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Five individuals, all involved with the same project, were recognised jointly as Latrobe Council’s **Australia Day Citizens of the Year**, specifically Maree Lunson, Robyn Freshney, Elizabeth Jackson, Beverley Parker and Desley Spoljaric. These ladies were awarded for their collectively contribution to the resurrection of the Latrobe Senior Citizens Club, which took the combined effort of their individual skills and dedication. A relationship between the club and Latrobe High School was established to support their engagement activities with members, benefitted all involved. Social activities have expanded and the club, with 55 members, is again thriving as a happy, positive and welcoming environment for those aged 55+ in our community.

Turning the club around from the potential of closing to a thriving organisation within 17 months has been nothing short of phenomenal.

Latrobe Council’s **Australia Day Young Citizen of the Year Award** was presented to Arabella Gillies.

At 20 years of age, Miss Gillies has a passion for fashion - operating her own small business and mentoring Fashion Studies students at Don College; social media marketing, event management specifically with the Devonport Apex Regatta for a number of years; playing, coaching and umpiring netball with two associations as well as coordinating the sell-out “Masquerades for Mental Health

Charity Ball” that raised \$9,000 for SPEAK UP! Stay ChatTY.

The **Australia Day Community Event of the Year Award** was presented to the Port Sorell History Group for the Port Sorell Heritage Trail.

The Port Sorell Heritage Trail is a series of 12 plaques located alongside existing pathways and walking tracks throughout the Port Sorell area.

Involving extensive community consultation and the engagement of many skilled individuals and organisations, this initiative has unlocked a connection to the historic importance of the Port Sorell community, providing a strong sense of place as well as a meaningful and engaging visitor experience.

The Award was accepted by Mr Rod Bramich on behalf of the Port Sorell History Group.

CITIZENS SHARE THE SPOTLIGHT

The largest Citizenship Ceremony to be conducted by Latrobe Council, on behalf of the Australian Government Minister for Immigration and Border Protection, saw 13 new citizens, hailing from India, Philippines, United Kingdom, New Zealand, Ukraine and Lebanon, recently become Australia citizens at Latrobe.

It is not an easy decision or process to become a citizen of a new country. Many applicants have lived in Australia for a while before initiating the Citizenship process. This involves an extensive assessment by the Department of Immigration and Border Protection. Latrobe Council’s Human Resources Officer, Kate Milford, who met her partner when he was playing cricket in the UK, reflects on her own experience.

“After making the decision to start a life together in Tasmania, I immigrated on a partner visa before applying for Australian citizenship.

The ceremonial step in receiving my Citizenship Certificate was quite an emotional but happy occasion. It’s an honour to have been invited to become an Australian Citizen and accepted locally.”



PICTURED: Most of the new Australian Citizens inducted on Australia Day at Latrobe

SMALL GRANTS OPEN

Latrobe Council’s annual small grants open for application from 1 March for projects starting 1 July and concluding by 30 June 2023.

There are two opportunities for funding -

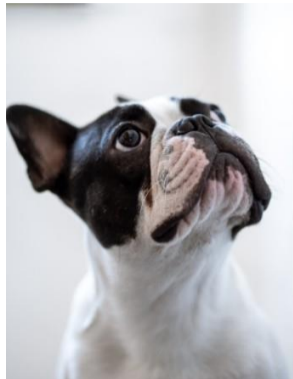
- **Emerging Needs Grants** encourage community partnerships that address an unmet need within the Latrobe Municipality in the fields of minor capital works, health and community welfare, environment as well as sport and recreation.
- **Arts, Culture and Festival Sponsorship** nurtures new or established events and major festivals that comply with COVID-19 restrictions and build our cultural identity, support accessibility, and deliver a diverse range of community arts and cultural activities within the Latrobe Municipality, assisting them towards self-sustainability.

Grant guidelines and application forms are online at www.latrobe.tas.gov.au/community/grants or phone 6426 4444.

Applications close at 12 noon on 2 May.

DOG OBEDIENCE TRAINING

The next Dog Obedience course commences on Sunday, 1 May. This 6-week course is open to dogs aged over 6 months and with little or no prior training. It is an excellent way of developing trust with your dog.



Throughout the course, your role is to use the knowledge imparted and continue this training each day, at home and in a secure and safe environment.

Cost is \$27.50 for the course, with numbers limited to provide effective instruction for attendees. Successful course participants will receive a Canine Obedience Certificate, entitling them to discounted dog registration (on full fee) with Latrobe Council in subsequent years and participation in advanced dog obedience training sessions.

Register at <https://bit.ly/DogObedience2of2022>.

LOCAL BUILDING UPDATE

423 building, plumbing, and commercial applications and notifications of works were received by Council from November to December inclusive. They comprised of 146 dwellings; 13 dwelling additions/alterations; 53 outbuildings; 17 commercial/industrial; 182 plumbing applications and 12 other applications with a conservative value of \$69,924,799.

YOUR ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES

Mayor Peter FRESHNEY	0417 287 006
D/Mayor Graeme BROWN..	0417 598 116
Shayne (Cush) ALLISON	0409 792 648
Michael McLAREN	6426 2777
Vonette MEAD	0407 055 180
Sommer METSKE	0409 622 710
Garry SIMS	0419 139 053
Gerrad WICKS	0488 325 590
Lesley YOUNG.....	0419 326 250

WHAT'S ON YOUR WISH LIST

With Council in the process of formulating its 2022-23 annual budget and long-term works program, now is your opportunity to inform Council of projects you believe should be funded throughout the Latrobe Council area.

Submissions made in recent years have been recorded on Council’s database so there is no need to repeat those submissions unless there is a relevant update.

Submissions should include sufficient detail to enable the Council to understand:

- The location and scope of the project;
- The perceived benefits of the project including any risk/safety

issues, social/community impact and environmental impacts;

- The estimated cost of the project, if within your capacity to do so;
- Any other relevant information to enable the Council to make an informed decision.

Each submission is considered and assessed against a common set of objective criteria that prioritises projects within Council’s long-term planning period - currently ten years.

Please forward your submission, addressed to Council’s Finance Team Leader, by email to council@latrobe.tas.gov.au.



LOCAL GOVERNMENT REFORM - COMMUNITY CONSULTATION PHASE

The reform of Local Government process is continuing with its objective being to create a more robust and capable system of Local Government that is ready for the challenges and opportunities of the future.

The Board is to make recommendations to the Minister for Local Government on the future role, functions and design of Local Government and the structural, legislative and financial reforms required to meet this objective by June 2023.

The Board will be undertaking the Review in three key stages:

Stage 1 - community engagement, research and issues identification (January - June 2022)

Stage 2 - options development and testing (July 2022 - December 2022)

Stage 3 - reform recommendations (January - June 2023)

The scope of the Review includes the full range of council roles, responsibilities and functions, including statutory responsibilities, service delivery, governance and administration, community and place-based roles.

It aims to assess the performance of these roles across the sector, in terms of effectiveness, sustainability, and value to ratepayers and Tasmania as a whole, and make recommendations on the best ways for them to be delivered in the future.

The Minister has assured Council there are no preconceived outcomes, and nothing has been ruled in or out.

There is an expectation that there will be wide ranging consultation during the Review allowing those with a keen interest in Local Government to contribute their thoughts, ideas and concerns.

It is recognised that local government plays a critical role in Tasmania's economic and social recovery effort, and the performance of the sector is vital for the future and the wellbeing

of all Tasmanian communities.

Council actively encourages individuals and groups to engage in the Review process and help shape the future of Local Government rather than have the reform shape your community. In the meantime, Local Government elections will take place as planned this October.

Significant advertising and promotion of the public consultation opportunities is expected, and Latrobe Council will do everything it can to keep you informed and up to date.



Pictured Current Latrobe Councillors

Back - Cr. Vonette Mead, Cr. Michael McLaren, Cr. Lesley Young, Cr. Gerrad Wicks

Front: Deputy Mayor Graeme Brown, Mayor Peter Freshney and Cr. Sommer Metske

Inset: Cr. Garry Sims and Cr. Shayne Allison

DON'T BE A BYSTANDER

Following recent anti-social activity at the Port Sorell Jetty and surrounds, Council is in discussion with Tasmania Police for a greater police presence in the Port Sorell area, specifically in periods of peak occupancy.

Council has also committed to increasing the frequency of emptying public rubbish bins throughout the Port Sorell area during these same periods.

With the violence, abuse, drunk and disorderly behaviour and damage to property as well as the aftermath or broken glass splintered over public areas, Council stands by its encouragement of observers to report such behaviour as it happens by phoning Tasmania Police on 000.

While social media posts included images of the aftermath to highlight the result of such behaviour, residents and visitors were intimidated and threatened by menacing behaviour that could easily have escalated. It's also concerning that it appears many participants were under 18.

The greater the number of people that report such behaviour to Tasmania Police as it is happening, the more it will be considered as significant, and responders dispatched to deal with it.

For reporting non-emergency, unlawful activities, please contact Tasmania Police on 131 444 as even the smallest bit of information could help solve these situations.

FUTURE WORKS

A Latrobe Memorial Hall and Hamilton Hub Advisory Special Committee has been established to develop a coordinated, collaborative and strategic approach to the use, enjoyment and benefit of the Latrobe Memorial Hall and Hamilton Hub.

This committee is meeting quarterly and will provide qualified advice to Council in respect to:

- Increasing access to and promoting the facilities as an important part of Latrobe's community;
- Promote the facilities for the widest range of community users;
- Provide community space where similar private or public facilities do not exist within the local community;
- Encourage and support community benefit;
- Provide a safe and secure facility;
- Provide a neutral space without excessive branding;
- Make suggestions for facility improvements and investments to go before council for approval;
- Monitoring the Facility Management Plans for the facilities; and
- Community use related development, marketing and promotion.

If you would like to contribute comment to these discussions, please contact Council's Building Facility Coordinator on 6426 4444.

DONATE BLOOD

Australian Red Cross Lifeblood are seeking your blood donation.

With regular donors isolating or unwell, this is having a significant impact on blood donations. So, if you are feeling well and aged between 18-76, please donate blood this week.

One donation of blood can save up to three lives with Australia needing 31,000 donations every week.

Blood can be donated 12-weekly while plasma is able to be donated fortnightly. Appointments are essential and can be made by phoning 13 14 95.

Your nearest donation centre is located at 40 Oldaker Street, Devonport and is open Monday-Wednesday from 12 noon until 7:00pm: Thursday-Friday from 7:30am until 2:30pm and every second Saturday from 7:30am until 2:30pm. Will you play your part?

EMERGENCY VOLUNTEERING

Did you know that you can register with Volunteering Tasmania (VT) to be part of their Emergency Volunteer (EV) Crew? These volunteers and their skills are matched with disaster and emergency management in their area, enabling effective emergency management by the organisation as they are then freed up from spontaneous offers of assistance. To register with VT for the EV CREW, go to <https://register.emergencyvolunteering.com.au/>

BUSINESS SHUFFLE IN LATROBE

It is great to see businesses moving to bigger premises or moving into Latrobe but it can also be a little hard to keep on top of the changes so here is an update:

EMELDA'S SHOES

Julie Brown of Emelda's Shoes has been looking for larger premises for a while now to cater for her growing customer base but finding a shop the right size in Latrobe has been challenging. Initially established at Latrobe in 2016 and expanding to Newstead in 2018, Julie's enterprise has been one of continued growth.

Julie is pleased to announce that she has finally found the ideal location and is relocating to 67-69 Gilbert Street, Latrobe. She looks forward to welcoming existing and new customers and continuing to provide the high-quality service and products Emelda's Shoes is renowned for.

This now leaves a shop front in Latrobe at 77 Gilbert Street for another small business to begin, but you'd better be quick!

DAYDREAM PHOTOGRAPHY

Benita Campbell's passion for photography transformed into a business six years ago, with her eye for detail resulting in some unique and everlasting memories being captured.

Recently opening in Latrobe at 153 Gilbert Street, Benita loves that people are stopping to admire her window displays.

Benita loves taking photos of families, pets, real estate, landscapes and products but has a passion of taking photos of children, especially in a vintage environment and has some vintage clothes and newly created in that era that can be used. With a variety of backgrounds and props, Benita offers special occasion and seasonal photos. Keep an eye out on Benita's Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/daydreamphotographytas> - for her next seasonal offering - Easter.

Benita can be contacted by Daydream Photography Facebook Messenger, phone 0417 168 509 or call into 153 Gilbert Street, Latrobe.

NAÍCHA HAIR AND BEAUTY

NAÍCHA Hair & Beauty is a new business that recently opened at 134 Gilbert Street, Latrobe.

Through NAÍCHA Hair & Beauty, owner/Manager and qualified hairdresser Samara Sheehan, and her hairdressing and beauty therapist colleagues look forward to connecting with clients in Latrobe.

NAÍCHA Hair & Beauty offer "a beautiful salon that is full of friendly, creative staff who are excited to provide professional service at all of your hair and beauty appointments".

SUPPORTING THE ARTS

Arts Tasmania have opened their Artsbridge funding program to cover costs to support an individual artist or group to travel within Tasmania, Australia or overseas for arts or cultural heritage opportunities or bring professionals to Tasmania for professional development opportunities or workshops.

While equipment is not covered by the grant fund, any other costs related to the proposed activity can be.

The current round of applications closes on 28 March for activities commencing after 15 June 2022.

A further round will open on 29 August for activities commencing 1 January 2023.

Notification for each round will occur within eight weeks of the closing date.

For more information, go to

https://www.arts.tas.gov.au/grants_and_loans

When walking your dog, it must always be on a lead no longer than 2m. The only time a dog can legally be off leash is in declared off leash areas.

There are a number of these available in Latrobe and Port Sorell. A map detailing these areas is available on Council's website - <https://bit.ly/OffLeashAreas-LatrobeCouncilTAS>.

Some of these designated areas operate on a time basis, meaning you can only exercise your dog off leash in certain times. Signage is on site detailing this.

Etiquette to remember:

- Only exercise your dog off leash in a dedicated off leash area.
- Ensure your dog is always under effective control and does not become a nuisance or impede on the enjoyment of others.
- Remove your dog if it becomes

The NAÍCHA Hair & Beauty team comprise of Samara Sheehan, Charmane Hardy (Manager/reception), Jenna Duff (qualified hairdresser), Emily Clarke (qualified beauty therapist) and Brooke Marshall (qualified beauty therapist).

They are open late on a Wednesday night to cater for people who need their appointments after work hours. To make a booking, please phone 6426 1106 or check out NAÍCHA Hair & Beauty on Facebook.

ASPIRE BEAUTY AND BODY

As well as businesses moving and establishing, there are also businesses changing management.

Aspire Beauty and Body opened its services to the community in 2013 and has recently expanded to include management of Ace It Barber Shop directly next door at 149 Gilbert Street, Latrobe. For all intents and purposes, customers won't notice a change. Aspire Beauty and Body continues to provide a full range of beauty services.

Ace It Barber Shop offers walk-in only cuts for men, women, teens and children from 8.00am until 5.30pm Tuesday to Friday in the more than capable hands of Chloe, Janelle (previous owner) and Kate - just walk on in.

BANJO'S LATROBE

The redevelopment of Banjo's Bakery Café at Latrobe is enabling them to better cater for customers in these COVID-19 times.

Walls have been moved and the shop reconfigured so you can relax and enjoy the delectable treats on offer at your leisure.

If you haven't been to Banjo's for a while, why not call in to 81-83 Gilbert Street, Latrobe.

MUSE LIFESTYLE

Home décor outlet, Muse.Lifestyle opened at Shop 1, 135 Gilbert Street, Latrobe in early December.

As a sister business to Muse.Shearwater, owner Lyndsey Holmes was keen to extend her love for interiors and styling into a unique concept store with a completely different vibe to Shearwater, and the shop in Latrobe was the perfect place to do it.

"The shop has such a great feel to it, gorgeous natural light and was a perfect blank canvas." She says, adding that "Latrobe is a bustling little town with loads of history and charm, so it was a no-brainer for me to extend our brand there."

If you are looking for that little bit of luxe to your décor, consider shopping local at Muse.Lifestyle.

DOG OFF LEASH AREAS

anxious, aggressive, or annoys other dogs or people.

- Be mindful of large groups of dogs exercising together as this may lead to over excitement and subsequently escalate into anti-social behavior.
- Dog walkers must clean up and properly dispose of their dog's faeces.
- Stay alert and focused on your dog and do not let your phone or friends distract you.
- Do not exercise your dog off leash if it will not come to you when called, particularly when distracted.
- Toys and food are best left at home as dogs may be protective of these.
- Do not allow your dog to run up to an unknown dog. Speak with its owner first as not all dogs like to interact with other dogs.

BUS STOP SIGNAGE IMPROVED

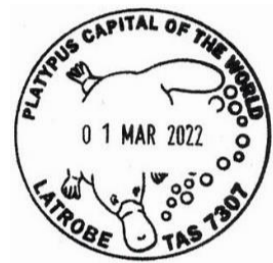
The Department of State Growth and Latrobe Council have been working together to have all bus stops in the Latrobe and Port Sorell areas fitted with new signage.

The new signs are brighter and easier to see for everyone.

Following the launch of the new network in January 2021 that saw increased services across the area, including weekend and public holiday services to areas that previously only had weekday services, bus stops are now operational seven days a week, unless signed posted otherwise.

For more information on bus services, including timetables and maps, visit www.transport.tas.gov.au/public_transport

PICTORIAL POSTMARK



The Latrobe Post Office recently announced that they now have an official, permanent pictorial postmark that celebrates the

iconic platypus and

confirms that Latrobe is indeed the *Platypus Capital of the World!*

This beautiful postmark is available at the counter of the Latrobe Post Office for anyone wanting to beautify their mail or add a special stamp to their philatelic collection.

Thank you, Australia Post, for recognising the humble platypus via the Latrobe outlet.

YOUTH CENTRE REIMAGINED

With use of the Latrobe and Districts Youth Centre (LDYC) at capacity and creating limitations as the population continues to grow, Council has established a working group to reimagine the facility and what would be required to develop it as a multipurpose recreation centre for the next generation.

The LDYC was first opened in 1975 and is an original Gunns Timber hardwood basketball court with modest change room and social facilities. Sometime after this, the centre grew to incorporate squash courts, meeting rooms and extra change room facilities.

In late 2020, Latrobe Council reviewed the 2015 Latrobe Recreation Master Plan and determined that the highest priority was the redevelopment of the LDYC to ensure the future recreational and sporting needs could be met.

The group will consider how a contemporary facility can meet these growing needs while attracting new and expanded usage. They will also consider minimising any impact on surrounding residences, energy efficiencies, the use of technology and ongoing financial sustainability.

It is expected that the outcome of this reimagining will identify this project as significant, requiring additional funding from external sources. Council would consequently be in a strong position to advocate for such funding.

FIRE HAZARD REDUCTION

Depending on weather conditions, fire risks can continue into the cooler months. To ensure the safety of yourself and your neighbours, please ensure your block has been slashed and any fire risk has been mitigated.

You do this by ensuring grass is mowed/slashed, vegetation along fence lines is removed and undergrowth cleared, and a fire break of at least 5m is installed and maintained on bush properties.

FREE FOOD SAFETY TRAINING

Food safety refers to the handling, preparing and storage of food in a way to best reduce the risk of individuals becoming sick from foodborne illnesses. Any number of potential food hazards exist in a food handling environment, many of which carry with them serious consequences.

Regardless of why you are handling food, whether as part of your job or cooking at home, it is essential to always apply the proper food safety principles.

If you require some basic food safety training, Council has access to a free course that you can complete online. Simply go to <https://eha.highfieldlearning.com> and register.

This doesn't have to be completed in one sitting. A certificate can be downloaded once the training is successfully completed.

If you have any questions, please contact Council's Environmental Health Officer on 6426 4444.

COMMENT OPEN ON DRAFT LOCAL PROVISIONS SCHEDULE

Every property owner within the Latrobe Council area recently received correspondence inviting them to review the Latrobe Draft Local Provisions Schedule (Draft LPS) and provide written representation.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN IN SIMPLE LANGUAGE?

The Tasmanian Planning Scheme comprises of the State Planning Provisions (SPP), adopted in 2017, and a Local Provisions Schedule for each council area.

The SPP sets out the way the planning scheme operates, the zones that can be applied to land and the planning rules for use and development that occurs within those zones. The intent of the Tasmanian Planning Scheme is to achieve as much consistency as possible in the planning rules that apply across the State.

The LPS comprises of a variety of situationally specific Codes and are set out in the State Planning Provisions as part of the legislated framework.

Prior to coming into effect, Council is required to make the LPS available for public comment with due consideration to submissions made. This period for submissions is currently open until Monday, 21 March.

HOW DOES THIS AFFECT ME OR MY NEIGHBOURHOOD?

When looking at the LPS, you will be able to view what Codes affect not only your property but property around you.

Your property might be subject to bushfire provisions, coastal erosion, coastal inundation, electricity transmission infrastructure,

flood prone, a landslip hazard, local historic heritage, natural assets, safeguarding of airports, scenic protection, local area objectives, site specific qualifications and/or a specific area plan. Properties may be subject to none, one or many of these Codes. It is important that you are aware of the potential effect the LPS has on your property and surrounds to determine whether you might like to make a submission.



The LPS can be viewed through a web-based platform at <https://bit.ly/LatrobeCouncilLPS2022> or you can make an appointment to see one of Council's Planners at the Latrobe Council office during business hours.

Full details with links to supplementary documentation is available online at <https://bit.ly/LatrobeCouncilLPSLinks>. Representations in writing will be accepted by Latrobe Council until 21 March 2022:

- By post to PO Box 63, Latrobe 7307;
 - By email submissions@latrobe.tas.gov.au; or
 - In person at 170 Gilbert Street, Latrobe.
- Submissions, in writing, don't have to be a thousand-word essay or be completed by a professional but it must:
- clearly identify who is making the representation and signed and dated by that person
 - include contact details of the person making the representation
 - outline facts and reasons to explain your support for, or opposition to, all or any part of the draft LPS that relates to the content or merit of the draft LPS.

HEALTHY TASMANIA PLAN

Healthy Tasmania, a partnership between the Tasmanian Government and community, will launch the Healthy Tasmania Five-Year Strategic Plan 2022-2027 this year.

Extensive community and stakeholder consultation has occurred in the development of this Plan. Over the next five years, Healthy Tasmania actions will focus on supporting Tasmanians and their communities to be more connected, have positive mental health and wellbeing, reduce harmful alcohol use, be smoke free, eat well and live more active lives. There will also be a focus on priority populations and health literacy.

For information on Healthy Tasmania activities, go to <https://www.healthytasmania.tas.gov.au>

COUNCIL'S WORKS REPORT

The following works are scheduled to be undertaken throughout the Latrobe Municipality during March and April:



CIVIL CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE

- Various carpark re-surfacing Shearwater
- Various road resealing in Port Sorell area, Bakers Beach and Squeaking Point.
- Tarleton Road reconstruction, Stage 2 between Cornicks Road intersection and the municipal boundary.
- Squeaking Point Road safety improvements project.
- Warrawee carpark upgrade works.
- Rural road tree and vegetation priority maintenance.
- The rural roadside spraying program.
- Rural road shouldering program
- Gravel road maintenance grading program.

TOWN SERVICES

- Public amenities priority upgrade works
- Elderly Persons Units maintenance and refurbishments is ongoing.
- Town footpath & facility maintenance and pressure cleaning
- Various town signs and furniture maintenance

GREEN SPACES

- Parks mowing - crews are continuing to see higher than normal growth.
 - Landscaping and tree planting in Burgess Drive
 - Tree planting along Club Drive between Village and Alexander Street
 - General parks and gardens maintenance
- Should you have any queries in relation to the above works, please do not hesitate to contact Council's Operations Manager on 6426 4453.

HYDROTHERAPY UPDATE

Redevelopment work is nearing completion on the Hydrotherapy Pool co-located at Strathdevon, Latrobe (Moriarty Road, Latrobe).

Following the closure of this State Government facility, Latrobe Council championed the need to re-establish this service to improve the health and mobility needs of our community and beyond. Ultimately however, the State Government refused to budge but offered Council \$400,000 for redevelopment works provided Council took over its ongoing provision.

Consultation with local service providers and users of the facility was undertaken including options for how the facility could be more broadly used.

Fairbrother Pty Ltd started work on site last November with the redevelopment progressing on schedule.

Council recently appointing Deep Water Swim School (DWSS) to operate the centre on a day-to-day basis. DWSS have proven experience in pool operation and have managed the Latrobe Swim Centre for over 20 years.

The Hydrotherapy Pool will open in April/May. Please contact DWSS on 0417 309 194 to register your interest in using the facility.

FOR CURIOUS WOMEN

The Seedlab Sisters program enables women who are curious about what their business dreams could become, to feel more confident and empowered within themselves. They will be supported to make their own business dreams real, and to tell their own stories with conviction. Specifically, the program seeks to inspire entrepreneurial women interested in agri-food industries in North-West and West Tasmania, and equip them with confidence, skills and networks to develop their ventures.

Women do not need to have a business already; they may be at any life stage and simply interested in finding out more about developing a business or learning new business skills.

Seedlab Sisters will be presenting a further four Workshops on 18 March, 18 May, 16 June and 17 August as well as three month long Seedlab Tasmania Bootcamp Programs with intakes commencing 24 March, 14 July and 22 September.

The workshops will take participants on a journey to build on their knowledge and sense of community.

For more information and to register for the Workshops, go to www.seedlabtasmania.com.au

The program is funded by the Tasmanian Government Department of Communities 'Supporting Women to Succeed' Grant Program and partners with Seedlab Tasmania, Cradle Coast Authority, Switch

Tasmania, and is led by Swinburne University's Centre for Social Impact RegionxLink Office.

NOMINATIONS SOUGHT

The Port Sorell Advisory Committee (PSAC) is a Special Committee of Latrobe Council, established under the Local Government Act 1993, for the following purposes -

1. To consider and make recommendations to the Council on matters relating to the future development of the greater Port Sorell area providing a more sustainable residential area whilst considering environmental integrity, providing a quality lifestyle for residents, and appealing to visitors and investors.
2. The Committee will identify priority projects/focus areas that align with the following objectives of the Port Sorell and Environs Strategic Plan 2008 and the Port Sorell Strategic Plan Review 2017-18, and will form the base of their meeting agendas:
 - 1.1. Economic - to attract more visitors as well as investment in residential, commercial and industrial opportunities;
 - 1.2. Social - to provide a safe and liveable community with high amenity;
 - 1.3. Environmental - to effectively manage the natural values of the area, including the foreshore, waterways, vegetation, and wildlife habitat.

Nominations are sought from relevant members of the community to fill one position each for business interest and tourism interest as well as two youth representatives.

Meeting dates for 2022 have been scheduled for 24 May, 23 August and 22 November.

Interested? Please contact Secretariat, Sarah Cairns on 6426 4444 for more information.

FUNDING FINDER

The Cradle Coast Funding Finder is a free service that provides a comprehensive list of grant and funding opportunities available to local businesses, community groups, not-for-profits and individuals. The Cradle Coast Authority, of which Latrobe Council is a financial contributor, is proud to partner with GrantGuru to provide this service.

Updated daily, the site enables you to search and filter funding opportunities specific to your need. Simply go online to <https://www.cradlecoast.com/funding-finder/>.

You can also register to receive email alerts for new grants, save your favourites and access tips to maximise your chances of receiving the funding you need.

LATROBE FLOOD LEVEL UPDATE

Federal environmental approval continues to delay the ground works associated with the Latrobe Flood Mitigation project. This project will see the construction of levees around Latrobe's south-western and southern perimeter as well as a flood gate structure (lower Kings Creek) and a peak-flow flood diverter on Kings Creek at Kings Park.

The levee system is designed to prevent Mersey River and Kings Creek floodwaters from entering the town's central business district and nearby residential areas during a significant flood event and provides a temporary water storage area for local runoff behind the walls until flood levels outside the walls reduce.

In response to community questions as to whether the removal of the Frogmore Lane causeway could reduce or eliminate the need for the proposed Latrobe levee, Council commissioned modelling of its potential hydraulic and flood protection benefits.

This modelling determined that the existing flood levee would still be required as the removal of the causeway would only allow a levee height reduction of up to approximately 250mm. Based on a cost to benefit basis and that there is no clear hydraulic benefit for the causeway removal, the project will proceed as intended.

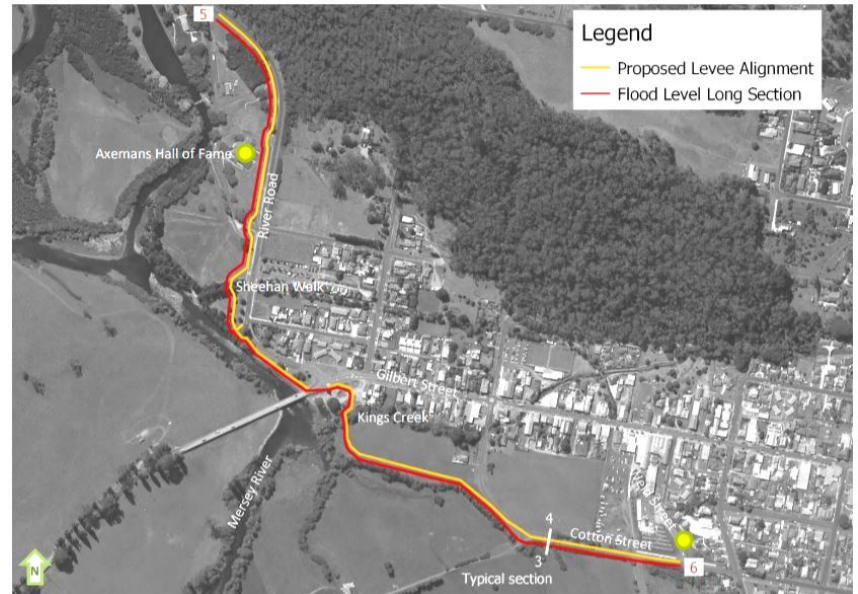
While there has been no on-site construction activity to date, the pre-casting of concrete panels in the contractor's yard has commenced and other items have been procured to moderate against cost increases.

Preliminary Documentation (PD) in relation to Central North Burrowing Crayfish have been sent to Department Agriculture Water and Environment for review. Civil and structural design is progressing for a variation design.

Van Diemen Consulting have also placed survey pegs to mark the fence line for the River Road crayfish offset site.

Asset and service relocations are progressing with River Road components approved for relocation and/or removal as required. The latest program (subject to change) is:

- Stage 1 (River Road levee) commencement on 29 March 2022 with completion on 16 September 2022 (estimated start date based on conservative PD approvals)
- Stage 2 (Victor/Cotton Street levee) commencement on 19 September 2022 with completion on 27 February 2023
- Stage 3 (diversion culvert) commencement on 29 March 2023 with completion on 4 December 2023.



SAFE HOUSEHOLD CHEMICAL DISPOSAL

Unused chemicals pose a risk in landfill and are not permitted in kerbside recycling.

Residents of the Latrobe Council area can safely clean out old and unwanted laundry, hobby, home and garden chemicals and bring them for safe disposal at the Port Sorell Waste Transfer Station from 12 noon until 4:00pm on 10 March.

This opportunity is the best way to dispose of household chemicals that are no longer needed or are beyond their use by date - and it is free to do so.

Items accepted include:

- solvents and household cleaners;
- floor care products;
- ammonia-based cleaners;
- pesticides and herbicides;
- poisons;
- pool chemicals;
- hobby chemicals; and
- acids and alkalis

with individual items to be no more than 20kg or 20 litres.

For safety reasons, no early or late drop-offs will be accepted.

This household hazardous waste event is made possible by a voluntary waste levy recovered at three council-owned landfills in North West Tasmania. All levy funds are reinvested by the Cradle Coast Waste Management Group in services across the region to reduce landfill waste and improve the recovery of re-usable materials.

ACTIVE AGEING CONSULTATION

COTA Tasmania is undertaking community consultation activities to support the development of the next Strategy for Older Tasmanians.

They want to H.E.A.R how you stay Healthy, Engaged and Resilient as you age. As part of this they have developed a short survey to reach as many Tasmanians as possible, alongside holding in person events and activities with community partners across the state.

Whether you are 40, 75 or 105 years of age (or any age in between!) what are your experiences of ageing in Tasmania?

- What does ageing mean to you?
- Can you access the services and supports you need?
- What do you think Tasmanian's need to age well?

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

- Completing the survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LXV MCXQ>
- Phone COTA to have a hard copy of the survey posted to you - 6231 3265
- Text your thoughts of what healthy ageing means to you to 0477 011 112
- Join in an online community discussion (dates TBC)

COTA staff are collaborating with community organisations, neighbourhood houses and Councils to arrange in person events and activities in COVID safe environments.

SHARE YOUR PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES

The Tasmanian Government has appointed three Regional Sport Coordinators to support the commitment and goal of becoming the healthiest state by 2025.

As part of the Department of Education, the Coordinator's provide support and advice to schools and colleges to facilitate increased and sustained participation in physical activity and sport among school students. The team's aim is to:

- increase physical activity and sport options for students
- improve access to current and future physical activity and sport opportunities by supporting schools and communities to break down key barriers preventing student participation
- support key transition periods for students to promote continued participation in physical activity and sport

With a new online platform, community and sporting organisations can share upcoming programs and events direct to schools via <https://sport.education.tas.gov.au/news/submit>.

By engaging and collaborating with staff and local communities, the coordinators seek to share information and resources, build knowledge networks and provide targeted support for improved student participation and engagement levels in physical activity and sport.

Want to know more, please phone 6478 4329.



Kentish and Latrobe

Independent Business Association

KALIBA CORE PRINCIPLES - WHAT? HOW? WHY?

The 12-person Board of Management of KaLIBA represents a wide variety of business owners, who are donating their time to support the Kentish and Latrobe regions ongoing prosperity.

The Board has developed the following Core Principles to explain its roles and aims in our community:

- KaLIBA represents and supports EVERY business across the Kentish and Latrobe municipalities with free membership, regardless of industry, size, or location
- KaLIBA is independent, while collaborating and cooperating with all tiers of government, industry associations, and other relevant organisations
- KaLIBA is focused on the needs of businesses to support their wellbeing and prosperity
- KaLIBA delivers business support, engagement, education, promotion, lobbying, networking, and mentoring
- KaLIBA engages with all businesses to create a united voice that fosters increased economic activity, for the benefit of businesses and communities

YOUR BUSINESS FUTURE IS IN YOUR HANDS

KaLIBA has emailed an online survey so that businesses can put forward what the Association's priorities should be. To be of value and relevant to our business community, KaLIBA wants local businesses to inform it on the programs, project and support that are most needed. Tell KaLIBA what your business needs are by completing its ongoing survey at <https://bit.ly/KaLIBASurvey>

BUSINESS COVID SUPPORT

KaLIBA has been emailing its current list of several hundred businesses across the council area with important information on COVID resilience, support services, and special assistance available at no cost. If you are a local businessperson and are not receiving these KaLIBA bulletins, please email gordon.williams@kaliba.org.au with your contact information. The Association can only support you if you're included in its database.

For more information, please contact KaLIBA Executive, Gordon Williams at gordon.williams@kaliba.org.au or 0402 636 769.

YOUTH NAVIGATORS

Young Tasmanians who completed Year 12 in 2020 and 2021 are encountering a job, education and vocational training landscape that has changed in ways never before imagined.

The Youth Navigators Program, a free, confidential, one-on-one service, delivered through Youth, Family and Community Connections (YFCC), is a support program for 2020 and 2021 Tasmanian school leavers to assist them to navigate their future after Year 12.

Youth Navigators are youth specialists who offer tailored, holistic and targeted support to school leavers to transition to further education, training or employment. They can assist with individualised coaching, referrals, resume writing, interview practice, job search skills, work readiness, career and vocational profiling/coaching as well as links to youth-specific services and employment services.

Information and guidance are also offered to parents/carers on supporting young people through the complex decision-making process relating to work, employment and/or training.

Leanne Charlesworth is the Youth Navigator in the West / North West region and brings a wide range of skills, knowledge and network connections through 21 years working in the employment industry. She has also worked for a Registered Training Organisation and has a good knowledge of the training sector.

Leanne has a very calming energy about her which makes clients feel right at home from the first meeting and her positive can-do attitude will ensure they get the support they need.

If you would like more information about the service, or to book a call back from Leanne, email leannec@yfcc.com.au, call 0460 632 688 or visit www.youthnavigators.com.au



Council of the Ageing is part of a group of not-for-profit organisations that have been funded by the Department of Health to provide the Older Persons COVID-19 Support Line.

This free service has been established to answer COVID-related questions and to provide help, support and resources to Older Australians impacted by COVID-19 in any way.

Currently, many of their calls relate to the roll out of the COVID-19 vaccine program, checking eligibility and where to get vaccinated. They have staff who have experience speaking with and assisting older Australians.

Any older Australian, or someone concerned about an older Australian, can access support and information through them for any COVID-related issue or question by phoning 1800 171 866 from 8:30am until 6:00pm Monday to Friday.

PORT SORELL DANCE STUDIO

KC Studio of Dance has expanded to the Port Sorell Memorial Hall each Wednesday.

"With a great team of teachers, the growth of the area, and already having students from the area, it just seemed like the right time to open at Port Sorell," said Ms Gossage.

Through dance, students learn a variety of life skills, including resilience, commitment and teamwork.

KC School of Dance also offers performance opportunities, including competitions and concerts, which help foster confidence and self-awareness. Tutoring at Port Sorell is Miss Chloe Hollingsworth - a dancer for most of her life who has studied many dance styles, Miss Chloe is currently completing her Certificate 4 in Dance.

Teaching for the past two years, Miss Chloe's creativity and her connection with the students shows she really cares about each individual and their dance journey. *"I know that our students in Port Sorell will love working with Miss Chloe and have lots of fun while developing lots of amazing skills,"* added Ms Gossage. Classes being offered are in the Under 8 (ages 5-8) and Under 13 (ages 9-13) age groups. The success of classes will determine whether more age groups are offered.

For more information, please email kstudioofdancetas@gmail.com; phone 0438 656 260 or find KC Studio of Dance on Facebook and Instagram.

SEA SPURGE BIOCONTROL RELEASED AT BAKERS BEACH

Sea Spurge (*Euphorbia paralias*) is one of the most prolific coastal weeds in Tasmania and is a serious threat to coastline biodiversity. It came to Australia from the coastal regions of France and swiftly took over the coastline from Geraldton in Western Australia, south and around the coast towards Sydney. Sea Spurge can reach densities of 150,000 to 180,000 plants per hectare. Long distance dispersal of the plant occurs when the buoyant and saltwater-resistant seeds are carried by ocean currents to new areas of coastline

The weed invades the habitat for some shorebirds, including the threatened Hooded Plover. Sea Spurge also outcompetes native plant species, which can affect coastline stability

The CSIRO has been testing a new method of controlling Sea Spurge - a fungus called *Venturia paralias* from the weed's native habitat in France. The fungus initially infects the leaves, which can create a lesion on the leaf, then it can move into the stem. Once in the stem, it produces a characteristic dark lesion on the stem, which makes it very difficult for the plant to transport water up and down the stem.

Venturia paralias has been released on three separate beaches so far in Tasmania (Bakers Beach, Low Head and Duck Creek), as part of the pilot program to test if it will spread and thrive in Australian conditions. This CSIRO project has been overseen locally by Jon Marsden-Smedley with his extensive experience in fighting Sea Spurge across remote south-west Tasmania with the Wildcare Group SPRATS.

CSIRO is working with the Tasmanian Parks and Wildlife Service and local councils to extend approval of the release program through local volunteer groups.

For more information visit <https://wildcaredtas.org.au/branches/wildcare-sprats/>



Source: Cradle to Coastlines December 2021

WHEN DO I NEED

A KENNEL LICENCE?

Kennel licences are required if a person has more than two dogs over the age of six months on a property.

A person may have up to four working dogs before a licence is required. A working dog is a dog principally used for

- droving or tending livestock;
- detecting illegal substances;
- searching, tracking, or rescuing or
- working with Police officers.



A person applying for a new kennel licence must advertise a public notice in The Advocate newspaper. Any person living within 200m of the address may make a representation.

In reaching a decision as to whether to grant a licence, the General Manager reviews:

- Any relevant objections.
- The site inspection report together with any other matters that relate to public health and environmental laws.
- The likelihood of the dogs creating a nuisance by barking or otherwise.
- Any other matter considered relevant.

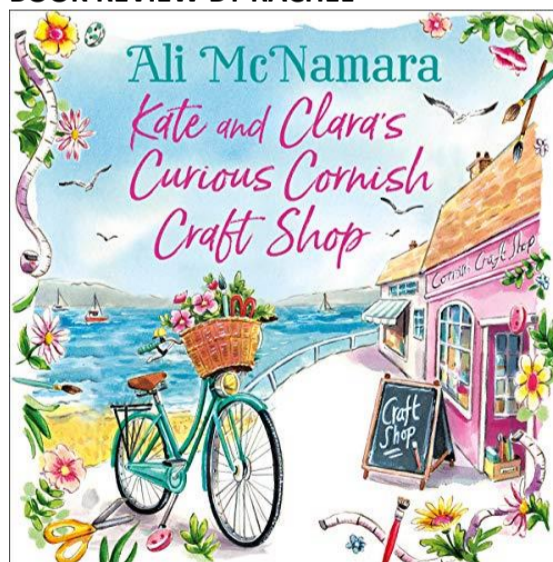
Where the General Manager is satisfied that adequate provisions for health, welfare and control of the dogs are provided, and that no nuisance to any other person may occur, a kennel licence may be issued with or without conditions.

LATROBE LIBRARY

Image editions of The Advocate and The Examiner newspapers are now available online to all Libraries Tasmania members at libraries.tas.gov.au/information/Pages/eLibrary.aspx.

Members can search or browse full digital replicas of the print editions, with full-colour layouts of all news articles, graphics, advertisements, classifieds, weather reports, puzzles and cartoons. Also available in the image edition are The Mercury, The Australian, The Age, The Guardian, The Saturday Paper among others.

BOOK REVIEW BY RACHEL



“Whilst on holidays recently I wanted something light to read, not my usual reading material. I found this book in amongst the large print novels and thought *I love craft; I might like this.*

The story revolves around Kate, a single Mum who has started up her own craft shop in Cornwall. She is given an old sewing machine, which churns out embroideries at night by itself, a bit like the Brothers Grimm story, The Elves and Shoemaker.

She finds out that the local art shop owner, Jack was also gifted an art easel, which is also starting to create art works at night. Kate and Jack start trying to find out the meaning of the craft produced overnight whilst falling in love.

Of course, there are the usual ups and downs, but for a holiday read this hit all the right spots. Craft, Cornwall and a cosy story was what I needed.”

The Latrobe Library at 113 Gilbert Street, Latrobe is open from 1:00pm until 5:00pm every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

RUBICON RIVER ARTS



Despite the disruptions of COVID-19, Rubicon River Arts (RRA) is maintaining a vibrant exhibition at the Latrobe Arts Hub, 21 George Street -

behind the Latrobe Memorial Hall. All works, across many visual arts, are for sale at very reasonable prices. Should you wish to ensure a member is present when you visit, please email rubicon-river-arts@googlegroups.com

RRA continues to hold workshops at the Latrobe Arts Hub. Member Rasa Dunlop has run a very successful beginner weaving workshop followed by Kim O'Brien's drawing animals workshop. Details of future workshop opportunities throughout the year are promoted via www.facebook.com/rubicon.river.arts The group are now meeting at the Latrobe Arts Hub, 21 George Street, Latrobe on the first Saturday of the month from 10:00am until 12 noon and welcome existing and new members - from beginner artists to experience artists. Even if you are just interested in the arts, you will be made to feel most welcome.

NEIGHBOUR DAY

The past few years have highlighted the importance of social connection and staying connected, particularly for our individual and collective health and wellbeing.

On 27 March, *Neighbour Day: Connecting Communities* is celebrated throughout Australia.

Evolving from a day to remind the community to connect with elderly neighbours, Neighbour Day is now an annual celebration of respectful relationships and strong communities. There are many different ways to reach out and connect with those around you - a conversation across the back fence, inviting a neighbour in for a cuppa, organising a community get-together, or even stopping for a chat when you're walking the dog.

To find out more and participate in Neighbour Day, go to <https://neighbourday.org/>.

You will not only be benefiting your health and wellbeing, but others' too. While Neighbour Day is just one day, for Latrobe resident, Robyne Le Roi, she is actively playing a role in developing social connections to reduce loneliness in our communities on a regular basis. Ms Le Roi believes no-one should be lonely so, she is opening her door at 8 Bradshaw Street, Latrobe each Tuesday and Thursday and invites anyone to join her for a cuppa and a chat. Who knows, she may even read your tea leaves.

LOCAL BRIGADE BRINGS BACK THE BUNNY

Following the success of the last Port Sorell Fire Brigade Easter event, the vollies are working on turning this into an annual Port Sorell Easter Picnic this Easter long weekend.

Plans are for an Easter Egg Hunt, sack races, egg and spoon races, BBQ, and face-painting. Attendees will be invited to BYO their own picnic blanket, bean bag or camp chairs and relax a little longer in Pioneer Park on the corner of Rice and Meredith Streets, Port Sorell.

This will once again be a fun, COVID safe event, with the focus on community enjoyment for all ages.

More details about the Port Sorell Easter Picnic will be posted on the Port Sorell Fire Brigade Facebook page closer to Easter.



ANZAC DAY TRADING

Under the *ANZAC Day Observance Act 1929*, it is an offence to open a shop before 12.30pm on ANZAC Day.

If a non-exempt shop is open before 12.30pm, the occupier may be fined under section 5A of the Act.

The ANZAC Day trading restrictions do not apply to:

- shops that the Minister approves opening before 12.30pm,
- pharmacies;
- newsagents;
- bottle shops;
- cafes and restaurants;
- service stations;
- car yards;
- real estate agents to the extent that they are conducting an auction at the premises; and
- shops that are part of a large shopping complex with many shops and the number of employees in that shop on any day in the most recent month of March is not more than 10 people.

It is also an offence to require an employee to work on ANZAC Day (or any other public holiday) without the employee's written agreement. If you do not comply with this, you may be fined under the Act.

ANZAC DAY SERVICE UPDATE



ANZAC Day this year falls within the school holidays.

At the time of writing, both the Port Sorell and Latrobe ANZAC Day Dawn Services and Latrobe Citizens Commemorative Service had applied for Tier 1 approval to proceed.

MARCHING

Anticipating approval for the event to proceed, an invitation is extended to serving and returned defence personnel, schools, community, sport and service organisations to participate in either the 5:45am or 9:40am marches to the Latrobe Cenotaph. There is no march for the Port Sorell 6.00am Service.

If your organisation wishes to march, please register via email to latrobersl2@gmail.com by 14 April. Please provide your organisation's name and how many people will be marching.

WREATH AND BOOK LAYING

If you wish to lay a wreath or book at the Latrobe Citizens Commemorative Service, please register your organisation/name via

email to council@latrobe.tas.gov.au or phone 6426 4444 by 14 April. Further details will then be provided.

ROAD CLOSURE

Road closures will affect James Street (between Gilbert and George Street); Gilbert Street (from Victor Street to James Street including the Hamilton Street intersection). A detour through town will be via Cotton Street.

The traffic management plan will be in effect half an hour prior to and during the Latrobe services.

LATROBE TENNIS CLUB

It is an exciting time for the Latrobe Tennis Club with the B Grade Doubles team recently winning the Grand Final in the Northwest Tennis League, along with the submission of a grant application to replace the aging court surface.



Social tennis continues to be popular with spaces available in the Tuesday and Thursday night sessions, 5:30pm-7:00pm and 7:00pm-8:30pm. This is a great way to play and meet others in a social setting that can accommodate all ages and abilities.

The Club has several events planned over the coming months, including:

- An Open Day where you can dust off the racket or, for beginners, come and try tennis in a social setting with a range of events and prizes on offer.
- Pickleball - come and try the game which is the taking the world by storm. Could you be the first Tasmanian to represent Australia at the 2032 Olympics?
- Pop Tennis - the new and fun variation of the game which is enjoyed by players of all abilities.

Interested, or want to know more? Follow the Latrobe Tennis Club Tasmania Inc on Facebook or look them up on the web (<https://play.tennis.com.au/latrobetennisclubtasmania>).

EVENT READY SUPPORT

The Event Ready Grant Program supports events with COVID-19 safety planning. The program is responsive to the Tasmanian Government's Framework for COVID-19 Safe events and activities in Tasmania process and the additional needs, demands and costs associated with planning and delivering those events. Grants up to \$5,000 are available. Event Ready grants are not intended to provide general support for an event or organisation.

Applications are currently open at <https://bit.ly/TasEventReadyGrants>.

COMING EVENTS

COVID-19 safe requirements continue to be in effect. When attending an event, please comply with COVID requirements as directed by the event host.

MARCH

- 1 Business Clean Up Day**
- 4 Schools Clean Up Day**
- 5-6 North West Zone Dressage State Championship** at 291 Squeaking Point Road, Thirlstane from 9:00am until 5:00pm Saturday and 9:00am to 3:00pm Sunday. Free spectator entry. Food and refreshments available. ☎ 0408144569
- 5 CORES Australia Suicide Prevention Training** at the Banksia Centre Pitcairn Street, Port Sorell from 9:30am - 4:30pm. Bookings to <https://bit.ly/CORES5-3-22>. ☎ 6491 1552
- 5 Danny Kealley Band** perform at Shearwater Resort, 17-23 Shearwater Bvd, Shearwater from 6:30pm until 10:00pm. Free entry. ☎ 6428 6205.
- 5 Don't Come Monday** at Mackey's Royal Hotel Bar, 161 Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 8.30pm. Free entry.
- 6 Clean Up Australia Day**
- 7 Latrobe Council Meeting** at 170 Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 5:00pm. Attendance registration essential to 6426 4444.
- 10 Household Chemical Waste Disposal** at the Port Sorell Waste Transfer Station, Hawk Hill Road (off Alexander Street), Port Sorell from 12 noon until 4:00pm. For more information, go to www.rethinkwaste.com.au
- 11-12 Australian Formula 500 Title** along with modifieds, Tassie Sixes and Wingless Sprints on night 1 and Sprintcars, Tassie Sixes and Street Stocks on night 2. Latrobe Speedway at Speedway Drive, Latrobe. Gates open at 3:00pm. Costs apply.
- 12 Matt & CJ** perform at Mackey's Royal Hotel Bar, 161 Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 8.30pm. Free entry.
- 13 Harvest Thanksgiving Service** at the Latrobe Baptist Church, 125 Gilbert Street, Latrobe commencing at 10:00am. Morning tea to follow
- 13 Latrobe Cemetery Working Bee** at the Latrobe Cemetery, Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 10:00am until 11:15am. BYO gardening implements and wear appropriate clothing. Food and drink at conclusion. ☎ 0417 598 116
- 13 Devonport Anglers Club Junior Fishout Day** at Taylor's Dam, Bass Hwy, Latrobe from 10:00am - 3:00pm. Date subject to change. www.facebook.com/juniorfishingtasmania
- 13 Matt & CJ** perform at Shearwater Resort, 17-23 Shearwater Bvd, Shearwater from 6:00pm until 9:30pm. Free entry. ☎ 6428 6205.
- 14 Eight Hour Day Public Holiday**
- 17 Tarleton Community Information Forum** from 7:00pm (TBC). Attendance registration essential to 6426 4444
- 19 Rude Lixx** performs at Mackey's Royal Hotel Bar, 161 Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 8.30pm. Free entry.

- 25 JAKS** performs at Shearwater Resort, 17-23 Shearwater Bvd, Shearwater from 6:00pm - 9:30pm. Free entry.
- 26 Canning Duck** perform at Mackey's Royal Hotel Bar, 161 Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 8.30pm. Free entry.
- 27 Neighbour Day: Connecting Communities.** Refer to separate article.
- 27 Celebrate the Harvest** at the Sassafras Baptist Church, 14 Chapel Road, Sassafras commencing at 10:30am. Morning tea to follow. All welcome

APRIL

- 2 Latrobe Speedway** featuring Sprintcars, AMCA, Street Stocks, Junior Sedans and Wingless Sprints at Speedway Drive, Latrobe. Gates open at 3:00pm. Costs apply.
- 2 Not a Bumble Bee** at Mackey's Royal Hotel Bar, 161 Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 8.30pm. Free entry.
- 4 Gypsy Rose** perform at Shearwater Resort, 17-23 Shearwater Bvd, Shearwater from 6:30pm - 10:00pm. Ticketed event. Admission: \$20. ☎ 6428 6205.
- 9 Scott Lewis** performs at Mackey's Royal Hotel Bar, 161 Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 8.30pm. Free entry.
- 10 Devonport Anglers Club Season Final Junior Fishout Day** at Taylor's Dam, Bass Highway, Latrobe from 10:00am until 3:00pm. Date subject to change. Go to www.facebook.com/juniorfishingtasmania
- 11 Latrobe Council Meeting** at 70 Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 5:00pm. Attendance registration essential to 6426 4444.
- 15-29 School holidays**
- 15 Good Friday Public Holiday**
- 15 Good Friday Easter Services**
- Bridge of Hope at Rubicon Grove Community Centre, 89 Club Drive, Port Sorell at 9:30am
 - Latrobe Baptist Church, 125 Gilbert Street, Latrobe at 10:00am
 - Stations of the Cross at St Joseph's Mass Centre, Wilson Street, Port Sorell at 10.00am
 - Bridge of Hope at Hamilton Street, Latrobe at 11:00am
 - Stations of the Cross at St Patrick's Church, 195 Gilbert Street, Latrobe at 11.00am
- 15 Latrobe Speedway** featuring Sprintcars, Super Sedans, Modifieds, Tassie Sixes, Street Stocks and Formula 500's at Speedway Drive, Latrobe. Gates open at 3:00pm. Costs apply.
- 16 Open Mic Night** at Mackey's Royal Hotel Bar, 161 Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 8.00pm until 11:00pm. Free entry. BYO instruments.
- 17 Easter Sunday Services**
- St Joseph's Mass Centre, Wilson Street, Port Sorell at 8:00am
 - Bridge of Hope at Rubicon Grove Community Centre, 89 Club Drive, Port Sorell at 9:30am.
 - Latrobe Baptist Church, 125 Gilbert Street, Latrobe at 10:00am
 - Wesley Vale Community Church, Port Sorell Main Road, Wesley Vale at 10:00am
 - Lighthouse Christian Fellowship, 16 Meredith Street, Port Sorell at 10:30am
 - Sassafras Baptist Church, 14 Chapel Road, Sassafras at 10:30am
 - Bridge of Hope, Hamilton Street, Latrobe at 4:00pm.
 - St David's Independent Presbyterian Church, 7 Hamilton Street, Latrobe at 5:00pm
 - St Patrick's Church, 195 Gilbert Street, Latrobe at 5:00pm
- 17 Port Sorell Easter Picnic** at the Port Sorell Fire Station and Pioneer Park, cnr Rice and Meredith Streets, Port Sorell from 10:00am until 2:00pm. More details at <https://www.facebook.com/PortSorellFireBrigade>
- 17 Channel IV** perform at Shearwater Resort, 17-23 Shearwater Bvd, Shearwater from 6:30pm until 10:00pm. Free entry. ☎ 6428 6205.
- 18 Easter Monday Public Holiday**
- 23 WD40's** perform at Mackey's Royal Hotel Bar, 161 Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 8.30pm. Free entry.
- 25 ANZAC Day Public Holiday**
- 25 ANZAC Day Services**
- **Latrobe Dawn Service** at the Latrobe Cenotaph, 113 Gilbert Street, Latrobe. March steps off at 5:45am. March participants must register with Latrobbers12@gmail.com by 14 April. ☎ 0417 806 129. Breakfast follows at Bellys Bar and Grill, 160 Gilbert Street, Latrobe - bookings 6426 3086.
 - **Port Sorell Dawn Service** at the Port Sorell Defence Memorial, Pioneer Park, cnr Rice and Meredith Streets, Port Sorell, commencing at 6:00am. Enquiries: 0407 852 946. Breakfast follows at Port Sorell Hall
 - **Latrobe Citizens Commemorative Service** at the Latrobe Cenotaph, 113 Gilbert Street, Latrobe. March steps off at 9:40am. March participants to register as per above. Wreath/book layers to register with Latrobe Council on 6426 4444 by 14 April.
- 27 Targa Tasmania - Moriarty Stage** commences at 8:30am with vehicles travelling through Latrobe to the next stage from 9:00am. <https://targa.com.au/targa-tasmania-tour/>
- 28 Port Sorell Community Information Forum** at the Banksia Centre from 7:00pm (TBC). Attendance registration essential to 6426 4444.

A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION YOU CAN KEEP

BECOME A VOLUNTEER FIREY

Every year our communities and loved ones are threatened by fire, floods, accidents, and other disasters and at every one of those incidents is a group of volunteer firefighters.

The Tasmania Fire Service volunteers don't just put out fires. They also assist Tasmania Police, Ambulance Tasmania and State Emergency Service at a range of incidents, provide a place for communities to come together for support and information and help to build resilience within their local communities. Isn't that



something we'd all like to be doing? If you live in any of these areas, there is a local Brigade which would welcome you as a member: Port Sorell, (Shearwater, Hawley, and Squeaking Point), Rubicon (Bakers Beach), Sassafras, Latrobe, Moriarty, and Wesley Vale. These Brigades form the Pardoe Group of the Tasmania Fire Service with the Group Officer, Mr Robert Atkins, keen to hear from you.

These brigades need men and women who are:

- at least 18 years of age and of good character (National Police Check required)
- willing to attend and participate in regular training (usually once a fortnight)
- physically fit to undertake the duties required in your role as a firefighter
- able to work well within a team and willing to learn new skills.



By being a part of your local Brigade, you will receive basic training and can acquire several other licences relevant to daily life.

It's not all hard work. Fireys also have a lot of fun and Brigades are social places where families are encouraged to be involved. Most Brigades also welcome Junior (10-14 years) and Cadet (15-17 years) members.

If you think you have what it takes please call Mr Atkins on 0409 140 237 and he will put you in contact with the brigade closest to you.

CORES™

COMMUNITY RESPONSE TO ELIMINATING SUICIDE

It could be your son, daughter, sister, brother, niece, nephew, or close friend, who tells you that they are considering or even planning to take their own life. It's a critical moment in that person's life. What are you going to say and do as a first responder?

Tasmania has shockingly high rates of suicide that are expected to worsen as the effects of COVID-19 take hold in the coming months and years.

To help you gain essential skills for identifying and responding to a person at risk of suicide, CORES Australia Suicide Prevention Training is being held at the Banksia Centre, Port Sorell on 5 March. Even better, it is free of charge thanks to a generous grant from Cement Australia.

You only need to BYO lunch.

Bookings are open at

<https://bit.ly/CORESSuicidePrevention>

Enquiries in relation to this full day course should be directed to 6491 1552 or email

Natalia at admin@kentishrc.com.au or.



RECOGNISING VOLUNTEERS

People of all ages and backgrounds give their time, talents, gifts and hearts to improve the quality of community life and build a stronger and more cohesive community through volunteering.

Latrobe Council will publicly celebrate the valued contribution made by volunteers to our community at a Volunteer Recognition reception during National Volunteer Week (16-22 May).

Not-for-profit organisations and groups that provide community-based services within the Latrobe Council area are invited to nominate their organisation and/or individuals that meet specific hours of service or milestone years of continuous voluntary service.

A nominated representative of organisations will receive the award on behalf of all volunteers within their organisation with individual recipients presented with their recognition.

For more information, please contact Council's Community Development Officer via email to council@latrobe.tas.gov.au or phone 64264444.

Nominations close on 14 April.

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