



Council Coast and Country

News and Views

Rates Increase by 2%

The Latrobe Council recently approved its budget and rates for the 2018-19 financial year, announcing a 2% increase.

Mayor Freshney said, "our Council continues a strong focus on financial performance and again we are able to report that an underlying surplus is expected for the 2018-2019 financial year. Latrobe remains the lowest rating Council in the region and one of the lowest rating Councils in Tasmania".

Rates from existing ratepayers will generally increase by approximately 2%. After allowing for a 1.5% increase from new rates collected due to building growth in the municipality, general rates revenue will increase by approximately 3.5%.

Mayor Freshney further commented that Latrobe Council will receive \$190,000 per annum less in distributions from Taswater from 2018-19 onwards which is equivalent to 2.6% of rates.

A cap on general rate increases of 10% has been retained for properties affected by the property value adjustment factors determined by the Valuer-General in 2017-18.

The expected operating result for 2018-19 is a \$1.49m surplus with a budgeted underlying surplus of \$33,000.

The capital works program totals \$5.1m of which \$2.1m relates to projects carried forward. Of the \$5.1m in capital funding required, \$2.1m will come from Council operations, \$595,000 from specific purpose external grants, \$330,000 in borrowings under the Accelerated Local Government Capital Program and \$2.1m from Council's accumulated cash and investments.

Some of the new planned projects include;

- Roads, bridges and footpaths (\$1.3m) including; road reseals (\$400,000); kerb and channel in Hamilton Street Latrobe (\$330,000) and Kermode St, Port Sorell (\$115,000); new footpath in Darling St (\$18,000), Kermode St, (\$28,000) and Benny St (\$100,000); and widen and reconstructing the asphalt pathway on the Port Sorell foreshore (\$150,000).
- Stormwater (\$420,000) including construction of retaining walls along Kings Creek (\$350,000).
- Buildings (\$870,000) including refurbishment of existing elderly persons units (\$100,000); contribution towards construction of four affordable housing units (\$153,000); refurbish main grandstand at Latrobe Recreation Ground (\$100,000); and replace roof and install roof access system at Latrobe Youth Centre (\$80,000).
- Land improvements (\$293,000) include the provision for priority capital works arising from the Port Sorell

Strategic Plan (\$100,000) and the Port Sorell Caravan Park Strategic Plan (\$100,000).

The complete budget is available on Latrobe Council's website at <http://www.latrobe.tas.gov.au/annualreports>.

Don't Forget to Vote - 28 July

The Electoral Roll, entitling you to vote in the coming Federal House of Representatives seat of Braddon, has now closed.

Candidate nominations close at 12 noon on 5 July. If you are considering nominating as a candidate, further information is available online at www.aec.gov.au or by phoning 13 23 26.

As this is a byelection for the Braddon electorate only rather than a whole of House of Representatives election,



regular polling places outside the Braddon Electorate will not be open.

Unfortunately, the Braddon Electorate does not include the whole of the Latrobe Municipality.

Voting at this election on Saturday, 28 July is compulsory. Failure to vote can result in a fine being issued.

If you are going to be travelling or not able to make it to a polling venue on 28 July, you can apply for a postal vote or vote at a pre-polling venue from 10 July. Details of these locations are available online at www.aec.gov.au.

Building Update

A total of 78 building, plumbing, demolition applications and notifications of works were received by Council during the months of April and May 2018.

They comprised of 24 dwellings; 5 dwelling additions/alterations; 10 outbuildings; 4 commercial/industrial, 1 demolition, 32 plumbing applications and 1 other with a conservative value of \$10,898,458.

Hawley Container Café

Council continues to progress the initiative of a Container Café at Hawley.

Initially raised by the Port Sorell Advisory Committee, discussions have been held with Rubicon Coast and Landcare Inc, Port Sorell Surf Life Saving Club and Crown Land Services to determine a way forward.

It is anticipated that Crown Land Services will shortly endorse a sub-lease, enabling Council to call for Expressions of Interest for a 5 x 5 x 5-year lease.

The proposed café will be a discretionary use under the Planning Scheme and will be advertised for community input if an application is received through the EOI process.

If you would like to be advised when such an EOI process starts, please register with Latrobe Council at council@latrobe.tas.gov.au.

Dog Registrations Due

Dog ownership has been significantly growing throughout the Latrobe Municipality over the past five years, in fact, registered dogs have risen by 24.42% and now amount to 2,522, and that's only the registered ones!

With dog ownership comes certain responsibilities as detailed in the *Dog Control Act 2000*, including the requirement that all dogs over the age of six (6) months must be microchipped and registered with their local Council annually.

While the registration fee has increased for the 2018-19 financial year, this is the first rise since the 2015-16 financial year and has been contained to the consumer price index (CPI).

Registration commences on 1 July with the great news that Latrobe Council offers a discount period for dog registrations throughout July - not before or after, just during July.

Fees for 2018-19 are -

	<i>Paid in July</i>	<i>Paid from 1 August</i>
Male/Female dog	\$48	\$53
Working dog	\$26	\$31
Purebred dog (registered)	\$26	\$31
Greyhound (registered)	\$26	\$31
Hunting dog owned by member of North West Hound Owners Assn.	\$26	\$31
Dog that has completed accredited training course	\$26	\$31
Dog owned by pensioner (one only)	\$18	\$23
Neutered dog	\$21	\$26
Declared restricted breed dog	\$125	\$130
Dangerous dog	\$264	\$267
Guide Dog/Medical response dog	Nil	Nil
Tag replacement/transfer of registration	\$3	\$3
Kennel licence application	\$79	\$79
Kennel licence renewal	\$37	\$37

The registration fee for persons wishing to register newly acquired dogs after 31 December 2018 will be 50% the applicable rate, or if after 31 March, 2019 will be 25% the applicable rate.

While dogs already registered with Latrobe Council will receive a renewal in the post, if you haven't received this

by mid-July, Council encourages you to contact the office and follow it up.

Perhaps you have moved and not changed the address for your dog. Likewise, unfortunately, it can be an emotional time when your dog passes away and you may have simply forgotten to cancel the registration. Without your advice, Council doesn't know to amend their database however a simple call will allay any further distress.

So, don't forget to register your dog in July.

Flood Protecting Latrobe Town

The severity of the June 2016 flood event and its impact on Latrobe established a high level of concern amongst Council, residents and commercial property owners, particularly regarding the future flood protection of the Latrobe township.

To preserve one of Tasmania's earliest settlements along the north west coast and future development options that may be affected by flooding, Latrobe Council engaged Entura (the consulting arm of Hydro Tasmania) to conduct a structural flood protection option assessment for Latrobe township based on the 2016 flood event.

The assessment - "Minimising Flood Risk in Latrobe" - was recently released and is available online at www.latrobe.tas.gov.au/reports.

"The hydraulic modelling and levee option assessments clearly demonstrates that it is possible to flood protect the town of Latrobe from the Mersey River in all but the rarest of events.

The review and subsequent report short listed four options to flood protect Latrobe with the consultants recommending Option D, which protects all developed properties from the modelled Mersey River flood waters.

The costing for Option D is \$4.5m and involves permanent structures that are not reliant on the deployment of personnel at relatively short notice.

Subject to sufficient bi-partisan support from the Commonwealth and State Governments, the completion of these flood mitigation works will also have the added benefit of enabling us to go back to the Insurance Council of Tasmania, on behalf of our community, and lobby for reduced insurance premiums as the risk will have been significantly reduced, with evidence to support," said Mayor Freshney.

Latrobe Cemetery Upgrades

A small but dedicated committee continue to work on the beautification of the Latrobe Cemetery. This cemetery includes graves in three key sections - Church of England, Catholic and a General section. A columbarium funded in partnership with the Lions Club of Latrobe caters for persons that desire to be cremated.

Disappointingly, the lettering at the main entry has been vandalised beyond repair. A quote for heavy gauge, polished stainless steel has been received.

Landscaping beside the new retaining wall at the corner of Gilbert and Percival Street is underway and includes a 2m wide garden with a concrete mowing strip.

To assist with on-going planning, overhead (drone) photos have been sourced.

Four community working are held throughout the year with the next one scheduled for 26 August, just prior to Father's Day. All are welcome. They start at 10.00am and continue through to 11.15am. Just turn up that morning.

Hawley Foreshore Vegetation Management

Following concerns from Hawley residents about the Hawley foreshore, Council have invested more resources in to managing this area, actively supporting the Rubicon Coast and Landcare Group Inc who have been involved with implementing the foreshore management plans over many years.

A series of working bees are planned to continued foreshore regeneration works.

Residents that would like to share their valuable opinions and help shape the plantings and management of vegetation along the foreshore are encouraged to participate in these working bees by registering with Rubicon Coast and Landcare Inc by phoning 0428 135 507 or emailing rubicon_inc@hotmail.com.

You Decide the Future Look of Port Sorell

Since the adoption of the Port Sorell and Environs Strategic Plan 2008, many key elements have been realised and the town is now a much more self-sufficient community with improved shopping, education and community facilities.

With respect to population growth, Port Sorell has continued to grow however the rate of growth has been slower than anticipated in 2008.

Additionally, there have been extensive investigations into sea level rise, stormwater management, water supply capacity and sewer capacity.

All these issues are now significant influences on growth throughout the Port Sorell area and indicated to Latrobe Council that it was an appropriate time to review the Port Sorell Strategic Plan 2008.

“The project ultimately provides an integrated framework for the future growth and development of the Port Sorell and environs based on community engagement earlier this year.

The key aims of this review includes documenting what has and has not progressed and what has varied; a review of the demographics of the area; evaluation of both the benefits of the new town centre and impact on Shearwater Village; impact of recent residential development including the possible issue of over supply of lots; the need to retain various parcels of Council owned land; the preparation of a development concept and design principles for the vacant land in the town centre and the former Shearwater Golf Club land as well as review of traffic functioning of Alexander Street including the Poyston Street intersection and commercial development facilitation,” said Strategic Planner, Mrs Sharon Holland.

Another key piece in Port Sorell's planning is consideration of the future potential of the Camp Banksia site.

An options report containing four ideas for this 6-hectare facility; two proposing retention and upgrading of Camp Banksia buildings and on-site activities for group accommodation and local community use and two proposing removal of group accommodation infrastructure and conversion to sporting facilities.

These documents are available on Latrobe Council's website - www.latrobe.tas.gov.au - to enable public feedback on the recommendations they contain.

The Camp Banksia report is best considered in the context of the broader Port Sorell plan to ensure the right mix of facilities, infrastructure and green belts across the entire area.

Representations on each document will be accepted by Latrobe Council's General Manager via P O Box 63, Latrobe or council@latrobe.tas.gov.au until 4:30pm on 15 August.

Tree Replacement Strategy Evolves

With some trees along Gilbert Street lifting the pavers, Council has recently replaced the trees outside 46 and 150 Gilbert Street.

Typical of Elms is that their root system is aggressive and sucker regularly which is lifting the footpath and surrounds as they chase the water seepage. Compared to the Claret Ash planted in Station Square, the Elms have proved to be problematic.

With the replacement of deceased trees outside Reliquaire a year ago, Council took the opportunity to trial the installation of a more conical Ornamental Pear tree.

Council also excavated as deep as possible and used a product called Fyto cell that retains water and encourages the roots to grow down. The Ornamental Pear appears not to be causing any issues with the paving and is the tree of choice when replacing problematic trees.

Council are calling for Expressions of Interest from persons with an arborist knowledge and interest to be part of a Green Spaces Sub-Committee to look at tree plantings throughout Latrobe and Port Sorell.

The outcome of this review will be to develop inventory of existing plantings, preferred species of trees for planting in urban areas as well as potential planting locations as a reference tool not only for Council but households and land developers.

If you could like to volunteer to be part of this Green Spaces Sub-Committee, please forward your details to council@latrobe.tas.gov.au or drop in to 170 Gilbert Street, Latrobe, along with your experience in tree management. You don't necessarily have to have a degree in this field, you may have garnered your experience over a lifetime of gardening. Council would value your involvement.

Youth Representation Sought

A vacancy on the Port Sorell Advisory Committee (PSAC) for a youth representative (aged from 12-25 years) is currently open for nomination.

PSAC is a representative body of the wider Port Sorell community, which generally meets at 4.00 pm on the last Tuesday of each month (excluding December and January) to consider issues and make recommendations to Council on matters relating to the greater Port Sorell, Hawley and Shearwater areas.

Such matters may include foreshore and environmental matters, traffic management, recreational facilities or marketing and promotion of the area.

If you know an enthusiastic young person who can provide input to the committee from a 'youth' perspective by attending these meetings, please contact Sarah Cairns on 6426 4444 or email sarahc@latrobe.tas.gov.au for further information.

Additionally, Council has several vacancies on its Youth Council. The age criteria for this committee is 16-30 with the group catching up intermittently but generally monthly at 6.30 pm on a Wednesday.

Please contact Michelle Dutton on 6426 4444 if you could like to know more about this group.

parkrun™ Launches at Port Sorell

Port Sorell joined the ranks of communities around Australia, officially launching Port Sorell parkrun on 16 June with over 200 people, prams and dogs, running, walking and jogging 5km along the beautiful foreshore track in this free, weekly timed event.

parkrun is free and will always be free thanks to major sponsorship by Medibank. First introduced to Tasmania in 2012, parkrun has grown to now support over 10 events. To be part of parkrun, all you need to do is jump onto the website at <http://www.parkrun.com.au/register/> and register to receive your barcode. This will provide you with an ongoing record of your time so you can self-challenge yourself to do better each week.

Don't want to walk or run but still want to be involved? Each week parkrun relies on the support of volunteers to ensure the event runs smoothly and safely for all involved. Volunteering is easy and fun and you get to be part of a global community.

Beat those winter blues and get involved! Come and join Port Sorell parkrun at 9:00 am every Saturday in front of the Port Sorell Surf Life Saving Club at North Freers Beach, Shearwater.

For more information, go online to www.parkrun.com.au/portsorell/ or search "Port Sorell parkrun" on Facebook.

Move Well, Feel Better with Physiotherapy

Chronic pain affects 15.4% of Australians aged over 15. It is a devastating and life changing condition that sees pain responses last longer than time needed for tissues to heal. Physiotherapists are highly qualified health professionals who work closely with GPs and other health clinicians to plan and manage treatment in partnership with their patients, helping clients to get better and stay well.

Physiotherapy is defined as "the management of sports injuries and performing massage" but Physiotas Shearwater, have many other skills and special interests.

Tasmania has one of the highest incidences of Asthma and COPD in Australia. Lisa, a senior physiotherapist, is very experienced in helping you manage your breathlessness and cough often associated with such lung problems. Lisa also has a special interest in the management of Parkinson's disease, a neurodegenerative disorder that can inhibit smooth and coordinated movement, often leading to balance problems and falls.

The PINC cancer rehabilitation program for women will be commencing on Wednesday mornings and run by fully accredited physiotherapist Rachel. This program aims to restore strength, mobility and hope to those recovering from cancer. Rachel is also a Lymphoedema therapist. Lymphoedema is characterised by the swelling of certain parts of the body, caused by problems with the lymphatic system. Women who have undergone surgery and radiotherapy for treatment of breast cancer are particularly susceptible. Rachel offers a full assessment and management options.

Did you know that physiotherapy is now considered to be more effective in managing hip and knee arthritis than surgery? The "Good Life with Arthritis: Denmark" (GLA:D) program is an education and exercise session developed in Denmark for people living with hip and knee arthritis. This 8-week series is held on Friday mornings with Liam.

Physiotas Shearwater are not just physiotherapists. They also run Pilates on Tuesdays and Thursdays as well as strength and balance classes and the Parkinson's warrior program on a Thursday. The latter is a fantastic program open to people living with Parkinson's disease which works on balance and postural control aiming to reduce the risks of falling.

Mick the Myotherapist has also recently joined the team. Myotherapy involves assessing, treating, and managing the pain associated with soft tissue injury and restricted joint mobility which has been caused by myofascia or muscle dysfunction. Treatments can include massage, dry needling, cupping, stretching and muscle energy techniques.

As a private service provider, GP referrals are not needed for private health care holders or fee-paying clients. The practice also accepts Medicare referrals from your GP which entitles you to five reduced fee health care visits over a 12 month period.

For more information on any of the above services or to make an appointment, please call 6428 7500 between 8.30 am and 5.00 pm.

Free on a Tree Expands to Latrobe

The *Free on a Tree* initiative started by 10-year-old Oliver Edwards of Hobart involves placing coats on trees throughout a community with a note that the homeless or persons in need may take, has extended to Latrobe.

A group of Grade 7 and 10 female students of Latrobe High School, that get together during their lunch breaks, saw this initiative advertised and thought it was something that they could support.

An approach to Oliver for his permission to roll out the project in Latrobe has seen it come to fruition.

Facilitator, Ms Emma Forbes, said "the girls are aiming high and seeking support from the community to collect 100 coats at the school office in Percival Street, Latrobe up until the start of Term 3 (23 July).

The students will then put them on trees around the school boundary and in St George's Park along Moriarty Road in groups, so the 100 coats are not all out at the same time and will adjust the displays if the weather is horrendous.

While we hope that all the coats will be taken by those in need, if there are any remaining on the trees by the Friday, they will be taken down and donated to St Vincent de Paul."

If you have a coat in your cupboard that you no longer need, how about dropping it off the Latrobe High School before 23 July.

Latrobe Memorial Hall Fees Restructured

Following Council resuming the operational management of the Latrobe Memorial Hall, a review of the hire fees has been undertaken.

Council recently adopted recommendations to apply discounts for schools and not-for-profit organisations.

While the hourly hire fee has slightly increased, session fees (four hours at any one time) have slightly decreased.

Additionally, the facility management plan has been updated and the hire payment options have moved away from an invoice only structure, enabling hirers to secure their usage by paying the fee upon booking.

To hire the Latrobe Memorial Hall, please contact Latrobe Council on 6426 4444.

Nomination for Australia Day Awards

Each year we celebrate the achievements and contributions of outstanding individuals through the Australia Day Awards. These Awards promote good citizenship, values and achievement by recognizing excellence and service to our local community.

The 2019 Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year (14 - 30 year old) and Community Event of the Year nomination period is now open.

There are many residents that do great things and deserve recognition for their efforts. These Awards are a chance to acknowledge them and their achievements.

Nomination forms are available from www.latrobe.tas.gov.au, by phoning 6426 444 or emailing council@latrobe.tas.gov.au

Short Stay Accommodation Reviewed

Short stay accommodation is certainly having an impact in communities resulting in a Legislative Council Select Committee being established to inquire into and report on that industry in Tasmania.

Its Terms of Reference include the growth of this sector and the changing character of the market including recent trends in online letting; its impact on the residential housing and tourism sectors; regulatory issues relating to customer safety, land use planning, neighborhood amenity and licensing conditions and other incidental matters.

Full Terms of Reference are available at www.parliament.tas.gov.au with submissions invited until 10 August 2018.

Affordable Housing - Moving Forward

The State Government is investing a further \$125 million in the next stage of the Affordable Housing Action Plan, which is expected to provide an additional 1,500 new affordable lots and homes for Tasmanians and assist a further 2,000 households by June 2023.

As part of this process, the State Government are seeking to gain consumer, community and industry input into the design of the next Action Plan, with a focus on land release, new social housing, new disability accommodation, home ownership, private rental access and new homeless accommodation.

Feedback will be sought on gaps, barriers and solutions, including ideas that were generated by stakeholders at the recent Housing Summit.

Like the approach to consultation on the Affordable Housing Strategy, the feedback and ideas generated by the consultation will form a reference paper to the next Action Plan. This consultation phase is due to commence in August 2018.

What to expect:

- **Online survey:** In early August 2018 a link to an online survey will be circulated. This survey will close late August 2018.
- **Regional feedback sessions** will be held to discuss consolidated feedback from the survey. Sessions are expected to be held in the week beginning Monday, 17 September.

Queries on the consultation approach for the next Affordable Housing Action Plan should be directed to Jessemy Stone, Director Housing Programs on 6166 3630.

\$10m Facelift for Local Aged Care Facility

Uniting AgeWell has embarked on a \$10m revamp of Strathdevon, Latrobe to create a modern and vibrant village for aged care residents.

The existing building will receive a facelift using environmentally sustainable design principles, while an additional residential wing will expand the site's capacity from 37 to 67 beds.

Stage One of the works included relocating the laundry, building a state-of-the-art 'cook fresh' kitchen and expanding the carpark, were completed in late June.

Stage Two, a new community café, chapel, multipurpose room with cinema-like capabilities, gym, hair salon and resident activity areas, is well under way and due for completion in August.

The final stage, the new residential wing and huge garden space, is due to be completed in April 2019. It will include several rooms designed to meet the needs of the indigenous community, following consultation with indigenous groups. VOS Construction are ensuring residents can see how the works are progressing by providing porthole windows in the screened hording for them to watch through the residence's hallways.

For more information about Uniting AgeWell visit unitingagewell.org or call phone 1300 783 435.

Burn Brighter this Winter

Is your chimney smoking excessively? A smoky chimney may mean that you are not burning your wood efficiently, wasting money.

Excessive chimney smoke is also an environmental and health issue.

Simple tips to Burn Brighter this Winter:

- Always burn with a flame - don't let you fire smolder
- After reloading, open the air control and burn your fire on high for 20 minutes, especially before going to bed.
- Only burn dry, seasoned wood
- Ensure your flue is clean

Latrobe is currently one community in the spotlight for smoke with the Environment Protection Authority installing a Base Line Air Network of EPA Tasmania (BLANKET) air station for winter. This station is a solar-powered unit about 3m tall at the top of the wind vane on a post.

It monitors the spatial extent of smoke events as well as measures general air quality at other times and reports data back to EPA headquarters once each 10 minutes.

This data is automatically uploaded and is able to be viewed online at <http://epa.tas.gov.au/epa/air/monitoring-air-pollution/real-time-air-quality-data-for-tasmania/latrobe>.

Helping to Stop Family Violence

Are you experiencing or know of someone experiencing family violence?

Family violence is when someone intentionally uses violence, threats, force or intimidation to control or manipulate a family member. It can be physical, verbal, sexual, emotional or through controlling finances.

The Women's Legal Service Tasmania (WLST) offers a free and confidential information and advice service for women statewide on any area of law and are specialists in

the field of Family Law, with offices in Burnie and Launceston.

They can offer advice and assistance on property settlements, children spending time with parents after divorce or separation, Family Violence Orders or Restraint Orders as well as legal options if someone has experienced violence, abuse or threats.

The Service also operates a free telephone advice line, offering information, advice, support and referral to women throughout Tasmania on any legal issue.

If you think you have a legal problem, or want to find out more information, call the Burnie office on 6419 7050, or Launceston on 6349 1943. The statewide telephone advice line is 1800 682 468.

Council's Current Works Report

The following works are scheduled to be undertaken throughout the Latrobe Municipality during July and August -

Roads

- Road widening, new kerb and channel and footpath in Joyce Street between Taroona and Sankey Streets, Hawley
- Shearwater stormwater improvements in various areas
- Piping of open drain between Laura and Bradshaw Streets, Latrobe
- Gravel road grading
- Roadside drainage, gravel shoulder edging and associated verge works
- Street upgrade works to Lewis St, Benny St and Hamilton St including widening, pavement reconstruction, kerb and channel and associated stormwater works



Town Services

- Latrobe Recreation Ground building maintenance
- Gutter guard installations at Council's Elderly Persons Units
- Footpath and kerb repair works in various locations
- Building maintenance priorities various sites

Green Spaces

- Plantings at Latrobe Cemetery
- Town open drain cleaning and vegetation maintenance
- Town significant tree maintenance
- Garden maintenance within streets and parks
- General parks and reserves grounds maintenance

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

Motorkhana at Latrobe Speedway

Motorkhanas are regarded as the introductory level of events in the spectrum of motor sport. They offer clubs and competitors the opportunity to conduct and take part in some of the less formalised events conducted under the National Competition Rules, in which the essential skills of car control and judgement may be practised under conditions which avoid many of the hazards of public roads.

The object of a motorkhana competition is for drivers to complete all the tests of the program in the prescribed manner, in the shortest possible time, without incurring penalties. These events are designed to test the acceleration, braking and handling of cars and the skill and judgment of drivers. Most importantly, motorkhanas

provide fun and enjoyment whilst practising and learning car control. Oversteer and understeer will be found in abundance, but at safe speeds and under controlled conditions.

A day's event consists of several tests, generally selected from pre-determined layouts. The surface may be sealed (bitumen), or unsealed (grass or dirt).

Cars compete one at a time, always starting and finishing in designated "garages" marked by witches' hats or stakes with coloured flags. Time penalties are incurred if the markers are hit, or if an incorrect method is used.

4-6 tests make up the day's competition, with winners being those drivers with the lowest total times, including any penalties. Different sizes and types of cars are separated into classes, meaning that more than one driver can take home a trophy. At many events, special awards may be offered to encourage novice, junior or female drivers.

Round 4 of the Tasmanian Motorkhana Cup is being held at the Latrobe Speedway on 29 July. Scrutineering begins at 9.00am with the drivers briefing at 9.45am. A Level 2NS CAMS Licence is required for participation. For more information, contact Robin (0400 193 579) or Craig (0408 559 252) or email club-captain@mgtas.org.au

Tai Chi at the Banksia Centre

People of all ages and cultures can enjoy Tai Chi, a gentle, slow exercise system, bringing together mind and body.

Through using efficient breathing techniques inner strength and resilience is built. If you would like to regain vitality and try it for yourself, you are welcome to join the class held in Port Sorell on Thursday mornings at 9.15am. Experience is not required but it is welcome in those who have been previous practitioners.

For any enquiries please phone Barbara on 6425 5275 or email barb3taichi@gmail.com

Board Members Sought for Community Bank

The Port Sorell and Latrobe Community Bank (PSLCB) is looking to recruit more Board members. Ideally members from the Latrobe area would benefit the franchise and create a good mix between the two urban areas that the Community Bank supports.

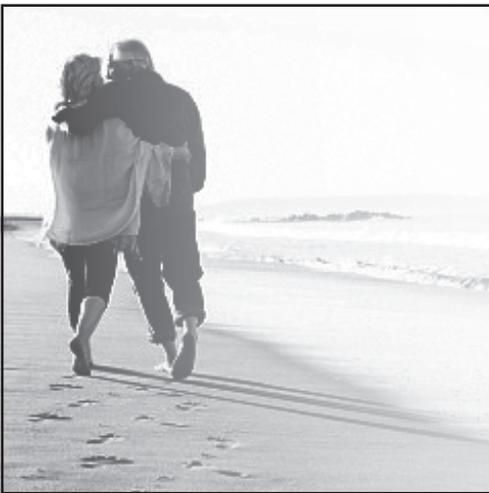
Sponsorships in the Latrobe community have increased over the past few months, resulting in a growth in new business. Customers are realising how competitive the Community Bank is with rates and business opportunities, e.g. merchant fees. Call Phil Martin at the branch to discuss your requirements.

The Port Sorell and Latrobe Community Bank is extremely proud to have formed partnerships with all local fire brigades in the 7307 area by granting sponsorships to enhance the occupational health and safety of each volunteer unit.

A golf day was sponsored at the Thirlstane Golf Club recently where Bendigo Bank customers benefited through payment of their green fees. It is hoped to see more banking customers at the next golfing day.

The AGM will be held on 25 October with an invitation extended to all shareholders to attend this event.

The community bank story is one to be proud of and it is hoped that recipients of sponsorships will provide a short presentation of how the grants have assisted with local projects.



Choose to live the time of your life at OneCare

At OneCare we always put you first. Choose the lifestyle you want, the care you need, and start living your life to the full today.

Impressive new facilities will soon be unveiled at Rubicon Grove... Including 20 additional residential suites, a community centre and a tea house.

Call and book a tour today! PH: (03) 6427 5700



PORT SORELL GRAVEL & GARDEN SUPPLIES

Terra Firma Nursery



A wide range of landscaping supplies, available in bags or bulk. Deliveries seven days.
173 Wilmot St, Port Sorell. Ph: 6428 6773

MUSHROOM COMPOST, PINE BARK, GRAVEL, SAND, SOIL, BRICKIE SAND, CONCRETE MIX, BAGGED CEMENT, PLANTS AND POTS

FREE Teeth Whitening

After a Complete Dental Check Up




98 Gilbert St Latrobe 03 6426 1188

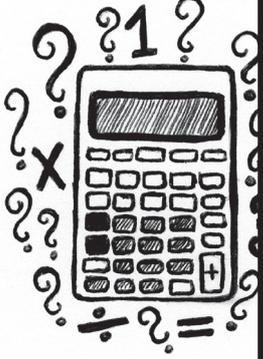
Visit our friendly reception staff or call 03 6426 1188 for full terms and conditions.

Take the stress out of TAX TIME

Call for an appointment with Suzanne Sykes

Registered Tax Agent with over 25 years experience

T: 03 6426 3164



SPICE

GIFTS
HOMEWARES

164 Gilbert Street Latrobe

Earn loyalty points with every \$20 spent.

Need a Plumber?

MITCHELL DUTTON

RESIDENTIAL COMMERCIAL

0417 142 782

24 Last St West Latrobe 7307



Contractor's No. 1448661



Beachwood REAL ESTATE

Big enough to get results, small enough to care

Call now for your FREE appraisal

Shop 1, 2-4 Club Drive, Shearwater, Tasmania



Shane

Ph: 0447 722 771



Amanda

Ph: 0400 907 451



Janna

Ph: 0457 905 474

SHEARWATER HOUSE & GARDEN

Lawn mowing, garden maintenance,
weed spraying, pruning, rubbish removed,
gutters cleaned and small maintenance jobs.



PHONE CHARLES on 0439 333 035

PRIORITY PC COMPUTER HELP FOR HOME USERS



QUALIFIED TECHNICIAN
15 YEARS IN BUSINESS

I will come to you!

Service and repairs, tuition,
virus removal, internet setup
and trouble shooting.

CALL MARK ON:
0408 341 498

VISION CHANGES CAN BE SUBTLE & GO UNDETECTED...

Do not be unprepared for winter conditions. Get your vision checked regularly.



Call Exsighting Vision for a
comprehensive Eye Examination!
Call 6426 1420 for an appointment
or drop in to 35 Gilbert St, Latrobe,
Wednesday-Friday, 9am - 5pm

www.exsightingvision.com



Carolyn McLennan HAIRDRESSING

62 Gilbert St Latrobe

Ph: 0417 386 191

All hair services with our
experienced team Carolyn McLennan,
Gillian Minehan, Roslyn Bosworth,
Jodie Garwood & Shannon McLennan.

Relaxing pedicures,
spray tans and waxing.

Incorporating our in-salon shop
TOSH

LATROBE MUNICIPALITY BUY LOCAL INSERT

Advertising enquiries contact Red Elephant Creative: email: redelephantcreative@outlook.com ph: 0497 582 630



P: 6426 1066 12 FAULKNER DRIVE, LATROBE
F: 6426 2255 M: 0419 892 997 www.centralsteel.com.au
Email: gwilliams@centralsteel.com.au

LATROBE MUNICIPALITY BUY LOCAL SPECIALS
MENTION THIS ADVERTISEMENT TO GET THESE PRICES:



**115x42 Gal Oval
 Rail Joiners & Fittings
 Straps & caps
 available in Gal
 or black plastic
 just Tek Screw together
 no need to weld**

CATTLE PANELS: 2.2mtr x 1.650mtr 6 bar **\$130 ea.** – 15 or more **\$120 ea.**
CATTLE CRUSH: **\$4000** 1 Only Cattle yard on display
SHEEP YARD PANELS: Gal 2.1mtr x 90cm high **\$95 ea.**
HAY FEEDERS:
 New Hay Feeder Round, mesh around bottom **\$550**
 6ft 16 Head Hay Feeder Round **was \$660 now \$575**
 6ft Crown Hay Feeder Round **was \$770 now \$650**
 Single Roll Trough Hayfeeder **\$650**
 Trough hay feeder takes 2 6ft round bales **was \$850 now \$750**
RHS PTD: 10 x 8mtr 30 x 30 x 1.6 **\$250,** 10 x 8mtr 50 x 25 x 1.6 **\$350**
NETTING SPECIALS (50 mtr rolls):
 300 x 40 x 1.4 rabbit netting **\$80,** 900 x 40 x 1.4 netting **\$120 ea.,**
 1050 x 40 x 1.4 netting **\$130 ea.**
HINGE JOINT SPECIALS (per roll): 6.70.30 **\$250,** 8.80.15 **\$250,** 8.90.30 **\$300**
FIELDGATES: 3ft to 16ft in 1ft intervals
C PURLINS GAL C10015: 6.1mtr **\$55,** 7.62mtr **\$70**
C PURLINS GAL C15015: 6.1mtr **\$65,** 7.62mtr **\$80**
C PURLINS GAL C20015: 6.1mtr **\$85,** 7.62mtr **\$105**
DOG RUN: Single **was \$980 now \$860,** Double **was \$1480 now \$1360**
GAL HANDYMAN MESH:
 2400x1200, 25x25 hole, 50x50 hole, 75x50 hole, 100x100 hole. All sizes **\$40 ea.**
W STRAP: **\$65** for cattle trailers galvanised

Distributors of pipe, RHS, merchant bar, UB, UC, PFC, plate purlins, retainer wall posts

FLOOR CENTRAL
CARPET COURT
 FLOORING CENTRE

Specialising in ALL FLOORING including
 POLISHED CONCRETE, CERAMIC TILES and BLINDS.

We have our own Interior designer in store to
 assist colour and product selection.

Visit us at 2A Burgess Drive, SHEARWATER
 or contact us to arrange your
 no obligation measure and quote.

Ph: 6428 7425 Email: floorcentral@carpetcourt.com.au



Facial and body Waxing
 Tinting
 Manicures & Pedicures
 Facials & AHA Peels
 Spray Tanning

Shear Skin & Beauty
 Shop 1/1 Quinlan Crescent
 Shearwater
 Phone: 0419 151 395



**RED ELEPHANT
 CREATIVE TAS**

Graphic Design, Advertising & Printing
 Line Art & Colour Pencil Workshops
 Colour Pencil Illustrated Homewares
 Miss Scarlett Stationery Range
 Custom Dog Colour Pencil Portraits

Latrobe. Phone: 0497 582 630
www.redelephantcreative.com.au
 Facebook: RedElephantCreativeTas

Art Classes

Pastel (weekly Wednesdays and monthly Saturdays)
 Watercolour (weekly Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays)
 Stitched in Time (images, stitching and textiles) (monthly Sundays)
 Botanical Art Drawing (monthly Fridays)

THE CROWDED
 coffee LOUNGE



at 129 Gilbert Street Latrobe. Phone: 0417 367 128
 Bookings are essential email: thecrowdedlounge@gmail.com
More info: www.thecrowdedlounge.com

Port Sorell
STORAGE
 AFFORDABLE SECURE CONVENIENT

2 convenient storage spaces for rent
Sizes: 5 x 2.7m or 6 x 3m

12 Burgess Way Shearwater
Ph: 0438 841 288
www.portsorellstorage.com.au



Rubicon Web and Technology Training
 Discover your potential

Stephen Smith
 Mobile: 0407 209 049
 Email: stephen@rwtt.com.au
www.rwtt.com.au
 ABN 43 312 015 382

Contact Stephen for all your website publishing needs. Get help with any form of technology support, from your smart tv, smart phone or PC.

Zumba fitness
 with Jackie @ Moriarty Hall

1 Bonney's Lane Moriarty (5mins from Latrobe)
Phone: 0427 969 429 or
Facebook Zumba with Jackie

Zumba Gold Fitness (for active older people)
 Zumba Fitness Party (high energy class)
 Strong by Zumba (our HITT class)

All classes are \$5 no joining fee.
 Zumba fitness is for all levels, age, gender.

APOLLO BIKES **SPORTS & Cycles**
 ON GILBERT

Call in and check out our mountain bikes and accessories!
 Skateboards, scooters and all your other sporting needs!

Ph: 0407 561 283
124 Gilbert Street, Latrobe
www.sportsongilbert.com.au




Physiotas

move better feel better

BOOK ONLINE AT:
Physiotas.com.au
OR PH: 6428 7500

OFFERING: Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy • Myotherapy
Chronic Pain Management Physiotherapy • Respiratory Physiotherapy
Exercise Physiology (for diabetes, strength, falls and balance)
Parkinson's Disease Warrior Program and Physiotherapy Management
 • Return to Work Rehabilitation

Open Mon-Fri,
8.40am - 5pm
3/11 Poyston Drive,
Shearwater, 7307



THAI IMPERIAL

Licensed Restaurant
AXEMAN'S HALL OF FAME
BELLS PARADE - LATROBE
Ph: 6426 2099

IT'S OUR BIRTHDAY PRESENT TO YOU!
When 10 guests pay for a main meal, you being the 11th
receive your meal for FREE!

Available Western meals (all include chips and salad):

- 400gm Rump Steak \$26.95
- Panfried Chicken Breast Tenderloins \$23.95
- Salt and Pepper Calamari \$24.95
- Tempura Fish and Chips \$19.95
- Chicken Breast Schnitzel \$20.95

Thai, Western and Kids Meals
AXEMAN'S EMPORIUM: Tuesday-Sunday

Changes at Bridge of Hope Anglican Church

The Bridge of Hope Anglican Church recently farewelled Revd. Chris and Mrs Wendy Thiele at a Parish service and lunch prior to their move to King Island where Chris has taken take up a position as the Anglican Minister in conjunction with Bush Church Aid.

Rev. Thiele was the minister at Bridge of Hope for eight years and the Parish has seen much development and change during this time.

The Parish continues to operate with the assistance of the lay people, local and visiting clergy, Church Wardens, Parish Council and the oversight of Archdeacon Rev. John Tongue of Devonport.

Services continue each week at Port Sorell at 9.00am and Latrobe at 11.00am. New people are always welcomed with refreshments following the services. Every two months, services are held at the Northdown and New Ground churches.

Mainly Music continues to be held each Wednesday morning in school terms at Port Sorell. New families can register on the waiting list and will be contacted when there is a vacancy.

The Parish has been affected by recent announcements from the Diocese of Tasmania in relation to redress for sexual abuse victims and the Parish Council will be addressing these matters in the coming months.

Plans are continuing for the change of location to take place for Port Sorell's Church in the coming months. The church will move from its current building in Rice Street, Port Sorell to the Community Centre being built at Rubicon Grove, Port Sorell. A lease with OneCare will enable the church to utilise the new centre for Sunday services, Wednesday's Mainly Music and other church events.

The church has been planning for several years for this change of location and is looking forward to the completion of the Community Centre towards the end of this year. It is very grateful to OneCare for this opportunity to use the new facilities. Whilst it will be a sad time to say farewell to the buildings which have served the church over the past years, the church sees this as a new opportunity that will help it achieve its mission and goals for the future.

The Parish is hopeful that a new minister will be announced before the end of the year to lead the Parish forward in its ministry and mission in the local community and other areas.

Any inquiries about baptisms, weddings, funerals or other services can be directed to Grant Atkins, phone 6428 7810.

Winter Art in Warm Surrounds

Art Classes continue to be very popular at The Crowded Lounge with the warm surroundings and artistic atmosphere lending themselves to creating a space where both beginner and experienced artists can develop their skills. A very dedicated team of tutors is on hand to deliver lectures, give demonstrations and provide personal instruction. So far this year students have enjoyed pastels, watercolour, botanical art, colour pencil and slow stitch classes with more to come.

Various social groups have been making good use of the extra space in the Lounge with tables that will accommodate 12-14 people.

For details, drop in to The Crowded Lounge at 127-129 Gilbert Street, Latrobe, call Brian on 0417 367 128 or check out www.thecrowdedlounge.com/newevents

Women "Live, Laugh and Farm"



Over 100 ladies attended the 13th biennial Tasmanian Women in Agriculture (TWiA) Gathering "Live Laugh Farm", coordinated by the Rubicon Group, was held from 18-20 May throughout the Latrobe

Municipality, showcasing many fantastic rural businesses. The official opening at one of the largest family owned viticulture businesses in Tasmania - Ghost Rock Vineyard - commenced with Leonie Hiscutt MLC officially opening the Gathering and challenging attendees to think about the diverse ways in which TWiA can help and inspire rural women.

Saturday "behind the scenes" farm tours at some of Tasmania's most interesting agricultural businesses were a highlight and included Paul Lambert's dairy, Rockcliff's parsnip farm, Robin Hoods Well, Costa's raspberry tunnels, Blocker's flower farm, Thirlstane Gardens (hydroponic herbs), Radcliff's farm and Sunpharma. There was also a farm tour in the Forth region, visiting the Simplot factory, Turners Beach Berry Patch, Tassie Pride Glasshouse (capsicum growers) and a horse breeder.

Conference delegates were delighted to see such a diversity of enterprises in very close proximity.

140 people attended the ANZ Gala Dinner at the Australian Axeman's Hall of Fame, opened by Sarah Courtney, Minister for Primary Industries with the keynote address from Posie Graeme-Evans, best known for producing Macleod's Daughters.

A highlight of the evening was the presentation of TWiA Outstanding Contribution Awards to Annette Reed and Rosie McKinnon in recognition of their leadership, passion and commitment to TWiA over many years.

Sunday started with morning tea at the Moriarty Hall combined with a fascinating and informative discussion panel involving Steve Longmore from Hill Street, Marcus Brandsema and the Pure and Purple Garlic ladies.

The weekend culminated in "laughter yoga" with many attendees going home with sore cheeks from laughing so much.

TWiA is appreciative of the marvelous sponsorship support from platinum sponsors ANZ and Hydro Tasmania, and gold sponsors DairyTas and Tasmanian Alkaloids, plus numerous other sponsors and local businesses who helped along the way, including Latrobe Council through its Community Development Grants Program.

Croquet Celebrates Second Anniversary

The Latrobe Croquet Club recently celebrated its 2nd Anniversary with a lunch at the House of Anvers. Trophies were presented to Competition winners by incoming President Gina Kirkland.

Trophy winners were GC HiLo Doubles: Roberta Campbell and John Sumpton; GC Open Singles: Ivan McLeod; GC Doubles: Patsy Paine and Gina Kirkland; GC Medals: Gina Kirkland (Gold), Yvonne Mason (Silver) and Curtis Mead (Bronze).

The Club also participated in the recent Community Connections Expo, generating a lot of interest in their sport. As an all-inclusive sport played on most days of the week, anyone interested in learning the game is asked to contact Chris West on 0499 990 239 to arrange free lessons.

Outlet for Retirees To Socialise



The Mersey Valley Ladies Probus Club and Mersey Men's Probus Club are very friendly organisations with something different offered at each monthly meeting.

In May the Ladies Probus Club had a talented example from their Play Reading Group. Five ladies read a short one act play that was very amusing; highlighting the stupidity of social snobbery.

The next meeting on 23 July is being followed by a soup and sandwich lunch and a quiz.

The Mersey Valley Ladies Probus Club meet on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 6.00 pm, about a dozen ladies meet for a social dinner and on the 3rd Thursday at 10.00 am they indulge in morning tea at the House of Anvers to celebrate any birthdays.

In September they will be celebrating their Annual Probus Day with a dinner at the Drysdale Restaurant, where the food and service is always excellent. Well done to the students.

Meanwhile, the Mersey Men's Probus Club meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month, except December and January, at the Senior Citizens Club in Hamilton Street, Latrobe.

Regular guest speakers provide insight into a variety of local, state, national and international activities.

On 11 July their guest speaker is Frans Ammerlaan who will provide an insight into the life and times of Cleopatra as recorded by the journalists of that time.

This is followed on 8 August by Arnold Goldman presenting an illustrated talk on what is possible in the field of book repairs.

Both groups will gather for a fun day of food and friendship, advancing the already close friendship they have with each other.

So, don't sit alone at home, alone anymore. You are more than welcome to join Probus.

Simply contact Louisa on 6428 8831 for more information on the Mersey Valley Ladies Probus Club or Arnold on 0425 808 637 for information about the Mersey Men's Probus Club, or just turn up to one of their meetings.

Your Library - More Than Just Books

The Latrobe Library and Online Access Centre has something for everyone.

Get in the mood for Chocolate Winterfest, Latrobe by coming along to the Library to hear Igor van Gerwen from the House of Anvers presenting "**Loco for Cocoa**" at 2.00 pm on Tuesday, 7 August. This fascinating presentation will be all about sourcing cocoa pods, different flavours of cocoa, fair trade chocolate and of course there will be some samples to try. Book via Eventbrite.com.au or call Rachel on 6426 1697. Entry by gold coin donation.

At 1.30pm on 4 September, "**Refashioned upcycled books**" from old library books in celebration of **Adult Learners Week** will be creating. Bring along old cards, papers, stamps and learn how to turn them into an object of art. It's all about Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. Books and scrapbook pages will be supplied. Cost \$4 per person. Bookings are essential.

Rock and Rhyme takes place every Monday at 10.00 am except on public holidays with the **Book Club** continuing the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 1.30pm. No need to book, just turn up.

"**Poppies for Peace**" continues until September. Poppies are either knitted or crocheted as part of the National War Memorial peace project. **Yarn In with Selby** is held on the 4th Thursday of each month at 1.30pm, no booking required.

The Latrobe Online Access Centre is staffed by volunteers who are ready to assist you with printing, photocopying and scanning. They are also able to help with computer basics and refresher skills. Just ask at the front desk.

The Latrobe Library is open from 1.00pm -5.00pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. The Online Access Centre is open 10.00am -5.00pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

They publish a regular "What's On" so let them know if you'd like a copy.

What a Night



"Wow! What a night!" was the anonymous message left but it summed up precisely what everyone was thinking. The Lions Club of Port Sorell and Shearwater Village Business Group were overwhelmed with the number of people who turned up on a perfect, crisp, winter's night to "Shearwater Mulled Wine in May", where attendances exceeding their wildest dreams.

They sat on hay bales around the fire pots, cuddled in the provided blankets, sipping their wine while eating the gourmet local treats, listened to great music provided by Neil Gibson and Halfway to Forth while watching some of the crowd dancing in the street.

Planning for a bigger and better event in 2019 is underway that will cater for the huge support by the community.

26 June was the combined changeover dinner for the Lions Clubs of Port Sorell and Latrobe. For the Lions Club of Port Sorell a milestone was created with Lion Mary Buchanan elected as its first female Sergeant-at-Arms.

Those wishing to meet new people and have fun in a supportive environment whilst giving back to the community are very welcome to make enquiries through Lion Josh Tome on 0488 667 779.

Rubicon Grove Auxiliary

On 13 June the sun shone, and the rain stayed away, allowing Rubicon Grove Auxiliary to conduct a successful Soup and Sandwich Luncheon fundraiser at the Port Sorell Bowls Club benefiting residents of Rubicon Grove Aged Care.

Approximately 130 people enjoyed wholesome food prepared by auxiliary members with entertainment provided by the U3A choir, who had everyone singing along. A well-stocked trade table and a raffle of prizes kindly donated were well patronised.

Many new faces were noticeable, in particular Maree Febey former Manager of Rubicon Grove, recently retired. Maree was a great help in the kitchen and residents from Rubicon Grove were pleased to chat with her.

The Auxiliary has been formed with willing workers, who give their time to fundraise to make the lives of the residents at Rubicon Grove more comfortable and enjoyable.

The next meeting of the Rubicon Grove Auxiliary is at 1.30 pm on 18 July at Rubicon Grove Aged Care, 89 Club Drive Shearwater. New members are most welcomed.

For more information, phone 0409 195 178 or 0408 637 019.

Arts Hub Workshops



Rubicon River Arts

Needlework for Beginners is a new workshop that introduces you to 10 foundations stitches that can open a world of creative journeys. This six-week course will be held from 1.00 pm until

4.00 pm, starting 9 July. Kits are \$21 with further information available from Helen by emailing helenwest49@bigpond.com or Angela (details below).

Kim O'Brien's popular grape vine basket weaving workshops, where you will learn to make an outdoor light, continue at Ghost Rock Vineyard at 10.00 am on 14 July and 11 August. Cost is \$25 for RRA members, \$30 non-members. For details and bookings, email kim.obrien@vacet.com.au

Throughout August, Rubicon River Art's Annual Exhibition entitled "Chrysalis", featuring members' interpretation, in myriad mediums, of new beginnings at the Latrobe Visitor Centre and Arts Hub, 21 George Street, Latrobe.

Chocolate Winterfest, Latrobe on 12 August will include RRA's raffle of a hand-crafted chocolate platypus. An original hand-bound Cadbury cookbook will also be on display.

Rubicon River Arts has reduced the Arts Hub opening hours in line with the seasons and will now be open from 10.00 am until 3.00 pm. Workshops will continue to run until 4.00 pm as required.

If you would like to learn more about Rubicon River Arts Inc. events, contact them on Facebook, email rubiconriverarts@outlook.com.au, phone Angela on 0498 243 460 or call in to Arts Hub.

Annual General Meeting Postponed

The Port Sorell Surf Life Saving Club looks forward to building on the outstanding work of the last season and hopes to see continued growth in membership in the coming years.

Unfortunately, the Club's Annual General Meeting has been postponed but, in the meantime, any community members who has an interest in becoming involved in club activities such as Sponsorship, Project Management, Maintenance and Secretary responsibilities just to name a few, are invited to contact the club via email at psslc@gmail.com.

The Port Sorell parkrun starts in front of the Surf Club each Saturday morning at 9.00 am with the club showing off their coffee skills until around 10.30 am. Any locals looking for a cuppa could pop down, grab a drink and watch the active participants run, walk, and woof their way around the course.

Who is Hiding in your Family Tree?

Winters here but don't hibernate! Come and exercise your brain at the Mersey Branch of the Tasmanian Family History Society Inc located in the old police residence at the back of the Latrobe Library in Gilbert Street, Latrobe. In comfort and warmth, volunteers will help you with the thrill of the search, the satisfaction of the find and the pride in your past.

Records at the history rooms include local archives for Latrobe, State and National histories as well as access to centuries ago English data and places in between.

To better meet community needs, the centre has changed its open days to Wednesday and Friday with the hours increased to 10.00 am to 3.00 pm.

Port Sorell U3A Seeks To Expand To Latrobe

Port Sorell U3A were one of many community groups that participated in the Community Connections Expo held at Latrobe to inform new and present residents within the Latrobe Municipality and help them to become better connected. The occasion was most informative, well attended with plenty of interest in Port Sorell U3A and many new member enquiries as a result.

The Expo highlighted the wide range of opportunities available to all ages, to assist in maintaining active social connectivity with the range of activities covering all aspects from the arts to sports to learning opportunities all within a safe and welcoming environment.

Port Sorell U3A would like to expand into Latrobe. To do this they need Tutors. If you feel that you have academic, literary, art, craft, exercise, computer or general knowledge experience and would like to take a U3A class in Latrobe, they would love to hear from you. Please note, that all U3A tutors, committee, office staff and helpers are volunteers. For further information please contact Diane on 0419 892 271 or email dianekelly46@bigpond.com.

Once again a very successful and informative morning tea and enrolment session for Term 2 was held with several tutors providing an outline of their course. 35 classes for Term 2 are operational with 10 classes being oversubscribed, showing the popularity and enthusiasm of U3A participants.

As well as the weekly classes, there are some one-off activities offered to the whole community, not just members. These are always met with great enthusiasm.

One of these activities is a "What's On Information Column", being held on 17 July from 2.00pm until 4.00 pm. Murray Giles, an interstate visitor from U3A Armidale, NSW will present on specialist tours to Japan, offering an interactive talk on a variety of aspects about Japan.

Another is on "Body Corporate Management and Responsibility and Strata Title Management" which will be held on 20 July from 2.00 pm until 4.00 pm. This will detail how the law and bylaws are applied in these instances.

The U3A office in the Banksia Centre, Pitcairn Street, Port Sorell is open Monday - Friday (10.00 am until 12 noon). Their email is portsorellu3a@gmail.com, or you can phone 0499 162 539 or forward your correspondence to PO Box 297, Port Sorell, 7307.

Latrobe RSL Supports Veterans

For those not already aware, the Latrobe RSL Sub-Branch gather socially at 5.00 pm each Friday night at Teddy Sheean's Bar in Belly's Bar and Grill Restaurant, 160 Gilbert Street, Latrobe. New and prospective members, whether they be Service, affiliate or social members, are very welcome to join them.

April was a busy month with ANZAC Services at Strathdevon, Rubicon Grove and Melaleuca aged care homes. Both the Dawn and Citizens Commemorative ANZAC Day Services were well supported.

The club sadly said farewell to Mr Dennis Chugg in May. Vicki and Dennis were very supportive members of the



sub-branch and regular attendees. Dennis will be sadly missed and the club extends its deepest sympathy to Vicki and family.

Congratulations to Bill and Frances Fair as well as Vice President Bob Foster who were presented with Certificates of Appreciation for their untiring support and effects to the Latrobe RSL Sub-Branch.

The club was recently presented with a \$2,000 donation from the Latrobe Football Club. These funds were raised at their ANZAC Day match and will be used to support the welfare needs of members of the Sub-Branch.

If you would like to know more about the Latrobe RSL Sub-Branch and what support they can provide to you, please contact Assistant Secretary, Mrs Betty Manners on 0447 021 776.

Facilities for Shooting Enthusiasts

Responsible firearm ownership is supported with two facilities at Sassafras - one on Smith and Others Road and the other at Native Plains Road.

The Smith and Others complex is the home of the Mersey Clay Target Club which caters for Down the Line (DTL) and Skeet shooting.

Club shoots are held on the 3rd Saturday of the month starting at either 9.00 am or 10.00 am, concluding mid-late afternoon.

For more information on this organisation, contact Marc (0407 481 643) or Angela (0408 695 221) or email merseyctc@gmail.com.

The other facility is the Fossil Bank Gun Club on Native Plains Road.

Established in 1988, club shoots of simulated field events are held on the 4th Sunday of every month from 10.00 am. This simulated field refines field and game shooting skills with no two targets, or "birds", the same across the entire course. Enjoyed by experienced and beginner shooters alike, this format enables participants to keep their "eye in" out of season.

Further enquiries should be directed to Peter on 0457 429 923 or email pdenholm@hotmail.com.

Funding Opportunities

Community Development Grants Program

Applications are invited from eligible organisations for financial assistance through Round 2 of Latrobe Council's annual Community Development Grants Program.

This funding opportunity is offered for Emerging Needs Funding (up to \$2,000) and Arts, Culture and Festivals Sponsorship (up to \$1,500).

Applications for this grant round close at 12 noon on Monday, 13 August.

Projects must be completed by 30 June 2019.

Grant guidelines and the application forms are available online at www.latrobe.tas.gov.au/grants or by phoning 6426 4444.



Levelling the Playing Field Grants Program - Stage 2

The Levelling the Playing Field Grants Program will give priority to facilities used for football (AFL) and cricket across Tasmania due to the significant increase in female participation for both sports. Grants will be provided to support building new or upgrading existing facilities to

support female participation, including change rooms, lockers, toilets, shower facilities and other amenities.

Funding amount - between \$15,000 and \$1 million per project

Opens - 30 July 2018

Close - 1 November 2018

Website: www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/G04405/info

For more information, go online to

http://www.dpac.tas.gov.au/divisions/csr/sportrec/funding_grants/major_grants or contact Sport and Recreation Tasmania by phoning 1800 252 476 or emailing sportrec@development.tas.gov.au

Men's Shed Grants

Funding is available from the Department of Premier and Cabinet through two categories:

- **Category One:** Grants up to \$5,000 for tools, equipment, men's health and wellbeing initiatives, member training and community initiatives; and
- **Category Two:** Grants up to \$20,000 for capital works.

Close - 10 August 2018

For more information, go to

http://www.dpac.tas.gov.au/divisions/csr/grants_and_community_engagement/mens_shed, phone 0488 101 585 or email tmsaxo@gmail.com

Small Environment Grants Scheme

The Norman Wettenhall Foundation is providing support for people undertaking projects that will make a positive difference to the natural living environment, in land, sea or air, rural or urban.

The Foundation is looking for projects around:

- flora and fauna conservation (Australia-wide)
- threatened mammal conservation (Australia-wide)
- landscape restoration and education (Victoria only)

Funding amount - under \$10,000

Grants are awarded four times each year.

The next round opens on 18 September (funded in November); opens 11 December (funded in February 2019).

Close - Ongoing

For more information, go to

<https://wettenhall.org.au/grants/small-environmental-grants/> or email beth@wettenhall.org.au

Regional Arts Fund

The Regional Arts Fund is designed to benefit regional and remote arts practitioners, arts workers, audiences and communities with two categories of funding available:

RAF Small Community Grants Program - funds eligible components of projects up to the value of \$5 000. Projects should support Tasmanian artists, arts organisations and communities in developing new work or creative projects in any art form. Projects should increase professional skill levels, promote dialogue, generate employment opportunities and/or activate partnerships. Funds can be used to develop a project for further funding through RAF or other sources.

RAF Major Community Grants Program - up to \$10,000 and are directed towards both individuals and organisations for projects that generate partnerships between a range of arts organisations, community organisations, government entities and businesses. Projects in this category should encourage sustainable arts and

cultural development activity by enhancing the organisational capacity of the grant recipient to plan and deliver on major projects.

Round 2, 2018 (For projects commencing after 1 February 2019)

Opens: Wednesday, 4 July 2018

Closes: Wednesday, 15 August 2018

For more information, go to www.arts.tas.gov.au/funding/programs/regional_arts_fund/community_grants; phone 6165 6664 or email regionalartsfund@arts.tas.gov.au.

What's On

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

jul

- 6 **Neil Gibson** performs at Shearwater Resort, Shearwater Bvd, Shearwater from 5.30pm until 9.00pm. Free event. Bookings not essential. ☎ 6428 6205
- 7 **World Chocolate Day and release of Chocolate Winterfest, Latrobe program of events**
- 8 **Bumps, Bubs and Beyond Market** at the Latrobe Memorial Hall, Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 9.00 am until 1.00 pm. ☎ 0418 679 998
- 9 **Latrobe Council Meeting** from 5.00 pm at the Latrobe Council Chambers, 170 Gilbert Street, Latrobe. Come and see what it takes to be your elected representative and topics deliberated.
- 11 **Free Grant Writing Workshop** at the Latrobe Memorial Hall Supper Room, James Street, Latrobe from 10.00am until 12 noon. Registration is essential via www.eventbrite.com, search RDA Tasmania Latrobe.
- 20 **Trev Weaver** performs at Shearwater Resort, Shearwater Bvd, Shearwater from 5.30pm until 9.00pm. Free event. Bookings not essential. ☎ 6428 6205
- 28 **Braddon Byelection – Don't forget to vote**
- 29 **Round 4 of the Tasmanian Motorkhana Cup** at the Latrobe Speedway, Speedway Drive, Latrobe. Scrutineering begins at 9.00am; driver's briefing at 9.45am. Level 2NS CAMS Licence required. Entry fee \$30, \$15 junior or \$40 for the family (2) and \$5 per extra (max 4). ☎ 0400 193 579 or 0408 559 252

aug

- 3 **Sally Blenkhorn Foundation Trivia Night** at the Latrobe Memorial Hall, Gilbert Street, Latrobe. 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm start. Cost: \$10 per person BYO nibbles. ☎ 0499 885 032
- 5 **Guinea Pig Show** at the Latrobe Memorial Hall, Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 9:30am until 4:00pm. Free admission with participant guinea pigs \$5 entry; enter on the day. ☎ 0474 453 312
- 7 **Loco for Cocoa** with Chocolatier, Igor van Gerwen at the Latrobe Library, 115 Gilbert Street, Latrobe starting at 2.00pm. Cost: Gold coin donation. Book via Eventbrite.com.au or call Rachel on 6426 1697.
- 10 **Josh Tome** performs at Shearwater Resort, Shearwater Bvd, Shearwater from 5.30pm until 9.00pm. Free event. Bookings not essential. ☎ 6428 6205
- 12 **Chocolate Winterfest, Latrobe** - Latrobe's wickedly delicious festival celebrating all things chocolate - www.chocolatewinterfest.com.au

- 13 **Latrobe Council Meeting** from 5.00pm at the Latrobe Council Chambers, 170 Gilbert Street, Latrobe. Come and see what it takes to be your elected representative and topics deliberated.
- 18 **Boxing Tournament** in the Latrobe Memorial Hall. Details to follow. ☎ 0419 502 532
- 23 **Port Sorell Community Information Evening** detailing location specific Council activities at the Banksia Centre from 7:00pm. Refer to separate article. Attendee registrations required.
- 26 **Latrobe Cemetery Working Bee**, Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 10.00am until 11.15am. BYO gardening equipment and safety gear. BBQ snag and drink provided. ☎ 0417 598 116

sept

- 2 **Pete Cornelius** performs at Shearwater Resort, Shearwater Bvd, Shearwater from 12 noon - 3.30pm. Free event. Bookings not essential. ☎ 6428 6205
- 4 **Refashioned Upcycled Books** from 1.30pm at the Latrobe Library, 115 Gilbert Street, Latrobe. Bring along any old cards, papers, stamps and learn how to turn them into an object of art and turn it into a useful object. Cost: \$4 per person. Bookings via eventbrite.com.au.
- 10 **Latrobe Council Meeting** from 5.00pm at the Latrobe Council Chambers, 170 Gilbert Street, Latrobe. Come and see what it takes to be your elected representative and topics deliberated.
- 22 **The Family Starlight Movie Night** at Port Sorell Primary School, Pitcairn Street, Port Sorell. Dinner options available from 5.00pm (separate cost). Movie screening from 6.30pm. Cost: \$25 (family of 2A/2C, additional children \$2), \$10 Adults or \$5 Children. ☎ 6422 2222 or 0423 427 864

Your Elected Representatives

Mayor Peter FRESHNEY	0417 287 006
Dep. Mayor Rick ROCKLIFF.....	6426 7283 or 0418 600 300
Graeme BROWN	6426 1404 or 0417 598 116
Dayna DENNISON.....	6428 7844 or 0409 587 844
Michael McLAREN.....	6426 2777
John PERKINS.....	6426 2585 or 0417 320 509
Garry SIMS.....	6428 4019 or 0419 139 053
Gerrad WICKS.....	0488 325 590
Lesley YOUNG.....	6426 7235 or 0419 326 250

Plan Your Promotion

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

Deadline.....	Distribution Date
16 August.....	3 September
18 October	5 November
29 November.....	31 December

Articles may be submitted to Michelle Dutton via email michelled@latrobe.tas.gov.au; facsimile 6426 2121 or mailed to PO Box 63, Latrobe 7307.

Contributions must be relevant to the Latrobe Municipality and suitable for inclusion. They will be used at the discretion of the editor, in whole or part, or not at all, in the next scheduled issue or subsequent issues. The Council does not pay for editorial submitted. Information supplied is correct at the time of printing. Although all care has been taken in the production of this newsletter, Latrobe Council accepts no responsibility for any inaccuracy or error contained in this newsletter as a result of information supplied

CHOCOLATE WINTERFEST, LATROBE

A wickedly delicious festival
celebrating everything chocolate
in and around the town of Latrobe

Sunday, 12 August

10:30am - 3:30pm



Park in Latrobe and catch the free shuttle buses to venues

Program available from 7 July at www.chocolatewinterfest.com.au and
Visitor Information Centres statewide

