



## **HARD WORK AND DEDICATION RECOGNISED ON AUSTRALIA DAY**

On Australia Day, two individuals and one organisation were recognised for their contribution to the Latrobe Municipality. Mrs Carolyn McLennan was awarded Citizen of the Year, recognising her many years of community involvement. Wearing many hats over the years, Carolyn is a proud advocate of volunteering and promoting her community. She has held various roles with the Latrobe Basketball Club and Sassafras Cricket Club, the latter involving being an integral member of the “Day for Butt” committee for ten years. She was the Girl Guide convenor in Latrobe well after her daughter had finished with guides.

Carolyn is a volunteer community representative on the Latrobe Sport and Recreation Committee, operates a successful hair salon and is a current member of the Latrobe Business Network and Rotary Club of Latrobe.

When close friends experienced breast cancer, Carolyn was the first to fundraise to support the McGrath Foundation.

Although experiencing serious health issues, Carolyn continues to give so much of herself to the people of Latrobe, regularly visiting them in their time of need and genuinely caring for them. Miss Tess Horton was the recipient of the Young Citizen of the Year Award for a person aged from 14-30 years.

While at the younger end of the scale, as a student of Latrobe High School, Tess was a member of the school association for two years and a highly regarded member of the 2019 Student Leadership team.

Tess was instrumental in setting the Association’s meeting NORMS (confidentiality, consultative decision making, expectations, listening, participation and time management) and built strong relationships with her peers and adults.

She worked tirelessly for Gold September and, while being an accomplished dancer and athlete, gives back by coaching sporting teams in a volunteer capacity.

parkrun Port Sorell was recognised as the Community Event of the Year with the award accepted by Mrs Deb Hicks.

parkrun is a free weekly, social run, jog or walk around the foreshore of Port Sorell where it is all about participating and



personal bests rather than competing against another person. In their first 18 months, 1,113 individual participants have collectively run, jogged or walked 26,585kms and 152 individuals have volunteered 575 times.

Parents have bonded with teenage children, parents have shared pushing the pram, new friendships have been formed, and participants are staying active and healthy.



## **ANZAC Day - Saturday, 25 April 2020**

### **PORT SORELL DAWN SERVICE**

Port Sorell Defence Memorial, cnr Rice and Meredith Sts, Port Sorell

Service commences at 6:00am

Breakfast follows at Port Sorell Memorial Hall

### **LATROBE DAWN SERVICE**

Latrobe Cenotaph, Gilbert St, Latrobe

March steps off from James Street, Latrobe at 5.45am

Service commences at 6:00am

Breakfast follows at Bellys Bar and Grill

### **CITIZENS COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE - LATROBE**

Latrobe Cenotaph, Gilbert St, Latrobe

March steps off from James St at 9:50am

Service commences at 10:00am

Parking restrictions apply at Port Sorell. Road detours apply throughout both Latrobe Services. March and wreath/book laying at Latrobe Services are requested to register to 64264444 by 17 April

## 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

## BUILDING UPDATE

A total of 50 building, plumbing, and commercial applications and notifications of works were received by Council during December and January.

They comprised of 12 dwellings; 5 dwelling additions/alterations; 12 outbuildings; 2 commercial/industrial; 3 other and 16 plumbing applications with a conservative value of \$14,688,172.

The commercial/industrial activities included a transport depot in Thompsons Drive and a new classroom in Moriarty Road.

The number of applications is well above this same time last year, nearly double.

## 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL WALK WITH DOGS

Dog lovers are invited to participate in the annual Port Sorell Canine Walk on Sunday, 22 March that supports the Delta Therapy Dogs program.

The Delta Therapy Dogs Program involves a group of dedicated volunteers and their Accredited Dogs visiting North West Coast aged care facility residents, adults with disabilities and children in the classroom to share the joy of animal companionship.

To support this great program, Delta Therapy Dogs are hosting Their 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Canine Community Walk at Port Sorell on Sunday, 22 March and would love you, with friends and family, and, of course, your dog to join them again. There is a choice of either a 2km or 4.5 km walk. Registration commences at 10:30am alongside the Port Sorell Fire Station, Rice Street, Port Sorell with an 11:00am start. The cost is \$8 per family or \$5 an individual with every registration having a chance to win a prize.

On return to the fire station, indulge in a perfectly cooked sausage by the Port Sorell Fire Brigade or take your dog through the agility course.

Latrobe Council's Animal Control Officer will also be available to speak about responsible dog ownership and raise awareness of no-go areas in the Port Sorell area.

For more information, contact Claire on 6424 8948 or just turn up on the day.

## MORE PLACES TO QUENCH YOUR THIRST

It is great to get out and about and enjoy the community and, to ensure that residents, visitors and their canine companions stay well hydrated while enjoying the great outdoors, Council has recently installed some additional water fountains at key locations throughout the Latrobe Municipality.



These are located at Vine Street, Hawley; Shearwater Village; the foreshore end of Rice Street, Port Sorell and at the Panatana Family Park in Port Street, Port Sorell.

## CLUBS CAN THRIVE NOT JUST SURVIVE

What are the barriers to participation in your club?

How can regional clubs work together, share resources to increase participation and reduce volunteer workload?

How can Clubs Tasmania increase your revenue, reduce costs and help community clubs thrive and survive?

Clubs Tasmania are committed to strengthening the community club industry and has partnered with Latrobe Council to specifically work through these issues and your needs.

A community forum is being held at the Latrobe Council Chambers, 170 Gilbert Street, Latrobe on Tuesday, 7 April, commencing at 6:00pm.

This is a free forum however your registration is essential to 1300 125 827 or via email to [andrew@tha.asn.au](mailto:andrew@tha.asn.au)

Let's get together and help strengthen our community while increasing participation and social cohesion.

## CONDITIONS MUST BE JUST RIGHT

The Tasmania Fire Service (TFS) will be monitoring the Dooleys Hill (Latrobe) and Pitcairn Street Reserve (Port Sorell) burn units to determine if fuel reduction burning can take place this autumn.

Due to specific weather conditions required to complete the burns safely and their proximity to sensitive uses such as schools, aged care facilities, hospitals etc. the opportunities to conduct these burns do not present themselves often.

All necessary preparation work has taken place to put the TFS in the best position to conduct the burns should conditions allow. The TFS thanks the community for their understanding with respect to this.

In particular, if you or any of your family has health or breathing conditions that may be made worse by smoke, please let us know as soon as you are able.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us on 1800 000 699 or email [BRU@fire.tas.gov.au](mailto:BRU@fire.tas.gov.au).

Further information on the Fuel Reduction Program is available on the Tasmania Fire Service website at <http://www.fire.tas.gov.au>.

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**Port Sorell**  
 30 March - 3 April 2020  
 Banksia Centre  
 Pitcairn Street, Port Sorell

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## COUNCIL LOBBIES FOR CHANGE TO NATIONAL HOUSING SITUATION



In February, Latrobe Council issued an Emergency Order under Section 245 of the Building Act 2016 that resulted in up to 70 people being evacuated from a Shearwater property due to concerns over their immediate safety and wellbeing. This particular property was being used as visitor accommodation in conjunction with the Federal Government administered Seasonal Workers Program.

Council's investigations were impeded at almost every step, as access to, and requests for information relating to the property were refused. To those not personally involved, the current investigation may seem prolonged, but our team have always been cognisant of privacy provisions, potential litigation and the need to ensure procedural fairness provisions are complied with. Council's investigations and evidence-based actions have opened a proverbial Pandora's box and as a result, the spotlight has quite rightly shone on an issue that needed to be exposed. The safety and welfare of the seasonal workers remains Council's priority but Council is also seeking major changes to the current Seasonal Workers Program where self-certification of accommodation by Approved Employers is clearly not appropriate, nor are the checks and balances in place that would validate the declarations made by Approved Employers involved in this scheme.

### LOCAL FACILITIES FOR HIRE

Throughout the Latrobe Municipality, there is a range of facilities that can be hired for a diverse range of activities. While some of these are simply the room space with tables and chairs, at others you can utilise kitchen and bar conveniences, stages and/or sound systems suitable for staging productions of any size. In using such facilities, you are investing in local organisations and sustaining their ongoing activities, all of which have a wider benefit to the community. So, next time you are looking for a venue, no matter how big or small, why not consider the Latrobe Senior Citizens Clubroom; Latrobe Football Clubroom; Latrobe Basketball Clubroom; Latrobe Memorial Hall and Supper Room; Latrobe and Port Sorell Bowls Clubs; Thirlstane and Port Sorell Golf Clubs, Banksia Centre and Camp Banksia, Port Sorell Memorial Hall, Australian Axeman's Hall of Fame, Port Sorell Surf Life Saving Club, Moriarty Hall, Sassafras Community Hall, Rubicon Grove Development Room, Wesley Vale Community Church Hall, Bridge of Hope Church Hall, Wesley Vale

Football Club as well as schools (obviously after school hours). Additionally, there are many dining options throughout Latrobe, Port Sorell, Northdown and Sassafras that would benefit from either a small meeting over a cuppa or banquets for a group. So, when you are planning your next meeting, think local.

### NURTURE THE MIND AND BODY

Would you participate in a Yoga, Meditation and Mindfulness session in Latrobe? While yoga is well known for its physical benefits, combining it with meditation and mindfulness cultivates greater awareness between the mind and body, improving one's sense of self and wellbeing. Proposed to be held mid-week and 90 minutes in duration, the coordinator is seeking to gauge community interest in establishing this free community wellness activity. If this is of interest to you, please register your available days and times via email to [Natalie.Cornish@gmail.com](mailto:Natalie.Cornish@gmail.com). Should there be enough interest, it is expected that these sessions would commence in late April.

Local councils are currently shut out of the entire process and, as in current cases, Council are reliant on information from community members before we are aware that properties are being used for this purpose. There are no checks in place to confirm properties have visitor accommodation permits, no checks that septic tanks are functioning or designed to cater for the number of people being accommodated, no checks to see if there are any outstanding code violations or that the buildings are in any way compliant with Local Government provisions. Latrobe Council has raised these and other issues with representatives of the Department of Employment, Skills, Small and Family Business and requested that their Guidelines be amended to address this situation. This could be achieved by requiring documentary evidence from Local Government and Building Surveyors, as an attachment to the contracts, confirming that the accommodation meets all the associated planning, building, plumbing and environmental code compliance regimes. While there is an appreciation that other cultures may prefer very different living arrangements, there remains Federal, State and Local Government statutes that must be abided by within Australia to ensure basic human living conditions are provided. Each application must be considered on its merit as one size does not necessarily fit all applications. Consideration needs to be given to the location, occupancy levels, fire safety, access to water, sewer and power infrastructure, transport and shops, etc. Going forward, Council is seeking to address the Australian Local Government Association's National Congress in June and will be working collaboratively with the Local Government Association of Tasmania in a shared effort to improve the guidelines that govern the living conditions of seasonal workers across the country. Council will also be making a submission to the Senate Committee inquiry into Temporary Migration and work to secure an invitation to present our submission to the committee. Our Council is appreciative of the compassion and genuine care that is so evident in our community and thanks those who cared enough to report their concerns.

### TREE COMMITTEE VACANCY

Council is inviting Expressions of Interest from persons with a knowledge and passion for gardening to fill an extraordinary vacancy on the Latrobe Tree Committee. This role will assist with guiding the Council on vegetation management throughout the Municipality for the enjoyment of future generations. If you would like to volunteer to be part of this Sub-Committee, please forward your details and experience in tree management to [council@latrobe.tas.gov.au](mailto:council@latrobe.tas.gov.au) or drop into 170 Gilbert Street, Latrobe. You don't have to have a degree in this field; you may have gained your experience over a lifetime of gardening. The council would value your involvement.



## STAGE 1 WATER RESTRICTIONS UNTIL 31 MARCH

TasWater reminds residents that Stage 1 water restrictions continue to remain in effect until 31 March 2020.

This is due to very dry conditions across much the state, along with low rainfall over the last 36 months and the uncertainty around substantial rainfall in the immediate future. While some rainfall may be experienced, the Bureau of Meteorology advises that it will take several months of above-average rain to make up the deficits in our waterways and reservoirs.

The Stage 1 restrictions are designed to reduce non-essential water usage by 20 per cent, applying solely to drinking water. Greywater, tank water, bore water or recycled water are exempt.

### So what can and can't you do?

Residential, public and commercial gardens	
Watering gardens is allowed on the following days:	Any day
Manual watering systems can only be used between the hours of:	6am - 8am and 8pm - 10pm
Automatic watering systems can only be used between the hours of:	Midnight - 4am
Handheld hoses fitted with a trigger nozzle, buckets or watering cans can only be used between the hours of:	Any time
Watering of lawns	Watering of lawns by any of the above methods
Sporting Grounds	
Watering of sporting grounds is allowed on the following days:	Any day
Manual watering systems can only be used between the hours of:	6am - 8am and 8pm - 10pm
Automatic watering systems can only be used between the hours of:	Midnight - 4am
Handheld hoses fitted with a trigger nozzle, buckets or watering cans can only be used between the hours of:	Any time
Paving, concrete and other hard surfaces	
Spot cleaning for safety, health, animal welfare or emergency reasons with a hose fitted with a trigger nozzle or with high-pressure cleaning equipment	Permitted

For construction, using water for dust or pollutant suppression, or earth compaction by using a hose fitted with a flow cut-off device or a vehicle fitted with sprinklers	Permitted
Hosing for general cleaning of hard surfaces such as paths, driveways and paved areas	Not permitted at any time
Washing Vehicles	
A bucket, high-pressure cleaning device or commercial car wash	Any time
A handheld hose fitted with a trigger nozzle	May be used only for pre-rinsing and rinsing at home
Residential or commercial pools & spas	
Emptying and refilling existing pools, and filling new pools and spas:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Up to 2,000 litres: may only be refilled, or filled for the first time, using a handheld hose with a trigger nozzle, a bucket or automatic water top-up device</li> <li>- More than 2,000 litres: may only be refilled, or filled for the first time, when the property owner has an approved Exemption from TasWater.</li> </ul>
Topping up pools and spas:	Only using a handheld hose fitted with a trigger nozzle, a bucket, watering can or automatic water top up device.

\* Manual watering systems are those that require you to physically turn on a tap. Automatic systems are controlled by an electronic device.

## MERSEY MLC TO INTRODUCE END OF LIFE CHOICES LEGISLATION IN AUGUST

The Legislative Council Member for Mersey, Michael Gaffney MLC, has recently concluded extensive consultation (35 forums) with the broad community to present his draft of the “*End-of-Life (Voluntary Assisted Dying) Bill 2020*” which he intends to introduce into the Upper House in August this year.

These forums provide a background to voluntary assisted dying from an international, national and local

perspective as well as the main principles and strategies detailed in the draft bill. The parliamentary process was also explained.

The Honourable Michael Gaffney stated “*I support a law that will allow choices for competent adults to end their suffering and have more control.*

*For those individuals whose health situation is causing intolerable suffering, this debate is exceptionally*

*important. It is the right to choose.*

*Since my commitment to this legislation has become public, I have received letters and emails of support, however, some correspondence also contains some extremely sad, gut-wrenching and traumatic situations - many of which could have been avoided if EOLC(VAD) legislation was accessible to Tasmanians. Doctors and health clinicians, as it has been demonstrated elsewhere, play an important*

*caring and safeguarding role, along with the independent oversight, monitoring and reporting requirements, which will be contained within the Tasmanian Legislation.”*

A copy of the draft Bill is available online at <http://www.parliament.tas.gov.au/LC/gaffney/EOL.pdf>; via email to [eolc@parliament.tas.gov.au](mailto:eolc@parliament.tas.gov.au); by phoning 6422 3000 or calling at Shop 3 Lauriston Arcade, 126 Best Street, Devonport.

## YOUTH ENGAGEMENT TO INFORM PUBLIC POLICY AND DIRECTION

There are a number of opportunities for youth engagement that currently exist and with the potential to guide policy makers -

### MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

The Mental Health Council of Tasmania (MHCT) are holding consultations with young people aged from 12-25 years as well as people working with those young people and interested persons to better understand their experience of the Tasmanian mental health service system.

The sessions are seeking input on:

- What existing mental health and wellbeing supports are working well for young people in your community?
- What challenges exist around accessing good mental health supports?
- What would help to improve wellbeing for young people in your community?

and are a great opportunity to provide the basis of improving and integrating Tasmania's mental health services and the wellbeing of young Tasmanians.

The nearest sessions will be held in Devonport, at the paranapple centre, 137 Rooke Street, Devonport on 18 March with the community session for people working with youth or interested persons in the Aberdeen Room from 12 noon until 1:30pm and youth specifically in the Melrose Room from 5:00pm until 7:00pm.

The sessions will include a presentation from MHCT plus some workshop activities.

Registrations are essential by emailing Ezra Thomas at [ethomas@mhct.org.au](mailto:ethomas@mhct.org.au) or phoning 0431 792 073.

### WILL YOU RESPECT THEM?

ANZAC Day again falls within the school holidays, which will no doubt have an impact on local Services (refer to the front page for details).

There are a few ways that you can support this significant occasion.

1. You can simply attend one or more of the three Services;
2. If you are a serving or returned defence person, school, community, sport and service organisations, you may like to march as a group in either of the Latrobe Services. There is no march at Port Sorell;
3. You may like to lay a wreath or book (donated to a local organisation) at the Latrobe Citizens Commemorative Service.

If you wish to march or lay a wreath/book, please register with Latrobe Council on 6426 4444 by Friday 17 April. This will enable you to be provided with details of the order and process to ensure these Services run respectfully and efficiently. Please note that road closures and detours via Cotton Street, Latrobe will apply half an hour before and during both Latrobe Services.

### USE IT OR RECYCLE IT

Do you have an old mobile stored at home? Don't let them go to waste. If it can't be reused, it's time to recycle them through MobileMuster.

Simply drop them off, along with any accessories, at the Latrobe Council office,

170 Gilbert Street, Latrobe for free and kick start the new year free of clutter!

### Tips for getting your mobile phone ready for recycling

- What is accepted? Mobile phones, their batteries, chargers, accessories and wearables.
- Before you recycle, download your data, log out of online accounts and perform a reset. Watch MobileMuster's data management how-to videos for more information.
- We ensure that nothing is resold and all data is destroyed in the recycling process.

MobileMuster is the recycling program of the Australian mobile phone industry and is accredited by the Federal Government.

### PROTECTING COASTAL SALT MARSH

Cradle Coast Natural Resource Management recently announced that they would be delivering a project over the next four years, that focussed on protecting the Threatened Ecological Community, Coastal Saltmarsh, in the Rubicon-Port Sorell Estuary.

One of the biggest threats to Coastal Saltmarsh in north-west Tasmania is the invasive weed, Rice Grass (*Spartina anglica*), that competes with saltmarsh vegetation while also restricting water and nutrient flow, invading commercial oyster leases, and trapping sediment causing a build-up of banks that impact recreational areas.

### MISSION AUSTRALIA'S ANNUAL YOUTH SURVEY

Mission Australia's Youth Survey is Australia's largest annual survey of young people aged from 15-19 years and is key evidence utilised as a policy platform by governments, non-government organisations, schools and community organisations around the country.

The survey seeks to identify young people's values, aspirations and concerns on an annual basis.

Last year the survey had a special focus on young people's voice, experiences of bullying and disability.

25,126 respondents identified the top three barriers to achieving post-school goals as being academic ability (20%), mental health (17%) and financial difficulty (12%). Their top three personal concerns were identified as coping with stress (45%), school or study problems (34%) and mental health (33%).

This year's survey launches on 31 March. To register your interest in the youth survey, go to

[www.missionaustralia.com.au/what-we-do/research-impact-policy-advocacy/youth-survey](http://www.missionaustralia.com.au/what-we-do/research-impact-policy-advocacy/youth-survey)

### NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK



National Youth Week celebrates the effort and contribution of young people aged 12-25 in their community and will be held this year from 1-8 April. The theme for the Youth Week Tasmania 2020 is *Stand as One*.

Details of events and celebrations will be posted at [www.ynot.org.au/young-people/youth-week-tasmania](http://www.ynot.org.au/young-people/youth-week-tasmania)

Historical works to convert saltmarsh vegetation to pasture have also reduced saltmarsh extent.

Also, sediment and nutrient transfer from the intensively farmed catchments upstream have a detrimental impact.

This project commenced this summer, with contractors and Landcare volunteers working on controlling Rice Grass and is supported by the Cradle Coast Authority, through funding from the Australian Government's National Landcare Program.



North-West coasters - is there something you are part of that you think other people should hear about?

The Van Diemen Project, Switch Tasmania and Cradle Coast Authority are bringing their Bright Ideas Speed Pitch Night to The Cherry Shed, 243 Gilbert Street, Latrobe on 10 March from 5:30pm-7:00pm.

Anyone can pitch about anything - it just has to be 60 seconds long or you can simply register to come and listen to what other people have to say.

Find Switch Tasmania on Facebook or call 6408 7005 for more information.

## HOW MUCH OF YOUR RECYCLING IS RECYCLED?

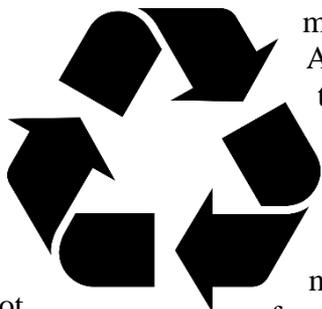
Councils and Material Recovery Facilities (MRFs) aim to recover as much recyclable material as possible from kerbside recycling bins.

Audits of kerbside recycling bins in Tasmania show that, on average, around 11% of a bin's contents cannot be recycled via the MRF. The range is typically from 5% - 15% depending on the suburb/town.

This may be because the item in the bin is not recyclable i.e. is garbage; is contaminated i.e. a bottle full of liquid or is recyclable but not via the kerbside bin service i.e. soft plastics or e-waste.

Items that the MRF cannot recycle are sent to landfill so, as a guide, around 11% of the contents of kerbside recycling bins are sent to landfill.

When looking at the resource recovery rate of all Australian states and territories, Tasmania recovers around 50% of reusable waste which is on par with Western



Australia and Queensland and suggests significant room for improvement. It also shows that there are many materials which could be recycled that are being disposed of as garbage instead. Most of Tasmania's and Australia's recycling gets processed in Australia. The Australian Government's 2018 National Waste Report showed that of the 37 million tonnes of waste recycled, 33 million tonnes were undertaken in Australia (89%), and four million tonnes were exported for recycling.

Currently, there are a lack of processing facilities and a lack of demand for recycled input material that prevents all material from being recycled in Australia.

Asia is a major source of the world's manufacturing output and has a higher level of demand for recycled input materials.

Markets are constantly changing, however, and in August 2019 the Australian Government committed \$20 million to innovative projects designed to grow Australia's domestic recycling industry.

For more information, please go to <http://rethinkwaste.com.au/>

## KEEP YOUR LOAD OFF THE ROAD<sup>1</sup>

Unsecured loads can cause damage, serious crashes and death by falling onto the road and into the path of other vehicles.

Road users carrying a load, either on the back or top of a vehicle or trailer, must make sure it does not move, flap, sway or blow off.

When towing a light trailer, the rear overhang distance (ROH) should not exceed 3.7 meters.

Cover, restrain or store items securely to prevent damage, a serious crash or a fine. Always remember that your life and the life of others relies on proper load restraint.

For information on how to accurately calculate the ROH or secure your load visit [https://www.transport.tas.gov.au/\\_\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0005/172490/Carrying\\_Loads\\_-\\_Information\\_Bulletin-\\_July\\_.pdf](https://www.transport.tas.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0005/172490/Carrying_Loads_-_Information_Bulletin-_July_.pdf)

If you would like to know more about the Community Road Safety Committee, please contact Councillor Lesley Young on 0419 326 250.

## DO YOU NEED FUNDING FOR YOUR COMMUNITY PROJECT?

### ARTS LOANS

Arts Tasmanian are offering from \$1,000 and up to \$15,000 to eligible individuals, groups and organisations by way of an art loan to invest towards capital improvements and equipment purchases.

Applications close on 9 March with more information available online at <https://www.arts.tas.gov.au/funding/programs/loans> or by phoning 6165 6666 or emailing [grants@arts.tas.gov.au](mailto:grants@arts.tas.gov.au)

A further round will open on 14 August.

### HYDRO TASMANIA GRANTS

Hydro Tasmania's 2020 round of community grants is open for applications by not-for-profits and community organisations around Tasmania until the end of March.

Applications close at 5:00pm on 27 March.

All the details are available on the Hydro Tasmania website at <https://www.hydro.com.au/community/community-grants>

### TASMANIA COMMUNITY FUND - ROUND 40

The Tasmanian Community Fund invites organisations to apply for a small or medium grant to support a variety of community initiatives.

\$1.2 million is available statewide for small general grants of \$1,000 to \$20,000 and medium general grants \$20,001 to \$70,000. This is an extremely competitive grants program.

Applicants should provide the information requested in the guidelines by the closing dates - small grants close on 18 March 2020 and applications for medium grants close on 8 April 2020.

Late applications will not be accepted.

Guidelines and access to the link for the on-line application forms are available from the website at [www.tascomfund.org](http://www.tascomfund.org). For a hard copy of the guidelines email [admin@tascomfund.org](mailto:admin@tascomfund.org) or phone the Fund Office on 6165 8333.

Applicants will be advised of the assessment decision by mid-June 2020. Funding decisions are final.

### LATROBE COUNCIL'S SMALL GRANTS

Latrobe Council's grants program will open from 2 March for projects starting after 30 June 2020.

- Emerging Needs Grants
- Arts, Culture and Festival Sponsorship

For all details regarding the grant guidelines and application forms, please visit [www.latrobe.tas.gov.au/community/grants](http://www.latrobe.tas.gov.au/community/grants). Applications close at 12 noon on 8 May.

Email [council@latrobe.tas.gov.au](mailto:council@latrobe.tas.gov.au) or phone 6426 4444 for enquiries.

Applicants will be advised late June with the projects unable to commence prior to Agreements being signed.

### NEW BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

The Department of Employment, Skills, Small and Family Business through the NEIS Program provides personalised support to help you become a self-employed business owner. Individuals not in employment, education or training who are interested in running their own business may be eligible for New Business Assistance with NEIS.

There are 8,600 places available nationally each year, delivered by a network of 21 NEIS providers.

New Business Assistance can help by providing:

- Accredited small business training;
- Personalised mentoring and support from a NEIS provider in the first year of the new business to help the individual put their business idea into practice; and
- NEIS Allowance for up to 39 weeks and NEIS Rental Assistance for up to 26 weeks (if eligible).

For more information, go to [jobs.gov.au/neis](http://jobs.gov.au/neis) • find your local NEIS provider on the Find a Provider page on [jobactive.gov.au](http://jobactive.gov.au) • talk to your jobactive, ParentsNext or Disability Employment Services provider or call the Employment Services Information Line on 13 62 68.

## RENEE BENEFITS FROM ANNUAL Y11-12 EDUCATION BURSARY

Miss Renee Flack of Latrobe (pictured with Mayor Peter Freshney) was recently awarded Latrobe Council's annual Y11-12 Education Bursary of \$1,000 to support her future learning.

Miss Flack has taken on a heavy workload this year at Don College, which includes Maths Methods 4, Physical Science, Environmental Science and Sport and Recreation to pursue her desired career in the field of environmental engineering or environmental science.

Latrobe Council offers this funding support each year to an eligible resident seeking to continue their education into Year 11 or 12 and just needing that little bit of an extra hand to do so.

Applicants self-nominate and must meet certain criteria throughout the year.

If you would like to know more about this scholarship, details are available online at <https://www.latrobe.tas.gov.au/community/youth>.

Applications close in early December each year.

### STAY UPDATED

The following are an update on articles in the last newsletter -

#### SPEED REDUCTION ON PARKERS FORD ROAD

Council received 23 submissions during the community feedback period about the proposal to reduce the speed limit to 60km per hour along Parkers Ford Road between Port Sorell Main Road and Gardams Road. 21 of these were in support of the speed limit reduction, 2 opposed.

Amongst the submissions, there were comments to further extend the speed reduction through to Squeaking Point, upgrading the road, develop a shared pathway and enforce the current speed limits.

#### What now?

Councillors were advised that a road upgrade will not reduce the number of access points along this section of road, which is a significant consideration when establishing speed limits.

There was support for the construction of a sealed, shared pathway to enhance the safety and amenity of this developing residential area.

After a site inspection, Councillors will consider whether Gardams Road and Panatana Drive should also be included in the speed reduction following which Council will prepare a plan and proposal seeking approval from the Transport Commissioner for the speed reduction.

#### PORT SORELL MEALS ON WHEELS

Port Sorell Meals on Wheels Coordinator, Geoff Hicks, advised that seven new volunteers have signed up but more are always welcome.

If you wish to volunteer and support the elderly to remain living in their own homes, please phone Mr Hicks on 6428 6353 or 0419 911 268.

#### HERE WE ARE

Workshops at Rubicon Grove, Port Sorell are scheduled for 30 March and 6 April. The resulting works will be available for viewing primarily by residents, their friends and family, and staff as a mini exhibition within the centre however talks

are underway to expand the exhibition period and potentially make it accessible for viewing by the community.

#### COASTAL PATHWAY - AMBLESIDE TO LATROBE

The Cradle Coast Authority have appointed CBB Contracting Pty Ltd to progress the development of the Coastal Pathway between Ambleside and Latrobe with works commencing mid-February. The project has started from the Devonport end and will proceed to Latrobe.



It is envisaged that works from the Latrobe boundary will commence mid-year with expected completion in January 2021.

This project is a tri-partied project, funded by the Local, State and Federal Governments.

#### FREE TOURISM AND EVENT PROMOTION

The Australian Tourism Data Warehouse (ATDW) is a national tourism database used by travel distributors to source product information for their websites. Tourism Tasmania's Discover Tasmania website automatically lists Tasmanian tourism businesses that are registered with ATDW.

Discover Tasmania receives over two million visits a year and provides extensive information on Tasmanian tourism businesses including accommodation, attractions, food and drink, events, tours and hire services. Tourism Tasmania is unable to display business listings that are not active in ATDW, so please ensure your listing is kept up to date.

**All listings are FREE for Tasmanian tourism businesses.**



If you need any assistance with ATDW, please email [atdw@tourism.tas.gov.au](mailto:atdw@tourism.tas.gov.au) or phone 6165 5286.

#### COUNCIL'S WORKS REPORT

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

#### CIVIL CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE TEAM

- Club Drive Reconstruction between Alexander Street and Quinlan Crescent
- Stanley Street construction of kerb and channel, footpath and frontage into Bosworth Park
- Gilbert Street footpath reconstruction between Bradshaw Street and Lewis Street
- Rural roadside spraying program
- Gravel road maintenance grading and re-sheeting
- Rural roadside drainage maintenance
- Roadside footpath maintenance

#### TOWN SERVICES TEAM

- General facilities maintenance

#### GREEN SPACES TEAM

- Bosworth Park Stage 2 landscaping and improvements
- Port Sorell Recreation Ground upgrades to clubrooms frontage including drainage
- Perkins Park Ground upgrades - sub-soil drainage installation
- General parks tree and vegetation maintenance

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Council's Operations Manager on 6426 4453.



## TESTING CONTINUES FROM GROUNDWATER BORES

Following the installation of additional onsite and offsite groundwater bores at the former Port Sorell Landfill site between November and January, further sampling and testing is occurring. These tests will assess the groundwater for any potential impacts on the water table and aquifers in the area.

When complete, this testing will provide Council with a better understanding of the site's rehabilitation requirements, geological and hydrogeological information and the completion of an updated risk assessment.

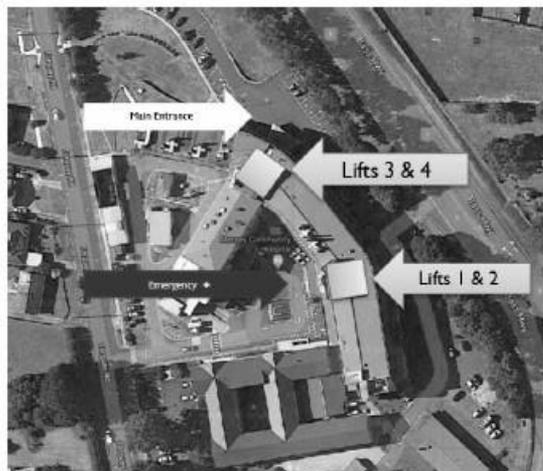
As a reminder, this site contains some potential hazards. To minimise the risk of any possible exposure, Council ask the public to stay within the Waste Transfer Station and Tip Shop area and to follow all signage and instructions. Gas monitoring and alarm systems continue to be operated at the site, which also remains a no-smoking zone.

### MERSEY GETS A LIFT (OR 4)

Works are continuing with the replacement of four lifts at the Mersey Community Hospital (MCH).

The two lifts at the hospital's main entry are currently being replaced as Stage 1 of the works to better meet the needs of patients and staff. Once these lifts have been replaced, the hospital's other two lifts - located adjacent to the Emergency Department - will be replaced.

There will always be two lifts operational throughout the project.



MCH Nursing Director Anthony Hurst said the entire project was expected to take six months to complete.

"We've undertaken extensive planning to ensure that these works are completed quickly and that disruption to our services is kept to a minimum," Mr Hurst said. "We ask visitors and patients to look out for directional signage and, if coming to the hospital for an appointment, please arrive a little earlier than usual, just to give yourself time to find your way."

### ATM INSTALLED NEAR KIOSK

The Mersey Community Hospital Auxiliary was thrilled that their Christmas Raffle, containing many goodies, was won by a local family with lots of children to share the excitement.

To continue to support the fundraising efforts of the Auxiliary, the Mersey Community Hospital has recently installed an ATM near the kiosk. Profits from all sales are reinvested in the Mersey Community Hospital through the purchase of equipment and aids that benefit patients.

Your support is therefore greatly appreciated.

If you can give a couple of hours a month towards the running of the kiosk, as a member of the Mersey Community Hospital Auxiliary, please contact Maureen (0488 784 654).

### PROFILING ARTISTIC TALENT

Each month The Crowded Lounge at 127-129 Gilbert Street, Latrobe profiles an artist through a small exhibition of their work.

For March, Nita Poultney is exhibiting her masterpieces 'For the Love of Gardens'. Nita's artworks are in acrylic and are primarily flowering garden plants and a butterfly or two.

Throughout April, Stefanie Carter's will feature stylised Manga pencil sketches of portraits and figures.

Local Tasmanian artists that would like to have the opportunity to display their work are asked to contact Michelle at The Crowded Lounge on 0459 239 192.

The Crowded Lounge is open Mondays from 8:00am until 3:00pm and all other weekdays from 9:00am until 3:00pm.

### BOOK EARLY RECOMMENDED

On International Women's Day (6 March), the Latrobe Library will be presenting Jan Dixon from the Quiet Cone to discuss running a successful health/relaxation centre and the hurdles she overcame whilst striving to create a sense of support, wellbeing and community in our locality. Julie Anne Serafin will continue her talk - Birds of Tasmania - on 28 April. Julie's talk includes discussion about endemic birds, local shorebirds and the biology of birds. There was a huge response to this talk last year and it was floor space only in the end.

Both events will be held on their respective dates from 1:30pm - 2:30pm for a gold coin donation, inclusive of tea and coffee afterwards. Bookings are essential through [www.eventbrite.com.au](http://www.eventbrite.com.au) or directly with the Latrobe Library on 6478 4220.

The Latrobe Library Book Club has started again! The book club talks about the latest

The following precautions continue to apply:

1. No smoking or naked flames within the Waste Transfer Station site.
2. Access to the Waste Transfer Station and Tip Shop is by the main entry in Hawk Hill Road and only during opening hours.
3. Avoid drinking creek or bore water.
4. Avoid swimming in the creek or downstream dams to prevent accidental ingestion of water.
5. Do not eat any fish or shellfish caught in the creek.
6. Do not use creek or bore water on vegetables or fruit trees. Do not use creek water on lawns.

For more information on the environmental testing and rehabilitation project, visit [www.latrobe.tas.gov.au](http://www.latrobe.tas.gov.au) or call the Council office on 6426 4444.

movies, books and DVDs. There is no set reading list, no waiting list to join and it's free! It's on the second Tuesday of each month from 1:30pm - 2:30pm.

Twisted Stitches is looking for new members to attend a once a month session on the fourth Thursday of each month. This knitting/crochet group is free to attend with no experience necessary. Just bring along some wool, needles and enthusiasm and a mentor will get you started.

Rock and Rhyme for the littlies involves singing, dancing and making music to songs and rhymes, with a story to follow. There is no need to make a booking just turn up on Monday mornings at 10:00am. The Latrobe Library is open from 1:00pm until 4:00pm every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

The Latrobe Library Computer Hub alongside is open every day except Wednesday from 10:00am to 5:00pm.

### TARGA VEHICLES ON DISPLAY

Targa Tasmania will once again race over closed roads throughout Tasmania from 27 April to 2 May.

Leg One on Monday, 27 April will see participants compete in the Moriarty Stage of the competition.

This starts at Valleyfield Road, travels along Oppenheims Road, into Hermitage Lane and concludes along Bonneys Lane. These roads will be closed to all traffic from 8:27am until 12:57pm.

From Moriarty, they arrive at the Latrobe Recreation Ground for their lunch break between 9:00am until 12 noon.

Vehicles will continually be arriving and departing throughout this time. While drivers and navigators enjoy local catering, the vehicles can be viewed by the public. For full details of this year's Targa Tasmania competition, go online to [www.targa.com.au](http://www.targa.com.au)



## RUBICON GROVE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Rubicon Grove Auxiliary attended the Rubicon Grove Christmas Party last year and presented residents with gifts. The Christmas Raffle was drawn on this day with first prize won by one of the residents at the home.

The Annual General Meeting of the Rubicon Grove Auxiliary will be held in the Development Room at Rubicon Grove, 89 Club Drive, Shearwater at 1:00pm on 18 March. All existing and new members are most welcome to attend.

Just a reminder that the community knitting group continues to be held each Thursday from 6:30pm at Rubicon Grove. Please call Kaye on 0459 47 58 if you have any questions otherwise, just turn up with your knitting needles and wool.

The Auxiliary is contactable by phoning Sharron (0419 352 359) or Elaine (0408 637 019).

## LATROBE PLAYGROUP BEGINS

The latest playgroup auspiced by Playgroup Tasmania has commenced at the Latrobe Baptist Church Hall, 125 Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 10:00am until 12 noon each Friday during school terms for children aged 0-4 years and their parent/guardian.

An Emerging Needs Grant from Latrobe Council, enabled the Latrobe Baptist Church to fence off a section of lawn area beside the church and has purchased play items, bikes, scooters as well as received donations of other toys to ensure the children will be a very happy group.

## NEW DRUMS LIGHTEN THE LATROBE FEDERAL BAND LOAD

The Latrobe Federal Band started the year with their annual performance at the Henley-on-Mersey Australia Day festival, showcasing their new bass and snare drums that were purchased after securing a \$5,000 grant from Hydro Tasmania and are less than 1/3<sup>rd</sup> the weight of the 50-year-old drums they used to have.

Coming up is their ANZAC Concert the evening of Friday, 24 April. This Concert at the Latrobe Memorial Hall, Gilbert Street, Latrobe will commence at 7:00pm and showcase a variety of 'war-themed' music including some sing-along music. A guest artist will also feature with refreshments and Anzac biscuits available for purchase at intermission. Tickets will be available at the door and cost \$10 Adults, \$5 children with Under 5's free.

Contrary to popular opinion, there are no trumpets in a brass band. Instead, they use cornets which are similar but more compact and with a lovely mellow tone.

On ANZAC Day, three cornet players will perform the Last Post at Dawn Services at Latrobe, Railton and Sheffield. The full Band will march and perform at the 9:50am Latrobe Service; March at the Sheffield Service and play and March at the Railton Service.

The aim of this playgroup is primarily two-fold -

1. to support pre-schoolers as they learn to play and interact with other children; and
2. provide connection and support amongst families within the community.

Latrobe Primary School has also partnered with this initiative and will be providing a referral pathway to the Education Department's school-based Launch into Learning (LiL) activities.

If you have pre-schooler/s and are interested in participating in this playgroup, just come along and seek out Nelleka or give her a call on 0405 464 023 if you have any questions. Parking is available at the rear of the grounds, off Kings Lane.

## COMMUNITY EVENT FOCUS



The Lions Club of Port Sorell has survived a busy summer with supporting the reinvigorated Port Sorell Fiesta and hosting Australia Day celebrations.

Their next community event will be the coordination of the ANZAC Day Dawn Service at Port Sorell with all invited to attend. The Service will be held at the Port Sorell Defence Memorial on the corner of Rice and Meredith Streets, Port Sorell and commence at 6:00am. Unfortunately, the Mulled Wine in May Festival will not go ahead in 2020 but there are plans to return in 2021. Stay tuned for details.

Club members continue to support the Lions Club of Latrobe with the operation of their canteen at the Latrobe Speedway. In you would like to know more about the Lions Club of Port Sorell, please contact Mr Denzil King on 0467 286 235.

## PARTNERSHIP BENEFITS BOTH

Port Sorell and Latrobe Community Enterprises Ltd (PSandLCE) is looking forward to a very successful year in 2020. A promising start is the formalisation of the Referral Agreement between the PSandLCE and the Latrobe Football Club Inc. This partnership is a step forward in recognising the importance of the collaboration of organisations for the benefit of their members and the community at large.

In return for business from members, the bank will provide a commission for the club e.g. an average home loan can do above average things for the club. Community Bank Board directors and staff will provide support at club events throughout the season and further build the relationships by way of sausage sizzles, guest speakers and the like. This Referral Agreement is an exciting initiative for any organisation and the Community Bank is keen to provide similar agreements with other organisations in the Latrobe and Port Sorell communities.

Please contact the Port Sorell branch or Latrobe agency for information on any of the financial products available and a staff member will either deal with your enquiry at the branch or visit your home or workplace.



They will then start rehearsing for State Solo and Party Competitions in May, followed by the Burnie Eisteddfod in June with long term sights set on the State Championships in Devonport on 19-20 September.

If you are aged from 8-80 and love brass band performance, maybe you'd

like to join the Latrobe Federal Band which is soon celebrating 150 years of continuous operation, an Australian record! They offer a range of brass instruments in all sizes and provide them free of charge to band members.

Tuition is provided in a friendly, small-group environment by accomplished and experienced musicians and at extremely affordable rates. The first month is even free.

Rehearsals are held each Monday during school terms as follows:

- Beginner's Band: 6:00pm-7:00pm (tutored by Melinda Poon and assistants)
- Youth Band: 6:00pm-7:30pm (Musical Director Dominique Baker)
- Senior Band: 7:30pm-9:30pm (Musical Director Geoff Dell)

For more information, email [dgbaker29@gmail.com](mailto:dgbaker29@gmail.com) or phone Dominique (0455 568 742).

## ARTISTS BEAUTIFY STABLE

During December, some members of Rubicon River Arts painted features on the hobby horses in preparation for races at the Henley-on-Mersey Australia Day festival at Bells Parade.

Each wooden horse was taped up to define a sharp painted finish, an enjoyable task which produced a fine stable of hobby horses.



Members' exhibitions change regularly with different media on display at the Latrobe Arts Hub. Come along and find yourself a piece of original Tasmanian artwork for your home or for a gift to be treasured for life.

Rasa Dunlop will be leading a Spinning Workshop on 18 April for adults only. Places are limited and bookings are essential.

Please see the 2020 Workshop Calendar available on Rubicon River Arts Inc Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/rubicon.river.arts/> and in What's On for future workshop dates and details.

Interested persons are encouraged to register early to avoid disappointment. Workshop fees are discounted for members.

Future meetings of Rubicon River Arts will be held at the Latrobe Arts Hub, 21 George Street, Latrobe on 7 March and 4 April from 10:00am - 12 noon. All interested persons are most welcome. For more information about Rubicon River Arts Inc. Events, you can find them on Facebook or email [rubicon-river-arts@googlegroups.com](mailto:rubicon-river-arts@googlegroups.com), call Angela on 0498 243 460 or call into Latrobe Arts Hub, 21 George Street, Latrobe.

## PROBUS CONTINUES TO GROW



Probus is a community organisation that provides friendship, fellowship and fun to retirees.

Joining a local club will expose you not only to new people but also guest speakers on interesting subjects every month.

The Mersey Valley Ladies Probus Club Inc. has been active for 32 years and is not a fundraising club.

Members meet regularly from 10:00am until 12 noon on the 4th Monday of each month (February to November) at the Latrobe Senior Citizens Clubrooms, 18 Hamilton Street, Latrobe. Meetings are generally followed by an opt-in lunch. The Mersey Valley Ladies Probus Club Inc currently has 50 members with plenty of time to socialise over morning tea and at their many club activities, which include dining out (monthly), Book Club, birthday/friendship morning tea (monthly), a movie group as well as bus trips and social outings.

So, if you are retired or semi-retired; new to the area; looking to make new friends or your circumstances have changed and you need to get out and meet people, please contact Alida on 6424 7536 for more information. You will be made to feel most welcome.

## BUSHFIRE PRIORITY

Over the last month or so the Rotary Club has farewelled Adrian and Heather

Ryan at a special Rotary meeting and run a successful Henley-on-Mersey Australia Day festival in conjunction with the Lions Club of Latrobe and Latrobe Council. A big thank you to all volunteers who helped make these occasions such a success.

On Australia Day, Rotarian Carolyn McLennan was presented with the 2020 Latrobe Australia Day Award, recognising her many years of community involvement including the recent Rotary charity dinner that raised funds for Rural Alive and Well. This event was run by Carolyn and two other new members of Rotary.

The Club's newest Rotarians continue to maintain their enthusiasm and drive Rotary's involvement in community initiatives. This was further demonstrated at the end of February when they coordinated the hosting of a Trivia night in aid of the Bushfire Appeal.

Much of Rotary's fundraising has been directed to Rotary Australia for the Rotary Bushfire Appeal. These appeal funds are distributed by local Rotary Clubs within their local areas.

The club continues to hold monthly BBQs at Bunnings to fundraise for community projects.

Stay tuned for details of Rotary's Excellence Awards Night in May, where many in the community are formally recognised for distinction in a variety of activities; and a potential July event. Details in the next newsletter.

The club is currently finalising the Rotary calendar sales and would like your feedback to assist with continuing to

enhance this much-anticipated publication.

If you have helped the club as volunteers or think you can spare the time to join Rotary or would like to provide feedback on the calendar, then please get in touch with any current Rotarian or email [info@rcol.org.au](mailto:info@rcol.org.au)

## CURTIS IN FORM

It has been a good couple of months for one of the Latrobe Croquet Club's junior members, Curtis Mead (pictured).



In December Curtis won the Club's A Grade Golf Croquet Championship defeating Malcolm Maney in a tie break with a magnificent jump shot from the boundary. To the uninitiated, a jump shot is when you hit the ball in such a way that it jumps over the opponent's ball and goes through the hoop to score a point. In January he travelled to Western Australia to compete in the Under 21's National Championships at Geraldton. Playing some of the country's top players Curtis did exceptionally well coming third overall.

A new boundary fence has been erected around the croquet lawns thanks to a grant from the Tasmanian Community Fund and the Latrobe Council.

Regrettably, it became necessary to fence the lawns off from the general public as unfortunately, the club was experiencing considerable lawn damage from people riding scooters and bikes across the lawns.

In September the club will be co-hosting the Croquet National Championships and it is essential their lawns are in top condition for that event.

If you would like to try croquet, please telephone Chris (0499 990 239).



# WHAT'S ON

## MARCH

**Exhibition by Nita Poultney** at The Crowded Lounge, 127-129 Gilbert Street, Latrobe during open hours.

**6 Running a Successful Health/Relaxation Centre** with Jan Dixon at the Latrobe Library from 1:30pm. Refer to page 8

**8 Junior Fish Out Day** at Taylor's Dam, 9022 Bass Highway, Latrobe from 10:00am until 3:00pm.  
☎ 0417 505 887



**8 Matt and CJ** perform at Shearwater Resort Tavern, Shearwater from 6:30pm until 10:00pm. Free entry. [www.vandiemensband.com.au](http://www.vandiemensband.com.au)

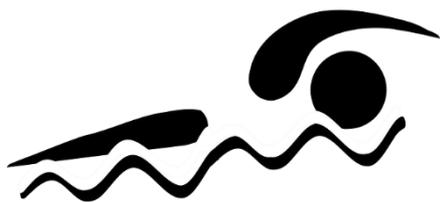
**10 Bright Ideas Speed Pitch Night** at The Cherry Shed, 243 Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 5:30pm until 7:00pm. Register at 6408 7005.

**10 Latrobe Council Meeting** at the Latrobe Council Chambers, 170 Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 5:00pm.  
☎ 6426 4444

**11 Van Diemen's Band Concert** in the Latrobe Memorial Hall from 6:30pm until 9:00pm. Admission fees apply.  
☎ 0401 314 334

**13 Chiseld** perform at Shearwater Resort Tavern, Shearwater from 6:30pm until 10:00pm. Admission \$5pp. Bookings for dinner - 6428 6205

**14 Penguin Island Swim** at North Freers Beach, Shearwater. Registration from 9:00am for all events. Penguin Island Swim starts at 11:00am. 500m novice swim at 12 noon. Fees apply. More information is available from [www.facebook.com/port\\_sorellslsc](http://www.facebook.com/port_sorellslsc)



**14 Speedway Racing** at Gulf Western and Independent Oils Raceway, Speedway Road, Latrobe featuring Sprintcars, Late Models, Street Stocks, Wingless, Juniors and Go-Karts. Gates open at 3:00pm, main track racing from 6:00pm until 11:00pm. Admission fees apply.

**15 Mersey Cat Show** at the Latrobe Memorial Hall from 9:00am until 2:00pm. ☎ 0409 247 517

**15 Latrobe Cemetery Working Bee** at the Latrobe Cemetery, Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 10.00am until 11.15am. BYO gardening implements and wear appropriate clothing. Free sausage sizzle and drink at conclusion.  
☎ 0417 598 116

**18 Rubicon Grove Annual General Meeting** at Rubicon Grove, 89 Club Drive, Shearwater at 1:00pm.

**18 Mental Health Workshop** at the paranaple centre, Devonport at 12 noon and 5:00pm. Refer to page 5 article for more information.

**20 Eat and Greet** at Wesley Vale Community Church Hall, cnr Wesley Vale Road and Port Sorell Main Road, Wesley Vale from 6:30pm. Byo a plate of food to share.  
☎ 0408 134 057

**22 Port Sorell Canine Walk** supporting Delta Therapy Dogs. Registration at 10:30am, walk starts at 11:00am.  
☎ 6424 8948

**22 Irish Music Concert with a Soup and Sandwich Lunch** at 76 Chapel Road, Sassafras from 12 noon. Irish songs by sung by 'In the Groove' will be performed at intervals during the luncheon. Cost: \$20 per person. To book, phone Dianne 0409 907 281 or Annabel 0439 314 989



**28 Leonard n Tome Trio** perform at Shearwater Resort Tavern, Shearwater from 6:30pm until 10:00pm. Free entry. Bookings for dinner - 6428 6205

**29 Neighbour Day**

**30-3 Apr Breastscreen Bus** outside the Banksia Centre, Pitcairn Street, Port Sorell. Bookings essential to 13 20 50

## APRIL

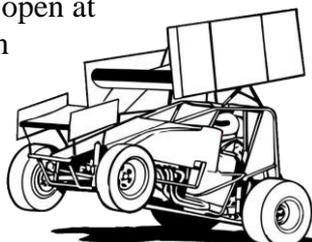
**Exhibition by Stefanie Carter** at The Crowded Lounge, 127-129 Gilbert Street, Latrobe during open hours.

**1-8 National Youth Week**

**6 Latrobe Council Meeting** at the Latrobe Council Chambers, 170 Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 5:00pm.  
☎ 6426 4444

**7 Regional Clubs Forum** at the Latrobe Council Chambers, 170 Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 6:00pm until 8:30pm. Refer to separate article. Registrations and further information available from Andrew on 1300 125 827 or [andrew@tha.asn.au](mailto:andrew@tha.asn.au)

**10-11 Street Stock Australian Title Speedway Racing** at Gulf Western and Independent Oils Raceway, Speedway Road, Latrobe featuring Street Stocks with 500s and Wingless on Friday night and Super Sedans, Juniors and Tassie Sixes on Saturday night. Gates open at 3:00pm, main track racing from 6:00pm until

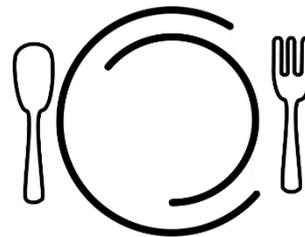


11:00pm. Admission fees apply.

**12 Junior Fish Out Day** at Taylor's Dam, 9022 Bass Highway, Latrobe from 10:00am until 3:00pm.  
☎ 0417 505 887

**12 Gypsy Rose** perform at Shearwater Resort Tavern, Shearwater from 4:00pm until 8:00pm. Admission \$5pp. Bookings for dinner - 6428 6205

**17 Eat and Greet** at Wesley Vale Community Church Hall, cnr Wesley Vale Road and Port Sorell Main Road, Wesley Vale from 6:30pm. Byo plate of food to share. ☎ 0408 134 057



**18 Spinning Workshop** with Rasa Dunlop at 21 George Street, Latrobe from 1:00pm-4:00pm. Learn to spin fibres. Adults only, beginners welcome, limited numbers. Registrations via [www.facebook.com/rubicon.river.arts](http://www.facebook.com/rubicon.river.arts)

**24 ANZAC Concert** featuring music from the war years in the Latrobe Memorial Hall, Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 7:00pm. Tickets available at the door. Cost \$10 adult, \$5 child and U5 free. ☎ 0417 348 258

**25 ANZAC Day Services.** Refer to the front page for details.

**If you would like to participate in the March or lay a wreath/book, please register by 17 April with Latrobe Council on 6426 4444**

**25 Heavy Rollers** perform at Shearwater Resort, Shearwater from 6:30pm until 9:30pm. Free entry. Bookings for dinner - 6428 6205

**27 Targa Lunch Stop and Car Display** at the Latrobe Recreation Ground, Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 9:00am until 12 noon. Free entry.

**28 Birds of Australia** with Julie Anne Serafin at the Latrobe Library from 1:30pm. Refer to page 8.

## MAY

**3 Latrobe Cemetery Working Bee** at the Latrobe Cemetery, Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 10.00am until 11.15am. BYO gardening implements and wear appropriate clothing. Free sausage sizzle and drink at conclusion.  
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# CHANGED KERBSIDE GARBAGE COLLECTION SERVICE



With a change of kerbside garbage and recycling contractors for the Latrobe Municipality to Veolia, it proved an ideal opportunity to review the service level to meet the growing demands of our Municipality.

While most collection areas will remain as was, there are significant changes to the Hawley and Shearwater area that has been communicated to affected residents and is now reiterated to the wider community.

These come into effect on 2 March.

The changes are -

- A new 'Hawley/Shearwater' area will have garbage and recycling collected on alternate Thursdays. Garbage will start on 5 March and recycling on 12 March for this new area.
- The current minor difference between garbage and recycling collection areas just north of the Bass Highway roundabout near the hospital will align.
- The new contractor will change daily collection routes to be more efficient. The approximate time of day your garbage bin was previously collected will change. You must, therefore, have your bins out no later than 6:00am on your collection day or the evening before.
- If your bin is not collected, please report it to Latrobe Council on 6426444 so your due collection day can be verified, and the truck's camera footage checked to ensure you had the bin out on the right day and on time.

Updated area descriptions and collection dates for the remainder of 2020 follow:

## 1. **\*\*NEW AREA\*\***

**Hawley/Shearwater Garbage and Recycle** includes the Hawley and Shearwater areas bounded by the Alexander Street/Port Sorell Road roundabout and where Shearwater Boulevard changes to Pitcairn Street at the golf course.

Your **garbage** will be collected every second Thursday commencing 5 March from 6:00am

Your **recycling** will be collected every second Thursday commencing 12 March from 6:00am

Your garbage and recycling collections are on alternate weeks.

## 2. **\*\*CHANGED AREA\*\* Port Sorell**

**Garbage and Recycle** includes the Port Sorell township bounded by the Alexander Street/Port Sorell Road roundabout and where Shearwater Boulevard changes to Pitcairn Street at the golf course.

Your garbage will be collected every second Monday commencing 2 March from 6:00am

Your recycling will be collected every second Monday commencing 9 March from 6:00am

Your garbage and recycling collections are on alternate weeks.

## 3. **\*\*REALIGNMENT OF SERVICE\*\***

**Rural Garbage and Recycle** includes the mainly rural area between the Alexander Street/Port Sorell Road roundabout and the Moriarty Road/Bass Highway roundabout.

Your **garbage** will be collected every second Tuesday commencing 3 March from 6:00am

Your **recycling** will be collected every second Tuesday commencing 10 March from 6:00am

Your garbage and recycling collections are on alternate weeks.

## 4. **Latrobe North Garbage and**

**Recycle** includes north of Gilbert Street (not including Gilbert Street) up to the Moriarty Road/Bass Highway roundabout, Bass Highway, streets off Bass Highway (but not the section of Moriarty Road north of the Bass Highway roundabout) and all of the Tarleton/Spreyton area.

Your **garbage and recycling** will be collected every second Monday commencing 9 March from 6:00am

Your garbage and recycling collections are in the same week.

## 5. **Latrobe South Garbage and Recycle** includes the southern side of Gilbert Street (including Gilbert Street) and the Railton Road area.

Your **garbage and recycling** will be collected every second Tuesday commencing 10 March from 6:00am. Your garbage and recycling collections are in the same week.

Updated maps and a collection calendar detailing these locations and dates are viewable on Latrobe Council's website - <https://www.latrobe.tas.gov.au/services/waste-management>

Council and Veolia are committed to helping resolve teething issues during March and seek your patience.

## FUTURE EDITIONS

Article deadlines and distribution dates are provided to assist contributors with their forward planning promotion -

Deadline .....	Edition
26 Mar .....	May-Jun
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