



## Latrobe Town Centre Urban Revitalisation

As the town of Latrobe continues its strong growth, a strategy for future commercial development including identifying parking, traffic management, visitor accommodation options and the overall urban design is becoming more essential. While this focuses on the linear strip of Gilbert Street between Bradshaw and Twiss Streets, past learnings reveal that such a review cannot be considered in isolation. A review of urban design also needs to include the nearby public spaces of Station Square and Kings Park as well as street networking and nearby residential development.

It was in the early 1990's that business owners got together to form the Latrobe Townscape Committee which resulted in the upgrading of facades and business collaboration morphing Latrobe into an attractive place to visit and do business.

This revitalisation was further considered through the Latrobe Township and Environs Strategic Plan 2009 and, more recently, the Kings Park Precinct Development Plan Revised Draft Report March 2012. Both of these reports however only minimally considered managing and planning for the growth of the Latrobe CBD.

In order to provide an integrated framework for the future growth and development of the Latrobe CBD, Council is in the process of appointing an urban designer to work with Council staff and proactively engage with the community to -

- investigate opportunities for further commercial development and tourist accommodation to ensure the town centre is consolidated rather than dissipated;
- evaluate the operation of Gilbert Street for vehicles and pedestrians;
- evaluate the current parking situation and determine where shortages exist, and to propose possible solutions for improving car parking in the context of also improving the urban amenity of the centre;
- identify potential residential development areas behind the town centre and to investigate their development potential concurrent with creating a secondary street network parallel to Gilbert Street;
- review the key public spaces in the town centre including Station Square and Kings Park and propose appropriate staged improvements;
- overview the presentation of the existing town centre buildings including proposed redevelopments, to ensure that they are contributing appropriately to strengthening the heritage character of the centre; and

- investigate the potential for a business or community-based organisation to be re-established to further promote and catalyse improvements to the centre.

It is proposed that this urban revitalisation review will be concluded prior to Easter 2016.

## Rehabilitation of Former Landfill Site

Following public consultation on the development of the former Port Sorell Landfill site along Alexander Street, Shearwater, two issues predominately arose -

- concerns relating to the proposed residential development on the western side of the site and
- the location of the proposed road which was perceived as "cutting the park into two".

Consequently, Sykes Consulting recommended that Council endorses the Development Plan with a commitment to hold off on final decisions about residential development and the location of the proposed road.

At Council's July 2015 meeting, it resolved to -

1. endorse the Sykes Consulting Development Plan for the Port Sorell former landfill site with a commitment to hold off on final decisions about residential development and the location of the proposed road.
2. submit the endorsed Development Plan to the EPA for approval.
3. prepare a decommissioning and rehabilitation plan for the establishment of a regional park in line with the Development Plan and in accordance with EPA requirements.
4. develop a staged plan and budget for implementation of the Development Plan, maximising external funding sources.
5. prepare a planning scheme amendment for the site to provide an appropriate zoning for the implementation of the Development Plan; and
6. consult with the Port Sorell community to decide on detailed design elements and identify a name for the future site.

Discussion also took place on the merits of extending the so called, "Pink Street" to Hawk Hill Road against "cutting the park in two" with the General Manager noting that Council has upgraded the emergency exit on Hawk Hill Road.

Now that the development plan is adopted, the next step is to render the site acceptable and safe for its identified long-term use. The effective remediation strategy to maximize, to the extent practicable, its potential future uses is an involved and specialised process. Council has engaged IPD Consulting, who has extensive experience working with the

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to meet their requirements for rehabilitating contaminated land, to manage this process.

### **Council Organisational Changes**

Council welcomes new Works Manager, David Sondergeld, who is employed by the Kentish Council and resource shared with Latrobe Council.

David comes to Council with a wealth of experience with the Department of State Growth and oversees the outside workforce for both Municipalities.

Other organisational changes include the amalgamation of the Planning and Building Services Departments under Manager, Mrs Sharon Holland.

Environmental Health and Animal Control responsibility has moved under the portfolio of the Manager Engineering Services, Mr Jonathan Magor.

Council has interviewed to appoint a part time Plumbing Compliance Officer to undertake the required inspection of 20% of plumbing works. This position will be resource shared with the Kentish Council.

Applications for a full time Building and Facilities Officer solely for the Latrobe Municipality recently closed. Until this appointment, Amanda Wilson has been engaged to progress some time sensitive projects.

### **Emergency Services Coordinator Appointed**

Under the Emergency Services Act 2006, Local Government is responsible for coordinating and facilitating a range of emergency management activities for all localised hazards as well as resourcing specific council responsibilities for emergency management response.

Council has recently re-appointed Mr Jonathan Magor as its Emergency Management Coordinator with new Works Manager, Mr David Sondergeld, appointed as Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator, previously held by Mr Peter Dawson.

### **Collaborative Art and Craft Space**

Latrobe Council is exploring the potential for a collaborative working art and craft space in the Latrobe Municipality, as part of a regional art trail.

If you are an artist or crafter who would be interested in participating in a collaborative space where you can create, exhibit and sell your works, please contact Latrobe Council's Tourism and Economic Development Officer, Chris Frankcombe via email on [chrisf@latrobe.tas.gov.au](mailto:chrisf@latrobe.tas.gov.au) or phone 6421 4650 (Thurs and Fri only).

Please provide your name, contact details, a brief summary of what you do, and what facilities you would require to create your works.

### **Driveway Policy Adopted**

Section 35 of the Local Government (Highways) Act 1982 states that the responsibility for a driveway within the road reservation falls on the property owner.

In order to continue to provide consistent advice, Council recently formalised its policy in relation to the construction, maintenance and responsibility for driveway entrances between the road reservation and property boundary. A copy is available on Council's website.

Whilst it is not possible to predict and document every situation that will eventuate, the policy clearly sets out expectations in the vast majority of situations and will

enable informed and consistent decisions when dealing with irregular circumstances.

### **Support for Community Groups**

Each March, Latrobe Council offers eligible organisations the opportunity to apply for financial assistance to address a need within the Latrobe Municipality in the fields of environment, health and community welfare; and sport and recreation for delivery the following financial year. Known as Emerging Needs Grants, funding is capped at \$1,500.

Council also offers Arts, Culture and Festivals Sponsorship (capped at \$750), again to eligible organisations, to nurture new and established arts, culture and event activities throughout the Latrobe Municipality that result in a social, cultural and economic benefit for the municipality.

Council recently endorsed support to the following for the 2015-16 financial year -

- Latrobe Amateur Swimming Club ..... \$1,500  
Update and replace existing lane ropes in Latrobe Pool
- Latrobe Boxing Club ..... \$1,500  
Purchase new equipment
- North Western Pistol Club Tasmania Inc ..... \$1,450  
Purchase new IPSC targets
- North Western Pistol Club Tasmania Inc ..... \$1,500  
Access road maintenance
- Port Sorell History Group ..... \$1,200  
Purchase equipment to undertake oral history project
- Port Sorell Tennis Club Inc ..... \$1,500  
Stage 1 to upgrading the surface of the Port Sorell Tennis Courts by cleaning the entire court surface
- Rubicon Sea Scout Group ..... \$1,190.08  
Upgrade of camping equipment
- Rubicon Senior Citizens Club ..... \$1,500  
Replacement of 2 indoor carpet bowls mats
- Wesley Vale Football Club ..... \$1,500  
Replacement chairs
- Latrobe Boxing Club ..... \$390  
Roadside signage to promote annual Boxing tournament
- Port Sorell Garden Club Inc ..... \$662  
Promotional materials to support the establishment of a new event - Port Sorell Spring Fair
- Sassafras Fire Brigade Social Club ..... \$750  
Support for an Open Day to raise awareness of organisation and encourage additional membership

The actual process of applying is not difficult so if you are an eligible organisation and have a community project or event in mind that is not wholly time dependent for this financial year, now is the time to start working out the various aspects of your activity and possibly be supported through these grants. Contact Michelle Dutton on 6421 4650 for more details.

### **Road Safety is Everyone's Responsibility**

Throughout the Latrobe and Kentish Municipalities a Community Road Safety Committee (CRSP) consisting of individuals with an interest in road safety as well as relevant Local Government officers, meet regularly to identify, prioritise and pursue road safety initiatives.

Projects may include -

- actively promoting road safety using safe system principles;
- raising awareness of localised road safety issues;
- targeting unsafe road user behaviour; and

- educating road user groups and communities at risk.

While some of these activities may require a budget allocation by Council or the State Government, others may be fairly simple to achieve.

If you believe you can identify an initiative that might contribute to reducing the number of serious casualties on our local roads each year, please contact either Latrobe Council's representative on CRSP (Councillor Lesley Young - 0419 326 250) or the group's Secretary, Chris Clark on 6491 0200.

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### Kings Creek Focus for Green Army

Following a successful Green Army program in the Rubicon Estuary at Port Sorell and Pig Island at Bells Parade, Latrobe Council has commissioned another Green Army team to work on Kings Creek to undertake works that helps ensure Kings Creek continues to have sufficient water flow capacity following heavy rainfall.



These works will be undertaken over the next couple of months along the dark line on the plan and will specifically include -

- Removal of dead trees and woody debris from the creek bed whilst retaining any root structures that will continue to support the banks.
- Removal of feral vegetation and replanting with natives.
- Brush cutting and weed control.
- Some localised and limited minor bank stabilisation.
- Removal of litter and rubbish from along the creek.

The Green Army program is a hands-on, practical environmental action program that supports local environment and heritage conservation projects across Australia and is significantly funded by the Federal Government in partnership with Latrobe Council.

### Port Sorell Stormwater Review

Ongoing land development and the increasing population growth with changing expectations throughout the Port Sorell area (incorporating the towns of Port Sorell, Shearwater and Hawley) has resulted in Council reviewing existing stormwater infrastructure and its capacity and appropriateness to cope into the future.

The total catchment for the study is approximately 9km<sup>2</sup>, with development in Hawley and Shearwater comprising of 2km<sup>2</sup> and Port Sorell of 1km<sup>2</sup>.

In consultation with the community, the assessment will incorporate the stormwater system, public safety, flooding and inundation vulnerability throughout the Port Sorell area.

The main outcome is to develop a robust and reliable guide to assist Council in prioritising future drainage related projects and actions including the creation or modification of open and enclosed drains, stormwater outfalls and protection works.

Throughout this process, landowners that have experienced flooding are invited to share their evidence to enable the review to comprehensively incorporate existing flooding situations. Prior to this though, an understanding of the system performance is required which requires time consuming data collation and familiarisation.

The study, which is expected in early 2016, will result in a recommended forward works programme listing stormwater projects and priorities. This program will include trigger points for potential priority changes such as any recurrent localised flooding, changing conditions at foreshore outfalls, proposed areas of likely development and the conditions for the expansion of stormwater detention requirements, downstream upgrades as well as identifying areas with existing surplus capacity that are able to be further developed.

The capacity to deal with various intensity storm events will be included in the study. These predictions will be based on existing research in relation to potential sea level rise, storm surge and increasing rainfall intensities and the ability of existing networks to cater for them and the setting of design criteria to be used for stormwater projects with useful lives of 80 to 100 years.

### Community Recognition Awards

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](http://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?

### Building Approvals Increase

A total of 35 building applications were submitted to Council for approval during June and July with a conservative construction cost of \$5,853,207.

The number of applications and their construction cost is on par to the same period as last year.

For the 2014-15 financial year, the total number of Class 1 buildings (dwellings and units) under construction in the Latrobe Municipality amounted to 127, an increase on the previous financial year.

## Planning Applications Steady

Throughout July, Council received 17 new planning applications for consideration. These are in addition to 17 existing applications currently pending (while awaiting the receipt of additional information).

14 applications received approval in the month since the last Council meeting.

## Cat Management in Tasmania<sup>1</sup>

Cats are present throughout Tasmania, as domestic pets, free-living strays, and as feral animals.

As pets, cats are wonderful companion animals and have a range of health benefits for their owners. As predators, cats are very efficient hunters of Tasmania's native wildlife.

The Tasmanian Government promotes responsible cat ownership and the *Cat Management Act 2009* and the *Cat Management Regulations 2012* provide support for the community in managing the health, welfare and impacts of cats.

Under the Act, only registered breeders are permitted to breed cats. Cats sold or given away must be more than eight weeks old, desexed and microchipped.

Over many years, a feral cat population has become established in Tasmania. Cats have been shown to prey on at least 400 species of native and introduced vertebrates in Australia, including 157 reptiles, 123 birds, 58 marsupials, 27 rodents and 21 frogs. Camera studies in Tasmania have shown cats are capable of catching and killing wildlife weighing up to four kilograms.

The Act provides the power to trap, seize or destroy stray and feral cats in certain circumstances and gives land owners and managers the statutory power to control cats found on their land. Latrobe Council an active trapper of feral cats on many of its reserves.

If we want to continue enjoying Tasmania's unique wildlife, we all need to think about how we can reduce our impact on the environment. This especially applies to those of us that own cats as pets.

The Department of Primary Industry, Parks, Water and the Environment (DPIPWE) is responsible for coordinating efforts to better understand and reduce the impact of cats on the environment. The State Government recently establishing a Tasmanian Cat Management Reference Group to develop an effective Tasmanian Cat Management Plan.

Regular updates will be posted on the Biosecurity Tasmania website and Facebook page to enable ongoing community input during the formulation of the plan, which is due for release by the end of the year.

As a cat owner, you have a responsibility to ensure your cat doesn't kill native wildlife or become a nuisance to others. The good news is that caring for the health and welfare of both your pet cat and Tasmania's native wildlife is as simple as starting with these five actions -

1. Desex your cat
2. Identify your cat as a pet
3. Never dump unwanted cats or kittens (this is illegal)
4. Prevent your cat from roaming
5. Never feed stray cats or kittens

Download the *Cats and Wildlife: How You Can Protect Both* booklet at [www.dpipwe.tas.gov.au/invasivespecies](http://www.dpipwe.tas.gov.au/invasivespecies).

## A Chocolate Festival Snapshot

Another delicious *Chocolate Winterfest, Latrobe* was held in August, making it the 12<sup>th</sup> occasion that it has been staged, and the 11<sup>th</sup> that it has rained!

Some interesting data was collected at the festival with  $\frac{2}{3}$  of attendees from everywhere throughout the North West Coast with slightly under  $\frac{1}{3}$  from the North of the state. There is growth in patrons from the South and the mainland with it remaining a challenge to get activities teed up early to enable wider promotional opportunities to be taken advantage of.

Many retailers reported offering extra stock (compared to the 2014 festival) with sales increasing a conservative 30% on what was an excellent festival outcome for them last year. This is a significant increase when compared with other months during the Winter period and, adding to the flow on effect as patrons become more aware of what Latrobe has to offer and revisit throughout the year, participation in local events should not be underestimated.

As with any festival of this significance, planning has already commenced for 2016. If you wish to be involved in a manner that enhances the chocolate theme, please contact Michelle Dutton at the Latrobe Council office on 6421 4650.



## Your Tourism Voice<sup>2</sup>

With the winding up of the Latrobe and Port Sorell Tourism Association and limited participation in the Devonport Tourism Association last year, it was decided by those active in those organisations to amalgamate and become the Devonport and Surrounds Tourism Association (DSTA).

This cross-sectional industry group of people operate a variety of tourist focused businesses throughout the Mersey area and is recognised as the key stakeholders in relation to tourism locally by both Cradle Coast Tourism and Tourism Tasmania.

According to the DSTA website "as a non-political organisation, DSTA's agenda is to pursue the furtherance of the business of tourism as a whole. All members have business expertise and a high sense of innovation which drives a pursuit of excellence in their own sphere of activity and a commitment to the community at large."

This group comes together on a regular basis at various venues throughout the Latrobe, Devonport and Kentish Municipalities, to promote all forms and facets of tourism and formulate and present plans which are intended to help the future developments affecting all residents and businesses in the Mersey region.

If this sounds like something you should be involved in, further information is available at <http://devonporttourism.org.au/> or by speaking with Latrobe Council's Tourism and Economic Development Officer, Chris Frankcombe on 6421 4650 (Thurs or Fri).

## Youth Representation Sought

Council extends its appreciation to both Mr Mick Halley (representing the Port Sorell History Group) and Mr Ross Gregory (representing the Rubicon Senior Citizens Club)

<sup>1</sup> <http://dpipwe.tas.gov.au/invasive-species/cat-management-in-tasmania>

<sup>2</sup> <http://devonporttourism.org.au/>

for their participation on the Port Sorell Advisory Committee. Mr Halley and Mr Gregory have been replaced by Mr Russell Townsend and Mr Eric Woodcock respectively.

Council is interested in appointing two youth representatives (aged from 12-25 years) to the Port Sorell Advisory Committee to add the perspective of young people to the group. It is hoped that these representatives will have the benefit of working together to add confidence to their joint voice. PSAC meet once a month on a Tuesday at the Memorial Hall, Meredith Street, Port Sorell. The meeting lasts for one hour from 4.00 pm. If you know of someone that would be suitable for this appointment, please contact Council's Executive Assistant, Anna Daniel on 6421 4650.

### Port Sorell Defence Memorial

Following the successful staging of two ANZAC Day Dawn Services at Pioneer Park, Port Sorell, the coordinators have held preliminary discussions with Council regarding the possibility of developing a permanent outdoor memorial in the Port Sorell area to recognise the contribution of all defence and peace keeping personnel. It would be at this location that future commemorative services would be held.

Approximately 300 persons attended the initial commemorative Dawn Service in 2014. With the 100 year commemoration in 2015, this grew to about 700 persons. The Dawn Service generally goes for less than 30 minutes and is followed by a light community breakfast.

A small working group has been established to pursue this concept which proposes to include generic but all-encompassing wording in a symbolic Memorial inclusive of a flag pole.

The proposed memorial should be in a prominent, outdoor location with adequate parking for future growth of attendees as well as amenities (catering and toilets) on site or nearby. Three locations have been short listed with feedback invited on your preference -

- **PIONEER PARK** is the current site for the Dawn Service. This has some street parking nearby and the recreation ground might possibly be available to meet parking growth. Power for the public address system is accessed courtesy of the nearby Port Sorell Fire Station. This site is located near the Port Sorell Memorial Hall where catering facilities and public toilets are located. The Port Sorell Memorial Hall is licensed to hold 200 persons.
- The grass expanse bounded by Pitcairn and Alexander Street at the **BANKSIA CENTRE** is another option for the Memorial. There is limited parking at the Banksia Centre with street parking alongside. Additional parking may include the Port Sorell Primary School grounds, subject to their agreement. Power is accessible from the exterior of the Banksia Centre. The Banksia Centre offers catering and toilet facilities with the sports stadium licensed to hold 400 while the performing arts room is licensed to hold 200.
- **SHEARWATER PARK** is another option. Parking is available within the park, in the nearby carpark and on the streets. There is existing power within Shearwater Park for the public address system. The Port Sorell Surf Club is nearby which could be used for catering purposes but is only licensed to hold 100. The nearest

public toilets are located the Hawley side of the surf club.

Licensing limitations mean that all proposed locations are unable to meet current demand in providing an indoor wet weather option for the Dawn Service.

Catering post Service is also limited at all locations if people want to sit and stay.

Your feedback on this issue will assist in further consideration of this concept. Please complete the following and drop off to the box at the Shearwater Newsagency in Fairway Crescent, Shearwater by 30 September.

### Port Sorell Defence Memorial Feedback

(Number in order of preference with 1 being highest and 3 being lowest)

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Pioneer Park  
Cnr Meredith and Rice Streets, Port Sorell

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Banksia Centre  
Cnr Pitcairn and Anderson Streets, Port Sorell

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Shearwater Park  
alongside Freers Beach, Shearwater

Please print your name: .....

### Small Business Shout Out

Do you own a small business in the Latrobe municipality?  
Do we have some opportunities for you!

Council Tourism and Economic Development Officer, Mr Chris Frankcombe has some major events coming up later this year to assist small business in the municipality and wants to make sure no one misses out. These includes -

- a Latrobe Municipality Business Show intended to connect local businesses to local businesses, and support a "buy local, promote local" initiative; and
- a major new State Government program to help small business reach their potential through one-on-one mentoring.

The Business Show will provide opportunities for all Latrobe Municipality businesses to connect to each other and discover what goods and services they can procure locally. It will also be a great networking opportunity among local businesses.

Subject to success, there is potential for the Business Show to expand next year and be open to the public, but this year we wish to focus on connecting businesses to businesses.

Do you have a dream for your business to achieve certain goals but so far you're not there? This program helps you bridge the gap between where your business is presently operating and where you wish to take it. It is a flexible program customised specifically to your businesses' needs. For example, are you interested in selling online, want to find new markets, have a great product that would sell well on the mainland if only someone could help you with transport and distribution? Do you have a great new business idea but need some expert knowledge to help get it off the ground. This program will be open to all goods or service providers that employ less than 100 people.

So far, workshops are slated for Hobart, Launceston and Burnie but we have secured a special event for Latrobe if there is enough interest. With only 200 places available in this program statewide, we want to get in early to make sure our municipality's businesses don't miss out.

To ensure no small business in our municipality misses out on these programs, or any other, Chris Frankcombe needs your business contact details to let you know in advance. If you have not received an email or phone contact from Chris in the past year, you're probably not on his database. Please email your business name, email address and phone number to Chris Frankcombe at [chrisf@latrobe.tas.gov.au](mailto:chrisf@latrobe.tas.gov.au) and as soon as details of these exciting opportunities, and others, are available, he will email them to you.

# Spring FAIR

## at Port Sorell

From 10am to 4pm on 18 October, the inaugural Port Sorell Spring Fair will be held in the grounds and hall at the Port Sorell Primary School.

The Port Sorell Garden Club

will have a display of Spring blooms from members' gardens as well as cuttings, some produce and a selection of potted colour at very reasonable prices.

This is your chance to come along and discover what you can grow in your gardens in the tricky, sandy loam soil predominant throughout Port Sorell.

Club President, Mrs Glen Miles said "we shall also play host to some plant growers who specialise in small and unusual trees, hellebores, iris, peonies and clematis."

The Australian Plants Society Tasmania North West Group are participating with a wide range of native plants for sale, all propagated locally and not generally available from nurseries, as well as displaying native flowers from their gardens. These growers will be only too willing to give expert advice on growing these lovely plants.

Devonport gardener, Mr. Robert Millet, an expert in espaliering and growing fruit trees in the small suburban garden will also be on hand to provide advice.

As well as handmade garden furniture, gifts and art stalls, there will Devonshire Teas, a sausage sizzle and face painting (courtesy of the Port Sorell District Community Bank® Branch of Bendigo Bank) so bring the family along!

## Live Performance Celebrates Seniors

At 2.00 pm on Saturday, 17 October, U3A Port Sorell, in conjunction with Devonport-based playwright and author, Alwyn Lewis and production company Salon Northwest, is presenting Alwyn's award winning play "Gert and Daisy" at the Port Sorell Primary School.

Daisy is seventy-something, has a gentleman friend twenty years her junior and has just had a hip replacement. Gert, her younger sister and erstwhile carer, is given to seeing things of a psychic nature. This light-hearted romp will leave you in no doubt that age is a state of mind and life is to be fully lived.

This is a rare opportunity to see professional live theatre in Port Sorell. Bookings are essential via U3A and cost \$20 per person or \$15 for U3A members and seniors. You will need to book early as there are limited tickets.

In other U3A news, Term 3 classes start next week.

The number of classes continues to grow and this term Port Sorell U3A will be offering 36 programs and three one-off special events.

New for this term are just Dancing, Italian, Current Affairs, the Third R- Rithmetic, Aboriginal History, Old-fashioned Desserts, Virtues, Message Sent-Message Received?, Croquet and two special one-week Art classes.

The U3A office is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday (10.00 am to 12 noon). If you are able to provide a course of interest or venue for U3A use, please email the office at [portsorellu3a@gmail.com](mailto:portsorellu3a@gmail.com), phone 0499 162 539 or forward your correspondence to PO Box 297, Port Sorell, 7307.

## Record Number of Seniors Events

Seniors Week is an annual event held from 12-18 October (inclusive) nationally to promote healthy ageing through physical, mental, social and spiritual wellbeing.

A record program of 564 events will be held throughout Tasmania during Seniors Week.

Many organisations have registered to host an eclectic range of special activities catering for varied interests.

Seniors Week is your opportunity to try something different. Who knows, with enough interest the activity may evolve into a regular occurrence.

Seniors Week is coordinated by COTA (Council of The Ageing Tasmania) with the program available across the State including Service Tasmania shops, LINC's, local government offices and also on COTA Tasmania's website at [www.cotatas.org.au](http://www.cotatas.org.au).

## Locals Recognised for Tourism Contribution

Twenty-three businesses and individual contributors to North West Tasmania's tourism industry were recently recognised in the *2015 WIN Television Cradle Coast Regional Tourism Industry Awards* including two from our Municipality -

- Sherwood View Accommodation won the Bed and Breakfast Accommodation Award; and
- Ghost Rock Vineyard received the Tourism Wineries, Distilleries and Breweries Award

as well as a variety of local businesses involved through the Cradle to Coast Tasting Trail which won the Excellence in Food Tourism Award.

In their six-year history, the Awards have raised the profile of the region's tourism operators in state and national tourism competitions and have provided a strong marketing advantage to recipients. Congratulations to all.

## Hawley Foreshore Kiosk

At a recent Port Sorell Advisory Committee (PSAC) meeting, a regular coffee van and/or kiosk on the Hawley foreshore, where it does not obscure views from any of the houses on the foreshore (potentially near the surf club or Tarooma Street), was raised. It was suggested that such a service may enhance tourism and enable people to buy simple provisions when visiting the beautiful beaches.

The member advised that following the closure of the Hawley Beach shop, a local café owner had considered a co-location option with the Port Sorell Surf Life Saving Club but was advised that that was not possible. It was further stated that the cost to set up and locate a purpose specific caravan was also prohibitive but there may be existing providers.

It was acknowledged that such a proposition would need to be commercially viable with some questioning if there was a large enough population to support the venture.





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3.6mtr / 12ft **\$120 each** – 4 or more **\$110 each**

4.2mtr / 14ft **\$135 each** – 4 or more **\$130 each**

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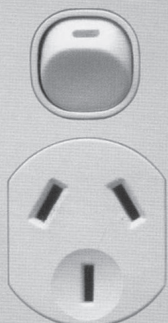


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It is the intent of PSAC to open and progress discussion on this topic to enable further discussion at the October meeting. Naturally, planning and food licensing processes would need to be complied with if this initiative is to be recommended to Council.

Accordingly, PSAC would love to hear your thoughts on such a proposition. Feedback by 14 October should be emailed to PSAC Secretary, Anna Daniel at [annad@latrobe.tas.gov.au](mailto:annad@latrobe.tas.gov.au) with PSAC Foreshore Shop as the subject.

## Council's Current Works Program



The following works are scheduled to be undertaken throughout the Latrobe Municipality during September and October -

### Roads

- Frederick Street kerb and channel construction and associated stormwater works

- Short Street kerb and channel construction and associated stormwater works
- Pitcairn Street (along the Camp Banksia frontage) kerb and channel construction and associated stormwater works
- George Street traffic calming facilities near swimming pool
- Swimming pool/Perkins Park car park sealing
- Club Drive between Shearwater Boulevard and Quinlan Crescent - reconstruction of northern lane
- Gilbert Street - installation of curved seating around street trees
- Hamilton Street between Reibey Street and Calthorpe Street - footpath construction
- Lewis Street between Bonneys Creek and Reibey Street - footpath construction
- Wilmot Street between Kermode Street and Rice Street - footpath construction
- Various road reseal preparation works
- General roadside maintenance
- Footpath maintenance

### Buildings:

- Install toddlers pool shade structure, water play facilities and pool fence at Swimming Pool complex
- Recladding northern external wall of the Latrobe Youth Centre
- General building maintenance
- 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 6421 4630.

## Port Sorell District Community Bank Update

It's been a busy 18 months since the Port Sorell District Community Bank branch opened its doors. The community banking concept is all about bringing retail banking and financial services into the heart of your local community

and sharing the vast majority of its profits within the local area. Significant sponsorship commitments are making a tangible difference to the lives and activities of a range of community groups and organisations within the wider Port Sorell District.

To continue in this endeavour your support as an account holder with the branch is needed. Please drop in at any time. Phil, Helen, Julie and Josh will be happy to help. The staff team are all locals with a strong commitment to the ethos of community banking, and is keenly involved in a range of local activities. Phil Martin grew up in Hawley and has been tempted back in the role of Branch Manager - a role that he loves.

Port Sorell District Community Bank was delighted to be given the opportunity to sponsor the Tasmanian Women in Agriculture's (TWiA) Rubicon Group First Aid refresher course. First Aid skills are a vital resource in the community that Port Sorell District Community Bank is proud to support.

TWiA is all about connecting, supporting and celebrating Tasmanian rural women. In addition, TWiA encourages women involved in rural industries to realise their full potential, and to support women who wish to be part of decision-making processes within their industry and wider community. It is wholly committed to raising the profile of vibrant and forward-thinking Tasmanian agriculture, aquaculture and rural based businesses together with the communities that surround them. If this is of interest and you are a woman with links to rural industry TWiA would welcome your enquiry: [www.twia.org.au](http://www.twia.org.au)

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

## Tennis Reinvigorated in Latrobe

Laying dormant on the corner of Gilbert and Noone Street, the Latrobe tennis courts have only seen the occasional game in recent year. That is all about to change as the Latrobe Tennis Club is brought back to life.

The club was initially created in 1910 and was based at 20 Hamilton Street, Latrobe (pictured) where three elderly persons units are now located. Its



popularity in those days was highly beneficial with one young member winning two U21 Tasmanian titles in 1925-26.

In 1930 the Methodist Church built an additional court, one of the first new style clinker clay surfaces built in Tasmania. This was soon amalgamated into the original club.

Between 1910-65 many regional premierships were obtained as the club became one of the premier achieving clubs in the region.



In 1994 the club moved to the Picton Grange site on the corner of Gilbert and Noone Street, where it currently stands.

In 2012 the club closed until re-opening on 1 August, 2015 where hopefully, and with the town's commitment, it will thrive for another 100 years.

For more information on the Latrobe Tennis Club, please contact Mr Stephen Pearce on 0448 020 185.

## Funding Opportunities

### Sport and Recreation Minor Grants

*Offers financial assistance towards equipment purchases and the development/improvement of facilities or playing surfaces that directly benefit sport and recreation clubs, and improve opportunities for Tasmanians to participate in sport and active recreation*

**Funding Amount** - from \$500 to 10,000

**Closes** - 23 September 2015

**For more information**, phone 1800 252 476 or go to [http://www.dpac.tas.gov.au/divisions/csrt/sportrec/funding\\_opportunities/minor\\_grants](http://www.dpac.tas.gov.au/divisions/csrt/sportrec/funding_opportunities/minor_grants).

### 20 Million Trees Program

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**For more information**, go to [www.nrm.gov.au/national/20-million-trees/competitive-grants-round-two](http://www.nrm.gov.au/national/20-million-trees/competitive-grants-round-two); email [20milliontrees@environment.gov.au](mailto:20milliontrees@environment.gov.au) or phone 1800 552 008.

### Huon Helping Hands Community Grants

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## Garden Group Established in Latrobe

A Latrobe Garden Club has been established to share the fellowship and encourage the enjoyment of gardening with like-minded members of the community in all areas of gardening.

In pursuit of this, the group will visit and learn from other gardens, either those of members or other garden club members and gardens throughout Tasmania. This will provide an opportunity to exchange cuttings, seedlings, seeds and plant materials.

They are also keen to encourage children from local primary schools to visit their gardens and hope to eventually be involved in a community streetscape enhancement project combined with a proposal to start a community garden or allotments.

To ensure the group doesn't get to unwieldy too soon, they have decided to limit membership to 35 persons and charge

\$3.00 per person per get together, in lieu of an annual membership fee, which should cover meeting room and administration costs.

Initially, they will meet at various locations at 10.30 am on the third Monday of each month with the next meeting on 21 September.

Office bearers are Coordinator - Ann Lewis and Secretary - Bev Warrick (6426 1609).

## Masked Lapwing, *Vanellus miles*<sup>3</sup>

The Masked Lapwing, also commonly known simply as a "plover", is a conspicuous bird with loud, penetrating calls. It is a bold animal that swoops at intruders - including humans. Its apt scientific name - miles - comes from the Latin for soldier and refers to the spurs on the wings, which give an armed appearance.

Breeding occurs in late winter to early spring. Birds pair for life and take up territories in May-July with successful breeding occupying 9-11 months. This period includes building the nest, incubation, brooding and caring for the young and defending the territory against intruders of own and other species.

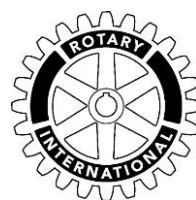


Masked Lapwing © Dave Watts

### Why Birds Swoop

Masked lapwings swoop because they are defending eggs or young that are not capable of defending themselves from potential predators such as humans and dogs. How long the defence is maintained is very variable. Some pairs defend large mobile territories around chicks rather than the nest. Such attacks will usually cease after the eggs hatch and chicks are mobile. Most swooping behaviour is to threaten or bluff to warn off intruders. Contact is rarely made. Always bear in mind that these birds are only rightly defending what is theirs and following their instincts, just as humans would. Please remember, Masked Lapwings are fully protected under the Nature Conservation Act 2002 and Wildlife Regulations 1999. Any interference with the bird, nest or eggs is not permitted.

## 2016 Calendar on Sale Soon



The Rotary barbecue held in conjunction with the Cement Australia Lights on Fire event at Bells Parade on 8 August was a great success. The happy crowd seemed to enjoy the event despite the cool evening.

The Rotary Club has offered to sponsor a Latrobe student to attend the National Science forum to be held in Canberra. The Club's nominee, Emma Hicks, will be interviewed soon with the club hopeful she secures a place. The 2016 Rotary Club of Latrobe Calendar is at the printers and will be available in selected shops at a cost of only \$6. The money raised by this project is used in the Latrobe community. Please support those businesses who have advertised in the calendar.

On 17 September the club will have radio poet Phil Rush as guest speaker at their weekly meeting. The club would like to take this opportunity to invite the sponsors of the club

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.parks.tas.gov.au/index.aspx?base=16106>

calendar to attend this meeting. Cost will be advised on receipt of RSVP to Secretary Richard Thomas (6426 9201) or President Colin.

Rotary meets at the Australian Axeman's Hall of Fame every Wednesday at 6.00 pm for fellowship and to hear wonderful guest speakers and have fun and fellowship with friends who put service to the community before self. For more information, please contact any member of the Rotary Club, or, if you don't know a Rotarian, President Elect Frans Ammerlaan (6426 2533) or President Colin Benbow (6428 6146) or visit [www.rotarycluboflatrobe.org.au](http://www.rotarycluboflatrobe.org.au) where you will also find application forms for the 2016 Rotary Wedding Expo.

### New Season Just Around the Corner



The Port Sorell Surf Life Saving Club will hold their annual Registration and Open Day on Sunday, 25 October. This is a great opportunity to find out what surf club is all about and the activities on offer for children and adults.

Current members will be on hand to share their experiences and show you some of the equipment used and services provided. Surf Club provides an excellent opportunity for children and teenagers who love swimming, to learn about beach safety and gain valuable surf skills over summer. Training occurs twice a week on Thursdays (commencing 29 October) and Sundays (commencing 31 October) through until late March, 2016.

Registration and Open Day details will be provided on the Port Sorell Surf Life Saving Club website and also on their Facebook page. All current members should renew their membership on Registration Day.

As the daylight hours gradually become longer and the promise of summer is just around the corner, our Surf Life Savers will be going through their paces to re-qualify to enable them to patrol our beaches over the summer period.

Patrols will officially commence on Freers Beach the weekend of 5-6 December. Roving patrols will be provided on adjacent beaches.

The club welcomes enquiries from keen swimmers who may be interested in volunteering for patrols. Contact [portsorellslc@bigpond.com](mailto:portsorellslc@bigpond.com) for information.

### Cancer Support Expands

Are you living with Cancer?

There are many ways in which the Cancer Council can support you, your family, friends and carers.

A free information session particularly beneficial but not limited to those recently affected by cancer, will be held each Monday from 28 September to 26 October inclusive at the Mersey Community Hospital, Latrobe and the Cancer Support Centre in Launceston. It includes information on "Understanding Cancer" and treatments, nutrition, exercise, legal, financial, emotional and spiritual wellbeing; survivor stories and Wellness and Self-care Expo. A number of specialist guest speakers will also be involved. You don't need to attend each Monday, you can pick and choose.

To register your attendance, please call 6341 8411 or email [supportservicesnorth@cancertas.org.au](mailto:supportservicesnorth@cancertas.org.au).



Additionally, Cancer Council Tasmania support staff are available to speak to at Coventry's Pharmacy, Latrobe on the third Wednesday of each month, from 1.30 pm until 4.00 pm. Bookings are appreciated but not essential to 6425 8600.

Following the fantastic success of the Cancer Support Group through art, the Cancer Council is pleased to advise that this will continue on an ongoing basis each Tuesday morning at The Crowded Lounge, 129 Gilbert Street, Latrobe.

There is no cost or artistic skills and experience required with all art supplies provided. You do however need to register by contacting Kris or Stan on 6425 8600.

### Time for Pre-Kinder and Kindergarten Enrolments

Children turning five in 2016 are eligible for Kindergarten enrolment with pre-Kindergarten sessions held at local schools for the remainder of this year.

Kindergarten classes provide a strong start to a child's school experience through a creative and carefully structured environment.

We are fortunate to have six schools throughout the municipality offer a diverse range of learning experiences with pre-Kinder and Kindergarten sessions held on a variety of days.

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Geneva Christian College, 197 Moriarty Road, Latrobe  
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Email: [office@geneva.tas.edu.au](mailto:office@geneva.tas.edu.au)

Latrobe Primary School, 23 Lewis Street, Latrobe  
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Port Sorell Primary School, Pitcairn Street, Port Sorell  
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Email: [port.sorell.primary@education.tas.gov.au](mailto:port.sorell.primary@education.tas.gov.au)

Sassafras Primary School, 50 School Road, Sassafras  
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### Additional Classrooms Cater for Growth

Latrobe Primary School staff and students in 4 Edwards and 5/6 Bowden are thrilled with their newly built classrooms.



Having observed the construction of the two new classrooms since the start of the school year, the students were excited to move into their classroom at the beginning of August. "With the installation of the Interactive Systems, the modern environment is certainly conducive to high quality teaching and learning outcomes.

Latrobe Primary School enrolments continue to increase with the building of these classrooms, financed by the



Department of Education, evidence of the growth of the population within the Latrobe area and the desire for families to have their child/children attend Latrobe Primary School,” said Principal, Mrs Julie Argent.

### Amber's Update

The cubby house initiated by Michael Gaffney MLC, supported by Hill Street North, constructed by the Latrobe Men's Shed and raffled by members of the Latrobe Fire Brigade was won by Shirley Cole from Deloraine who subsequently donated it to the Early Childhood Intervention Centre in Devonport, which was incidentally where Amber started her schooling. As a result of the fundraising which, along with generous donations and support including specific events such as a Chef's Toolbox demonstration, bike ride from Latrobe to Barnbougle coordinated by the Battlescars Foundation, Family Portrait raffle by Studio 56 and the cubby house raffle, sufficient funds have been raised to enable Amber to travel to Adelaide for the specialized physiotherapy program.

Amber's parents, Rachael and Michael, are extremely grateful to all who have supported Amber in achieving this opportunity.

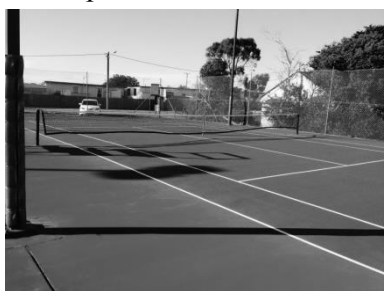


*Amber Clark of Latrobe*

### Stage One Complete

The Port Sorell Tennis Club in Kermod Street, Port Sorell has completed the first stage of a multi-stage project to refurbish their courts to create a better facility for members.

Stage one, which was part funded by a Community Development Grant from Latrobe Council, involved cleaning back the surface of the courts. The surface has come up a treat and, in the interim, will certainly stop those questionable line calls.



Stage 2 involves the resurfacing of all courts with the club seeking

Sport and Recreation funding support.

If you would like to get involved with the Port Sorell Tennis Club, please Facebook Port Sorell Tennis Club.

### World Sight Day

Exsighting Vision Optometrist is once again taking on the World Sight Day Challenge.

World Sight Day is an annual day of awareness to focus global attention on blindness and vision impairment. It is coordinated by the International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness under the VISION 2020 Global Initiative.

This year, World Sight Day is on 8 October.

The World Sight Day Challenge is a major fundraising campaign coordinated by Optometry Giving Sight designed to raise funds for projects that provide training, establish

vision centres and deliver eye care services for people who are blind or vision impaired due to uncorrected refractive error - simply the need for an eye exam and a pair of glasses.

Exsighting Vision will donate \$5 from every frame sold during October to the World Sight Day Challenge and will have opportunities for patients to donate via donations of produce or purchase of goods from a trading table that will be available during October.

For further information check their website, [www.exsightingvision.com](http://www.exsightingvision.com), or Facebook page or call 6426 1420, 9.00 am-5.00 pm Wednesday-Friday.

### Tasmania Features at Exhibition



The Apex Club of hosting its 10<sup>th</sup> Truly Tasmanian Craft Exhibition and Sale on the Recreation Day long weekend in November (31 October to 2 November).

With traditional and new stalls featuring products created by Tasmanians and from Tasmanian produce, the event should attract a large and appreciative crowd. There will also be food and refreshments available and activities for children.

As with others years, proceeds are donated to local projects in the community. Previously, the club has contributed to the Darrel Baldock Memorial, furniture in the Latrobe Memorial Hall foyer, flag poles in Station Square and the Kings Park stage.

If you are interested in helping your local Apex Club, please contact either Jessie Walters on 0439 003 321 or Tammy Jeffrey on 0417 132 687.

### It Doesn't Feel Like Exercise!

Following a successful trial, Zumba at Moriarty is here to stay. Latin-inspired dance fitness, Zumba incorporates Latin and international music including Merengue, Salsa, Cumbia, Belly dance, Flamenco and Tango dance styles.

It is said that Zumba is designed with easy steps that help body sculpting, targeting gluteus, legs, arms, core and most importantly our hearts. Anyone of any age can do it but you do need to have a little bit of coordination in you.

Classes are held weekly at the Moriarty Hall, Bonneys Lane, Moriarty on a Monday at 7.00 pm; Wednesday from 10.30 am; Thursday at 7.00 pm; Friday at 10.30 am and Saturday at 9.30 am and cost \$5 each.

Want to know more, please contact Jackie on 0427 969 429.

If Zumba is not quite your cup of tea, details of other physical activity opportunities throughout the Latrobe Municipality are available on Council's website ([www.latrobe.tas.gov.au](http://www.latrobe.tas.gov.au)) under Community. This is an ongoing "work in progress" and continually updated so check back regularly. Likewise, if you run a physical activity that isn't included, please contact Council.

### New Museum Hours

The Latrobe Court House Museum (next to the Latrobe Post Office) is changing its hours of opening. It will now be open every weekday except Monday, from 1.30pm to 3.30pm or by appointment.

Schools groups will need to book a time before arranging a visit if a guided tour is required. Bookings should be made by email to [info@nationaltrusttas.org.au](mailto:info@nationaltrusttas.org.au) at least a week before the visit.

If you have an interest in your local history and wish to volunteer at the Latrobe Court House Museum, there is a vacancy for two hours, once a month on a Friday afternoon. No prior experience is necessary.

Please contact the Chairman of the National Trust, Michael McLaren on 6426 2777 if you can help.

### Orchids at Squeaking Point

Squeaking Point is a wonderful area to find small native orchids in September and October.

An information board behind the toilet block near the jetty shows a circular walking track that takes you through some prime orchid patches. Near the foreshore you will almost certainly find Nodding Greenhoods and Mayfly orchids, and along the firebreak in the bush there are delicate Pink Finger orchids. Keen observers may find other orchid species. All these plants rely on specialised fungi in the ground to survive at Squeaking Point.

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, contact John Boevink at [rubicon\\_inc@hotmail.com](mailto:rubicon_inc@hotmail.com).



*Pink Finger Orchid*

### Antiques and Collectibles Fair



A limited number of sites remain for the Latrobe Antiques and Collectibles Fair being held at the Latrobe Memorial Hall from 16-18 October. To find out more, please contact Kevin on [sweets3@bigpond.com](mailto:sweets3@bigpond.com) or apply to the

Lions Club of Latrobe Antiques and Collectibles

Fair, PO Box 100, Latrobe, 7307.

The Latrobe Lions Christmas Parade will be held along Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 6.30 pm on Saturday, 19 December. Entry forms will be available in early October from the Latrobe Council office and Morse's Butchery.

Let those creative juices flow and your imagination soar with this year's theme of "Five Gold Rings"

Interested in volunteering as a member of Lions? To join a Lions Club is by invitation but applications are encouraged from all members of the community. One more member gives us two more hands to do service in our community, at home and internationally.

The benefits of being a member include fellowship, good times and meeting people, building lasting friendships, service to the community, learning new skills, leadership and personal development. Membership is open to men and women over the age of 18 years and of good moral character and reputation.

For more information contact Peter at Morse's Butchery, Kae on 6426 1442 or any Lions Member

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.

### Create Your Own Original Art



Rubicon River Arts

The promise of warmer weather has Rubicon River Arts (RRA) members busting to venture outdoors and what better way to embrace the new season than a Spring Fair!

Port Sorell Garden Club has co-ordinated local groups, including Rubicon River Arts, to initiate the inaugural Port Sorell Spring Fair at Port Sorell Primary School on Sunday, 18 October.

Amidst an array of stalls and activities, RRA will have original artworks such as garden sculptures, two-dimensional images in diverse media and techniques, photography and textile designs for sale.

Kim O'Brien and Wendy Thiele will be conducting a fabulous Shibori and Indigo dye workshop on Saturday, 24 October at Port Sorell. An adventure in pattern and colour variations, dyed cotton or silk fabrics are treated with diluted bleach washes or dyes to create your own original effects. As details have not been finalised at the time of printing, please refer to RRA's Facebook page: Rubicon River Arts or phone Angela for details on either 6424 3463 or 0419 490 042.

Jacki Murphy plans to conduct a day working with found objects to create artistic pieces. Details on this workshop to follow soon.

RRA meets monthly to share stories, skills, creations and passion for the arts. New members are welcome.

### Neighbourhood Watch



The Port Sorell Neighbourhood Watch group meet on the last Tuesday of each month at 7.15 pm in the Port Sorell Memorial Hall.

The next meeting on Tuesday, 29 September will be their Annual General

Meeting with some important items to be discussed, including the future of the Port Sorell group, which is currently in jeopardy.

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 last meeting for this year scheduled for Wednesday, 28 October.

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

### What's On

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

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- 11 Estate Planning Seminar** with Patrick Fagan from Shadforth's from 10.00 am at the Banksia Centre, Pitcairn Street, Port Sorell. Cost: \$2.
- 12 NWFL Grand Final** at the Latrobe Recreation Ground, Gilbert Street, Latrobe. U18's at 9.20 am; Reserves at 11.30 am and Seniors at 2.15 pm. Admission fees apply. ☎ 6425 1755
- 12-15 The Essene's Workshop** at The Quiet Cone, 298 Coalhill Road, Latrobe. Costs apply. ☎ 6492 1241 or email [sarahannebarker@y7mail.com](mailto:sarahannebarker@y7mail.com)

- 13 Georgina Harvey sings songs from the War Years to now** at Ghost Rock Vineyard, 1055 Port Sorell Main Road, Northdown from 1.00 pm-4.00 pm. ☎ 6428 4005 to book a table.
- 14 Latrobe Council Meeting** at Latrobe Council, 170 Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 5.00 pm. All welcome. ☎ 6421 4650
- 20 Coastal Garden Workshop** with Ruth Mollison from Island Seeds at Port Sorell from 11.00 am until 1.00 pm. For more information contact Project Officer, Sherrie Jaffray on sjaffray@cradlecoast.com
- 23 Soup and Sandwich Luncheon and Fashion Parade** at the Port Sorell Bowls Club, cnr Rice and Meredith Streets, Port Sorell. Cost: \$10 per person. Pre-bookings to Jan 6428 6605 and Betty 6428 6199.
- 25 Voting in Tasmania Seminar** with Julian Type from the Electoral Commission from 10.00 am at the Banksia Centre, Pitcairn Street, Port Sorell. Cost: \$2
- 26 FREE Skateboarding Workshop for all ages and skill level** (beginners to experienced) at Addison Reserve Skatepark, Fairway Crescent, Shearwater from 10.30 am until 3.30 pm. Skateboards and helmets provided. Free fun and games. Drug and alcohol free. Wet weather back-up date - 11 October.
- 27 FREE Skateboarding Workshop for all ages and skill level** (beginners to experienced) at Latrobe Skatepark, George Street, Latrobe from 10.30 am until 3.30 pm. Skateboards and helmets provided. Free fun and games. Drug and alcohol free. Wet weather back-up date - 28 September.
- 29 Port Sorell Neighbourhood Watch Annual General Meeting** in the Port Sorell Memorial Hall Supper Room from 7.30 pm. ☎ 0400 144 930

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- 9 Pensions Seminar** with Robert Kewley from Centrelink from 10.00 am at the Banksia Centre, Pitcairn Street, Port Sorell. Cost: \$2.
- 11 Pete Cornelius Acoustic Rock** at Ghost Rock Vineyard, 1055 Port Sorell Main Road, Northdown from 1.00 pm-4.00 pm. ☎ 6428 4005 to book a table.
- 12-18 Seniors Week.** Pick up a program from Service Tasmania shops, LINC's, local government offices or download a copy at [www.cotatas.org.au](http://www.cotatas.org.au)
- 12 Latrobe Council Meeting** at Latrobe Council, 170 Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 5.00 pm. All welcome to attend. ☎ 6421 4650
- 16-18 Antiques and Collectables Fair** at the Latrobe Memorial Hall, Gilbert Street, Latrobe. Free appraisals at 11.00 am Sunday. ☎ 0418 503 942 or 0438 195 117
- 16-18 Reiki Workshop** at The Quiet Cone, 298 Coal Hill Road, Latrobe. Costs apply. ☎ 6426 1295 for bookings and further details.
- 17 Gert and Daisy - a play about life** from 2.00 pm at the Port Sorell Primary School. Tickets \$20 (U3A members and pensioners \$15) includes coffee/cake. Bookings essential via the Port Sorell U3A office or email [portsorellu3a@gmail.com](mailto:portsorellu3a@gmail.com).
- 18 Port Sorell Spring Fair** at Port Sorell Primary School, Pitcairn Street, Port Sorell from 10.00 am until 4.00 pm. ☎ 6428 7133

- 23-25 Reiki Workshop** at The Quiet Cone, 298 Coal Hill Road, Latrobe. Costs apply. ☎ 6426 1295 for bookings and further details.
- 24 Shibori and Indigo Dye Workshop** at Port Sorell. ☎ 6424 3463 or 0419 490 042 for details.
- 24 Speedway racing** featuring 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.
- 25 Port Sorell Surf Club Registration and Open Day** at the Port Sorell Surf Life Saving Club, Dumbleton Street, Hawley. Contact [portsorellslc@bigpond.com](mailto:portsorellslc@bigpond.com) for information.
- 28 Latrobe Neighbourhood Watch** meet at the Latrobe Council meeting room off Lewis Street, Latrobe from 7.00 pm to discuss community safety initiatives. All welcome. Supper provided.
- 31-2 Nov Truly Tasmanian Craft Exhibition and Sale** in the Latrobe Memorial Hall, Gilbert Street Latrobe. Admission charges apply. ☎ Jessie 0439 003 321 or Tammy 0417 132 687

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- 2 The Peaks Challenge**, a cycling event through the Mersey region. [www.bicyclenetwork.com.au/peaks-challenge/](http://www.bicyclenetwork.com.au/peaks-challenge/)
- 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 until 8.00 pm. ☎ 6426 1626

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