

Message from Mayor Mike

With only a few weeks left as Latrobe's Mayor I felt it important to put pen to paper, and to write some words for this, my last newsletter before the October election. Actually, it's difficult to know exactly what to write because being a councillor for 21 years, deputy mayor for 4 and in my 12th year as mayor, representing this municipality has been a big part of our life.

Mel and I have been married for 23 years, and in that period, there have been many community and personal challenges. Mel's severe epilepsy issue was a particularly distressing period; however the incredible amount of support we received from family, friends and members of this community was exceptionally heartening and reinforced to me how lucky we are to live in this municipality.



Mayor Mike Gaffney

I do very much want to say a big thank you to each and every resident, Latrobe councillor and council staff member for your efforts in progressing this region and for choosing me to be your mayor. I feel very privileged to have been the community spokesperson and I believe as a Local Government area, Latrobe is well respected and widely known as a progressive, efficient and vibrant municipality.

I appreciate that not everyone will agree with every decision that has been made nor strategy introduced, but rest assured that I have always felt that due consideration and diligence has been integral to the council's decision-making process. I also know that I have worked very hard and spent thousands of hours working on behalf of the municipality. I suppose that's what happens when you care so much about a community.

I am truly disappointed that I can no longer nominate as a councillor or for the mayoral position but I am comforted by the fact that we have some very solid and sound councillors, supported by wonderful staff.

I thank you with all my heart and wish each and every one all the very best.

Take care, Mayor Mike.



Pictured: Latrobe Lions Club former President, Mr Peter Burk, with the 2014 Community Event of the Year Award for the Latrobe Lions Christmas Parade; Australia Day Citizen Award recipient, Mr Laurence (Mick) Halley and Young Citizen of the Year recipient, Miss Grace Bell.

Community Recognition Awards

The search is on to find those individuals and groups that are making a valuable contribution to the Latrobe Municipality and recognise them through Latrobe Council's Annual Australia Day Awards.

Recognition of their exceptional contribution and sharing their achievements with the wider community, provides inspiration and a mentor to others in the community.

How to nominate

1. Download a nomination form from Council's website (<http://bit.ly/1IF8cN3>) 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, marked for the attention of Michelle Dutton, no later than Monday, 24 November.

Awards are presented in the categories of Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year and Community Event of the Year and presented on Australia Day (26 January) at Henley-on-Mersey. Who will you nominate?

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The new cultural heart of the



The attention-grabbing exterior of the Port Sorell Community, Recreation and Performing Arts Centre



Interior lining of the main stadium is complete. Seats, fixtures and furnishings were yet to be completed when this image was taken.

Port Sorell is about to get a new community heart, with the pending opening of the \$2.5 million Port Sorell Community, Recreation and Performing Arts Centre.

The Centre is expected to open in mid-to-late September and will provide a community hub for art, sport, recreation and community activities. It includes a full-court stadium for sports such as basketball, netball, badminton, futsal and volleyball.

The arts centre, which is located in the redeveloped Camp Banksia sports hall, will provide an exhibition and working space for local art and community groups, a performance hall for music and theatre, and is flexible enough to provide a second sport and recreation facility for such pursuits as indoor bowls and table tennis.

The arts space has been made possible by a complete refitting of the interior of the existing hall, including new walls and ceiling and remedial work on the existing floor.

The new parts of the building include the full-size indoor sport stadium, and a large meeting and conference room for local community groups and activities.

New features also include support infrastructure such as kitchen, kiosk, toilets, change rooms, seating and storerooms. The building is divided to enable simultaneous activities in the sport stadium, exhibition space and meeting place, thus maximising its use.

By providing this complete suite of facilities, the Community, Recreation and Performing Arts Centre will promote public health and wellbeing and social inclusion by providing a modern space where the community can play, perform and recreate, culturally express itself, and where residents can meet each other

over shared interests and create a community bond.

The Centre will also provide capacity for Port Sorell to host regional, local and school sport, art exhibitions, performances and classes, cultural events, education activities, community activities, a community meeting place, and to host state and regional training camps.

In short, it will be a community hub for cultural, community, education, sport and recreation pursuits.

The bold and striking architecture of the centre provides a prominent landmark that reflects the significant position the Centre will have in the community.

“The Council is looking forward to providing a new and modern facility for community use,” Development Services Manager Ronald Viney said.

The Port Sorell Community, Recreation and Performing Arts Centre is the result of sizeable financial contributions by Latrobe Council, and the Federal and State governments, and the unwavering commitment of a Steering Committee that has included Latrobe Council and representatives of key local groups who are likely to use the facility.

New sports competitions and rosters are presently being arranged so the facility will be used from its opening month.

Community groups have already expressed their interest in using the facility, to the point it will be actively used day and night, most days of the week.

A proposed fee schedule for user groups is being drawn up and will be available to the public in the next few weeks.

Port Sorell community about to open

As recently as last month, Port Sorell had no place for people to play sport that required a space bigger than an eightball table.

But through the combined efforts of Latrobe Council, local community groups, the financial contributions of the state and federal governments, and the commitment of local sports store owner John House, the residents of the region are about to have a suite of sports and recreation opportunities.

John House is used to organising local sport. He did it for almost all of his life in Circular Head. He moved to Port Sorell two years ago and brought his passion, enthusiasm and unwavering energy with him.

A council can build a facility, a community can contain enough members eager to play sport in it.

But unless someone chips in to organise the rosters, the whole plan can fall short.

That's when John House stood up.

Already, 190 people have listed with him to play volleyball, netball and table tennis in the new facility, through rosters Mr House has organised.

Those rosters will start as soon the facility is opened, in mid-to-late September. The sports will be held from 6pm-9pm on Mondays to Thursdays.

"The rosters are fun-orientated. It's not there to create a pathway for someone to make the state side. It's about providing a community-based fun sports opportunity where the emphasis is on meeting people and building a community. You might find you come along for the badminton and you end up meeting your new best friend there," Mr House said.

"The goal is building a community. For example, it's a way for new people to the town to get to know the community and meet people.

Mr House said the rosters were developed so local residents could gather their friends and family to form a team.

"They can form a team, go and play, then go for a beer afterwards and have a laugh about it. They might go home afterward and talk around the tea table about it."

"It's for everyone from 15-year-olds to 95-year-olds. It's for those who aren't as good at sport as they used to be, and those who aren't as good as they will be. But this is not a structured thing. The focus is on participation in a fitness pursuit, at low-cost, in a fantastic new facility."

There are no specific youth rosters yet, though teens are encouraged to join the adults in open rosters. The netball is presently for women only, but table tennis and volleyball are mixed rosters.



John House gets in extra stocks of badminton, volleyball, netball and table tennis equipment in preparation for the likely spike in demand in the lead-up to Port Sorell's first ever indoor competitions in these sports.

Boost for local economy

The opening of the Port Sorell Community, Recreation and Performing Arts Centre will not only have a community benefit, but an economic one too.

The facility will enable Camp Banksia to attract state and representative sports teams, art and music groups and school groups by offering state-of-the-art facilities for them to practise in, right beside their accommodation.

The presence of these groups in Port Sorell will have flow-on benefits for the rest of the local economy.

There will be capacity for mixed netball rosters, and gender-specific volleyball and table tennis rosters in future.

There is also potential to establish competitions in basketball, futsal (indoor soccer), indoor bowls and almost any other sport that can be played in an indoor stadium.

Mr House said the roster seasons would be short, so no one had to make long commitments. "We're looking at about an eight-week roster, with two weeks of finals," he said.

The first ever rosters in the new facility would run from late September to November, before a break over December-February "because everyone should get outside during those months", Mr House said, before new rosters resume in March, again for about eight weeks.

If you would like to participate in netball, volleyball or table tennis, contact Mr John House at Shearwater Sports & Toys in the Port Sorell Shopping Complex, or phone 0407 561 283.

New Gilbert St Roundabout

Council staff have proposed a preliminary design for a new roundabout, to be built at the intersection of Gilbert St and Victor St, towards the western end of Latrobe. The current preliminary design can be found on the council's website, www.latrobe.tas.gov.au.

As a result of five crashes reported at this section between July 2008 and June 2013, the Federal Government contributed \$250,000 through its Black Spot road funding program. Latrobe Council committed a further \$50,000.

The through lanes of Gilbert St are maintained by the state government, but parking bays, kerbs, footpaths and Victor St are all the council's responsibility. With Latrobe seemingly becoming busier by the day, a roundabout was believed to be a solution to reduce the number of crashes at the intersection; to provide a pedestrian crossing in which users only had to consider one direction of traffic at a time; to slow traffic as it enters the busy commercial centre; to permit U-turns; to minimise the loss of parking spaces; and to create gaps in traffic flow to benefit drivers trying to enter Gilbert St from other intersecting streets further east.

A roundabout of appropriate dimensions for through and turning vehicles will require localised narrowing of adjacent footpaths, plus railings to create a visual narrowing for drivers and to minimise the risk of injury to people or property.

The roundabout will be completed by June next year.

Green Army on the March

Latrobe Council has been successful in attracting grants for three projects to be undertaken by the Federal Government's new Green Army.

The first project will aim to reduce the impact of weed infestations in the Rubicon Estuary using an integrated approach including chemical, biological and mechanical controls and the use of ground cover. A Green Army crew will work across mudflats and along the foreshore to manage weeds and restore the natural ecology of the Rubicon Estuary.

The second project will involve weed eradication and erosion works on Kings Creek in Latrobe. The third project comprises the construction of boardwalks and track upgrades at Pig Island, at Bells Parade.

Henley on Mersey Stallholders

Stallholder applications for Henley-on-Mersey are open. Food vendors and activity coordinators are encouraged to apply – particularly those that can provide a fun activity that reinforces the unique culture of Australia to support the Australia Day celebration. Applications close September 30. See www.henleyonmersey.com.au for details.



The Henley on Mersey Betta Boat Race will include events for single boats and three-person boats.

Build Betta Boats

Fancy entering the Australia Day Betta Boat Race at Henley on Mersey? This legendary event comprises boats that must be primarily built from milk bottles and cartons, and should be decorated to reflect Australia Day. All people on boats must have a life jacket. Helmets, wet suits and warm weather clothing are highly encouraged.

Races will be held for teams of three per boat, and for individuals on a boat.

Race Entry and Registrations will be accepted in advance at 176 Percival Street, Latrobe or, on the day (January 26) at the Secretary's Office 30 minutes prior to the first race.

See www.henleyonmersey.com.au for more details and entry forms.

Latrobe Tourism Merges with Devonport

A significant step in the development of a Mersey regional tourism voice was taken in recent weeks, with the decision by the Latrobe and Port Sorell Tourism Association (LaPSTA), and the Devonport & Surrounds Tourism Association (DSTA), to merge.

The new merged identity, which will retain the Devonport & Surrounds Tourism Association name, will provide a much bigger and more powerful lobby and marketing group, with greater resources and a collaborative agenda for the benefit of the entire Mersey region from the coast to Cradle Mountain.

It will create a group of strength, representing a region that contains two access points to the state, Tasmania's second most popular attraction (Cradle Mountain), two national parks, is the hub of the Cradle to Coast Food Trail, a diverse art experience, plenty of history-themed attractions and a plethora of family fun-based attractions.

Most importantly, the members within have common purposes and issues.

The new larger tourism organisation will hold its next meeting, at Barclay Inn in Fenton St Devonport, at 2pm on September 17. Future meetings will be rotated through the Devonport, Latrobe and potentially Kentish municipalities.

The DSTA would warmly welcome Latrobe municipality tourism operators to the next meeting, to see for yourself the strength the new body has, its agenda and goals, and to ensure the issues you see as important to the region, are addressed.

For further information, contact Latrobe Tourism & Economic Development Officer Chris Frankcombe on 6421 4650 or email chrisf@latrobe.tas.gov.au

Latrobe High 50th Reunion

All past and present staff, students and their partners are invited to celebrate Latrobe High school's 50th anniversary. A school assembly will be held on Friday November 7, from 11am at the Latrobe Memorial Hall. On Saturday November 8 a school open day will be held from 10am-3pm. That night, a cocktail party will be held from 7pm-11.30pm at the school (BYO drinks). Entry to the cocktail party is \$20 (includes supper, tea and coffee). RSVP by October 3 by phoning 6426 1061 or email Julie.holloway@education.tas.gov.au or Latrobe.high@education.tas.gov.au. On Sunday November 9 a BYO BBQ will be held at Bells Parade from 11am.

Waste Management

As part of the Cradle Coast Waste Management Group Annual Plan & Budget 2013/14, recycling bin assessments were conducted across the region to identify and quantify the types of recyclables and contaminants found in kerbside recycling bins.

This educational program involved selecting properties at random from each municipality. The data collected is used in aggregated form to provide the basis for future education campaigns. Each resident who had their bin assessed received one-on-one feedback written on an assessment sheet placed into their letterbox, highlighting any areas for improvement.

If the bin contaminants made up less than 10% of the total volume of items in the bin, the residents received a pass award, if the contaminants were more than 10% of the total volume of items in the bin the resident received a fail or improvement required.

Overall the region performed well with 59% of the recycling bins assessed achieving a pass without any visible contamination, 31% achieved a pass with less than 10% contamination and 10% achieved a fail or improvement required.

The most common contaminant found was plastic, making up 54% of the total contamination. The different types include:

- Plastic Film: 14%

- Plastic Bags: 20%
- Plastic Food Bags: 10%
- Recycling in Bags: 10%

It was also highlighted by the assessors that a number of contaminants found in the bins had the recycling symbol on them, indicating possible confusion with what can be recycled but not through the kerbside recycling service, due to the sorting facility being unable to process certain items.

Residents are encouraged to visit

www.rethinkwaste.com.au for more information.

Snippets at Ghost Rock

Now exhibiting at Ghost Rock Cellar Door "Snippets" by Laura Mead showcases the extraordinary talents of this young local artist.

Laura is a self-taught artist who draws inspiration from photorealism and pop-surrealism. Using an airbrush, Laura captures the fine details that often go unnoticed to the naked eye.

The focal points of Laura's work are frequently the eyes, which she believes capture the essence of personality and life. "Often people are so busy in their daily lives they miss out on really 'seeing'. When an object or person is captured in a painting, people are more likely to make the time to really 'see' it. I want to draw the viewer into the image and take them on a journey into my imagination, hopefully sparking their own and perhaps even helping them see the beauty and life in every person; no matter who they are, where they live or how different they look," she says.

"Sometimes I produce a painting because it means something, other times I create an artwork simply for the joy of the process and the outcome. But all my pieces are an extension of my life and imagination."

Snippets' at Ghost Rock until October 3. Well worth a look!

A Jungle Fantasy in Latrobe

In October, Latrobe High School will present another great musical production, "Jungle Fantasy". The old legend tells of a tribe of females living in the deep, dark heart of the jungle, led by the fearless Jungle Queen. They guard a secret known only to them... and the monkeys...and to the fun loving Bongly Tribe. But when strangers from the big bird in the sky drop in, it seems that the whole world is about to know ...

The cast and crew have been working solidly during Production class time to learn lines, choreography and songs. Staff and students have been working on costumes, set and backdrops and posters.

Shows will be held at Latrobe Memorial Hall on:

- Tuesday, October 21, 11am
- Wednesday October 22, 11.00am & 7.30pm
- Thursday October 23, 11.00am & 7.30pm
- Friday October 24, 7.30pm

Tickets can be bought through Latrobe High School front office in September.

For further information, contact 6426 1061.

Truly Tasmanian Craft

The Annual Latrobe Apex Truly Tasmanian Craft Exhibition & Sale will be held on November 1-3.

There has been an overwhelming response from stall holders and the event is again fully booked, with a waiting list, which is fantastic for a small club.

We have a variety of new stalls, so keep this weekend free because it is well worth looking at the very talented craft Tasmanians produce.

All products at this event are Tasmanian. Come and support your local Apex club.

Entry: Adults \$5, children \$2, under 5 free.

Also, if you are interested in helping your community or joining a community club, call president Jessie Walters on 0439 003 321 and help us keep this great event going into the future.

Haven Yoga

Haven Yoga is a haven for positive individual personal transformation toward happiness, health and harmony. Join Andrea Martin, from Devonport's Haven in the Lane, at the Port Sorell Surf Club on Monday nights and Thursday mornings.

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to help you take your focus away from life's busy schedule, and allow your whole self some time to refresh.

Andrea offers various Yoga at Port Sorell Surf Club:



- Intermediate Yoga, Monday nights, 6-7pm, \$10 (or \$8 concession): A beautifully balanced yoga class that focuses on more advanced postures and breathing techniques.
Beginners' Yoga, Monday nights, 7.15-8.15pm, \$10 (or \$8 concession):
- Recommended for those who are new to yoga, or restarting after a lengthy break. Learn the basics before moving onto the Intermediate Class.
- Restorative Yoga, Thursday mornings, 9.30-11am, \$15 (or \$12 concession): Designed to restore the nervous system, ease aches and pains and calm the mind, this class is perfect for those recovering from illness or injury or just wanting a gentle loving pursuit.
- Feel your body and mind relax with Andrea's guided meditations: Meditation Class, Thursday mornings, 11.30am-12pm, \$5: Using mindfulness, chakra balancing and guided meditation techniques and yogic breathing calm your mind and find peace and happiness in your life.

Contact Andrea on 0424 597 669 or go to

[Facebook.com/haven.yoga.tas](https://www.facebook.com/haven.yoga.tas) or www.havenyoga.com.au

Arms Open to Refugees

Latrobe Municipality has become a "Refugee Welcome Zone", after the Council recently endorsed moves to officially commit in spirit to welcoming refugees into the community.

A Refugee Welcome Zone is an initiative of the Refugee Council of Australia who are the national peak body for refugees and the organisations and individuals who support them.

Essentially, a Refugee Welcome Zone is a Local Government Area which has made a commitment to welcoming refugees, upholding the human rights of refugees, demonstrating compassion for refugees and enhancing cultural and religious diversity in the community.

This public commitment is also an acknowledgment of the tremendous contributions refugees have made to Australian society in the fields of medicine, science, engineering, sport, education and the arts.

There are currently 92 Refugee Welcome Zones in Australia including four municipalities in Tasmania: Derwent Valley, Hobart, Launceston and West Tamar.

The Refugee Welcome Zone Declaration does not confer any formal obligations and Refugee Welcome Zones are not required to uphold any statutory responsibilities or financial commitments.

The signing of the Declaration is simply a way of demonstrating broad support for the principles it contains. Any actions or activities undertaken by Refugee Welcome Zones to implement the Declaration are voluntary.

\$500 Help for School Costs

Is your child starting school next year? Would \$500 help with education costs? The Smith Family is managing a Saver Plus fund established by ANZ Bank and the Brotherhood of St Laurence. Saver Plus is a financial literacy program that has a matched savings component.

Participants save \$500 over 10 months and then ANZ matches their savings with another \$500, which is to be spent on educational expenses for the participant themselves or their child/children.

Eligible educational costs include school uniform, textbooks, computers, laptops and tablets, excursions and camps, sports equipment and lessons, music tuition and instrument hire.

Further, The Smith Family is also offering \$500, matched dollar for dollar, for TAFE, traineeship or apprenticeship costs, including course fees and tutors, computers, text books, trade tools and furniture for studying.

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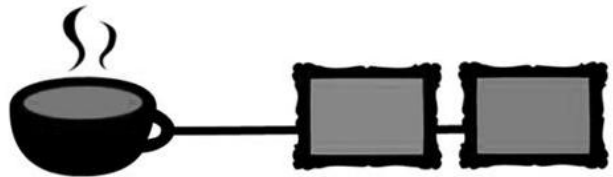
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Inside the Sacred Circle

On the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month from October 9, 2014, to March 26, 2015, Latrobe Council's Bell's Parade will be the beautiful setting for a new community program.

Sacred Circle Dance Facilitator Emma Creeley hopes to see the grounds come alive with Sacred Circle Dancing under the trees at Bell's Parade which will complement the origins of Circle Dancing which has a foundation in ancient traditions worldwide, commonly performed to celebrate the earth, seasonal celebrations and tribal ceremonies.

From the circle dances of Findhorn to women and men's Circle groups, Circle Dance uplifts the group to a deeper connection and embraces togetherness.



Circle Dance is for everyone. It can be likened to a moving meditation – connecting with your own breath, dance simple steps and connect to the music. The dances themselves build energy within the

group. You forget how to dance and simply dance, caught up with the feeling of light entering your body and of feeling free.

The wonder of Circle Dance is that the steps are so easy to follow; we tap into the source that inspired our ancestors. The style and mood reflects the group and the interests of the teacher. Circle Dances thread their way across the globe promoting peace and community as well as groups creating dances of their own to share with others.

Sacred Circle Dance is a free program. No experience is necessary. From 7.30pm-8.30pm each fortnight, you will find us under the trees or, in case of rain, under the rotunda.

For bookings and more information contact Emma on 6427 7795 or 0438 809 748.

Cuppa and a Chat

A monthly Cuppa and Chat morning at The Axeman's Hall of Fame, Latrobe, allows both men and women to connect with others who have been affected by a cancer diagnosis, providing support, information and friendship in a supportive environment. Sessions run on the fourth Wednesday of each month from 10.30am -12pm.

After the Cuppa and Chat each month Kris Rastovich, from Cancer Council Tasmania, will be based at the Latrobe Council Chambers from 12.30pm-4pm providing support and information to people affected by cancer at any stage in the journey. ie individuals, families, carers.

Bookings are not essential but are appreciated.

For more information or to contact Kris phone 6425 8601.

Coming events (all sessions are held 10am-12.30pm):

- September 15: What is Cancer & Cancer Treatments: Dr Stan Gauden - Director of WP Holman Clinic; Georgina Connelley - WPHC Nurse Educator.
- September 22: Legal/Financial Support: Sarah House (Solicitor Launceston Community Legal Centre); David Murray (Centrelink).

- September 29: Practical Needs/ Diagnosis and Survivorship: WPHC Social Workers and CCT.
- October 6: Sexuality, Intimacy and Cancer: Sue Schwabe, Relationships Australia.
- October 13: Palliative Care/Spirituality: Palliative Care Registered Nurse Louise Venter.
- October 20: Wellness & Self Care Expo: Variety of guests from health and community services - available for individual discussions and networking

For registration and information contact Janny Wagenaar at Cancer Council Tasmania on 6341 8400; Joy Hills at Cancer Council Tasmania NW on 6425 8605; or Anna Lovitt at WP Holman Clinic – LGH on 6348 7140.

Masters Basketball

The 12th annual Latrobe Masters Basketball Tournament will be held on November 22-23.

This is the only Masters tournament in the State and while played the whole weekend at the Latrobe and Districts Youth Centre, in Cotton Street, Latrobe, there are also games at the Devonport Recreation Centre in Forbes Street, Devonport on the Saturday, due to the number of teams playing.

Women over 30 and men over 35 are invited to enter as an individual or as a team. Different divisions are available to cater for players of all abilities.

It is definitely a social weekend.

For more information, contact Annette (0419 505 682 or Latrobe.secretary@gmail.com). Entries close 8 November.

Fish and Kids

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

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

Fishing occurs between 10am and 3pm.

A small membership fee of \$10 per member is charged to cover costs for the season and each Junior Member pays an admission fee of \$2 for each "Fish-out Day" they attend. A small amount of bait and tackle is available for sale and rods may be borrowed for the day.

Toilets and refreshments are available on site.

The next "Fish-out Day" will be held on September 14.

40 Years of Papermaking

An exhibition of photographs, drawings and memorabilia from the Wesley Vale Pulp Mill will be on display at the Court House Museum in Latrobe from September 2 to October 15. Opening hours are Tuesday to Friday, 1pm-4pm.

Former employees and their families are especially welcome to visit, and those employees who have not already done so, are invited to sign the last piece of paper to roll off the mill.

All Action at Rotary

The new Rotary year is in full swing with busy months ahead of the club. The District Governor will visit on September 3.

In the following month a "hat day" on October 10 will raise funds for Australian Rotary Health.



Hat day is an initiative to raise awareness of mental health in communities like ours all over Australia.

Attend an advertised function and make a donation for the privilege of wearing a hat of your choice – the crazier the better.

On October 26, the club assists to set up the Deloraine Craft Fair and the following week the club assists Deloraine Rotary with the garbage collection after the event.

It may sound like hard work but it's a lot of fun too.

On November 17 Latrobe Rotary will join with the Rotary Club of Devonport in the Million Dollar Meal, which raises funds for the Rotary Foundation which provides our Rotary district with the money to undertake many local projects.

A night of "Turkish Delight" will happen on November 21, with money raised being used for the "gift of sight" program in Nepal.

Such a busy program highlights the need for more members of the community to be involved in changing lives in our community.

As we get older we welcome younger blood.

Rotary meets each Wednesday at the Axeman's Hall of Fame, from 6pm, for fellowship and to hear wonderful guest speakers such as the director of the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

If helping to change lives interests you then contact any member of the Rotary Club, President Margaret Birchenough or Secretary Mike McLoughlin (6492 3034). Visit our website www.rotarycluboflatrobe.org.au for more information.

World War 1 Collection

The Tasmanian Family History Society Mersey Branch is pleased to advise that the World War 1 Commemorative Project is complete and available to view at the Family History Rooms, in the "old police residence" behind the library in Gilbert St, Latrobe.

The collection features the soldiers and nurses from the Latrobe district who enlisted in WW1. Details of their service record include name, service number, rank, battalion, prior occupation, when and where enlisted, return date and ship or date of death.

Personal details include date, district of birth, parents, date of death and burial location. Many have photographs or other items regarding their service, which may be of interest.

Nearly 400 servicemen and 17 nurses listed between 1914 and 1919, from the Latrobe district. Of these, 90 were either killed in action or died of wounds or illness. Thirty of these soldiers fought at Gallipoli, of which 12 were killed in action.

Any photographs or information that can be added to this collection would be appreciated. Contact Ros or Gary at the Mersey branch on 6426 2257.

Opening hours are 11am-3pm Monday to Friday.

U3A at Port Sorell

Port Sorell U3A is continuing to grow. The membership now stands at 193. Members, from any area, are welcome to join.

Most courses for term three are full and have all started.



The courses offered this term include Walking Group, Mobile Phone, CPR, Mah Jong for beginners and advanced players, Singing, Craft, Photography, iPad, Mosaics, Internet Security, Shakespeare, Circle Dancing, Painting with Water Colours, Reading, Guitar, Asian Cooking and a Movie Group.

The membership office is at 23 Burgess Way in Shearwater and is open 10am-midday Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

This office has been kindly made available by the Adam Brooks Group.

All tutors and venues are offered free of charge and we are extremely grateful for this wonderful support.

We are always looking for more tutors, so additional and interesting courses can be added to our future terms.

If you are able to tutor, please contact the office.

Plans are well in hand for Term 4 courses, which will be advertised, when they are finalised, on the website www.portsorell.u3anet.org.au

We are very grateful for the wonderful ongoing support of Bendigo Bank.

Assistance is always required, in many areas.

If you would like more information please contact the office on 0499 162 539.

Rubicon River Arts

Rubicon River Arts continue into the warmer months offering two workshops to broaden your creative skills.

Textile artist and painter Marjorie Brotheridge will conduct a novel Rag Tessel workshop at June Wilson's Studio Gallery, 129 Gilbert St, Latrobe, on Saturday September 20, from 10am to 3pm.

The focus will be on making contemporary versions of the tassel, with reference to the traditions of the French Passementier's craft, and ethnic sources.

No prior experience is required, just some recycled fabric and bric-a-brac to create small decorative assemblages.

Cost is \$25. For details and bookings, contact Marjorie on 6427 7272 or email marjorie.brotheridge@hotmail.com



Gina is conducting a choice of 8 paper workshops on weekends from late September to early November. Workshops at Gina's Portside Gallery, in East Devonport, start with painted papers – fun painting and marking papers for book pages, cards or scrapbooking.

A further option is to follow up with basic book binding to create some small contemporary books with coloured papers.

Basic bookbinding techniques for small finished books is also available at another session.

At the November workshops you can create your own collage Christmas cards and print onsite.

All materials are included in the price. Contact Gina at portsidegallerytas@gmail.com for details.

New members are always welcome to delve into the world of art and share your skills with others and join in Rubicon River Arts activities.

For more information, phone Angela on 6424 3463 or 0419 490 042.

All Jazzed Up, and Somewhere To Go

Here's one for the jazz lovers. The next Live Music Sunday at Ghost Rock Vineyard, on September 14, will feature East 39th Jazz Trio from Launceston.

This band plays upbeat jazz and wooed the audience when they played at Ghost Rock last year!

To book your table for a great Sunday afternoon, call Ghost Rock on 6428 4005 or email cass@ghostrock.com.au

Surf Club

The Port Sorell Surf Life Saving Club will hold an open day on Sunday October 12, from 11am, for existing members and anyone interested in engaging with the club.

The club welcomes all members of the community, families, teenagers, adults, retirees and anybody else to come along and learn more about your local surf club and how you can participate – we have opportunities for people who prefer to keep their toes dry along with a range of water sport activities

for those who like a bit of action.

Children are catered for through our Nipper programs where they learn valuable water safety skills and develop their fitness.



Surf lifesaving rescue equipment will be on display and members of the Surf Club will be available to answer your questions.

The BBQ will be fired up for those who fancy a snag.

For further information please call Stuart Dickson on 0438 577 191, see www.portsorellsurflifesavingclub.com.au or Facebook [portsorellslsc](https://www.facebook.com/portsorellslsc). Alternatively email portsorellslc@bigpond.com.

Other key dates:

- September 30-October 4: Youth Development Camp
- October 18-19: IRB Drivers and Crew training weekend
- November 29-30: Annual Bronze & SRC training.

World Sight Day

World Sight Day, on October 9, is the main international event for raising awareness about avoidable blindness and vision loss.

This year, the focus is on celebrating those who are at the frontline providing services and support to those who need it: sharing positive stories of our "Eye Health Heroes" – those making inroads towards the elimination of avoidable blindness and vision impairment.

Medical Information Booklets

Emergency Medical Information Booklets are now available at Coventry's Pharmacy and the Latrobe Post Office.

The Emergency Medical Information Booklet contains all your information and medical records, which are needed if an ambulance is called as family members are not always able to relay correct details of a patient's condition or medications.

This small booklet contains patient contact details, service or care provider information, medications and condition details.

Latrobe Lions

Used spectacles for recycling for use in undeveloped countries may be left at the Latrobe Medical Practice, Coventry's Pharmacy or Ritchie's Supermarket for collection.



Don't throw away those used stamps. Trim them to 5mm, or we will trim them, for sending off to raise funds for walking devices for children with cerebral palsy. Stamps may be left at Ritchie's

Supermarket, Morse's Butchery or passed on to any Lions member.

Should you wish to know more about the Lions Club of Latrobe, contact Lion Peter Burk at Morse's Butchery, Lion Kae Campbell 6426 1442, or any Lions member.

Rubicon Landcare

Rubicon Coast and Landcare welcomes new members. If you would like to join the group, contact Anna at rubicon_inc@hotmail.com.

Vanuatu in Latrobe

ExSIGHTing Vision optometrist, at 35 Gilbert Street, Latrobe will host an exhibition of photos, paintings and articles from Vanuatu from October 8th - 17th.

Stephen and Karen were “eye health heroes” conducting primary eye clinics in Vanuatu for over 10 years.

Karen conducted research for her PhD and implemented a preventative eye health program together with the Vanuatu Christian Council and Rotary.

The Scott-Hoy’s son, Llewelyn, is currently a cricket development officer in Vanuatu so they are collecting unwanted cricket equipment for Vanuatu.

Drop it in Wednesdays to Fridays, 9am-5pm, and while you are there, make an appointment to check your eyes too.

School Holiday Options

The September-October school holidays start on Friday, September 26. How on earth are you going to keep your children/grandchildren occupied for two whole weeks? Fortunately, there are a number of options.

For youth aged 10-16 years, there is the Latrobe and Kentish Council’s School Holiday Program.

All 10-16 year olds will have received a copy of the program through their school in early September to enable priority registration.

An electronic version of the program is now available on Latrobe Council’s website at <http://bit.ly/1r9vrEk> to enable wider registration.

For children aged from 4-12 years, Shamrock Vacation Care in Bradshaw Street, Latrobe provides a diverse range of activities.

Additionally, there are a number of private providers of vacation care in Devonport and East Devonport.

Playful Penguins Playgroup



Port Sorell Playful Penguins Community Playgroup is held at Port Sorell Memorial Hall every Tuesday 10am-12pm during school terms.

Focusing on fun and learning in a supportive, inclusive environment, the playgroup welcomes parents and carers and their children of all ages.

Cost is just \$2 per family, which includes tea and coffee facilities.

Playful Penguins aims to provide a variety of activities for children of all ages such as craft, imaginative play, books, songs and fine and gross motor skill based activities.



The group also has guest speakers.

Those this year have included speakers from Wirrawee Women's Shelter, Family Food Patch talking about healthy lunchbox ideas; dietician Sara talking about vital nutrients required by young children and how to best get them into their diets.

Speakers later this year will include a dentist and child health nurse.

The playgroup always welcomes new members.

For more information call in and chat during a session or call Sophie on 0447 082 439 or Kate on 0408 325 429.

Cancer support

Cancer Council Tasmania provides support and information services to all Tasmanians affected by cancer. The organisation is able to assist with emotional support, financial assistance, a wide range of free resources and information, access to our free wig library, education sessions, transport to treatment and local support groups. A Living With Cancer Education Program will start in mid-September and run for six weeks, at the Rural Clinical School, Burnie. To register contact Joy Hills on 6425 8605.

A Christmas Fantasy

A Christmas Fantasy is the theme for this year’s Latrobe Christmas Parade, on December 20 from 6.30pm.

What will you do with your fantasy float? Entry forms will be available in early October from Morse’s Butchery in Gilbert St, Latrobe, and the Latrobe Council offices.

We are also encouraging Gilbert St businesses to be part of the celebration by decorating their windows in the Christmas Fantasy theme.

The Council is also seeking entertainers for this year’s event.

Entertainers, businesses, clubs and residents who wish to be involved in this year’s Christmas Parade should contact Latrobe Councillors Dayne Dennison (crdennison@bigpond.com) or Lesley Young (Elphin.grove@bigpond.com) or contact Mrs Candice Winter at Latrobe Council on 6421 4650.

Big Bang Open Evening

The Andrews Creek Primary School Big Bang Open Evening will be held on Monday, September 8, from 5pm-7m at Andrews Creek Primary School (formerly Wesley Vale Primary School, on Westwind Drive, Wesley Vale.

The Big Bang Open Evening comprises “A Walk Through Time” – A display documenting the history of the former Moriarty and Wesley Vale Primary Schools.

At 5.30pm students will showcase their dance skills for the North-West inter-school dance event to be held at Ulverstone the following day. There will be a "Mummy Made It" market with goods for sale as well as food and drinks available for purchase.

Classrooms will be open for viewing and a fireworks display will conclude the evening.

All members of the community, including those who would like to familiarise themselves with Andrews Creek Primary School and those with connections with the former Moriarty and Wesley Vale Primary Schools, are invited to attend.

If you would like further information, contact the school office on 6428 4088.

Council's Current Works Program

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

Roads

- Archer St kerb & channel construction
- Cotton St kerb & channel construction
- Port Sorell Main Rd/ Alexander St/Wilmot St/ Parkers Ford Rd Roundabout widening & pedestrian crossing improvements
- Meredith St footpath
- Haven/ Club Drive footpath links
- Hawk Hill Rd/ Alexander St footpath link
- Road surface maintenance
- General roadside maintenance

Buildings

- Latrobe Swimming Pool Complex various upgrade works
- General building maintenance

Parks and Reserves

- Nature strip tree plantings
- General parks maintenance

Should you have any queries in relation to any of the projects, please do not hesitate to contact Council's Engineering Works Coordinator on 6421 4650.

Funding Opportunities

Huon's Helping Hands

Huon Aquaculture Group is offering financial and in-kind assistance to support community facilities, projects, events and programs that have a clear community benefit or need. This funding is offered twice annually.

Funding Amount: Cash grants (maximum of \$3000) or in-kind assistance which includes the provision of Huon products either at zero or a reduced cost.

Application is via an online process at www.huonaqua.com.au or contact Laura Bender at community@huonaqua.com.au to have an application form sent via email.

Closes - 26 September, 2014

More information is available by phoning Laura Bender on 6239 4248.

Foundation for Children

To fund research programs and a wide range of other projects designed specifically to improve the health, welfare and well-being of the future of Australia – our children.

Closes: 30 September, 2014

More information: go to www.foundationforchildren.com.au/apply-for-a-grant.html

Foundation for Rural & Regional Renewal

Grants up to \$5000 are available for projects and activities that offer clear public benefit for communities in rural, regional or remote Australia. Priority is given to communities of 10,000 or fewer. The program is open twice a year and distributes around \$400,000 of funding per round to eligible organisations.

Closes: 26 September, 2014

More information: go to www.frrr.org.au

ArtStart grants

This program provides a grant for up to \$10,000 to support a career or business development strategy for your arts practice. The Australia Council provides financial assistance to recent creative arts graduates who are committed to establishing a career as a professional writer, visual, hybrid or performing artist, or a creative practitioner working in community arts or cultural development. Grants provide funding for services, resources, skills development and equipment that help graduates to build an income-generated career in the art form they have studied.

Closes: 22 September, 2014

More information: go to www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants/2014/artstart

Contemporary Music Touring Program

The Contemporary Music Touring Program supports national touring activity undertaken by Australian musicians performing original contemporary music. It provides travel support of up to \$15,000 for artists and their

manager undertaking tours within Australia, which include performances in regional and remote areas.

Closes: 25 November, 2014

More information: go to

www.australiacouncil.gov.au/grants/2014/contemporary-music-touring-program-25-nov

What's On

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

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7 National Skatepark Day

Get out and enjoy the skateparks in Fairway Crescent, Shearwater and alongside the Latrobe and Districts Youth Centre in Cotton Street, Latrobe.

8 Port Sorell Meals on Wheels Annual General Meeting

in the Port Sorell Memorial Hall Supper Room, commencing at 1pm. BYO plate of food to share for afternoon tea following AGM. ☎ 6428 7275

21 Latrobe Cemetery Working Bee

from 10am at the Latrobe Cemetery, Gilbert Street, Latrobe. BYO whipper snipper, gloves etc. Complementary drink and sausage provided AFTER you've done the hard yards. ☎ 6426 1797 (Mike) or 6421 4650 (Candice)

25 Spring Fever Town and Country Fair

at the Australian Axeman's Hall of Fame and Timberworks, Bells Parade, Latrobe from 10am until 4pm. ☎ 6426 2099

26-28 September

"Pygmalion" - the My Fair Lady story - presented by the Devonport Repertory Society at the Latrobe Memorial Hall and Performing Arts Centre. 8pm each night with Sunday matinee at 2pm. ☎ 6427 2145

27 2pm Resonance Choir concert

at Port Sorell Memorial Hall raising funds for the NWRH cancer ward For further information contact Robyn Lawrence-Vick on 0409 082 212.

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3-4 "Pygmalion"

- the My Fair Lady story - presented by the Devonport Repertory Society at the Latrobe Memorial Hall and Performing Arts Centre. 8pm each night with Saturday matinee at 2pm. ☎ 6427 2145

22-24 "Jungle Fantasy"

musical performance by students of Latrobe High School at the Latrobe Memorial Hall, Gilbert Street, Latrobe. Admission costs apply. ☎ 6426 1061

26 Latrobe Cemetery Working Bee

from 10am at the Latrobe Cemetery, Gilbert Street, Latrobe. BYO whipper snipper, gloves etc. Complementary drink and sausage provided AFTER you've done the hard yards. ☎ 6426 1797 (Mike) or 6421 4650 (Candice)

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1-3 Truly Tasmanian Craft Exhibition and Fair

featuring products made exclusively by Tasmanian people at the Latrobe Memorial Hall from 9am-5pm Saturday and Sunday and 9am-3pm Monday.

Admission \$5 adults, U16 \$2, U5 Free. ☎ 0417 132 687

7 Latrobe High School 50th Anniversary School Assembly

at the Latrobe Memorial Hall, Gilbert Street, Latrobe from 11am. Past staff and students invited to attend. ☎ 6426 1061

8 Latrobe High School Open Day

from 10am until 3pm at Latrobe High School, Percival Street, Latrobe celebrating its 50th Anniversary. ☎ 6426 1061

8 Latrobe High School Cocktail Party

from 7pm until 11.30pm at Latrobe High School, Percival Street, Latrobe celebrating its 50th Anniversary. Cost: \$20 per person includes supper, tea/coffee. RSVP by 3 October to latrobe.high@education.tas.gov.au. ☎ 6426 1061

9 Latrobe High School 50th Anniversary BYO BBQ

at Bells Parade, Latrobe from 11.00 am. ☎ 6426 1061

Your Elected Representatives

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Garry Sims, 300 Wesley Vale Rd Wesley Vale. 6428 4019

Lesley Young, 265 Greens Creek Rd, East Sassafras

..... 6426 7235

2014 Latrobe Council Meeting Dates

Meeting dates for the remainder of 2014 are -

8 September 13 October

10 November 8 December

All meetings are held at the Latrobe Council Chambers, Gilbert Street, Latrobe and commence at 5pm sharp.

Meetings include a public participation section. If you would like to avail yourself of such an opportunity, please liaise with Mrs Candice Winter on 6421 4650.

Plan Your Promotion

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

Deadline.....Distribution Date

16 October 4 November (Tues)

4 December 5 January, 2015

19 February, 2015 2 March

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

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