the most recent census data of 2016, estimates that almost 71% of people in the Waterline area have Internet access. However, the number of people who do have access continues to grow.

Since we have rebuilt the Hadden House Opportunity Shop shed (finally having it up and operating in January) the Op Shop has been going from strength to strength. Takings to support our operations were up more than 40% in the January-March period. This is wonderful but we still have a significant deficit to make up from the time spent without the shed for the bulkier items. In that time we had to turn away many donations. Our Facebook page for the Hadden House Op Shop is also helping by enabling us to alert people to what is new at the shop. So please give us a thought and come and have a look. Also, if you have quality goods you wish to dispose of, we would be grateful for the donation. Our Facebook page is [facebook.com/Hadden-House-Op-Shop-Bass-Valley-1485080471608038](https://www.facebook.com/Hadden-House-Op-Shop-Bass-Valley-1485080471608038)

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1st Column  
Men At Work  
Olivia Newton John  
Savage Garden  
Kylie Minogue  
The Living End  
Air Supply  
Hoodoo Gurus  
Powderfinger  
The Easybeats  
Bee Gees  
Crowded House  
Silverchair  
Rose Tattoo  
The Choir Boys

2nd Column  
Skyhooks  
Keith Urban  
The Easybeats  
Bee Gees  
Crowded House  
Silverchair  
Rose Tattoo  
The Choir Boys



## Country Women's Association

### ~ Bass Group ~

Coronet Bay	Margot	0409 559 047
Cowes	Lorraine	5952 2165
Glen Alvie	Libby	5678 3280
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Loch	Val	5659 4268
Woodleigh Vale	Carol	5678 8041

### --- OP SHOPS ---

BASS	Hadden House (Hade Ave - The Cottage)	Mon to Fri 9am-3pm, Sat 9am-1pm.
CORINELLA	St George's Church (Smythe St)	Mon Wed Thur Fri 10-2pm, Sat 9-30am-12:30pm.
COWES	Phillip Island & San Remo Rotary (Thompson Ave)	Mon to Fri 10am-3:30pm, Sat 10am-12:30pm.
GRANTVILLE	Bass Coast Baptist (Bass Hwy)	Mon to Fri 10am-3:30pm, Sat 10am-1:30pm.
NYORA	Railway Station (Henley St)	Mon to Sat 9am-1pm.
SAN REMO	Bass Coast Health (Back Beach Rd)	MWTF 10am-3:30pm, Tue 10am-2pm, Sat 10am-12:30pm.
WONTHAGGI	South Gippsland Animal Aid (Watt St)	Mon to Fri 9am-4pm, Sat 9am-2pm.

## MONTHLY MARKETS

1st Sunday	Jumbunna Bush
2nd Saturday	Coal Creek (Korumburra)
	Corinella Market
	Cowes Island Craft
2nd Sunday	Koowee Bush
	Rotary Club (Wonthaggi)
	Loch Lions Village
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Nyora	Robyn	5659 0098
Rhyll	Korral	5956 9205
Woodleigh	Evan	5657 7275

## Community Centres & Council Offices

Bass	Roderick	5678 2277
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Grantville	Lester	5678 8808
Lang Lang	Admin	5997 5704
Cowes	Admin	5952 1131
(Phillip Island & Community Learning)		
Mitchell House	Admin	5672 5755
(Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre)		
Bass Coast Shire Council	5671 2211	
(Wonthaggi Office 76 McBride Ave)		
(Cowes Office 91-97 Thompson Ave)		

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Cowes	<b>5952 2037</b>
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## TENBY POINT RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday 25 August at 10am at the Corinella Community Centre. We will be electing a new committee and discussing our plans for the year ahead.

About one third of Tenby Point households are now members of the Association. Residents are welcome to come along to the AGM and join. Membership is only \$10 per household per year.

President: Jean Coffey - 0419 500 593  
Secretary: David Pearce - 0401 514 339

## Corinella Bowling Club Inc.



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Bass Valley Community Centre

Roderick 5678 2277

Bass Valley Landcare

Admin 5678 2335

Gippsland Historical Model Railway

Ian 5678 2014

Phillip Island Squares (dancing)

Carol 5952 5875

### CORINELLA

Bass Valley Historical Society

Libby 5678 0339

Corinella & District Probus Inc.

Heather 0421 012 519

Corinella & District Men's Shed

Ken 0427 889 191

Corinella Foreshore Committee

Barbara 0427 780 245

Bass Coast Strollers - Walking Club

David 5678 0033

### TENBY POINT

Tenby Point Residents Association

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Continued from page 2. We then headed to the old prison and viewed the historic buildings from the road. Unfortunately, we were unable to go onto the grounds for a closer look due to the big lock on the gate. We then made our way to the Tankerton Jetty where the locals leave their cars to board the ferry to Crib Point for work or for school. After Tankerton, it was time to head home. We boarded the barge for Corinella at 4pm. French Island is such a beautiful, scenic place and the beaches looked really clean with golden sand. The group had such an enjoyable time that the staff and clients all vowed to return in the near future.



Our second trip in April was a three-hour *Captain's Lunch Cruise* put on by Wildlife Coast Cruises. We departed from the Rhyll Pier at 10am and headed to San Remo. It was a perfect, sunny day, no wind and calm seas. Some of the group members chose to sit at the bow of the boat where they had a perfect view. The captain gave a running commentary of the history of the area, pointing out unusual rock formations along the way. We docked at San Remo for lunch and were served a delicious meal of fresh fish and chips with a salad. We then set sail again and headed for Cape Woolamai. The spectacular rock formations along the cliffs were gobsmacking and we were all in awe of the beauty of this area, as we had never seen this side of the coastline before. Our clients thoroughly enjoyed every minute of the cruise, which seemed to go all too quickly. The staff at Wildlife Coast Cruises were amazing, catering for our every need. Cheryl Luke, HACC Coordinator.



## Generous donor in the Friendship Group

One of the members of our Bass Valley Friendship Group wanted to fundraise for a couple of special trips for some of our clients who might not necessarily be able to afford to go. She sat outside Woolworths in Wonthaggi and at IGA in San Remo with a table, community centre banner and a donation tin. She was very successful in raising over \$500. This provided the group with the majority of funds to enable us to go on two special outings, those being the French Island visit and the Captain's Lunch Cruise, as published above.

## Past and upcoming HACC outings in brief

In June the group went on an interesting outing. We had a short break at Tooradin before continuing on to Cranbourne where we stopped to fossick in an op shop. We then went to the Lynbrook Hotel for lunch. The food there was delicious and the clients really enjoyed themselves, as this is one of their favourite places to eat. During July we have a few ideas being suggested, such as ten pin bowling, visiting Howlers Brewery Lang Lang for lunch or going on a mystery drive. In August we've booked a trip to the Cranbourne RSL for a Neil Diamond morning melodies show, which includes lunch. Another upcoming activity is the making of Boomerang Bags to be used instead of plastic bags, which are or have been phased out. We are excited to be involved in such a fantastic project and to promote the bags we will be advertising our Centre as a drop-off point for other people making them.



## Public Art in Corinella

Work on the new public artwork at Harold Hughes Reserve, Corinella is well underway. The work by Artist Joe Donohue has been funded by Bass Coast Shire Council's Public Art program.

Joe's design celebrates the identity of Corinella from past to present and will provide distinctive shade and shelter for residents and visitors alike. The artwork called 'Shape of Nature' will be made of hardwood timber and steel to blend in with the environment at Harold Hughes Reserve. The artwork will be installed in the western corner of the park near the existing playspace. As such, one piece of equipment will be removed. Importantly, Council will be working with the community to plan for the design of a new playspace in 2018/19. For more information on the artwork please contact Rebecca Scott, Arts and Culture Officer at [rebecca.scott@basscoast.vic.gov.au](mailto:rebecca.scott@basscoast.vic.gov.au) or call 1300 BCOAST (226 278) or (03) 5671 2211.

## Council Meetings 2018

All meetings begin at 5.00pm.

- **15 August** – Wonthaggi – Civic Centre Council Chamber, Baillieu St East
- **19 September** – Wonthaggi – Civic Centre Council Chamber, Baillieu St East
- **17 October** – Grantville – Grantville Hall, Bass Highway
- **Special Meeting, 14 November** – Wonthaggi – Civic Centre Council Chamber, Baillieu St East
- **21 November** – Wonthaggi – Civic Centre Council Chamber, Baillieu St East
- **12 December** – Cowes – Cowes Cultural Centre Hall, 91-97 Thompson Avenue

Agendas are released to the public at 5.00pm on the Friday prior to the Council Meeting.

Agendas and minutes are available on Council's website, [www.basscoast.vic.gov.au/2018meetings](http://www.basscoast.vic.gov.au/2018meetings) or by request at any of Council's Customer Service Centres.

## Detox your home

Do you have unwanted household chemicals you no longer use?

Council, in partnership with Sustainability Victoria will be running a Detox Your Home household collection program at the Wonthaggi Transfer Station on Saturday, 11 August 2018, from 10.00am to 12.00pm.

If you have toxic common household products you no longer need, such as pesticides, detergents and weed killers, you can dispose of them at the Detox Your Home collection free of charge. For a full list of what can be disposed of visit

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## New Perimeter Fence for Bass Oval

Recently, Greg Hunt MP for Flinders, visited the Kilcunda Bass Football Netball Club to see the club's new fencing upgrade at the Bass Recreation Reserve. The Federal Government committed \$12,800 through the Stronger Communities Program to replace the 60 year old fence, which previously stood at the ground. It was a combined effort by the Federal Government, the Kilcunda-Bass Football Club, the Bass Recreation Reserve Committee and the Bass Coast Shire Council to get the fence up and ready just in time for the new season.

The new fence has provided a vital safety upgrade for players and supporters alike and these improved facilities will enable the club to attract more members and help to turn the ground into a vibrant community hub.

Football clubs have an amazing ability to drive change in their local community. One example of this is the Bass Coast Breakers Women's Football Team, which recently secured a lucrative Federal Government Community Awareness Grant to encourage more locals to discuss organ and tissue donations with their families and to register to become donors. The team will be holding a female football showcase where organ and tissue donations will be promoted. This will include organised talks with each team in the surrounding district to create understanding and awareness of the importance of organ donations. Organ and tissue donations are a vital part of securing better health for all Australians. Another part is providing state-of-the-art medical facilities for residents all around the country, not just in major cities.



## New Cowes Medical Hub

Earlier this year Greg Hunt, MP for Flinders, visited Cowes and joined with the local community to celebrate the official opening of the Phillip Island Health Hub. The opening of this fantastic facility is the culmination of years of dedication and hard work by the community, Phillip Island Medical and Health Action Group, Warley Trust and Bass Coast Health.



It is built for not just the present but for future needs of Phillip Island residents and visitors. It is a facility that the whole of the Phillip Island community can be proud of with services such as cardiology, urology, oncology, haematology and ophthalmology, which have already been secured for the Hub and with plenty of room for more services to follow.

The Federal Government will continue to work Bass Coast Health, Bass Coast Shire Council and the Victorian Government to secure expanded services for the Hub and across Phillip Island as a whole. This has been a true partnership from all levels of Government and most importantly with the community. At a Federal level, we were able to commit 2.5 million dollars for the construction of the Hub, as well as assisting in securing 2.2 million dollars from the Victorian Government, 1.1 million dollars from the community-led Warley Trust and the gifting of the land from the Bass Coast Shire Council.

Please note that Greg Hunt's office has relocated. The new address is 1/49 Eramosa Rd West, Somerville. The postal address is PO Box 647, Somerville, 3912 and the new office phone number is 5977 9082. You can also email Greg at [greg.hunt.mp@aph.gov.au](mailto:greg.hunt.mp@aph.gov.au)



## CWA Bass Group Creative Arts Expo

The CWA Expo held in April at the Loch Public Hall saw hundreds of people visit throughout the weekend to view an amazing array of work created by some very talented CWA members and their families. Visitors as usual were able to browse through the hall then have some time out during their stay with refreshments and a meal in the café area. Well done ladies on another successful year.

## CORINELLA PUBLIC HALL UPGRADE

Renovation and improvement work continues at the Corinella Public Hall. Beginning with our Kitchen upgrade, the Hall Committee has focused on upgrading our much-loved hall and facilities, enabling the hall to be utilised by more groups in our community. The carpets have been replaced, the kitchen is now commercially graded and the entire building has been repainted. We are replacing our tables and chairs and these will have a collection of decorative items suitable for formal functions.

We could not have done the renovations alone. We have been supported by the Bass Coast Shire Council, the Bendigo Bank branches (San Remo, Cowes and Grantville) and the Bass Valley Lions Club. We truly would not have been able to attempt any of this work without their help and support. The Committee of Management would like to extend its acknowledgement and gratitude for their assistance.

Most recently, the Bass Valley Lions Club, in association with the Bass Valley Historical Society, partnered with us to apply for a Bendigo Bank Community Enterprise Foundation grant. The money will be used to remove some old cupboards then install formal display cabinets. This will enable the Historical Society to safely display some of the many treasures it holds in trust for our community, now and in the future.

To top it off, we have a commitment (and budgeted funding) by the Bass Coast Shire Council to attend to some major renovations, such as the replacement of the roof and upgrading the ladies toilet. When this major work is finished, the Committee will work towards completing the tables and chairs project, installing a brand new heater and replacing the curtains. Once this work is done the Committee promises to celebrate by holding a fantastic community function.

If you would like to view the hall, contribute to our upgrade work or are interested in hiring the facilities, please contact either Paula Clarke on 0448 441 046 or Barb Oates on 0427 780 245.

Pictured: Barb Dann, Secretary of the Corinella Public Hall Committee of Management, presenting a Certificate of Appreciation to Ray Wallis, President of the Bass Valley Lions Club.





Last year the Bass Valley News published an article on Internet scams. There are hundreds of them roaming the world. But in this edition I am going to focus on seven scams currently coming into your homes and annoying the hell out of you.

With the National Broadband Network (NBN) upon us, online scams have gotten worse because your landline phone as we knew it is no longer. Instead, we now have a Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) system, which unfortunately is more vulnerable to hacking than the standard phone system we've been accustomed to for decades.

**1. Telstra/Microsoft Scams:** *"Hello, is this Mr or Mrs X? I am from Telstra's technical department. We have noticed a problem with your Internet and unless it is fixed immediately you're going to permanently lose your Internet connection within two hours."* Whilst I have never followed through with the carefully scripted spiels these crims read out, I do tend to play games with them or if I'm in a hurry I simply abuse the hell out of them then hang up. But for vulnerable people it's a different matter. There's barely a week goes by when you don't hear that someone has been caught out by this sinister fraud. As an example, the line is cast (they call you) then they hook you (you listen intently). The initial speaker might pass you over to a technical person who will reel you in. If you follow the scammer's instructions to the letter, you will allow online access to your computer. The scammer might spend a few minutes, sometimes several hours, rummaging through your computer from far away then eventually get back to you with a horrifying report saying that your computer has serious problems that need fixing immediately. But not to worry because you are in good hands. You are relieved to hear that your computer can be fixed in a few minutes and you are not going to lose your Internet connection. At this point you will be told that you'll need to pay a modest sum to fix the problems. This can be anywhere from \$300 to \$1500, possibly more. Naturally you will query the amount but then they get aggressive. "If you do not pay I will shut down your Internet service immediately." Now if you are a person who is not savvy to these scams and knowing that the scammer now has access to your computer, you may agree to the terms and give out your credit card details just to get rid of him or her. But in doing so, you might also lose all of the funds connected to your credit card and not just the scammer's initial fee.

**2. Microsoft Technical Support Scam where you've made the call:** This is where you genuinely have a problem with your computer and go online to ask for help. "Ah, Microsoft technical support," you say to yourself after finding a phone number to contact. It all looks legitimate, it's an Aussie phone number so naturally you ring it.

Without repeating myself, a similar conversation takes place as in Scam 1 with a similar outcome. I've had this happen to a friend of mine who lives alone and fell for this scam, hook, line and sinker.

**3. Email Lottery or Money Laundering Scams:** These scams are plentiful but they all have a similar outcome - to get at your credit card. They range from Sheik Alibaba from the Bank of Asia to Jo Bloggs who just died and left you 10 million dollars. In these cases, the scammer's funds need to go out of the country to avoid tax. Miraculously, out of the 7 billion people on the planet, you were the chosen one to help move a large sum of money out of one country and into another and subsequently receive a 1 million dollar bonus for your trouble. Unfortunately, there are plenty of desperate or greedy people who fall for this scam. How does it work? Well before you can receive your winnings, you will be asked to pay a rather hefty administration fee. Of course this begs the question? Why isn't the fee deducted from the 10 million dollars? Well it wouldn't be a scam then would it? The scammers also know that there are plenty of people in the world prepared to lose their life savings in order to obtain a large sum of money that they know they're not entitled to.

**4. Email Bank Scams:** This is where you are emailed a letter saying that your bank details have been changed and that you need to log in to your bank account so you can update your records. Unfortunately, the login image on your screen will not take you to where you think it will. Well-known personality and Collingwood Premiership player and coach, Tony Shaw, spoke about this scam on the radio, describing how he got caught out and lost a substantial amount of money. After clicking on the link in his email, Tony would have been taken to a page that would appear to show up as a legitimate bank's login page. To just view the page at this point, no harm is done. He then would have clicked on the link to his password, still no harm done at this point. However, what Tony was not alert to was the address bar at the top of the page, which would have shown a very long address that would have looked nothing like his bank's web address. Now a problem is looming. Tony types in his password and BINGO, he loses all the funds connected to his credit card. Now you may ask, how did they know which bank Tony belonged to? Well they didn't. It was pot luck. These scammers set-up pages of all the banks and hope they get lucky and with Tony they got lucky. This is how they make their millions.

**5. Recorded Message Scam:** One of the latest scams is when you receive a robotic message on your phone saying that your NBN is going to be shut down in the next 24 hours and that you must dial 1 to speak to a technician. This scam can take two forms. If you ring back, you may be asked to

follow the same instructions as Scams 1, 2 or 3 or worse still, you may be put on hold when you ring back, then unbeknownst to you they switch you over to another connection that charges \$5 per minute. They could leave you hanging on for several minutes before chatting to you at length. Now even if you do not follow through with their instructions (which is to fleece you of all your money), you'll get a rude awakening when you next set eyes on your billing statement to find that your monthly total is hundreds of dollars more than you expected. As mentioned previously, with your landline now on the NBN system, setting up fake phone numbers is easier than ever before.

**6. Booking theatre tickets or the like online:** There are websites that look legitimate. However, there are warning signs if you are alert to them. Usually they will say that there are only five tickets left so you need to book immediately. I have a friend who got caught out with this scam and lost \$250. Here is an example of how it works. Once my friend committed to spending what she thought was a reasonable amount, by the time she put in her credit card details, several hidden costs had been added and suddenly her \$150 ticket had sharply risen to \$250. But by then it was too late because she had commenced the process and there was no turning back. The ticket is mailed to her and it looks genuine. She goes to the theatre for her night out. She presents her ticket but is told that it is fake, so she has to pay for a new ticket, which wasn't anywhere near the exorbitant price she paid for her fake ticket online. Airline tickets are another area to watch out for regarding these types of scams.

**7. Taxation Scam:** This is where you will receive a recorded message saying that you owe the Federal Government a large sum of money and if you do not pay straight away the Police will come to your home and arrest you. You are usually asked to contact a particular number and reveal your credit card details and pay online. Believe it or not, some people have actually been talked into meeting up with a bogus Federal agent from the tax office then escorted to their bank where they have been pressured to withdraw funds.

**My Wrap Up:** These operant scams are costing Australians anywhere from 30 to 50 million dollars a year. The most common people they target are the elderly who live alone and generally speaking do not have outside contacts who they can call upon for technical advice. But there's one thing you can be certain of, no legitimate person will contact you and tell you that your computer or Internet has a problem nor will they ask for money.

If in doubt, switch off and do nothing. Confide in a friend or a local computer technician. Remember that saying, 'If it's too good to be true, it usually is (too good to be true)'. The Editor.

## Bass Valley Landcare News

**A Trials Site:** The trials aspect of the site shown in the photo will have a particular emphasis on innovative, regenerative, horticultural practice that can be applied to the local landscape from the home garden to a commercial scale. This is part of our general strategy of encouraging innovation and diversity to create a more diverse, vibrant and resilient rural environment and economy across the region. It includes such projects as our existing hops trial where we have grown a range of rare heirloom hop varieties under various conditions to service a supply gap in the burgeoning micro-brewery industry. We've already run a field day and had our first harvest and a number of land holders have expressed interest in growing their own crops.

Our next trials project is the establishment of a long-term bio-intensive vegetable growing trials plot. This will consist of 8x30 metre beds where we will trial a range of products and techniques such as biochar, rock dust, microbial inoculation, crop rotations, compost, etc., under rigorously controlled scientific conditions with a particular emphasis on production per area and nutrient density.

**Work done onsite so far:** We have developed a basic master plan for the site which is flexible enough to evolve with community consultation and the lessons learned as we go along. We have pegged out tracks and levels and are about to put in a ring track for general site access and our main water circuit where we can tap off to service various projects as they come online. A driveway and hard stand area for wet weather access and deliveries has been built and a 'Vanhut' transportable shelter has been located on the site for tools and weather shelter. We are currently using a solarising technique to rid the site of Kikuyu, this involves covering infested areas with plastic and

creating an environment where the plant virtually steams itself in the extremely hot environment that is created. This is in line with our policy of using chemical free, bio-friendly, regenerative techniques on the site.

**A future education facility for our community:** As the site develops we will be inviting the community to a number of workshop/working bees where people will be able to learn practices and techniques that they can apply to their own gardens and enterprises as well as help in the establishment of the garden as a community asset. This will include such things as compost-making, wicking bed construction, no-dig gardening, edible shelter belts, water-wise fruit tree growing and many others as time goes by.

Watch this space for new developments and upcoming community events.





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## Lions Ride for Sight



Riders crossing the Bass Bridge.

Riders enjoying a meal in the Bass Hall.



A very dedicated group of 55 cyclists set out on Wednesday 11 April from Tidal River on the 25th Lions Ride For Sight run annually. Although the four and a half day ride had to be cut short due to extremely dangerous winds and rain, the riders still managed to ride around 300km over three and a half days, raising funds for Lions Vision projects. The added incentive was the announcement at the pre-ride dinner on Tuesday evening that all funds raised would be doubled by CERA (Centre for Eye Research Aust.)

Along the route, cyclists and volunteers were hosted by Lions clubs, always ensuring that fantastic meals were provided, along with their hospitality. At times the group seemed like a swarm of locusts as the riders appeared, ate everything in sight then got back on their bikes for the next leg of the event. But this certainly did not diminish their appreciation of the hard work and long hours put in by often very small Lions clubs to cater for the ride.

To celebrate our 25th consecutive ride, we enjoyed a sunset cruise at San Remo. The conditions were perfect and we were treated to some magnificent sights with curious albatrosses, glowing rock formations and a glorious sunset.

Amongst the group this year were two cyclists competing in their 25th consecutive ride and others who had ridden in this event over 20 times. Our oldest rider was 80 and our youngest was 23. We had three visually impaired cyclists on tandems, so it was quite a diverse group that hit the roads. It was always a challenging ride with steep hills and the weather to contend with, not to mention the long distance days. But the cyclists helped each other along the route and a genuine bond was forged by all.

We've raised in excess of \$1 million over the years and for this year's ride we raised a record amount. For contributions to Ride For Sight or to learn how you can become involved in this great event as a sponsor, cyclist or volunteer, please check our Facebook page for details. The bulk of our fundraising goes to The Centre for Eye Research Australia where a major breakthrough in the treatment of glaucoma was recently announced.

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Wildlife Rescue and Carer Shelters located on Phillip Island provide rescue, care, transport and rehabilitation of native wildlife on Phillip Island.

The shelter was founded in 2007 by Colleen Gilbee and Kaylene Mendola who worked together at Phillip Island Nature Parks. The ladies soon realised that they shared a common love of

animals, especially with our native species. They decided to pool their resources together and began building shelter boxes, cages and aviaries in the backyards of their own homes. There were so many animals injured on the island in need of care that the Department of Environment, Water, Land and Planning (DEWLP) contacted Colleen and Kaylene and asked if they could open an animal shelter.

In 2007, the shelter started out with only one 60cm (2') x 90cm (3') cage. As of 2017 the shelter had eleven walk-in cages, four small and six large indoor cages and one shed full of equipment. Colleen and Kaylene are helped by Morgan, Jill, Chloe, Monika and Peter.

Wildlife Rescue and Carer Shelter Phillip Island takes in native animals from across Phillip Island, Victoria. This includes possums (both ringtail and

brush-tail), wallabies, koalas, native birds such as rainbow lorikeets, wattle birds, rosellas, Cape Barren geese, birds of prey, Tawny Frogmouth owls, lizards and turtles. For urgent assistance call 0412 258 396.

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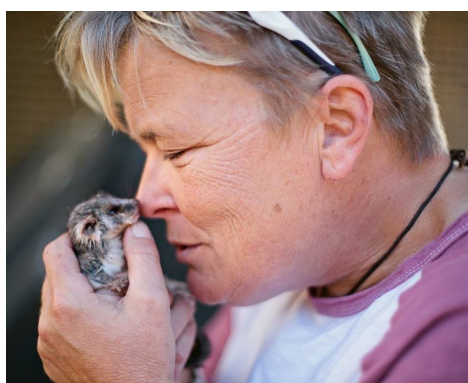
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The Breakers pictured with Geoff Russell, President of the Phillip Island Soccer Club and Pamela Rothfield, Mayor of Bass Coast Shire Council.



## Light Up the Breakers

Phillip Island Soccer Club was amongst eleven soccer clubs in Victoria that received funding from the Andrews Government to improve lighting facilities, thanks to the Legacy Fund from the 2015 Asian Cup.

Geoff Russell, President of Phillip Island Soccer Club said, "The club is excited to have received \$100,000 towards the installation of new lighting towers, which will light up the two pitches at the Newhaven Recreation Reserve. We would like to acknowledge the effort of Bass Coast Shire Council staff who supported our application and thank our councillors for committing \$65,000 towards the Newhaven lighting project."

However, the hard work is just beginning. The club now needs to shift its focus to raising another \$65,000 to cover the balance of the funds required for the \$240,000 project. The club has set-up a fundraising committee and it will be seeking community support. So if you see us out and about fundraising over the next year, we would love your support.

"I look forward to working closely with Council on a Master Plan for the Newhaven Recreation Reserve to ensure that the facilities continue to meet our needs and encourage more people to play soccer," said Geoff.

## ~ West Gippsland Football Netball Competition 2018 ~

### Football Ladder

(Last updated 13 July)

### Netball Ladder

Seniors	Reserves	Thirds	Fourths	A Grade	B Grade	C Grade	17 & Under	15 & Under	13 & Under
40 Nar Nar Goon	40 Koo Wee Rup	40 Cora Lynn	40 Phillip Island	40 Phillip Island	40 Korumburra-Bena	46 Phillip Island	48 Korumburra-Bena	44 Cora Lynn	44 Cora Lynn
40 Inverloch-Kongwak	40 Nar Nar Goon	36 Phillip Island	36 Koo Wee Rup	40 Dalyston	38 Bunyip	42 Inverloch-Kongwak	44 Bunyip	40 Korumburra-Bena	40 Phillip Island
36 Koo Wee Rup	36 Inverloch-Kongwak	28 Kilcunda-Bass	28 Bunyip	36 Koo Wee Rup	38 Koo Wee Rup	40 Bunyip	32 Phillip Island	40 Phillip Island	34 Koo Wee Rup
32 Phillip Island	32 Phillip Island	26 Garfield	28 Nar Nar Goon	32 Korumburra-Bena	36 Dalyston	30 Korumburra-Bena	28 Dalyston	30 Dalyston	32 Korumburra-Bena
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Politics and the environment have never been far apart in Phillip Island's history. Greg Buchanan's book *Penguin Land* is centred on the Summerland Peninsula, extending out to The Nobbies. His book charts an 80 year battle for the penguins, as developers moved in on their habitat.

The decision in 1985 to buy back Summerland is described in the book as one of the most significant environmental decisions made by a Victorian Government; the first time in the world that a human settlement has been removed to save a single animal species.

Peter Reith, a former Howard government minister, commenced his political career on Phillip Island with the local council. His family was influential in the affairs of the Island from the early 1920s to the 1980s.

Reith's grandfather, Albert K Sambell, is cast in the book as the main developer in Phillip Island's early history. In 1928 Sambell was the Shire President and was active in developing the Island, commencing to subdivide his land at Summerland at this time. Sambell's business partner, Charles Candy was also the Shire Engineer. Together, Sambell and Candy formed a formidable duo in developing the area.



The land at Summerland just happened to be home to thousands of penguins and Sambell allowed public access through his land to Summerland Beach for the viewing of penguins. So began the Phillip Island Penguin Parade, with hire car drivers, Bert West, Bern Denham and Herbert Watchorn.

It is a fascinating story. The transition of the Penguin Parade to an international drawcard runs in parallel with the emerging pressures from the growing residential community of Summerland, right on its doorstep.

A number of land battles feature in the book, as the penguins struggle to regain their habitat. The Reith farm figures prominently in a long running dispute with the former Victorian Premier, Dick Hamer. The Summerland guest house saga brings things to a head and the Victorian Government's acquisition of hundreds of house lots and existing homes follows.

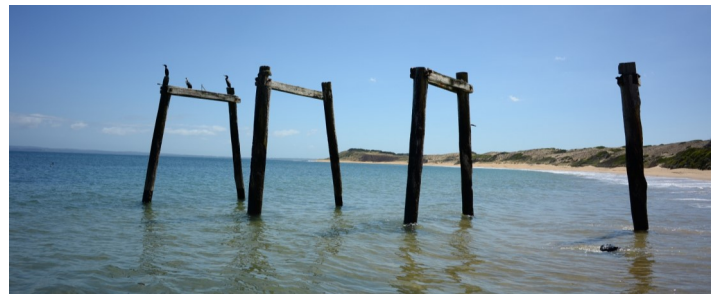
Almost 1000 property titles have now been erased, the guest house is gone, all the houses are gone, the local shop, the shell house, all the power lines have been removed and even the beautiful old cypress trees have been cut down - most of all, the families of this community have been forced to move on. No evidence remains of this beachside community.

A golf course, where championship games were played, has long gone and the jetty at Cat Bay, which was the arrival point for visitors to this new town, is all but submerged in the sea.

Phillip Island Nature Parks, a Government Authority formed in 1996, has set about restoring the penguin habitat, revegetating the area and winning many environmental awards for its work in the process.

The book provides a detailed insight into a significant era in the history of Phillip Island where the much-loved little penguins of Phillip Island ultimately won a great victory.

The book is available at Turn The Page bookshop located at 40A Thompson Avenue Cowes, 5952 1444 or you can contact Greg Buchanan directly at [gbuchanan988@gmail.com](mailto:gbuchanan988@gmail.com)



## Coronet Bay NHW - AGM 13 August

**WE NEED YOU!** Our President, Secretary and Treasurer will be vacating their positions at the AGM, all for different, personal reasons. We are a happy, caring group of volunteers and would love to have you join us. **CAN YOU HELP?** Please call Ivan on 5678 0663 or come to our next meeting on Monday 13 August. Meeting starts at 7pm at the Coronet Bay Hall.

### POLICE REPORT (1/5/18 to 17/6/18)

**Coronet Bay:** Attempted theft of a tractor on 14 June with evidence that a truck was involved. Assault on Police along Agar Rd on 10 June. Criminal damage to a holiday house window on 9 June, possibly from rocks.

**Corinella:** Theft of a number plate from a vehicle.

**Tenby Point:** Theft of tools and outboard motor from a garage on 16 May. Theft of instantaneous hot water service on 20 May.

**Grantville:** Theft of a lawn mower from an unoccupied house on 22 May.

## Upcoming Meetings

13 August (AGM) 10 September  
8 October 12 November

All meetings start at 7pm at the Coronet Bay Hall

Remember to always lock your vehicles, homes and sheds and always look out for each other.

<b>Emergencies</b>	<b>000 (24 hours)</b>
<b>Wonthaggi Police</b>	<b>5671 4100 (24 hours)</b>
<b>San Remo Police</b>	<b>5678 5500</b>
<b>Domestic Violence</b>	<b>1800 015 188 (24 hours)</b>



## Visual Art Map created by local artist Gaston Vanzet to showcase San Remo's History

About Creative Gippsland: Creative Gippsland is a cooperative agreement between the six Gippsland Councils, Baw Baw, Bass Coast, Wellington, South Gippsland, East Gippsland and Latrobe City. Formed in 2000 to promote and encourage cultural tourism in the region, it continues today and is proud to provide and support social media channels for the benefit of our artisans and the creative industries of Gippsland. Creative Gippsland's arts, culture and heritage brings vibrancy and prosperity to Gippsland. Its mission is to focus on arts, culture and heritage to enrich the Gippsland experience for its communities and its visitors.

Each year the Creative Gippsland Team hosts a *Come and Play, All of May* to celebrate the arts of Gippsland. This includes hosting an *Artist in Residence* program. The chosen artist is partnered with a town in each of the Gippsland shires. The artist could be a visual artist, performing artist, writer/story teller, poet, dancer, etc.

Representative of the San Remo and District Tourism Business Inc. (SRDTB), Bronwyn Pratt, felt that a map specific to San Remo was needed, as the current map on the foreshore is of Phillip Island. So it was with delight that the SRDTB was successful in its application to commission Gaston Vanzet as *Artist in Residence* for San Remo during May. Gaston, a visual artist and illustrator who's worked with agencies both Nationally and Internationally, worked with the San Remo community to create a spectacular visual map. Gaston has lived in Bass Coast for 24 years but has had a lifetime connection with the area, as he and his wife Vicki visited the area regularly during weekends and holidays whilst raising four children over the years. Gaston works in the traditional style of art as well as digital art using computer technology.

Gaston visited Griffiths Point Lodge, San Remo and met with the elderly residents there. He also spoke to students at the San Remo Primary School to source a variety of information and opinions from different age groups, about what makes living in



Gaston discussing the visual map with the kids from San Remo Primary School. He also ran a class on portraiture and got the kids to draw each other. This was lots of fun and much laughter was had by all.

San Remo so special. He also spent time at the San Remo Fishing Co-op and the Westernport Port Hotel. Gaston worked on many drawings, accumulating information from the locals and visitors throughout his stay.

At the unveiling, Bronwyn Pratt said that the group had been awarded a \$5,000 grant from the Bass Coast Shire Council to start building an information sign for the new map, to be erected on the foreshore. However, the grant only covers half of what is needed to construct the sign. So the SRDTB is looking for donations and will also apply for another grant when they are due to be released. The San Remo group hopes to have the sign erected in time for *The Blessing of the Fleet* event on Sunday 9 September, which is to be held in San Remo. So if there are any concrete or steel companies that would like to help with the sign's construction, the group would love to hear from them!

As the map states, A SMALL TOWN WITH A BIG HISTORY but as Bronwyn adds, "A BIG FUTURE as well!"



Gaston collating and piecing together all the information he received throughout May.



Gaston seen here talking to the elderly residents at Griffith Point Lodge, San Remo. This was the beginnings of the visual map. Many memories of the 20th Century were shared with Gaston and each other.

## Corinella & District Men's Shed & Woodies Group - 'going strong'

It's now been six years since the opening of the Corinella & District Men's Shed. affectionately known as, 'The Woodies'. For most of the dozen or so guys that meet each Tuesday morning, it is something that is very much looked forward to. When new guys come along, they quickly realise that there's a lot of good fun and it's not just the jokes shared at morning tea.

Over the years, the 'projects' have been as diverse as making pens and bowls, artist's easels, model planes, the restoration of chairs and display cabinets, shelves for laptops and mini bridges, which are examples of the less bizarre of the range. The joy is that everyone is there to help as it is needed. Not all come from trade backgrounds, as amongst the ranks there are ex truckies, electricians, teachers, instrument fitters, heavy machinery mechanics and tram builders. Where one person has skill and knowledge in one area, others in the group can contribute in another area. We are a unique bunch who appreciates and builds on the respect and affection of each other as we continue to grow as a group.

At the beginning of our working day there is a focus on preparing for the Bass Valley Primary students. They have always been a priority. The buzzing, sawing, cutting and drilling fills the shed like Santa's workshop to make sure that everything is in place prior to their visit. The sense of pride that fills the young faces is priceless. Their fine motor skills, listening and problem-solving as they create from the templates provided is enough motivation to ensure that their positive experience remains paramount.

It is not unusual for the greater community to call on the group as well. There have been numerous opportunities to repair and create. In kind, donations of wood and machinery arrive from time to time.

The Woodies is about support on a whole lot of levels. Specific technical advice as needed, camaraderie and friendship, sharing the best fishing spots, accessing the small library of books sitting on the crib table or just catching up on what's going on in and around the community. All men from 18 to 88 are welcome!

For further information contact Steve Hickey on 0411 493 097



## THE MOST EXPENSIVE POLE IN BASS COAST

One would not think that a harmless-looking power pole outside a hardware shop in Grantville, where there is plenty of room to drive around it, would be much to talk about. But the owners reckon there's been dozens of vehicles that have backed into it after shopping at the store. How could this possibly occur when the pole is clearly in the open and painted bright yellow? Well actually it's easy when you know the circumstances. It's got a lot to do with the pole's specific location. It is quite natural to turn off the Bass Highway into the carpark and keep the steering wheel on much the same radius so that your vehicle eases past the right-hand side of the pole before coming to a halt, just a few metres past the pole. All is well so far. You do your shopping and return to your vehicle. You reverse out with the pole at the rear and in your vehicle's blind spot, at the same time turning your steering wheel hard to the left, as you would usually do anywhere else. Some drivers would look over their left shoulder but still might not see the pole. In other situations drivers might look out of their driver's outside mirror or the front interior mirror on the windscreen. Either way, your vehicle is doomed at this point. The pole would not necessarily be

on your radar both visually or mentally, as you're probably still thinking about what you've just bought and not a pole at the rear of your vehicle. So the inevitable happens and BANG!!! The inset drawing shows how these accidents can occur. As most vehicles nowadays have integrated spoilers, rather than solid steel bumper bars as they used to have in years gone by, one could estimate the damages collectively to be over \$30,000 - and that's just for the accidents that were known, not to mention the drivers too embarrassed to tell anyone. Some vehicles would have suffered minor damage on the rear bumper, some would have been damaged all along the left-hand side of the vehicle and at least one vehicle was known to have been towed from the area due to a rear sensor rendering the vehicle inoperable. So next time you're visiting Mitre 10 Grantville, remember, there's a bloody big pole waiting to attack your vehicle, so remember to park well away. By the way, the regulars will be pleased to know that the unsuspecting dip that bottoms out your vehicle when you turn off the highway and onto the gravel section (I've done this so many times) has been permanently fixed for your convenience, after the Mitre 10 owners repaired this section at their own cost. Thanks chaps. Ed.



## SOMEONE PINCHED OUR FIREWOOD

Someone pinched our firewood, what a mongrel act, It's about as low as you can go - but it's a bloody fact. We spent a whole day cutting it - bashing round the scrub, I bet the bloke who pinched it spent the whole day in the pub. We nearly got the trailer bogged - flat tyre on the ute, So when we finally got it home we thought, "You beaut." No more cutting firewood, at least until the Spring, We unloaded it and split it up to size and everything. Stacked it really neatly, a ute and trailer load, Trouble was we stacked it high and too close to the road! And some miserable mongrel started sneaking across the park, Every night or two, to pinch some after dark. Now as luck would have it, we'd gunpowder in the shed, We hollowed out one log and packed that in instead. Then back up on the pile it went, next night he took the bait, We'd soon know who the bugger was, we settled back to wait. He was a contract shearer, only new in town, I never got to meet him because he didn't stick around. The house was only rented, the whole town heard the pop, They say the cooker split right across the top. The justice is its own reward, I wish I'd heard that chap, Explaining to the landlord the condition of his stove. Folk in our town are mostly a warm and friendly lot, Until you pinch our firewood and then we're bloody not!



## Stray objects cause thousands of dollars in puncture repairs

Hard to believe that from just one tyre repair business in Wonthaggi, the objects in the photo were the cause of an estimated \$10,000 in puncture repairs. The objects were removed by Tyrepower employees over a long period. The objects displayed include steel rods, nails, bolts, nuts, screws, rocks, bottle caps, a hunting knife, a partial drill bit and numerous shrapnel. Most of the items are suspected to have fallen off the back of work vehicles. The inset shows a tyre with echidna needles embedded in its sidewall. 'Needless' to say, the echidna 'needed' more than a repair job.

### Test Your Musical Knowledge

Aussie Band / Artist	Notable Track	Aussie Band / Artist	Notable Track
_____ At Work	Down Under	Olivia Newton _____	Physical
Midnight _____	Blue Sky Mine	Savage _____	Truly Madly Deeply
_____ Reddy	I Am Woman	_____ Minogue	Can't Get You Out Of My Head
Little River _____	Lonesome Loser	The Living _____	Prisoner Of Society
_____ Supply	All Out Of Love	_____ Heidi	Superman/Supergirl
Hoodoo _____	Come Anytime	Powder _____	My Happiness
_____ Gees	How Deep Is Your Love	The _____ beats	Friday On My Mind
Crowded _____	Don't Dream It's Over	Silver _____	Tomorrow
_____ Urban	Kiss A Girl	_____ Tattoo	Bad Boy For Love
Sky _____	Living in the 70s	The Choir _____	Run To Paradise

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Now if you forgot where you placed your licence and needed it in a hurry, you could be looking for it all day and still never find it, especially if it got lodged in the barrel of your clothes dryer. Fortunately this person was not looking for the licence but by chance the dryer stopped just in the right place where it was spotted after the clothes had been removed. Can you spot it?



## ~ 2018 Corinella Art Show ~

The art show was very successful, showing to over 500 visitors throughout the June long weekend. Beautiful paintings, Devonshire Teas and lovely music.

Major winners included:

- \* Adrian Johnson - *Best In Show*  
(Adrian will go on to compete in the Bass Coast Shire's main show in September.)
- \* Ken Griffiths - *Ramon Horsfield Prize*
- \* Diana Edwards - *Best Watercolour*
- \* Judith Garde - *Best Portrait*
- \* Jackie Moss - *Best Still Life, the Margaret Gardiner Memorial Prize*
- \* Mary Hennekam - *Best Oil*
- \* Julie Lundgren Coulter - *Best Pastel*
- \* Ron Famill - *Best Historical Interest Prize*

We thank the many sponsors who supported the show and we could not have run it without the amazing volunteers who made it happen. Libby Skidmore.

Janet Hammill's painting of Winx was the BVN Editor's favourite. Her attention to detail is remarkable. If you want to see just how good this horse is, you can watch all of her 25 in a row, Group 1, record-breaking wins on YouTube. The stunning thing about Winx's wins was not just that she won but how she won. In many cases she came from last and still managed to pull off some stunning wins, thanks to her brilliant jockey, Hugh Bowman. To see more of Janet's work, go online and type in this link. <https://twitter.com/janethammillart>

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When Fred and Susie Peres first set eyes upon the interior of the rundown Garfield Picture Theatre in 1999, they were taken aback by its state of disrepair. But they fell in love with it and bought the place anyway.

The picture theatre first opened in 1924 and seated around 800 people. Friday was dance night while Saturday was film night. Strangely, the theatre also supplied the town's electricity until the arrival of the Government's State Electricity Commission better known as the SEC, in 1929.

Circa 1950 the theatre was sold then sold again in 1953 to a third owner. But with the advent of television in the 50s, the cinema boom soon came to an end and in 1962 the theatre closed for good - or so it seemed.



Co-owner, Fred is a delight to speak with. His enthusiasm is infectious and you can't help but become enthused as well. In fact the way he talks about the theatre anyone would think it's alive. The rebuild or in the couple's mind, the rebirth, was a massive task. Common sense would say demolish the dump and move on but not Fred and Susie. The iconic building was renovated from top to bottom, starting at ground level, where the floorboards and supports were removed, a concrete slab laid and the floorboards returned, to repairing the roof and everything else in between. Added to the restoration task, the couple were working full-time and raising a family.

In July 2016 the Garfield Picture Theatre reopened with grand fanfare. And it didn't take long for word to get around because the people have been flocking to see the shows ever since. The theatre is currently running live shows but with crowdfunding, the owners are hoping to raise the \$70,000 needed to bring the movies back to town. Future plans include theatre productions, cabaret, community functions and more.

Article compiled by Ian Cole using excerpts from the GIPPSLAND mag.

Now if you think you pay \$50 bucks just to see a show and go home, then think again. Included in your fabulous night out is a complimentary supper with refreshments.

Fred and Susie's passion, dedication and patience is a testament to what people can achieve. With the town's residents behind them, not to mention the hundreds of people from all over Victoria who have already visited this entertainment facility, the Garfield Picture Theatre looks like it's here to stay. If Fred and Susie's passion and enthusiasm is anything to go by, the future of Garfield Picture Theatre seems assured.

If you would like to book a seat or hire the theatre, give Fred or Susie a call or visit the website for more information.



## Listen To The Music Saturday 11 August

A seven piece band takes us back to the 70s in classic style. Featuring songs from ABBA, Queen, Fleetwood Mac, Carole King, Linda Ronstadt, Doobie Brothers, Eagles, Daddy Cool, 10cc and more.

Doors, bar and beer garden open at 6pm with the show starting at 7:30pm.

Your night out includes a complimentary light supper with refreshments.

## Night Fever Bee Gees Revival Saturday 1 September

No backing tracks for this seven-piece Bee Gees tribute band with perfect harmonies and a big band sound. How many hits did they have? You won't want to miss this one!

Doors, bar and beer garden open at 6pm with the show starting at 7:30pm.

Your night out includes a complimentary light supper with refreshments.

## The Kings Of Swing Saturday 6 October

This show captures the amazing sounds and style of the ever-popular Michael Bublé, Dean Martin, Frank Sinatra and many more. Featuring the tunes that were made famous by an array of very talented crooners and swooners throughout the swing era.

Doors, bar and beer garden open at 6pm with the show starting at 7:30pm.

Supper as per the other shows.

## ~ 17 November - Four Seasons versus the Beach Boys ~



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