



Role of Local Government Misunderstood

Dr Katrena Stephenson, CEO of the Local Government Association of Tasmania was recently asked if a single planning scheme for Tasmania meant that councils could be amalgamated. Making her acutely aware how little both land use planning and the role of Local Government are understood in the broader community, she stated -

“Planning is just one of a myriad of functions undertaken by Local Government, either as statutory agents for state and federal governments, or at the behest of their communities.

In the early years, Local Government was responsible for building roads for newly formed towns, rural roads, wharves, jetties and bridges. The logic of the colonial masters, that local communities should manage issues important at the local level, still applies today. As a consequence, Local Government’s role has expanded from building roads, bridges and public buildings to providing a wide range of community services such as sport and recreational facilities, community care, health and welfare services. Increasingly, the Commonwealth and State Government’s look to Local Government to enforce legislation at the local level and deliver initiatives at the grass roots.

In any given day, your Council is likely managing roads, streets, pavements, traffic lights, bridges and car parks. It is making sure stormwater and drainage systems don’t fail. It is recycling and managing your waste. It is ensuring that development aligns with community expectations and ensures that buildings are of the required standard. It will be considering how climate change might impact on the community and how to mitigate the effects for the next generation. It will be undertaking local environmental management initiatives, conserving biodiversity and water. It will be geared up to help communities prepare for and recover from natural disasters. Your Council will be providing cultural and sporting venues, events and opportunities. It is immunising your children, ensuring your drinking water is safe and that where you eat is not going to make you sick. Many councils also provide social welfare programs such as childcare, aged care, community gardens and youth programs. They will be actively working to ensure vibrant communities through economic development and tourism programs, and the list continues. As the closest level of government to the community, councils are in a unique position to identify community needs and make sure those needs are met. As a consequence, no two councils are exactly the same and that

difference can be what makes a council special to those who live in the Municipal Area.

This is not to say there is not an opportunity for reform in Tasmania and nationally. But the argument to simply change geographic boundaries is a simplistic one that fails to strategically take into account the community and operational drivers of a complex and diverse business.

What is clear from all the research on Local Government reform is that in order for amalgamations to be successful, the new entities must be carefully designed, have a strong level of community support and be viable.

Further, the cost of deciding whether or not to merge, as well as the cost of implementation, must be well understood and minimised. There has been a significant history of underestimating these costs and overestimating the potential savings.

And then I get back to planning. Even under a single Tasmanian Planning Scheme, your Council will work with you to ensure that development is appropriate to the location. It will decide with the community where the zones are applied (colouring in the map so to speak), as well as where there needs to be special consideration of local circumstances. While there will be many more permitted pathways for development, council officers will still be there making sure development does comply with the requirements set at the state and local level.

Councillors will still consider those matters which fall outside the normal parameters and consider the varying views made through representations to determine the best overall outcome for the community.

In considering the role of Local Government in planning, it is worth remembering that the system is a state one, implemented at the local level by councils as statutory planning authorities; and assessment timeframes in Tasmania are already significantly less than other states and there is no evidence to directly link current timeframe performance with the rate of development in Tasmania.”

Food Safety Week

8-15 November is Australian Food Safety Week with a display in Council’s foyer for the duration.

“With an estimated 4.1 million cases of food poisoning each year, it [food safety] is a serious issue that affects all of the Australian community.

There are a lot of myths out there about what causes food poisoning, so during the Food Safety Week 2015 the latest consumer consumer research will be released about what Australians understand about food safety plus some simple tips to help people reduce their risk of getting sick,” said Food Safety Information Council Chair, Rachelle Williams.

Brand New Treadmill for the Mersey

Physiotherapy services at the Mersey Community Hospital (MCH) have received a massive boost thanks to the ongoing work on the hospital auxiliary.

The auxiliary recently donated a brand new treadmill to the service, to replace the old one which was around 12 years old.

Physiotherapy deputy manager Eddie Roberts said the treadmill was used for a wide variety of rehabilitation purposes, including:

- Cardiac rehab patients,
- Patients with respiratory conditions
- Patients recovering from injury i.e. lower limb fractures
- Neurological conditions i.e. stroke
- Any other condition requiring improvement in coordination, balance and endurance.



MCH General Manager Eric Daniels said all donations made by the auxiliary made a huge difference to patient care at the hospital.

"This treadmill will be utilised by a wide variety of patients in the hospital - literally hundreds of people from our community will benefit from it going forward," Mr Daniels said.

"We are so very lucky to have the support of our auxiliary, who

dedicate thousands of hours each year to raising money to assist our hospital and look forward to continuing this very positive relationship into the future."

Take a Kid Fishing

Kids, have you ever wanted to try your hand at fishing? The Devonport Anglers Club runs a Junior Anglers Program on the 2nd Sunday of each month until April, at Taylor's Dam, Latrobe, opposite the House of Anvers chocolate factory.

This dam is a dedicated venue for children to fish and is regularly stocked with Atlantic Salmon.

The "Fish-out Days" are held for Junior Members with fishing commencing at 10.00 am and concluding at 3.00 pm. A small, annual membership fee of \$10 per member is charged to cover costs for the season and each Junior Member pays an admission fee of \$2 for each "Fish-out Day" they attend. Bait and tackle is also available for sale and rods may be borrowed for the day.

The next "Fish-out Day" will be held on 8 November.

New Managers for Caravan Park

The Lions Club of Port Sorell Inc is pleased to advise that the new Managers of the Port Sorell Lions Club Caravan Park are Trevor and Faye Eaves, formerly of Burnie.

Mr and Mrs Eaves bring with them a variety of skills including self-employment where they have had to understand client needs and manage finances.

Mr Eaves is a handyman having spent 16 years in the construction industry. His sporting interests have been in athletics, golf, soccer where he held a number of executive positions and, in more recent times, lawn bowls.

Mrs Eaves started in retail before moving to the aged care industry while raising four sons and a daughter.

Fortunately she also shares similar sporting interests to her husband.

Mr and Mrs Eaves are excited to be working with each other in this new role, meeting new people that come into the park and hope to be managing the Port Sorell Lions Club Caravan Park for quite a while.

Meet the Producers

Have you ever wondered what is in what you eat and how it is made?

Hill Street Grocers take pride in the quality of products that they retail and will be holding a "Meet the Producer" evening in Station Square, Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 5.00 pm until 9.00 pm on Friday, 20 November.

They have invited quite a few of their suppliers along to this event so you can have a chat with the actual person that makes the product that ends up on your table and is consumed by your family.

There will also be a sausage sizzle and musical entertainment, so come for dinner and make an evening of it!

Santa's Post Box Delivered

Christmas is an exciting time of the year and with many decorations in shop windows already, it's just a hint that you need to start thinking about writing that all important letter to Santa.

Of course, you will tell him about your year and maybe drop a hint or two on what you might like for Christmas.

The Latrobe Post Office has recently taken delivery of a special Santa Post Box that will get your letter to "the big guy".

Throughout the month of December, they will be open on Saturday mornings up until Christmas and as well as the Santa Post Box, they have lots of special treats that would be great presents or fill Christmas stockings.

Freers Beach Accesses

Beach accesses are a topic of consistent discussion throughout seaside communities particularly those areas that get fluctuations of sand, making the beach accesses unusable at times.

A number of existing beach accesses along Freers Beach experience wash outs or erosion from time to time, resulting in the need for pedestrians to utilise other defined accesses to the beach.

Council's Manager Engineering, Mr Jonathan Magor, along with delegates of the Port Sorell Advisory Committee have met on site a number of times over the past year to identify such locations and determine possible solutions.

"Unfortunately, high tides and wind erosion make the foreshore a constantly evolving landscape and rather than exacerbate the problem, we need to understand the changes and respond accordingly.

While we have identified locations and options to resolve the situation, a number of the locations have now reconfigured themselves. Despite this, the project remains ongoing on Council's program of works," said Mr Magor.

Does your Home Contain Asbestos?

How would you know? With November being Asbestos Awareness Month, take the time to learn about asbestos rather than risk an asbestos related disease, many of which have devastating, life-threatening effects.

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ASBESTOS
THIS NOVEMBER**

There is no known safe level of exposure to asbestos fibres with Latrobe Council encouraging you to visit asbestosawareness.com.au and take the 20 Point Safety Check to identify if you may be exposed to this product and to learn how to manage asbestos-containing

materials in and around homes safely.

1 in 3 Australian homes contain asbestos in some form or another, and with the popularity of home renovation rising, it is more important than ever to know where these products may be.

Peter Dunphy, Chair of the Asbestos Education Committee heading the national Asbestos Awareness Month campaign, said "while many Australians believe that only fibro homes contain asbestos, this couldn't be further from the truth. Because Australia was among the highest consumers of asbestos products in the world, asbestos-containing materials are common in many homes built or renovated before 1987 with a broad range of products still commonly found in and around any brick, weatherboard, fibro or clad home. Without knowing where these products might be found in homes, people are playing 'Renovation Roulette' and putting not only their own health but the health of their family and friends at risk if they do not identify these products and manage asbestos safely.

Tradespeople are particularly vulnerable as they come into contact with products that may contain asbestos every day of their working life and need to be doubly aware of the risks and know safe management practices of working with asbestos."

Mountain Biking Economic Boost

Council is presently engaging a world-leading mountain bike trail development company to create a Master Plan for the development of a mountain bike trail system at Warrawee Reserve, near Latrobe.

It is proposed to develop a series of mountain bike trails in the reserve, appealing to various grades of riders, from families and children seeking a safe off-road family riding experience, through to extreme thrill-seekers who don't mind risking skin and limb.

It is anticipated the trail system will attract local, state, interstate and some international mountain bikers, providing a potential economic benefit and increasing Latrobe's profile as a tourism destination, as well as providing new health and recreation facilities.

The Warrawee trail network will be connected to a larger series of mountain bike trails proposed in the Kentish Municipality, between Railton and Sheffield, via two overland trails which will take in spectacular features such as the Mersey River and views from the top of The Badgers range. These link trails will make it possible to ride from Latrobe to Sheffield, without ever riding on a road, or can be broken up into shorter legs for a fantastic day out or a few hours ride for the family or group of mountain bike enthusiasts.

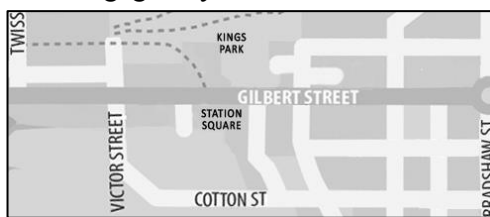
The professional consultant company will work with a group of local mountain bike enthusiasts in trail design, trail head facilities, and general product development.

It is hoped the Master Plan will be available for public comment by Christmas.

If you would like further information, or would like to be involved in the project, contact Latrobe Council's Tourism and Economic Development Officer, Chris Frankcombe on 6421 4650 (Thursday and Friday only) or email chrisf@latrobe.tas.gov.au.

Latrobe Town Centre Enhancement

Latrobe Council is presently reviewing the overall operation of the Latrobe town centre and its surrounds to enhance the functionality of the current retail and business area and provide a strategy for future growth. Wendy Morris, of Ecologically Sustainable Design Pty Ltd has been engaged by Council to assist in this process.



The first step was a public meeting held on 14 October where the aims for the project were outlined and

initial feedback was invited. Mayor Peter Freshney said on the night that "the key aims of the project are to improve the amenity of the urban centre taking into account traffic and pedestrian flows, traffic controls and street networks; parking needs and key public spaces; to optimise commercial development; provide opportunities for tourist accommodation; determine options for residential expansion close to the town centre and develop strategies to strengthen the heritage streetscape in Gilbert Street."

More than 30 people attended the meeting where several issues were raised and ideas discussed. A summary of these will shortly be placed on Council's website at www.latrobe.tas.gov.au.

It was resolved at the meeting that a design workshop, facilitated by Ms Morris and involving all interested members of the public, should be held one evening in mid-December to explore and investigate possible solutions.

Council encourages residents of Latrobe, business owners and representatives of community groups to be involved and play a part in shaping the future of the Latrobe town centre and its surrounds.

It also encourages members of the public to keep an eye on Council's website and Facebook page, as well as noticeboards in Latrobe, for the date and venue of the workshop.

Should you require further information please contact Wendy Morris at esdwendy@netspace.net.au or by telephoning 9481 0637 or 0400 570 637 or Council at either council@latrobe.tas.gov.au or telephone Sharon Holland on 6421 4650.

Building and Planning Update

A total of 32 building applications were submitted to Council for approval during September and October with a conservative construction cost of \$4,432,566.

They consisted of 13 dwellings; 5 dwelling extensions; 10 outbuildings; 2 industrial/commercial and 2 others.

Additionally, 30 new planning applications were received for consideration during the same period.

We Will Remember Them



The value placed on the contribution of our defence force personnel by today's society is strong and widely valued throughout the Latrobe Municipality and was recently reinforced with the installation of graphically designed, purpose specific "Lest We Forget" flags at the Latrobe Cenotaph and Pioneer Park, Port Sorell.

"In this ANZAC Centenary year, the contribution of service personnel was strongly promoted around ANZAC Day but, as we head towards Remembrance Day on 11 November, Latrobe Council wished to take the initiative to continue that recognition.

When we looked around at the commemorative flags, they generally recognised army personnel only and we felt that all three arms of the defence forces should be represented," said Mayor Peter Freshney.

Mrs Sarah Haberle of Flare Design was commissioned to design the flags which are now installed at the Latrobe Cenotaph and Pioneer Park, Port Sorell.

"It was quite difficult finding images of the three forces to work off but the end result with the three phases of the poppy associated with remembrance, from bud to full bloom leading upwards to the wording 'Lest We Forget', reinforces the esteem that communities have for those that have served our nation," said Mrs Haberle.

"The flags are apt in their design with the installation a month prior to Remembrance Day reinforcing the importance of that day in our nation's history," said Mr Hans Gramberg, Latrobe RSL President.

The Latrobe RSL will conduct the Municipality's Remembrance Day Service at the Latrobe Cenotaph in Gilbert Street, Latrobe on Wednesday, 11 November with attendees requested to be in attendance by 10.45 am for a 10.50 am start. Street closures will not apply.

Surviving Fire

When we think of fire hazards, we subconsciously associate it with bushfires involving bushland, scrub, grassland, farmland, heath, marram grass and buttongrass however fire hazards also exist in the urban environment.

Overgrown blocks of land, the accumulation of dead vegetation or storage of flammable items on properties are all equally as dangerous.

Now is the time for all property owners to take action to minimise potential fire hazards on your property.

Bush block owners should create a 3 metre fire break where the property adjoins residential blocks.

At times, suspect land parcels are brought to Council's attention by the community. If found to be a potential hazard, Council will issue the property owner with an abatement notice allowing 14 days to rectify the situation. If no action is taken in this period, Council may do the works and charge the property owner.

The Tasmania Fire Service have bushfire and home safety material available on their website (www.fire.tas.gov.au) that can assist you in becoming fire resilient. Prepare - Act - Survive.

Business Crime Prevention

Daryl Connelly of Cradle Coast Innovation recently attended a forum hosted by Tasmania Police and Neighbourhood Watch Tasmania where businesses were encouraged to implement some simple initiatives to discourage business crime.

Daryl's key take-away messages were -

- Leave empty tills open, to reduce the damage done by thieves.
- Good lighting, professionally installed CCTV equipment and an audible alarm are a good investment.
- Police have a greater chance of gathering evidence if the scene is left undisturbed. This may require you to close your business, and hold off on glass repairs etc.
- Register your contact details with the police, or have them prominently displayed inside your business to help ensure that you are promptly notified of a break-in.

131 444 is the best number for contacting Tasmania Police in a non-emergency situation.

A full Business Security Audit checklist and other resources are available on the Tasmania Police website.

Time Running Out for Nominations

The search is on to find those individuals and groups that make a valuable contribution to the Latrobe Municipality and recognise them through Latrobe Council's Annual Australia Day Awards. There are three categories to be awarded -

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Community Event of the Year

Details of past recipients are available on Council's website at www.latrobe.tas.gov.au.

How to nominate

1. Download a nomination form from Council's website or phone 6421 4650 for a form to be posted to you.
2. Ensuring your nominee meets the eligibility criteria, complete the personal information about your nominee and attach your submission addressing the criteria relevant to the section in which you are nominating.
3. Return the nomination to Latrobe Council, "Australia Day Awards", no later than Monday, 23 November.

Awards are presented on Australia Day (26 January) at the Municipality's premier Australia Day festival, Henley-on-Mersey. Who will you nominate?

Squeaking Point Bush Fire Mitigation

Council's Manager Engineering, Mr Jonathan Magor, recently advised the Port Sorell Advisory Committee that a lease agreement had been negotiated with the Crown for the Squeaking Point foreshore, adjacent to Council infrastructure. Council's infrastructure includes the Squeaking Point Esplanade roadway, the car parking area,



Community Event of the Year - Port Sorell U3A - representatives Judith Chamberlain and Anne Lockett and Citizen of the Year, Bob Dickson receive their 2015 Australia Day Awards from Mayor Freshney

seating, bollards and the bore, pump and associated equipment to feed the Council toilet block and septic tank. Initial enquiries have been made regarding the construction of a turning head for larger vehicles at the end of the Squeaking Point Esplanade.

Zero Tolerance for Dogs on Beaches

Owning a dog is a privilege that comes with many responsibilities that are enforceable through State Legislation (Dog Control Act 2000) and Latrobe Council's Animal Management Policy.



While you love and care for your pet, unfortunately, not everyone is a dog lover.

Along with areas designated off limits to dogs at all times, with the advent of daylight saving, there are a number of parks, reserves and beaches that **now have restricted hours for the exercising of dogs.**

These locations and times are detailed on Council's website at

<http://www.latrobe.tas.gov.au/animalcontrol>.

While generally most people comply with this change of circumstance, it is a few that ruin it for many.

As a result, Council resolved at its 12 October meeting to authorize its animal control contractor to have **ZERO TOLERANCE** and issue automatic fines to anyone found with a dog in a prohibited area.

Dog owners are advised to become familiar with 'off leash exercise area' boundaries and 'prohibited areas'.

Please remember that whilst walking your dog in public, they must remain on a lead at all times and you are responsible for picking up any droppings that your dog deposits.

Noise and the Law

Ensuring that your noise emissions do not unreasonably interfere with other people will help make your neighbourhood a more enjoyable place to live.

Noise should not create a nuisance for other people.

Hence, noise should not unreasonably interfere with a person's enjoyment of their environment with regard to volume, intensity or duration.

You should also consider the time of day and your location.

If the noise can be heard in a habitable room of another residence, it may be considered to be unreasonable.

If you are going to create noise, you should make sure that you do not breach the requirements of the Environmental Management and Pollution Control (Miscellaneous Noise) Regulations 2004 and the Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act 1994 (EMPCA).

Included in this Legislation - "recreational vehicles (e.g. trail bikes etc.) must not be operated within 500m of domestic premises without the consent of the occupier of the premises."

Council regularly receives complaints from neighbours concerned about noise from motorbikes. Please check with Council's Environmental Health Officer on 6421 4650 if you plan to use motorbikes for recreation to ensure you are not breaching this Legislation. Significant penalties apply. Reports of non-compliance should be reported to Council during office hours (8.00 am until 4.30 pm Monday to Friday) or Tasmania Police after hours.

Shout Out for Betta Milk Containers

The Henley-on-Mersey Management Committee invite entries in the Betta Boat Race as part of their Australia Day festival at Latrobe.

If you are a drinker of Betta Milk, you can help groups become involved in this activity by delivering your empty and rinsed Betta Milk plastic containers (with lids) to the Latrobe Council office up until Christmas.

Groups may nominate to receive these supplies to supplement their own collection, and create a craft to race on the water on Australia Day.

There are a number of new activities planned for Henley-on-Mersey with details to be released in the next edition.

Art Exhibition Transfers to Apex

A number of years ago, the Apex Club of Latrobe ran a mid-year Art Exhibition in Latrobe.

Throughout the year, Latrobe Council has been reviewing the format and future of its annual Latrobe Art and Photographic Exhibition.

This review was prompted by diminishing entries and identified that major inhibitors to participation were the time of the year that the exhibition was held combined with reducing exhibition space. In January, many people were busy in the lead up to Christmas to complete their artwork or they went away through the school holidays. Also, the existing venue had diversified significantly which meant that the display space had also reduced. It was therefore resolved to move this event to May.

Simultaneously, the Apex Club of Latrobe indicated their interest in re-establishing their mid-year Art Exhibition.

Rather than establish competing events, Council has agreed to transfer the Latrobe Art Exhibition to the Apex Club of Latrobe and provide sponsorship for the next five years.

The Latrobe Art Exhibition will be held from 20-22 May with a schools only viewing on Friday, 20 May and announcement of winners that evening. The exhibition will be open to the public on 21-22 May.

Past participants in the Latrobe Art and Photographic Exhibition will be forwarded the paperwork for entry in this new exhibition. If you are not a former participant in the Latrobe Art and Photographic Exhibition and wish to receive the information, please contact Tammy Jeffrey on 0417 132 687 or tammy.walters@ozemail.com.au.

Reserve Plantings Reinstated

A number of years ago, residents adjoining Shearwater Park, Rubicon Coast and Landcare Inc and Latrobe Council worked together to develop a 10 year vegetation plan for Shearwater Park. One of the main desires was to minimise the starkness of boundary fences by planting low growing (2m or less) plants to blend with the foreshore environment.

Through natural attrition, wildlife snacking and an unauthorised helping hand, a number of these plants are no longer in place.

Council's Parks and Reserves team have recently reinstated plantings to fill these gaps and placed plant guards around them to protect from wildlife interference.

Latrobe Council reiterates that it is unlawful to remove vegetation from reserves, foreshores and private property without the relevant authority. If you see someone removing vegetation, please report them immediately to Tasmania Police.

And On They Played

After a recent victory at the State Championships in Hobart, the Latrobe Federal Band have been busily rehearsing for the National Brass Band Championships in Adelaide next year. As a team they have been working really hard and their sound has developed out of sight! To raise funds to offset the enormous cost of participating in the National competition, the band are holding a number of events.

Their famous annual Trivia Night is back on Friday, 6 November, this time with a Halloween theme. Teams of 6-8 people are invited to the clubrooms, within the Latrobe Recreation Ground, with the cost being \$10 per person. Arrive at 7.00 pm for a 7.30 pm start and BYO nibbles, refreshments are available. You must book your seat by phoning Melinda (0418 774 974) or Ebony (0400 312 706).

A lot of time and effort has been put into compiling an entertainment concert featuring many favourite songs from a variety of genres! This concert will be held in the Latrobe Memorial Hall on 21 November from 7.30 pm and will be a great night out for all ages.

There are only a few weeks to go until Christmas and on 12 December at 7.30 pm the band will be having their Christmas Concert at the Bridge of Hope Church in Hamilton Street, Latrobe. Come along and share in the joy of the holiday season with the senior band, junior band and special guest vocalists!

Tickets to both these concerts are \$10 adults, \$5 students, U5 free with a family ticket (2A, 2C) costing \$25. They can be either purchased at the door on the night, or reserved for collection by phoning David on 0408 262 187.

Bonding through Skateboarding

The start of the September school holidays was welcomed with warm, sunny weather that provided the ideal environment for the Latrobe Council sponsored skateboarding workshops at Port Sorell and Latrobe with Richard Flude and Rachel Delphin of Ownlife.

With extensive skateboarding teaching experience, Richard Flude made the following observations of the weekend.

"The Port Sorell skatepark is a good one to learn on; it has small, mellow ramps that are perfect for beginners to practice rolling up ramps on.

Most of the morning participants were of a primary school age; one of the boys - Phoenix - was celebrating his 10th birthday at the event, which was cause for celebration.

Parents chilled out on the sidelines content with the weather as we continually circled the skatepark teaching fakies and kick turns to an eager group.

After lunchtime our first female participant Rose and her father Sean came to join in on the session, they both had new skateboards and sought some experienced advice on how to skate properly.

One of the messages continually repeated was to 'Stand side on, knees bent, arms out.' Often those



Skateboarding participants Rose and Sean McWilliam with Bella and Mark Collins

accustom to bikes and scooters stand with their chest facing forward on a skateboard, which makes going up ramps difficult.

Rose learnt to roll up and down the ramp by the days end and was happy with her efforts, as was her dad. We concluded the day with a little comp in the afternoon.

Blessed with beautiful weather on the Sunday, we were impressed with the size of Latrobe skatepark. Not as beginner friendly as Port Sorell, but smoother with greater potential for difficult tricks.

We had a slightly smaller but dedicated group, three of whom were female. Rose and her father Sean had come again, as had another dad-daughter couple - Bella and Mark.

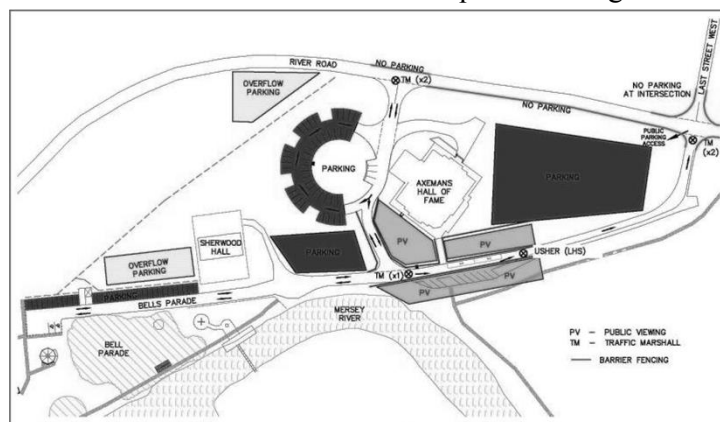
It was a relaxed, fun atmosphere with parents bonding with their children through skateboarding. Some of the Latrobe locals ended up rolling down the big flat-banked ramp by the end of the day, no mere feat.

It just goes to show if you bring some equipment and provide the welcoming, informative atmosphere people both young and old can learn quickly how to skateboard, and have a great time in the process."

Latrobe Graduates Arrangements

On December 16, from 5.15 pm, Grade 10 graduates of Latrobe High School will begin arriving at the Australian Axemans Hall of Fame for their end of year dinner.

Usually a time of organised chaos as friends, relatives and interested onlookers gather to witness this spectacle, keeping to the following arrangements should ensure continued traffic movement and adequate viewing.



While vehicles with students make their way along River Road, enter into the circular carpark then turn left in front of the Australian Axemans Hall of Fame and drive to the usher for the drop off, public vehicle parking is accessed from the corner of River Road and Last Street West. Additional parking is provided in the circular carpark and on the grassed area nearby however exiting from these locations is back the same way as entered, not past the front entry of the Axemans Hall of Fame.

No parking will be permitted along River Road from its junction with Last Street West and the entrance to the circular carpark.

Vehicles transporting students are asked to move onto the verge of River Road, enabling through traffic to get past rather than caught up in the congestion.

Students have been requested to arrive from 5.15 pm. All students must be at the main entry to the Australian Axemans Hall of Fame no later than 6.45pm for the group photo before moving into the venue at 7.00 pm sharp.

Mersey SES will be managing the traffic with motorists requested to follow their directions at all times.

The barrier tape is in place for the safety and best possible viewing opportunity by all. BYO seating.

Working with Children and Vulnerable People

Do you work with children or vulnerable people in either a paid or volunteer capacity? If so, then you might need to apply for registration under the amendments to *Registration to Work with Vulnerable People Act 2013* which will bring Tasmania in line with all other Australian States and Territories who already have similar registration processes.

The aim is to keep our children and vulnerable people as safe as possible by reducing the incidence of sexual, physical, psychological, emotional or financial harm or neglect of children and vulnerable people in Tasmania.

A child means a person who has not attained the age of 18.

The new law requires registration for some important roles within child related organisations such as teachers, child care centres, children's party entertainment, sports clubs, community groups or associations whose committee members, coaches, trainers etc work with children or vulnerable people as part of their role. There is a phased in process for the *Working with Children Registration*.

If you are volunteering or working in a child-related role, your registration will be phased in over a three year period that commenced on 1 July, 2015.

One-hour, free information sessions about the new Working with Children Registration are held regularly around the State.

To check if you require this registration, to attend a seminar or to find out more information go to

http://www.justice.tas.gov.au/working_with_children

There's An Elephant in the Lounge

Yes that is right, there is an elephant in The Crowded Lounge but it is something worth talking about.

The Red Elephant Creative business has taken up residence in The Lounge and now operates from space alongside the pastel artists, amidst the coffee aroma and around the resident jigsaw.

Ashlee Griffiths has moved her Graphic Art business from her original premises near the roundabout, into the inspirational and relaxed atmosphere that is The Crowded Lounge. Already the artists and coffee shop customers are appreciating her presence as she injects some colour and design into the old building.

De-booters Available from Community Bank

The Port Sorell District Community Bank was delighted to be approached by David James to help fund the mass-production of de-booters - as an aid to taking your boots off without having to bend down or seek help.

David took inspiration from his personal experience of Parkinson's disease and spying a pile of off-cuts in the Port Sorell Men's Shed. He talked to the members about his idea and they and the wider community got behind the opportunity to make a practical difference for people living with Parkinson's.

There are now 400 de-booters out there and they are available for purchase for \$10 each from the Community Bank Branch in Club Drive, and offer a great option for an early start to your Christmas shopping. All funds raised will go to support Parkinson's Tasmania.

Port Sorell District Community Bank offers local banking services, and much more, in our community. A key driver of this initiative has always been the opportunity for the company to share its profits with community groups, organisations and initiatives within the wider Port Sorell district. If you have a community activity that could benefit from sponsorship, please call into the branch or phone Jack (0467 546 865) for more information.

Council's Current Works Program



The following works are scheduled to be undertaken throughout the Latrobe Municipality during November and

Roads

- Preconstruction work including services and property fences relocation along Chapel Road in preparation for road curve easing and widening construction works to commence in early January 2016.
- Pitcairn Street (along the Camp Banksia frontage) kerb and channel construction and associated stormwater works
- Lewis Street between Bonneys Creek and Reibey Street - footpath construction
- Wilmot Street between Kermode Street and Rice Street - footpath construction
- Stormwater drainage construction and asphalt street resurfacing in Alexander Street, Shearwater
- Reibey Street - continue piping drain to Joseph Street
- Short Street - footpath construction
- Bituminous road sealing for various sections on Ballahoo Road, Coal Hill Road, Twiss Street, Last Street (West), Hawkins Street (West), Monaghan Street, Percival Street, Wesley Vale Road, Wescombes Road, Redhills Road, Oppenheims Road, Native Plains Road, Churchills Road, Parkers Ford Road, Manouka Drive, Bush Haven Drive and St Louis Drive.
- Bitumen sealing of the Station Square carpark
- General roadside maintenance
- Footpath maintenance

Buildings

- Latrobe Recreation Ground - water meter rationalisation
- Shearwater Esplanade - construct four beach entry access structures
- Recladding northern external wall of the Latrobe Youth Centre
- General building maintenance
- Maintenance and upgrade of Elderly Persons Units as required

Parks and Reserves

- Prepare Latrobe Recreation Ground and environs for sporting events
- Maintain street cleanliness and regular rubbish removal
- General parks maintenance including pruning, mowing and weed spraying

Should you have any queries in relation to same, please do not hesitate to contact Council's Works Manager on 0418 104 330.

New Shed - New Opportunities

After 18 months of hard work by members, a grant from the Tasmanian Community Fund, assistance from Latrobe Council and generous help from local business and

sponsors, the Port Sorell Men's Shed at 14 Burgess Way Shearwater was officially opened on 26 September.

The new metal working area will allow greater variety of choice for members' activities.

New members are always welcome. If you are interested, please call around and see them "in action". The shed is open from 9.30 am until 3.00 pm Monday-Thursday and 9.30 am until 12 noon on Fridays, which is followed by their regular weekly BBQ.

Contacts include Chairman Les Tomich (0417 467 531), Secretary Keith Haines (6428 7950) or email mensshedportsorell@gmail.com

Neighbourhood Watch Update



Port Sorell Neighbourhood Watch conducted its Annual General Meeting recently. Because of poor attendance at monthly meetings and insufficient volunteers to continue the delivery of regular newsletters to 1,700

households, there was every possibility that the AGM would be the last meeting. Fortunately, a number of new faces turned up with the watch assured to continue for 2016. Mr Ken Geeves will continue as Chairman until a replacement is found while Peter Freshney has taken on the role of Secretary and Frank Stolp Treasurer.

Constable Peter Dabner advised the meeting that while reported crime to local police has reduced considerably since February, it is still occurring and it is highly frustrating that both locals and visitors continue to leave houses, caravans, boats, cars, and sheds unlocked, and easy prey for opportunistic petty criminals.

Crime reported recently to police includes the theft of a dinghy from Burgess Way; a burglary and theft of property from a shed in Shannon Drive; burglary of a residence in Gardams Road; and wilful damage to business premises in the village shopping centre.

Residents are encouraged to ring the police on 131 444 (non-emergency) or 000 in an emergency situation if they see a crime being committed or people acting suspiciously.

Newsletters will no longer be delivered by hand to residences but will instead take this format in this newsletter. In addition, the group hope to have a dedicated Facebook page up and running that will provide alerts, reports of crime, safety issues, and photos that relate to this region as soon as they are available from Tasmania Police. It is intended to make it as close to 'real time' as possible. Once it is established, the group will promote its existence so you can readily access it.

Port Sorell Neighbourhood Watch meet in the Port Sorell Memorial Hall in Darling Street on the last Tuesday of every month at 7.15 pm with the option to revert to bi-monthly meetings once daylight saving concludes. Your support and ideas are invited, so please come along to a meeting and enjoy a cuppa at its conclusion.

If you have any queries or would like more information on Port Sorell Neighbourhood Watch, please contact Ken Geeves on 0400 144 930.

Latrobe Neighbourhood Watch meet bi-monthly on the last Wednesday of the month at the Latrobe Council Chambers, enter from Lewis Street, Latrobe with the next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, 24 February.

If you have any queries regarding Latrobe Neighbourhood Watch, please contact Mike McLaren on 6426 2777.

Remembering Tom



The passing of Mr Tom Atkinson, valued and respected member of Rubicon Coast and Landcare Inc, was acknowledged at a recent meeting. Tom was remembered for his expert contribution to building

the sand dune protection access at North Freers beach, board walks in Rubicon Reserve and his work in establishing and maintaining "Toms Park", the Parkersford Road Community Park.

Recent working bees of the group have been undertaken at Larooma Park and the Hawley foreshore where Box Tree, Hawthorn and Privet were poisoned. Throughout the Rubicon Reserve and foreshore, thistles have been sprayed. The Annual General Meeting resulted in the election of Mary Buchanan as President; Geordie Duff as Vice President; Eugene Holloway as Secretary; Ruth Castley as Treasurer and John Boevink the Public Officer.

Rubicon Coast and Landcare Inc is a volunteer group committed to the care and rehabilitation of the environment in and around the Rubicon Estuary from Point Sorell to Squeaking Point. If you would like to join the group, please email rubicon_inc@hotmail.com.

Port Sorell U3A Prepares for 2016

During November there will be a continuing exhibition of work by a number of U3A groups including watercolours, photography and arts and crafts at the Port Sorell Community Bank, 2-4 Club Drive Shearwater.

U3A Port Sorell goes into recess for December and January after an exciting 2015 year involving;

- 100 programs (including several new programs) delivered over the three terms;
- 8 one-off seminars ranging from the Gallipoli and Waterloo anniversaries to the Tasmanian electoral system and estate planning;
- 2 whole-day excursions to the Glover exhibition and the Planetarium in Launceston; and
- the Seniors' Week event, the award-winning play "*Gert and Daisy*", which brought live theatre to Port Sorell.

2016 classes and activities will commence in early March, with details being released and enrolments taken during February.

U3A President, Warren Lockett, expressed his thanks to the hard working committee, office volunteers and tutors for everything that has been achieved this year. "I know three months without attending a U3A activity will seem a long time for some members, but it won't be all rest and recreation for our volunteers. A lot of work will occur over the break to get us ready for a big 2016.

I do want to remind members that our membership year is now 1 January to 31 December and confirm that members will need to be financial in order to enrol in classes for Term 1, 2016" he said.

The U3A office is open Monday-Thursday (10.00 am to 12 noon) and contactable via portsorellu3a@gmail.com, phone 0499 162 539 or forward your correspondence to PO Box 297, Port Sorell, 7307.

Dancing for Inner Health

Are you looking for a way to rejuvenate your mind and body? Sacred Circle Dancing may be just what you need.

Local tutor, Emma Creeley, has recommenced free Sacred Circle Dance sessions at Bells Parade, Latrobe from 7.00 pm on the first and third Monday of each month through to March, come rain, hail or shine (or public holidays).

Part of a worldwide movement, Sacred Circle Dancing is attributed to Professor Bernard Wosien, a German ballet instructor and Master Teacher at Munich University, and is a series of simple dance steps performed in circles, lines and spirals to music from around the world.

"The wonder of circle dance is that the steps are so easy to follow; we tap into the source that inspired our ancestors," said Mrs Creeley.

There is no need to book into the sessions, simply turn up on the evening and join in.

Parade Theme Announced



With Christmas just around the corner, it is time to start thinking about creating your float for the Latrobe Lions Christmas Parade being held on Saturday, 19 December (from 6.30 pm). This year the theme is "Five Gold Rings" taken from the

12 Days of Christmas song. Entry forms are available from Morse's Butchery, Latrobe; the Latrobe Council office or contact the coordinator, Mr Kevin Moulden (0438 195 117). Please note that there are to be no Santas on floats other than the visiting Santa that Lions have organised.

Don't forget to purchase your Lions Christmas Cakes from outside the Latrobe Newsagency on various days in the lead up to Christmas.

The club recently hosted a successful Antiques and Collectables Fair in the Latrobe Memorial Hall. Coordinator, Kevin Moulden said "this was the second time that the Lions Club of Latrobe have coordinated this Antiques and Collectables Fair and I was pleasantly surprised by the interest and support received."

With the football season concluding and the club's commitment to the gate at home games, the speedway season commences with club members operating the kiosk. Funds raised through the kiosk are reinvested in local club projects so if you happen to be going to the Latrobe Speedway this season, please remember to support Lions so they can support your community. They also serve great food.

Please don't throw away your used stamps. Through sales via the Lions Stamp Collectors they may help provide a child with cerebral palsy with a walker. As for those old glasses, the club will put them to good use too.

For more information on these or other Latrobe Lions projects, please contact Peter at Morse's Butchery, Kae on 6426 1442 or any Lions Member.

Display Your Family History Pictorially

The Tasmanian Family History Society Inc. Mersey Branch will be selling tickets in their main fund raising raffle - 1st Prize a Christmas hamper; 2nd Prize a Plum Pudding and 3rd Prize bottles of wine - in Station Square, Latrobe on 12 and 19 November and 4 December. This will be drawn at the Branch's Christmas Luncheon on 6 December.

At 1.00 pm on 14 November, the group will be holding a scrap booking information session where you will learn how your family history can be displayed in words and

pictures. This is a free session with all welcome. Bookings are essential to 6428 6328.

The Family History Library is situated at the back of the LINC (State Library) and is open on Tuesday and Friday from 11.00 am until 3.00 pm. They will be closed on 11 December and 12 January. For more information, please contact the Secretary on 6428 6328

Artists Open Studios to Visitors



Rubicon River Arts

Rubicon River Arts members are venturing into a new concept and inviting you to visit their studios to see where they work and what they like to create. Port to Port Artists' Studio Open Weekend will feature the work of five artists; Bronwyn Gardner, Cheryl Sims, Gina, Katherine Tyson and Mr Kim O'Brien.

Tasmania produces a host of talented artists and crafts persons who create a fabulous range of quality original artworks. On the weekend of 14-15 November, explore some art spaces with the opportunity to find that special gift or discover that perfect piece for your home or garden. Some artists will also do commissions - just ask.

You may find oil paintings and pastels, printmaking, ceramics, mixed media and sculpture. Collage, assemblage and textiles add endless variety along with silkscreen and collagraph. Traditional Japanese Shibori dyeing is inspirational with original Tasmanian native orchids rendered in crochet. You may even come across some life-size ceramic sea birds for your garden.

Artists are based at Shearwater, Port Sorell, Tarleton, Latrobe and East Devonport. Pamphlets are available from the Latrobe Council office, Latrobe Visitor Information Centre and George and Dave's, Shearwater.

RRA meets monthly to share stories, skills, creations and passion for the arts. New members are welcome with more information available by phoning Angela (0419 490 042).

Fundraising Support Elderly

Rubicon Grove Auxiliary continues to fund raise for the residents of Rubicon Grove Aged Care Facility in Port Sorell.

A successful Trivia night was held at the Port Sorell Bowls Club raising \$800 with Josh Tome of Bendigo Bank putting together the questions that challenged many brains and memories but provided a thoroughly enjoyable experience. Port Sorell Bendigo Bank has once again been a great community supporter of the Auxiliary and provided \$500 to cover the expenses incurred on the night with this event.

The auxiliary's next fund-raiser was a white elephant stall at the inaugural Port Sorell Spring Fair, again proving to be a successful day.

With Christmas fast approaching, the auxiliary will be selling tickets in their Christmas Raffle in Latrobe and Shearwater in the first two weeks of December. Your continuing support is appreciated.

The next meeting of the Auxiliary will be held on Wednesday, 4 November commencing at 1.30 pm at Rubicon Grove in Club Drive, Shearwater. Phone 0409 195 178 or 0407 985 599 for more information.

Pre-Season Football Underway

The Latrobe Football Club will be starting pre-season training on 16 November at 6.00 pm.

The Club has appointed coaches for all five teams - Seniors Wade Anthony, Reserves Peter Fulton, Under 18's Michael

Flint, Under 16's Tim Thorpe and Under 14's Tim Hutchins. All present and new players are welcome in all grades.

The Latrobe Football Club has also appointed Danielle Dunstone as their Junior Development Co-Ordinator. Danielle will be organising clinics in all Primary and High schools in our region during November with the assistance of Wade (Senior Coach), coaching staff and senior players. These clinics will continue in 2016 with a School Holiday program to be announced.

Volunteer Sought at Museum

Do you have some spare time to open the Court House Museum to the public? Do you enjoy chatting to visitors? A volunteer is needed on a Friday afternoon for two hours once a month. No prior experience is necessary, and training in procedures will be given.

Please contact the Chairman of the National Trust, Councillor Michael McLaren on 6426 2777 and leave a message if you are able to help. Alternatively, drop in to the Museum and leave your name and contact number with the volunteer on duty.

The Museum is open 1.30pm to 3.30pm Tuesday to Friday.

Knitted Knockers Meet a Need

The East Devonport Community House, which provides services throughout the Latrobe Municipality, is excited to be a part of the growing Knitted Knocker network.

Knitted Knockers are hand knitted, cotton breast prostheses that are made by volunteers and provided free to women who have had mastectomies for breast cancer. They are a comfortable and realistic alternative to other breast prostheses and they are now available from the East Devonport Community House.

The team of local knitters can produce knockers in sizes from A to G in a variety of colours, and when placed inside a regular bra, they take the shape and feel of a real breast.

Due to the 100% cotton used and the specific, quality assured design of Knitted Knockers, they are suitable to be worn immediately after mastectomy surgery and during treatment.

For more information about Knitted Knockers, contact Lisa at the East Devonport Community House, 6427 9985 or email knittedknockersed@gmail.com.

Funding Opportunities

Calvary Community Council Grant Program

Offers financial assistance assists Tasmania to build a healthier and happier community through support for events and activities that make a positive difference to society.

Funding Amount - up to \$5,000

Closes - 20 November 2015

For more information, phone

David Clark on 6278 5224 or go to <http://bit.ly/1LCIUNS>



Regional Events Start-Up Program

A new initiative designed to encourage new events and support minor existing events that are moving to the next level. The program will financially assist approved events over three event years while the event becomes self-sustainable and financially viable.

Funding Amount - maximum amount per event - \$150,000 over three years on a reducing scale

Expressions of Interest Close - 20 November 2015

For more information, phone 6165 5022, go to <http://bit.ly/1Xj3PNk> or email info@eventstasmania.com

Crowbar: Crowdfunding Incentive Program

Providing artists with the ability to take creative risks and test the market for their ideas, to develop and consolidate new relationships with audiences and supporters, and broaden their supporter base through supported crowd funding.

Funding Amount: up to \$2,000

Closes: 30 November

For more information, go to <http://bit.ly/1GnmTph>

ANZ Staff Foundation Grants

Supports projects run by charitable organisations which offer a direct and tangible benefit to local communities.

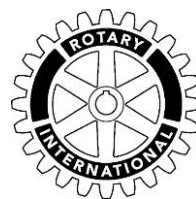
Funding Amount - up to \$5,000

Limitation - Applicants must have Deductible Gift Recipient Item 1 Status to apply.

Closes - 16 January 2016

For more information, go to <http://bit.ly/1W3p3wo>, phone 1300 133 472 or email charities@eqt.com.au

Cooking Up a Storm



The new board of the Rotary Club of Latrobe is in full swing organising events for the coming year.

The Club will be holding barbecues in Station Square, Gilbert Street, Latrobe on Saturday, 7 November from 9.30 am until lunch time and again on Saturday, 5 December to provide sustenance for Christmas shoppers while raising funds for community projects.

The Latrobe Rotary calendar is now available at selected shops around Latrobe, Port Sorell, Railton and Sheffield. At only \$6, this represents the best value on the coast.

At the Tasmanian Craft Fair in Deloraine, you will see Latrobe Rotarians involved in making this major tourist attraction successful by providing the valuable service of garbage collection. If you spy a Latrobe Rotarian when visiting, wish them g'day.

Preparations for Henley-on-Mersey on Australia Day are underway with funds raised going towards the continued development of community facilities at Bells Parade.

Rotary meets at the Australian Axeman's Hall of Fame every Wednesday at 6.00 pm for fellowship and to hear quality guest speakers on a variety of topics. For more information about the Rotary Club of Latrobe, contact the Club Secretary, Richard Thomas (info@rotarycluboflatrobe.org.au) or visit the club's website at <http://www.rotarycluboflatrobe.org.au>

Port Sorell Summer Markets



Summer will soon be upon us and there is plenty going on at the Port Sorell Surf Life Saving Club.

Nipper training kicks off on Thursday, 5 November at 5.30 pm and Sunday, 8 November at 10.00 am.

On 2 January, the Penguin Island Challenge will be held from 11.00 am (tbc).

The Port Sorell Surf Life Saving Club will be trialing Friday night Summer Markets from 5.30 pm until 9.00 pm alongside their clubrooms on 8, 22 and 29 January. An opportunity is being offered to community groups and entertainers to provide food options, music and free children's entertainment during these evenings.

Coordinator, Mrs Joanne Coates said the club wanted to "create a humming community atmosphere around the surf club during the January holiday period."

Latrobe Council is providing some seed funding to support this trial venture with the surf club advising that if the January 2016 trial is successful, they would pursue further market opportunities on a self-sustaining basis.

Further information is available from Mrs Coates by emailing marketbythebeach@yahoo.com or phone 0448 819 848.

The Port Sorell Surf Life Saving Club welcomes enquiries from keen swimmers who may be interested in volunteering for patrols. Contact portsorellslc@bigpond.com for information.

All That Jazz



On 31 January, the Lions Club of Port Sorell will be hosting Jazz at the Port again at Camp Banksia, Anderson Street, Port Sorell. Gates open at 11.30 am with the concert underway from 1.00 pm. Entry is only \$10.00 per person.

Coordinator, Mrs Kris Crawford, said "While the Lions Club will be providing some food along with Ghost Rock Vineyard and Spreyton Cidery, this is a picnic atmosphere so bring along your nibbles, wine and sunshade.

The event will continue until 5.00pm with three bands, including the Tasmanian Army Band, Evan Carydarkis trio and Double Agent performing.

Our major Sponsor this year is the Bendigo Community Bank of Port Sorell."

For more information, please contact Kris on 6428 7926.

Oral History Interviewers Sought

"In every community there are people who have knowledge and skills to share. They are, as folklorist Barbara Kirshenblatt-Gimblett writes, 'living links in the historical chain, eye witnesses to history, shapers of a vital and indigenous way of life. They are unparalleled in the vividness and authenticity they can bring to the study of local history and culture.'"¹

The Port Sorell History Group is seeking potential interviewers of long term residents in order to record the extensive history of the Port Sorell area so this knowledge is not lost.

The interviews will be topic driven in a relaxed and comfortable environment. The group is brainstorming starter questions that could assist with getting the conversation rolling however interviewers with the skill to tease out the information and focus and guide the interview without dominating the conversation are sought.

Persons able to assist with the technical side of recording the oral history - filming and/or editing - are also sought. The visual recording ensures the accuracy of the story telling as well as associated emotions and clarification of context.

If you would like to be involved in this project, please contact the Port Sorell History Group via Russell Townsend (6428 6184) or Dayna Dennison (0409 587 844)

What's On

Information on regular, weekly activities is detailed on Council's website at www.latrobe.tas.gov.au (under tourism).

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- 6 **Halloween Trivia Night** at the L.J. Coventry Bandrooms in the Latrobe Recreation Ground, Gilbert Street, Latrobe. 7.00 pm for a 7.30 pm start. BYO nibbles, refreshments available. Cost: \$10 per person for teams of 6-8. Bookings essential to Melinda (0418 774 974) or Ebony (0400 312 706)
- 7 **Port Sorell Golf Club Carpark Sale** in the Golf Club carpark, Shearwater Boulevard, Shearwater from 8.00 am until 2.00 pm. Plants, produce, books, bric-a-brac, sausage sizzle, raffle and much more. ☎ 6428 7993
- 8 **Doctors Rocksters Rock** at Ghost Rock Vineyard, 1055 Port Sorell Main Road, Northdown from 1.00 pm-4.00 pm. ☎ 6428 4005 to book a table.
- 9 **Latrobe Council Meeting** at Latrobe Council, 170 Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 5.00 pm. All welcome. ☎ 6421 4650
- 13 **Twilight Fair** at St Patrick's Catholic School, 55 Bradshaw Street, Latrobe from 3.30 pm - 8.00 pm. All the traditional stalls and a few surprises. ☎ 6426 1626
- 13 **Crystal Infused Drum Making Workshop** from 10.00 am-4.00 pm at The Quiet Cone, 298 Coalhill Road, Latrobe. Costs apply. ☎ 0415 282 086 for details and bookings.
- 14 **Family History Scrap Booking Info Session** at the Latrobe Family History Library, Gilbert Street, Latrobe (behind the State Library) from 1.00 pm. Free. Bookings essential to 6428 6328.
- 14 **LHS Class of '95 20-year reunion** at the Latrobe Football Clubrooms, Last Street, Latrobe. ☎ 0447 016 790 (Leila)
- 14 **Speedway racing** featuring Super Sedans, Street Stocks, AMCA, Bombers, Wingless Sprints, Junior Sedans at Bendigo Bank Arena, Speedway Drive, Latrobe. Gates open at 3.00 pm. Fees apply.
- 14-15 **Crystal Shamanism Workshop** at The Quiet Cone, 298 Coalhill Road, Latrobe. Costs apply. ☎ 0415 282 086 for details and bookings.
- 14-15 **Arts Trail Weekend** incorporating art studios at Shearwater, Port Sorell, Tarleton, Latrobe and East Devonport. Details available from the Latrobe Visitor Information Centre, Latrobe Council office and George and Dave's, Shearwater
- 15 **Dr Rob and the Psychos free concert** (rock and jazz) in Kings Park, off Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 1.00 pm - 5.00 pm.
- 16 **Latrobe Football Club pre-season training** at the Latrobe Recreation Ground, Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 6.00 pm. ☎ 0409 461 160
- 17-18 **LHS Athletics Carnival** at the Latrobe Recreation Ground. ☎ 6426 1061
- 20 **Meet the Producers** in Station Square, Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 5.00 pm until 9.00 pm. ☎ 6426 5000 or latrobe@hillstreetgrocer.com
- 21 **Latrobe Federal Band Concert** at the Latrobe Memorial Hall, Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 7.30 pm.

¹ <http://www.folklife.si.edu/resources/pdf/InterviewingGuide.pdf>

Tickets are adults \$10, students \$5, U5 free with a family ticket (2A, 2C) \$25 and available on the night or reserve your ticket ☎ 0408 262 187.

- 21 LHS Class of '75 40-year reunion** at the Latrobe Football Clubrooms, Last Street, Latrobe. ☎ 6496 1962 (Pat)
- 22 River of Sound Concert** featuring guest flauntist, Maree Cole at the Latrobe Seniors Citizens Clubrooms, 18 Hamilton Street, Latrobe from 3.00 pm. A fundraiser for the ABC Refugee Crisis Appeal. Costs: Adults \$15, Concession \$12 and Students \$8 includes small door prize and afternoon tea.
- 24 Latrobe Primary School Amazing Race** around the streets of Latrobe. ☎ 6426 1203
- 28 LHS Class of 2005 10-year reunion** at the Latrobe Football Clubrooms, Last Street, Latrobe. ☎ 0408 159 605 (Makala) or Facebook "LHS Class of 2005, Reunion (2015)"
- 28 Food and Wine Workshop with Ian Curley** (Executive Chef at The European) at Hundred Acres, Ghost Rock Vineyard, 1055 Port Sorell Main Road, Northdown from 10.00 am until 2.00 pm. Cost: \$250 per person. Email alicia@ghostrock.com.au to book.
- 28 Hundred Acres 5-course Degustation Dinner by Ian Curley**, Executive Chef at The European at Hundred Acres, Ghost Rock Vineyard, 1055 Port Sorell Main Road, Northdown from 7.00 pm until 10.30 pm. Cost: \$180 per person. Email alicia@ghostrock.com.au to book.
- 28-29 Total Health and Wellness Festival** at the Latrobe Memorial Hall, Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 10.00 am - 5.00 pm Saturday and 10.00 am - 4.00 pm Sunday. More information latrobehhw@gmail.com or ☎ Megan 0466 650 797

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- 5 Speedway racing** featuring Wyllie Tiles Fireworks Super Sedans, Sprintcars, Street Stocks, Formula 500, Tassie Sixes, Karts, Fireworks Display at Bendigo Bank Arena, Speedway Drive, Latrobe. Gates open at 3.00 pm. Admission fees apply.
- 11 Latrovali** at the Latrobe Recreation Ground, Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 3.00 pm until 10.00 pm. Latrobe celebrates carnivali style. Free admission, family fun - so much happening, so little time! Look out for the flyers around town. ☎ 0400 589 614 (Julie)
- 12 Latrobe Christmas Concert** at the Bridge of Hope Church in Hamilton Street, Latrobe from 7.30 pm. Tickets are adults \$10, students \$5, U5 free with a family ticket (2A, 2C) \$25 and available on the night or reserve your ticket ☎ 0408 262 187.
- 13 Port Sorell Carols** at Port Sorell Primary School Hall, Pitcairn Street, Port Sorell. Free BBQ from 5.00 pm; Carols from 6:30 pm with a visit from Santa. ☎ 0418 377 258
- 14 Latrobe Council Meeting** at Latrobe Council, 170 Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 5.00 pm. All welcome to attend. ☎ 6421 4650
- 16 Grade 10 Graduates Dinner** at the Australian Axemans Hall of Fame, Bells Parade, Latrobe. Graduates begin arriving from 5.15 pm. Refer to separate article for more information or ☎ 6426 1061

- 19 Latrobe Lions Christmas Parade** along Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 6.30 pm. Theme - "Five God Rings". Road closures will apply. ☎ 0418 503 942 (Kevin)
- 19 Carols in the Park** at King Park, off Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 7.15 pm. ☎ 0419 326 250 (Lesley)
- 26 Latrobe Boxing Day Carnival**, part of the Sports Carnival Association of Tasmania series, featuring wood chopping, athletics and cycling at the Latrobe Recreation Ground, Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 2.00 pm until 8.00 pm. Admission fees apply. ☎ Dennis on 0407 709 774
- 27 Speedway racing** featuring Super Sedans, Sprintcars, Street Stocks, Formula 500, Wingless Sprints, Junior Sedans, Tassie Sixes, Karts at Bendigo Bank Arena, Speedway Drive, Latrobe. Gates open at 3.00 pm. Fees apply.
- 31 Pilgrimage of the Churches** departing from the Latrobe Baptist Church, 123 Gilbert Street, Latrobe at 5.00 pm. ☎ 6427 8580

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- 2 Penguin Island Challenge** from North Freers Beach, Hawley from 11.00 am (TBC). Challenge yourself with a 2km swim, 1km run, 9km ski (or kayak), 1km run, 1.5km board paddle and 1km run. A Surf Life Saving Tasmania event open to all. Enquiries to 0429 803 026 or <http://bit.ly/1jQNZLp>
- 8 Port Sorell Summer Market** alongside the Port Sorell Surf Life Saving Clubrooms, North Freers Beach, Hawley from 6.00 pm until 8.30 pm. ☎ 0448 819 848
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