



Changes To Local Government

In September 2012 a discussion paper on a number of proposed changes to Local Government electoral arrangements was released with consultation closing at the end of October 2012.

In February 2013 the Minister for Local Government, Bryan Green MP, announced that the Government is progressing the introduction of changes to Local Government electoral arrangements including the following:

- The introduction of opt-in compulsory voting, whereby a council may choose to make voting in Local Government elections compulsory within its municipality;
- the banning of dual representation, so that a person cannot hold a seat on Council and in State Parliament at the same time; and
- the introduction of all-in, all-out elections every four years, with four-year terms for Mayors and Deputy Mayors.

The draft Local Government Amendment (Elections) Bill 2013 that resulted from the initial consultation phase can be viewed in its entirety at www.dpac.tas.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0011/186635/ConsultationDraft_LocalGovernmentAmendment_Elections_Bill2013.pdf while the explanatory clause notes can be viewed at www.dpac.tas.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0007/186685/SummaryOfAmendments_LocalGovernmentAmendment_Elections_Bill2013.pdf.

A further period of public comment is now open on the full contents of the Bill prior to its consideration by Parliament.

Comments must be received by close of business on **7 March 2013** to lgsem@dpac.tas.gov.au; post to Local Government Division, GPO Box 123, Hobart, Tas, 7001 or fax to 6233 9676. Email is the preferred method of contact.

Port Sorell Multi-Purpose Facility

The Regional Development Australia Fund (RDAF) is a Commonwealth Government Initiative that supports the infrastructure needs of regional Australia. Nearly \$1 billion has been allocated to fund capital infrastructure projects which are identified as priorities by local communities.

Latrobe Council recently submitted an Expression of Interest to redevelop the community centre located at Camp Banksia as a multi-use sport and community facility that meets the current and future needs of the Port Sorell area. This priority was identified in the 2008 Enquiry by Design consultation process for Port Sorell, Council's Strategic

Plan 2012-2017 and further endorsed through recent community consultation.

"Through this very competitive process, Council was one of only five priority projects selected to proceed to the full application process," said Mayor Gaffney.

\$50 million is allocated to be awarded in Round 3 nationally and specifically to small towns (with a population of less than 30,000).

Budget Submissions

Each year, Latrobe Council is faced with the task of assessing and prioritising many worthwhile projects that have been identified within the community.

Council assesses each project against a common set of objective criteria and prioritises with a view to scheduling the project over Council's long-term planning period - currently ten years.

If you would like to submit a project for consideration in Council's capital works program, or 2013-14 operating budget, then please lodge your submission marked "2013-14 Budget Submission" with Council by Tuesday, 12 March.

Submissions should include sufficient detail to enable Council to understand:

- The location and scope of the project;
- The perceived benefits of the project including any risk/safety issues, social/community impact and environmental impacts; and
- Any other relevant information to enable Council to make an informed decision.



School Holiday Program

The Latrobe and Kentish Councils are currently compiling a list of groups and businesses who are offering school holiday parent/children sessions, for children aged 8-11 years, as well as activities for the more independent age group of 12-16 year olds.

Should you belong to a club or organisation and wish to offer a "come and try" experience from 22 April to 3 May, please contact Michelle Dutton at Latrobe Council (6421 4650) to discuss your event / activity.

To enable the April school holiday activities to be circulated to all schools in the Latrobe and Kentish Municipalities immediately after Easter, details are required by March 22.

Easter Office Closure

The Latrobe Council office will be closed for Easter from 4.30 pm, Thursday, 28 March; reopening 8.00 am, Wednesday, 3 April.

For EMERGENCIES ONLY during this time, please telephone 6426 2653.

Sustainable Communities Judge

On 26-27 February, the town of Latrobe was visited by the judge of the National Sustainable Communities competition, in which the town is the current State Title holder.

Mr Olesinski inspected a number of facilities and was introduced to many residents who are involved in a wide range of community activities and experiences. A grateful thankyou to all who have contributed over many years to Latrobe's success in this competition., Fingers crossed !We now await a decision as to how the town stacked up against the other finalists throughout Australia. The result will be announced in May.

Latrobe Art Exhibition Results

The 27th Annual Latrobe Art Exhibition at the Australian Axemans Hall of Fame has once again been held with the following Awards presented -

Latrobe Council Acquisition Award

Elizabeth Haygarth with *My Garden on Penguin Road*

Latrobe Council Painting Award

1st Prize Colleen Osborne with *Rocky Times*

2nd Prize Ryllton Viney with *Visiting Ruins (Momento Mori)*

Latrobe Council Photography Award

1st Prize Lachlan Bovill with *Fungi - The Decomposer*

2nd Prize Anne Heazlewood with *Beans Talk*

Wells Viewer's Choice Award

Patricia Kirkcaldy with *Waiting*

Latrobe Council is the major sponsor of this competition with sponsorship support from Tasmanian Alkaloids, the House of Anvers and Wells Latrobe enabling multiple prizes to be offered.

The Australian Axemans Hall of Fame provides a fantastic exhibition space and the Rubicon River Arts members, in conjunction with Latrobe Council staff, hang the exhibition.

Thank you to judges, Mr Grant Wells and Mrs Cheyne Purdue-Pozzo for their time and expertise.

Art and Craft Focus



Latrobe Apex are back into the swing of things after the Christmas break and are currently focused on coordinating the Apex Art Exhibition and Sale held in conjunction with Chocolate Winterfest

on July 5-7 and the 2013 Truly Tasmanian Craft Exhibition and Sale to be held from 2-4 November.

The Apex Art Exhibition and Sale is this year seeking to expand the opportunities for photographers to be more fully involved as well as investigating a children's art corner throughout the day.

If you are interested in participating in either event, further information is available by contacting Tammy Jeffrey 0417 132 687 or President Jessie Walters 0447 323 966.

If you have an event and would like Apex to help out in anyway, please don't hesitate give them a call.

Easter Recycling and Garbage Collection

There will be no change to the collection days of garbage and recycling over the Easter holidays.

The Port Sorell Waste Transfer Station will be closed on Good Friday and the Spreyton Waste Transfer Station will be closed on Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

Should you experience any difficulties, please contact Jones' Waste Management on 6344 4393 for garbage collection and Veolia Environmental Services on 64274646 for recycling.

Port Sorell and District Community Bank

The necessary, and somewhat drawn out legal processes are very close to completion, and the franchise agreement for the bank has been agreed. With the final proof reading of the prospectus well underway it is anticipated that a launch will occur in April, when pledgees and community members will be invited to invest in the local ownership of the community bank company. This will allow the Port Sorell and District Community Bank to complete the fit-out of its premises, and recruit the staff team ready to open its doors for our community early in the new financial year.

Jack Van Tatenhove, Chair of the Port Sorell Community Bank, thanks everyone for their ongoing support and patience and can't wait for the opening of the Port Sorell and District's own bank.

The opportunity to become pledgees is still open and welcomed with forms available from the supermarket. Additionally, there are currently some great offers and fee waivers available in the interim for opening and transferring accounts to the Port Sorell and District Community Bank.

For more details and information please speak to Sue on a Wednesday morning when she is in the bank's premises in Club Drive, Shearwater. She'll be delighted to help and answer any queries that you may have.

Tourism Boost to Municipality

A number of tourism and entertainment related events are being held throughout the Latrobe Municipality over March and April. In order for these opportunities to continue to be provided, it is essential that they are supported. Please check the What's On diary on the back page of this newsletter. There is bound to be something of interest to you.

LaPSTA is encouraged by the enthusiasm for the current Carnivale Latrobe series being held from 5.30 pm until 8.30 pm each Thursday evening in Latrobe until 14 March. The late night trading and blending them with the promotion of artisans has certainly reinvigorated the commercial sector and continues to demonstrate the vibrancy of small towns. Congratulations to Latrobe Council's Chris Frankcombe as the driver of this initiative.

Tranquilles is currently seeking additional sponsors for four planned Autumn and Winter Sunday Lunches that showcase local produce and brands. Please contact them on 6428 7555 if you are interested in supporting this initiative.

LaPSTA meet at Australian Axemans Hall of Fame on the third Tuesday of every month at 5.30 pm. If you are interested in joining LaPSTA or wish to know more about this organisation, please contact Chris Frankcombe on 0427 334 531.

Australia Day Award Recipients

On Australia Day, a number of persons and groups in the Latrobe Municipality were recognised for their contribution to our community through the awarding of Latrobe Council's Australia Day Awards at Henley-on-Mersey.



Pictured: Don and Audrey Mitchelson with Sophie Jones

They include Don and Audrey Mitchelson who were awarded the Municipality's Australia Day Citizens of the Year Award for their involvement with the Thirlstane Golf Club, Parents and Friends Association, Moriarty Fire Brigade and Meals on Wheels to name a few. In fact, it was noted that Mr and Mrs Mitchelson continue to deliver Meals on Wheels, on many occasions to persons much younger than themselves.

Miss Sophie Jones was awarded the Young Citizen of the Year for her inspirational ambassadorship role that has seen her represent Latrobe internationally and also her strength of character to follow her career dreams in the face of adversity.



Pictured: JoAnne and Haydon Coates with the Community Event of the Year Award

The Port Sorell Surf Life Saving Club's Port Sorell Surf Fiesta was recognised through the Community Event of the Year.

In accepting the Award, Club President JoAnne Coates commented that the dedicated Fiesta Sub-Committee were a fantastic group and their professionalism in presenting the Port Sorell Surf Fiesta raised valuable funds for the Port Sorell Surf Club, enabling the club to replace

equipment and expand its services for the benefit of the Port Sorell area.

Carnivale Latrobe

Latrobe will be the epicentre of art and cultural activity this Thursday night and next, as Carnivale Latrobe continues.

People from across the region are heading to Latrobe for the last two nights of this four-week attraction.

Come and eat dinner in one of the town's restaurants and cafes and promenade along historic Gilbert Street, watching works of art and craft being created amid a carnival-like atmosphere of minstrels and performing artists.

There is a kids' precinct in Station Square where youngsters are taught how to draw, paint and sculpt, as well as other artistic skills.

Feature artists include Slipstream Circus fire jugglers and performance troupe as well as painters, sculptors, hand drawing, handcrafts, candle making, basket making antique letterpress exhibitor creating productions from an 1850s letterpress ... the artistic line-up is as diverse as it is long.

Add to that the serene atmosphere created by a selection of rare string instruments plus exceptional exponents of brass and wind instruments and there is something to stop every Carnivale patron in their tracks.

Each shop is offering Carnivale specials, including discounts, giveaways and more.

Visit Strengthens Relationship

HMAS SHEEAN, Latrobe's adopted Collins Class Submarine named in honour of former resident Ordinary Seaman Edward "Teddy" Sheean, recently docked in Devonport to celebrate its return to naval service after an extensive maintenance period.

As part of the visit, a Rededication Service was held, some 12 years to the day after the boat's commissioning.



Commander Richard Smallwood stated that "the visit provided an opportunity for the crew of HMAS SHEEAN to reinvigorate relationships between themselves, members of the Sheean family and the community of Latrobe."

Port Sorell Main Road Safety Improvements

Details about new \$4 million safety improvements planned for Port Sorell Main Road in the state's north-west have been released for public view.

The major project is jointly funded by the State (\$3m) and Australian (\$1m) Governments.

This important community project involves making significant safety improvements to the Port Sorell Main Road between Wesley Vale and Ghost Rock Vineyard.

This stretch of road has unfortunately seen a high number of accidents during the past few years and these upgrades are designed to improve safety by providing changed road alignment and removing crests and dips in the road.

The works will include earthworks, drainage adjustments, road widening, and the provision of a new pavement.

A number of bus bays and junctions will also be upgraded by widening, lengthening and sealing, including areas for pedestrians. Any roadside hazards, such as nearby trees, will also be removed.

Works are planned to start in May 2013 and are scheduled for completion in December 2014.

This is an important safety project for the Port Sorell community and everyone is encouraged to take a look at the public display. The public display will be located at the Latrobe Council Chambers, and on community noticeboards at IGA supermarkets in Latrobe and Shearwater until Monday, 18 March, 2013.

Tenders for the important road safety project are expected to be called in early March.

The design drawings can be viewed online at www.transport.tas.gov.au/infrastructure_projects/public_displays

10 Days on the Island in Latrobe

10 Days on the Island comes to Latrobe/Devonport from 19-23 March with a variety of events from all corners of the world, including -

- **Felt Presence** exhibition at the Devonport Regional Gallery from 16 March - 28 April. Free admission.
- **Supper Club** at the Laneway Café, Devonport from 19-23 March, pre and post events.
- **Luminous Flux** at the Devonport Entertainment and Convention Centre on 19 March at 8pm. Admission fees apply - book early.
- **Little Big Shots - International Film Festival for Kids** in the Latrobe Memorial Hall on 21 March at 1.30 pm (for 2-12 year olds) and 4 pm (for 6-16 year olds). A free event.
- **21 Circus Acts in 20 Minutes** in the Devonport Mall on 22 March at 12.30 pm. Free
- **Sprag Session** at the Australian Axemans Hall of Fame, 22 March from 7 pm. Admission fees apply - book early
- **360 Allstars** at the Devonport Entertainment and Convention Centre on 23 March at 8pm. Admission fees apply - book early
- **Ten Canoes** exhibition throughout 10 festival towns

Winter Sports

Looking for a sporting activity for the winter months?

Call in and see John House and his family at Shearwater Sports and Toys.

John, his wife Helene and their family relocated to Shearwater in October and have a wealth of experience in the sporting fields, especially John who has worked as a cricket coach with Cricket Tasmania for over ten years and successfully ran an Indoor Sports Centre in Smithton.

Sports included table tennis, volleyball, soccer and netball and catered for all ages with fun being the main ingredient of participating.

With one or two venues in the Port Sorell/Wesley Vale area available for indoor sports, John is encouraging you to call in to Shearwater Sports and Toys in Quinlan Crescent, Latrobe and have a chat about having fun and keeping active this winter. Alternatively, John is able to be reached by phoning 0407 561 283.

Travelling Op Shop

UnitingCare Tasmania has established a travelling Op Shop bus to enable this service to extend into communities not serviced by such a business and who have a need for an occasional visit by them.



The Travelling Op Shop provides low cost quality clothing and small household utilities with friendly staff also able to provide information on the No Interest Loans Scheme as well as other community services that can assist with improving one's financial management.

Should you wish to know more about the Travelling Op Shop, please contact Glenys on 0417 578 793 or the UnitingCare office on 6425 1012.

Interim Caretakers for Caravan Park

Welcome to Wendy and Derek Roberts who have stepped in as interim Managers of the Port Sorell Lions Caravan Park following the departure of Dennis and Lyn M^cMurich due to health reasons.

Tenders for the new Manager of the facility have closed and some good applications received. Short listing of the applicants and the resulting interview process will be undertaken shortly however it is not anticipated that any new appointment will be able to be made prior to Easter.

The Port Sorell Lions Caravan Park can be contacted by phoning 6428 7267.

Do you recognise these Northdown names?

Between 1900-1940 there was a school in Bakers Lane, Northdown. It was commonly known as the "Bandy Coote Hill" school and it provided education for the children of the area, specifically Northdown, Moriarty, Thirlstone and towards Port Sorell.

A newspaper article published in "The North Western Advocate" in 1919 mentions the unveiling of an honour board at the Bandy Coote Hill School in Bakers Lane commemorating the men from the district who served in the Great War.

The twelve men who lost their lives were:

- Private Richard Appleby
- Private William Walton Appleby
- Gunner Frederick Russell Bellchambers
- Private John Byron
- Private Robert R Cooke
- Private John Robert Freer
- Private Wilfred James Holden
- Gunner Gordon Henry Iles
- Private Arthur Horton McGuire
- Private Claude Lynton Nibbs
- Private Reuben Cameron Radford
- Private Hilton Shea

Local researcher, Kerrie Blyth is currently looking into the history of the school and is seeking assistance with photos and brief family information on twelve young men who went to school there in its early days and were killed in Europe during active service in WW1.

"I would like to reconstruct the missing honour board. If you think you may be able to help, please contact me by emailing Kerrie@tasgenes.com or phoning 0408 084 438 (a/h)," said Mrs Blyth.

Celebrate ~ Remember ~ Fight Back

Cancer these days touches nearly everyone.

As a consequence, there is an extensive network of groups that conduct a variety of activities to raise funds for the Cancer Council's major fundraising event Relay For Life.

Relay For Life is an opportunity to get together with your community to celebrate cancer survivors, remember loved ones lost and fight back against cancer.

While many of these groups continue to fund raise throughout the year, it is not too late for you to get involved. It is as easy as going to www.relayforlife.org.au and registering.

Relay For Life North West will be held at the Dial Sporting Complex in Penguin on the 23rd - 24th March.

Community Dog Walk

The Delta Therapy Dog Program involves a group of dedicated volunteers and their Accredited Dogs visiting North West Coast Aged Care facility residents and adults with disabilities.

To support this great program, come along with friends and family and, of course, your dog to join in either the 2km or 4.5km Port Sorell Canine Community Walk on Sunday, March 24.

Commencing from Pioneer Park, cnr Rice and Meredith Street, Port Sorell at 11.00 am, on-site registration will be available from 10.30 am with every registration having a chance to win a prize.

The cost is only \$5 a family or \$3 for an individual and at the conclusion of the walk, you are welcome to try out the agility course and/or enjoy a sausage cooked with great skill by members of the Port Sorell Fire Brigade.

Latrobe Free Camping No Longer Free

The Lions Club of Latrobe has agreed to take over the issuing of permits for fully self-contained caravans/motorhomes behind Station Square in Latrobe.

Fully self-contained caravans and motorhomes will be able to stay on the grassed area at the rear of the Station Square carpark with Latrobe Lions Club members inspecting the vans to ensure compliance with Council's By-Law prior to issuing the required permit.

A permit will only be issued to a vehicle that is fully self-contained with respect to shower, toilet, washing, cooking and sleeping facilities and must have holding tanks for all toilet waste and sullage water sufficient for at least 48 hours use by the occupants.

As determined by Council's By-Law, eligible campers are able to stay for a maximum of two (2) nights within any 14 day consecutive period.

In accordance with the directive by the State Government via the Economic Regulator to apply full cost attribution, a fee of \$10 per night will be charged.

Failure to comply with the terms and conditions of this overnight stop over area could result in an infringement notice being issued which includes a minimum \$650 fine. Alternative camping for non-compliant vehicles in Latrobe is available at the Latrobe Mersey River Caravan Park in River Road, Latrobe.

Too Clucky For Some

Residents considering keeping chickens, especially roosters, should discuss this option with their neighbours in the interest of harmony and to avoid complaints.



If complaints of noisy roosters or odour issues from poultry are received, Council's Environmental Health Officers assesses each case against the *Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act 1994*.

If the rooster is causing a "nuisance" to neighbours i.e. crowing at 5 am in the morning and measures such as confining the rooster in a dark place overnight doesn't alleviate the problem, then the rooster may need to be removed.

Please consider your neighbours if you have or are planning to keep poultry to ensure you are all able to enjoy the experience.

Feral Cat Minimisation

Latrobe Council continues its leadership for responsible cat ownership with the recent announcement that the Council was one of seven successful applicants funded to help transition to the State Government's landmark cat management laws that came into effect in June 2012.

Council is to receive \$3,600 of the \$155,000 funding on offer in order to trap feral cats.

Latrobe Council started its efforts to encourage responsible cat ownership with in 2006 with the adoption of a Cat Management By-Law and supports the ongoing distribution of Central North Wildlife Care and Rescue's publication "I love my Cat", which details how you can keep your cat healthy and safe at home.



Following the sourcing of the essential resources require to catch feral cats, Council will provide more information about the caging program.

In the meantime, if you own a cat, please make yourself familiar with the legislation and even pick up a copy of the "I Love My Cat" brochure from the Latrobe Council office.

Share your Physical Activity Opportunity

Looking for a physical activity in Tasmania in which you can be involved? Then look no further than www.getmoving.tas.gov.au.

This calendar (in the What's On page) is an all-inclusive physical activity events calendar advising details of activities in which you are able to participate.

Additionally, the Premier's Physical Activity Council (PPAC) now provides a list of state sport and recreation organisations and their websites at getmoving.tas.gov.au.

If you would like your organisation added to this list or you would like to add an event to the calendar, please email: ppac@getmoving.tas.gov.au.

Enhancement of Visitor Services

North West Tasmania's tourism visitor services are being reviewed in a region-wide project coordinated by the Cradle Coast Authority and funded by the Australian Government's Local Government Reform Fund.

Aimed to identify improvements to the efficiency and effectiveness of visitor service delivery, including visitor centre operations, the distribution of visitor information and directional and interpretive signage, the four month project is scheduled for completion in May.

Cradle Coast Regional Tourism Development Manager, Ian Waller, said that a shared approach to visitor service delivery could enable the region to provide better quality experiences for the important tourist market.

Between Newsletter Promotion

In a unique arrangement, Latrobe Council collates articles for Tuesday's Latrobe Coast to Coast page of The Advocate, printed each Tuesday.

Should you have information that you would like to promote in this section of The Advocate, please forward the details to michelled@latrobe.tas.gov.au with "Latrobe Coast to Coast" in the subject heading at least three (3) weeks prior to the date you'd like it in the paper, noting that at times there is a lot of demand with articles.

Crib and 500 Night

Live in the Port Sorell area and enjoy a game of cards?

Crib and 500 are played on the 1st and 3rd Monday evening of each month at the Port Sorell Golf Club, Shearwater Boulevard, Shearwater from 7.00 pm.



Admission is just \$5 per person and includes a delicious home-made supper while the winners of the card

games also receive a small prize for their efforts.

For more information, phone Claire on 6428 6173.

Toy Kitchen Furniture Complete

As well as being busy in the lead up to Christmas by assembling swing sets, toys, completing odd jobs for people and basically enjoying the role of being 'Santa's helpers', the Port Sorell Men's Shed received an appreciated and much needed financial injection as their very own Christmas present in the form of considerable financial support from the Tasmanian Community Fund and Cement Australia. This was the result of a successful application for grants that were lodged in the later part of last year and means that the Shed can now spend these funds on machinery and tools. The Tasmania Community Fund is an independent fund that supports and strengthens Tasmanian Communities by distributing funds to those communities.

More good news is that the Port Sorell Men's Shed has completed the construction of the play kitchen for the brand new Port Sorell Primary School. This was a commissioned job representing the first of many positive partnerships between the Shed and local community groups and services. Members hope the littlies enjoy many hours of creative play as a result of their hard yakka and wish them well for their first year at their new school.



Pictured: Port Sorell Men's Shed members Peter French and Mike Dixon present the completed kitchen appliance to Port Sorell Primary School representatives Tania Bean, Rose Devlin and Maree Rice

Members are reminded that the monthly BBQ's are continuing and are held at the shed on the last Sunday of every month from 12 noon. Everyone is welcome, members and non-members alike.

As the Port Sorell Men's Shed approaches its first Annual General Meeting and the end of the first year of membership subscription, they would like to take the opportunity to encourage all present members and the wider community to continue to support the Shed by renewing their membership or joining for the first time. The long term success of the Shed depends heavily on member use and continued growth, so be sure to join the fun and sign up. Contact the Secretary, Roly Gibbons on

0408 852 111 or Tony Kitson on 0459 356 058 for more information. The Shed also has its own phone which can be contacted on 0487 020 898.

Remember, the Shed is open 9.30 am -3.30 pm Monday to Friday with 'happy hour' Friday's from 12.30 pm.

Multicultural Medical Service

The Port Sorell Medical Centre is turning into a multicultural melting pot in order to meet the medical needs faced in the Port Sorell area.

Along with Dr Rosemary (Tasmania), Dr Lenton (originally from United Kingdom), Dr Angela (Ukraine) and Dr Haq (India), the Port Sorell Medical Centre has recently secured the services of Dr Deminda Mahapatunage (Sri Lanka) and Dr Jeremy Bott (Tasmania).

Dr Deminda comes with six years medical experience in Sri Lanka and worked in Western Australia before moving to Port Sorell with his family to take up the position with the practice.

"Working as a GP in Australia is quite different to Sri Lanka," said Dr Deminda. "Where you go to your GP here for your everyday medical needs and the hospital for an emergency, in Sri Lanka it is the other way around."

In order to work in Australia, Dr Deminda had to meet stringent requirements to obtain a Skilled Migration Visa, pass an Australian Medical Council examination as well as a pre-employment structured clinical interview (PESCI) however the dream of a better quality of life for him and his family and doing what he loves to do - General Practice doctoring - drove the decision to move to Australia.

Dr Deminda praised the welcoming nature of the Port Sorell Medical Centre and Medicare Local who have put him in contact with other Sri Lankan medical professionals in the area.

Dr Jeremy Bott is the practice's first ever GP Registrar, born and raised on the North West Coast and now living locally.

Dr Bott advises that he has always been drawn to General Practice. "I like to have a diverse range of medicine, illnesses and problems to deal with and I like the community based work," he said but also conceded that he is a rarity with young GP's and that getting Australian GP's especially in the rural areas and the northern part of Tasmania is quite difficult. "For young people, there are more specialist opportunities that come from working in a city" he added but that comes at the expense of having a rounded medical skill set.

Prior to joining the practice, Dr Bott was based at the Mersey Community Hospital as Emergency Registrar and attests to the exasperation of patients stating that many came to the hospital for medical attention when advised that they had a two week wait to see their GP.

Port Sorell Medical Practice Manager, Mrs Ingrid Dockrill, states that, "with the addition of Dr Deminda and Dr Bott to our team, patients can currently get a same day appointment.

The extension of our building also provides an opportunity to extent the types of medical services beyond the GP, nurses, podiatry and physiotherapy services that we currently offer. We are always on the lookout for someone that would fit with our organisation and provide for the needs of the Port Sorell area."

Vineyard Focus of Festival

As part of the Devonport Food and Wine Festival, Ghost Rock Vineyard will be hosting a number of events including a Grape to Glass Vineyard Tour and a Cradle to Coast Tasting Trail Tour.

Former MasterChef contestant, Ben Milbourne, who is also the Ambassador for the Devonport Food and Wine Festival, will be conducting a culinary tour of North West Tasmania, embarking on the newly formed Cradle to Coast Tasting Trail for a day tour with an intimate group of 20 people on 17 March.

The tour will showcase the produce of Cradle Coast Tasting Trail businesses and explore Tasmania's culinary offerings through Ben's eyes. The bus will depart from Ghost Rock Vineyard at 9.30 am, take in a variety of other venues and wrap up back at the cellar door for a glass of wine and a platter at the end of the day. Cost is \$120 pp. Contact the Devonport Entertainment and Convention Centre to book your place on 6420 2990 or online at www.decc.net.au.

Again on 17 March, Ghost Rock Vineyard's Grape to Glass tour will be hosted by owner Colin Arnold.

Commencing at 10.30am, guests will enjoy a guided tour of the vineyard and taste each of the grape varieties straight from the vine before relaxing on the deck overlooking the vines, sampling a selection of wines accompanied by a shared platter lunch. Cost is \$25 pp.

To book your place, please contact the cellar door on 6428 4005.

Veteran Vehicle Display

The North West section of the Veteran Car Club of Australia will be finishing their 57th Annual State Rally at Bells Parade on Monday, 11th March.

Approximately 80 vehicles ranging in age from 1907 to 1976 will gather at Bells Parade from about 10:30 am onwards providing a wonderful opportunity for you to come and view the love and care that has gone into preserving these vehicles as well as speak with their owners about that journey.

Some of the vehicles are car names that are not frequently seen these days including Darracq, Hupmobile, Packard, Overland, Studebaker, Arrol Johnson, Rover, Sunbeam, Morris, Oldsmobile, Vauxhall, Willys, Austin, Humber, Citroen, Bentley, Daimler, Fiat and Singer.

This opportunity only comes about once every three years when the VCCA rally comes to the North West Coast so don't miss the opportunity. Best of all, there's no cost to attend.

Pledge to Switch

In 2012 the sixth and largest Earth Hour to date was held, with 152 countries taking part around the world.

Here in Australia - where Earth Hour began - over 7 million people switched off their lights to show support for a more sustainable world.

In 2013 WWF Earth Hour are asking all Australians to switch off the lights at 8.30 pm on Saturday, 23 March for Earth Hour and take the pledge to switch to renewable energy, sending a clear message that the renewables revolution is well and truly underway in Australia.

To find out more about Earth Hour or make the pledge, go to <http://www.earthhour.org/>

Grants on the Grapevine

Tasmanian Community Fund - Round 26

Providing grants to community organisations that make a difference by improving the social, environmental and economic wellbeing of the Tasmanian community.

Applications for small grants (up to \$10,000) will close on 20 March 2013.

Applications for medium grants (\$10,001 to \$90,000) will close on 3 April 2013

More information: phone 6233 2920 or email admin@tascomfund.org

Sport and Recreation - Minor Grants Program

The Minor Grants Program provides grants for sport and recreation minor equipment purchases, simple facility developments or upgrades, planning and research studies, participation projects and other development initiatives.

Amount: between \$500 and \$10,000

Closes: 27 March

More information: http://www.sportandrecreation.tas.gov.au/sportrectas/funding_opportunities

Emerging Needs Grants

Funds eligible organisations that do not currently receive financial support from Council and who have identified and seek to address a need within the Latrobe Municipality in the fields of environment, health and community welfare; and sport and recreation.

Funded projects may include equipment purchases, simple facility or infrastructure improvements, research or planning projects, and projects to develop and empower the community.

Amount: Up to \$1,500.

Closes: 10 May

More information: 6421 4650 (Michelle).



Arts, Culture and Festivals Assistance

Sponsorship of eligible organisations that nurtures new and established arts, culture and events activities in the Latrobe Municipality and results in social, cultural and economic benefits for the municipality.

Amount: Up to \$750.

Closes: 10 May

More information: 6421 4650 (Michelle).

Tasmanian Premier's Arts Partnership Fund

Matches the financial commitment of a business to a local artist or arts organisation - effectively doubling the value of the partnership.

Amount: between \$5,000 and \$10,000

Closes: Ongoing

More information: tas@abaf.org.au or 6233 5934

Pram Walking Group

Get more active with a free pram-walking group. Not only is it a great way to meet other parents, have fun, you are also looking after your own health.

If you would like to join a group or for more information, please contact Glenys Nicholls at Latrobe Council on 64214650 or glenysn@latrobe.tas.gov.au

Local Felting Workshop



Inspirational displays from Tasmanian Regional Arts' 2013 Exhibition Touring Program supports and promotes local and statewide arts groups and individuals.

Rubicon River Arts presents a *Come and Try Felt Workshop* on Saturday, 20th

April at 1.00 pm - 5.00 pm at the Anglican Church Hall, Rice Street, Port Sorell. Participants will have the opportunity to create two items to take home for a cost of \$45. Bookings are essential. Please contact Karen on 0408 811167 for details.

'*Language of War*,' Poetry and Images from the Heart, is now showing at Devonport LINC. Featuring 15 Tasmanian poets, it presents a diverse range of viewpoints expressed fluently in word and image. Coordinated by Graeme Lindsay of Deloraine, each poem accompanies a photograph of a war memorial from a region in Australia, from Grass Valley in WA to Bothwell in Tasmania.

'*An Unconstructed Bag Lady & A Hooked Bloke*' is a joint exhibition of quirky crochet by Adrienne Krist and Kim O'Brien showing later this year.

The Rubicon River Arts Annual General Meeting will be held at the Anglican Church Hall on Monday, 4th March at 7.00 pm, followed by the ordinary monthly meeting.

For a link to the world of arts or an opportunity to share your skills, please join us.

Lions Club of Port Sorell



The Lions Club of Port Sorell thanks the community and visitors to the area for the terrific support they have given to the various events held over the busy summer months.

These were kicked off with the first "Christmas in the Street" event in early December. Lots of little faces painted, kids on ponies, stalls with lots of goodies, and some great photos taken with Santa. The club has received positive feedback from the businesses and stall holders involved as well as the community.

The Christmas Carols were another wonderful evening at the Port Sorell Hall. Christmas atmosphere was provided by the Crescendo Choir, Gina Harvey, Gina Timms and the Latrobe Federal Band. Santa was also well received when he arrived with lollies for the younger children.

Relay for Life fundraising activities held in the Caravan Park over the summer included pancakes, weekly raffle and two book sales. These were once again well supported. A final figure of the total amount raised will be available shortly.

The first "Jazz at the Port" event has received a great response. Many jazz followers turned out for the day and many travelling from outside the Port Sorell area. Those attending have told club members they will be back for next year's event if one is held. They were also impressed with the wonderful location at Camp Banksia and the facilities available there.

The club's big events have slowed down now, however over the next couple of months members will attend the annual Relay for Life weekend coming up, provide Sunday lunch at Orana Respite Centre and provide gate keeping service at a couple of other events.

If you would like to become a member of the Lions Club of Port Sorell, contact Lions Rosemary Rabbetts on 6428 7389.

The Entertainer in You

Members of the Tasmanian Performing Arts Centre are regular participants in a number of community activities and events throughout the Latrobe Municipality.

They provide many an opportunity for children and adults alike to pursue their performance dreams, whether it be via drama, theatre, vocal or musical through to audio, lighting and stage production.

Participation in classes is currently being offered.

Should you wish to avail yourself of this unique opportunity, please contact Deb Morcom on 0417 133 223.

Celebrate Your Community



Neighbourhood Watch is a community-based crime prevention program which relies on the community and the police working together in a partnership to achieve its aims to improve the quality of life within a neighbourhood by minimising preventable crime and promoting closer community ties.

With this in mind, Port Sorell Neighbourhood Watch would like to encourage everyone to make the most of the unique opportunity coming up at the end of this month when Australia celebrates Neighbour Day on Sunday 31st March.

"We would like to see as many neighbours as possible take up the challenge to come together, perhaps to welcome a new resident, or to say thank you, to use the opportunity to include someone who is older or living alone or even, because it is also Easter Sunday, perhaps have a good old Easter Egg Hunt.

The Neighbour Day website at www.neighbourday.org has lots of suggestions and downloadable kits to help neighbours get together and have fun.

After all, a community that looks out for each other is a safer community in which to live," said Port Sorell Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator Kate Birch.

Port Sorell Neighbourhood Watch meets at 7.00 pm in the Port Sorell Memorial Hall on the last Tuesday of the month, from February to November. All are welcome. Enquiries 0412 456 740.

Historic Property Deeds Released

The Tasmanian Family History Society Mersey Branch now has an index of Deeds for researchers.

This index contains an alphabetical and a property list of the original Deeds held at the Branch covering properties throughout Latrobe, Harford, Thirlstane, Northdown, Sassafras as well as other north west properties. All up, there are 750 names listed relating to 220 properties. These are original documents with the earliest dating back to mid 1800's.

The 'In Loving Memory' series of transcriptions and CD of images in Latrobe is also available at the Family History Library, visitors welcome.

The Family History Library, located behind the Latrobe Library, Gilbert Street, Latrobe, is open from 11.00 am to 3.00 pm, Tuesdays and Fridays and can be reached by phoning 6426 2257.

Add Your Voice to the National Debate

People with a disability have the right to have their voice heard in the ongoing national debate that informs government policy. The *1 in 4 Poll* aims to strengthen the voice of people with a disability.

The *1 in 4 Poll* is a regular national survey that lets people with a disability express their views on a range of social issues and has ethics approval from Deakin University and Scope. The first Poll focused on Social Inclusion, the current Poll explores negative attitudes towards disability, or people with a disability.

The responses of people who complete the Polls will be used to influence government policy and inform future practice and research.

A Poll is currently being conducted so that the views of the *1 in 4* Australians with a disability will be heard directly and responded to.

To complete the survey go to www.1in4pollaustralia.com.



Surf Club Upgrade

The Port Sorell Surf Life Saving Club is one of 11 surf lifesaving clubs around Tasmania that will benefit from a \$2.44 million funding commitment by the Tasmanian Government for upgrade works.

Throughout the 11 clubs, the improvements include repairs, maintenance, extensions, better storage facilities and energy-efficient lighting.

Until recently, the Port Sorell Surf Life Saving Club had an exemption from Saturday patrols in March however, in accepting a new rescue ready, fully fitted IRB and road trailer from Surf Life Saving Tasmania, additional patrols are required to be undertaken.

As a result, the Port Sorell Surf Life Saving Club is extending its patrols to include Saturdays and Sundays and long weekends in March as well as Good Friday this year.

The Club has also been successful in securing Sport and Recreation Grants funding that has enabled the purchase of new nipper boards.

Members' CPR techniques will benefit from practise with the new manikins purchased as a result of a grant from Cement Australia.

The Club's Annual Dinner will be held on April 6 during which the accomplishments of members and the Club are recognised. For more information about the Club, go to www.portsorellsurf lifesavingclub.com.au.

Latrobe Scouts

The Latrobe Scout Group has reconvened for the 2013 year after coming off a high for 2012 when their hard work in float construction won them the community section of the Latrobe Lions Christmas Parade.

In order to meet youth interest in Latrobe Scouts, more Leaders are urgently needed.

If you enjoy working with youth and developing their potential, phone Shirley on 0400 425 970 or email paradisesun9@hotmail.com to discuss how you can be involved.

Latrobe Men's Shed Funded

The Latrobe Baptist Church has been successful in securing funding of \$37,080 from the Tasmanian Community Fund to establish a Men's Shed at the rear of their Gilbert Street, Latrobe premises.

You Are Never Too Old

You are never too old to "Keep Fit and Be Well".

With this in mind, alongside Rubicon Grove's "Be fit for work, Be fit for life" idea, a small group of three staff members and three residents decided to join the Port Sorell Heart Foundation walk each Tuesday morning.

Too eager to wait for the Heart Movers, they decided to set off on their own, discovering Port Sorell's new outdoor fitness equipment alongside the beachfront walking track.

Since that day the small group has grown to such an extent that three cars are now required to bring the increasing number of participants to the much anticipated "Shearwater Tuesday" walk.



Pictured: Barbara Clark and Phyllis Kaye working their waistlines

The activity involves participants walking on the track alongside Freers Beach. As well as enjoying the walk, the views and the fresh sea air, the group stops at the Shearwater Park outdoor gym where a majority of them work out on the free exercise equipment on offer, even though they all have different levels of mobility. The walk concludes at the Port Sorell Surf Club, where the group can enjoy the beautiful and breathtaking views before returning to their provided

transport.

The benefits of this ongoing weekly outing can be seen through the regular participants, as they are walking further and stepping out faster - not to mention the sheer enjoyment of attending a walk along the beach.

The group is aged from 21-90 so if they can get out there and keep fit, so can you.

Save Lives This Easter!

That's the message the Australian Red Cross Blood Service is sending to Latrobe municipality residents over the upcoming Easter holiday period.

"The need for blood never takes a holiday," Community Relations Officer, Helen Rockliff said.

"Every week more than 27,000 donations are required to help patients in need including road trauma victims, burns victims, unborn babies, and people experiencing chronic and debilitating illnesses.

A blood product called platelets, crucial to help treat cancer patients, has a shelf life of just five days and as many regular donors go on holiday over Easter, stocks of platelets can drop quite quickly.

You never know when it may be a loved one in need of a blood transfusion, with one in three Australians needing blood at some stage during their life.

One hour of your time this Easter could mean a lifetime to the person who receives your blood."

If you are aged between 16-70 years and are feeling well, you may be eligible to donate blood.

For more information please call 13 14 95 or visit www.donateblood.com.au.



Quick Reference In Emergency

Following the Youth of the Year final, the Club is busy getting organised for Relay for Life.

The Club's commitment to the football gates commences on Good Friday following on from a busy January and February.

With help from members of the football club and Port Sorell Lions, the Speedway Season has been very busy and thanks go to both groups for their assistance, friendship and camaraderie.

The used spectacle and used stamp projects have proven very effective with gratitude extended to all contributors. Please keep sending them in to the Latrobe Family Medical Practice, Coventry's Pharmacy and Ritchie's IGA X-Press.

The club has a small number of Emergency Medical Information Booklets which are invaluable in an emergency when ambulance and other medical practitioners can quickly look up medical history, medication etc.

The Lions Club of Latrobe meet on the first and third Monday of each month at Shadows Cafe, 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm. For information about the club, our activities, aims and objectives please feel free to contact Peter Burk at Morse's Butchery, Stuart Ritchie, Kae Campbell or any Lions Member.



Heed a Need and Stop a Weed

Weed control along the Rubicon foreshore is one of the ongoing tasks undertaken by Rubicon Coast and Landcare members.

Blackberries - a Weed of National Significance - at Hawley, and Cape Ivy at Larooma have been targeted this Summer. Without regular spraying these two invasive weeds would take over large stretches of coastal vegetation, crowding out local indigenous plants.

Agapanthus has become another weed by spreading from gardens into the Larooma and Aubrey Luck Reserves, where it is very persistent. It will help prevent further spreading into the bush if everyone with agapanthus flowers cuts off the dead heads to stop them setting seed.

Rubicon Coast and Landcare is a community group that cares for the indigenous vegetation along the Rubicon estuary and coastal reserves. If you would like to join the group, contact the secretary at rubicon_inc@hotmail.com

Latrobe Council Works Report

The following works are scheduled to be undertaken throughout the Latrobe Municipality over the next couple of months. Should you have any queries in relation to same, please do not hesitate to contact Council's Engineering Works Coordinator on 6421 4650 -

Roads

- Corner realignment on Native Plains Road
- Asphalt footpath of Wilmot Street between Griffiths Street and Felina Way
- Footpath link on Bradshaw and Reibey Street
- Footpath development in Archer Street between Port Street and Darling Street
- Timber bridge replacement on Skirvings Road
- Roadside slashing
- Other road maintenance

Buildings

- Youth Centre disabled toilet
- Senior Citizens disabled toilet
- Museum building external painting
- Building maintenance

Parks and Reserves

- Maintain the extensive network of parks and reserves
- Prepare and manage sports facilities
- Assist with community events
- Maintain Elderly Persons Unit lawns
- Street cleaning and rubbish bin refuse management
- Maintain public conveniences

Nature Takes Care of Own

From February onwards, nature begins preparing for the hardships of winter. Many penguins are too weak to survive this testing time, and the surge of natural attrition is welcomed by other species who use the protein to fuel annual migrations or to feed their own young. The last of this breeding season's penguin chicks may be found starving on the beach, waiting in vain for exhausted parents to return. Both chicks and adults begin moulting and cannot feed until they have grown their new and waterproofed feathers.

If you come across weak penguins, please leave them on the beach, - distressing as it may be, this annual cull is part of the natural cycle and in the long term, keeps the penguin population healthy and strong.

March marks the annual 'Clean Up Australia' Campaign.

The mainly plastic rubbish that finds its way from our homes to the sea is a growing catastrophe for our oceans. Lost fishing nets, ropes and rings, strangle and drown marine species. Deflated balloons, plastic bags and floating debris when swallowed, lead to starvation, and tiny, pulverised plastic is poisoning the bottom of the food chain.

Take action today to help our beautiful planet stay healthy. Ring your local Council for CUA details or look it up on the web, - our wildlife needs you!

For any information on masked owls, concerns about injured animals, or snake removal please ring 0409 978 064. If the service is busy, please make sure you leave your name, number and a brief message so CNWCR can return your call.



Seat Dedication

Latrobe Council's seat dedication program recently saw the installation of a seat in Panatana Family Park at Port Sorell.

Donated by Matt, Ange and Lilah Nicolle, the seat is in memory of their baby son and brother, Adye, who died in Mumbai, India after just one day on this earth.

"Adye is buried there in a peaceful church cemetery 10,000 km away from us. This seat gives us a place to go as a family with his twin sister Lilah, to reflect on his short life and to feel a little closer to him," said Mrs Nicolle.

There are now five seats installed throughout the Municipality through this program.

If you would like to know more about this opportunity, please contact Ronald Viney at Latrobe Council (6421 4650) or access the information on Council's website.

Get Fit with a Personal Trainer

Exercise classes involving the use of the outdoor gym equipment at the northern end of Shearwater Park are currently being held on Tuesdays from 5.00 pm until 5.40 pm and Wednesdays from 7.30 am until 8.10 am for the low cost of \$2 per person.

Additionally, yoga is being offered within Shearwater Park on a Wednesday from 8.15 am, again for \$2 per person.

For more information, please contact Glenys Nicholls on 6421 4650.

Are You Ready?

On 9 April 2013 analog TV will be permanently switched off across Tasmania and free-to-air TV will be broadcast in digital-only.

To continue watching free-to-air TV, you need to ensure your television can receive the digital signals by either:

- connecting a set-top box or digital recorder to an analog TV, or;
- upgrading to a digital TV, which has a built-in digital tuner.

If you cannot access digital TV from a terrestrial transmitter site the government-funded Viewer Access Satellite Television (VAST) service is available. The VAST service offers all 17 free-to-air channels and a regional news channel. To access VAST you will need a satellite dish and VAST set-top box for each TV you wish to connect.

The Government has set up two practical assistance schemes to help with the switch to digital TV - the Household Assistance Scheme and the Satellite Subsidy Scheme. If you are eligible for either of these schemes, you should have received a letter asking you to apply.

To find out more about digital switchover, including how to access local help and information about assistance schemes, visit the Digital Ready Website at www.digitalready.gov.au or call the Digital Ready Information Line on 1800 20 10 13.

The Ultimate Tarmac Rally

Targa Tasmania will be held throughout Tasmania from 16-21 April.

On April 17 though, stages involving road closures throughout the Latrobe Municipality will be effected, specifically -

Moriarty Stage from 10.00 am until 2.30 pm which includes Valleyfield Rd, Chapel Rd, Oppenheims Rd, Hermitage Lane, Bonneys Lane and Moriarty Rd.

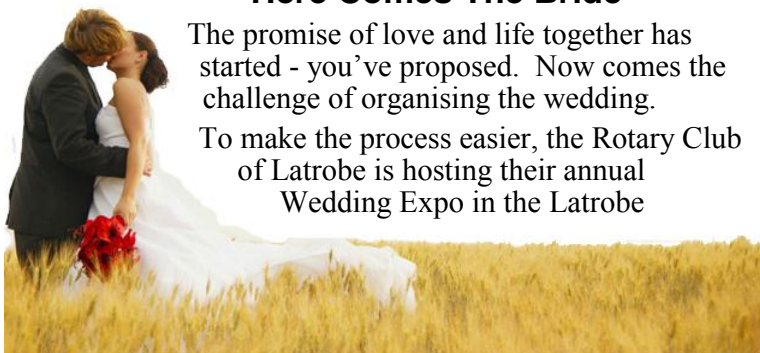
The Merseylea stage, from 10.25 am until 2.55 pm affects Native Plains Rd, Lovetts Flat Rd, Merseylea Rd, Railton Rd, Sunnyside Rd, Railton Rd and Stoodley Rd.

Full details of the course are available from www.targa.com.au.

Here Comes The Bride

The promise of love and life together has started - you've proposed. Now comes the challenge of organising the wedding.

To make the process easier, the Rotary Club of Latrobe is hosting their annual Wedding Expo in the Latrobe



Memorial Hall on April 28 from 10.00 am until 3.00 pm.

This is the only event on the North West Coast that showcases retailers who provide a variety of wedding services.

This year Peter Murphy from Southern Cross Television and En Vogue Modelling Agency will add some fun to the event with fashion parades at 11am and 1.30 pm.

Harvey World Travel are again sponsoring a Honeymoon Package to be presented at the Expo.

Entry fees have been kept at \$5 with children U15 free.

The Rotary Club of Latrobe continues to host this event to support wedding businesses on the Coast while raising funds for local community projects.

ANZAC Day Arrangements

ANZAC Day Services will be held on Thursday, 25 April at the Latrobe Cenotaph in the Post Office Reserve, Gilbert Street, Latrobe.

Services include -

- **Dawn Service** (coordinated by the Latrobe RSL) commencing with a step off from James Street at 5.45 am. The Service starts at 6 am. Breakfast at *Bellys Bar and Grill* will follow the Service.
- **Citizens Commemorative Service** (coordinated by Latrobe Council) starts with a march from James Street, stepping off at 9.45 am. The Service starts at 10.00 am.

If you wish to participate in either march as a group, please register with the Latrobe RSL (6426 1255) so you can be appropriately placed in the parade formation.

If you wish to lay a wreath/ book, which is only offered at the mid-morning Service, you **MUST** confirm your intention to do so with Michelle Dutton (michelled@latrobe.tas.gov.au) by April 2 to be included on the list as it is read out.

Seating will be provided at each Service with attendees asked to give priority to returned veterans, the aged and persons with very young children.

For both Services, James Street between Gilbert and George Streets will be closed to enable Parade participants to assemble.

Gilbert Street, from James to Hamilton Street, will be temporarily closed to through traffic as the Parade marches from the Latrobe RSL to the Cenotaph.

Gilbert Street, between Hamilton and Barclay Street, inclusive of Weld Street and the access to the Station Square car park will be closed for the duration of the Parade and Service. Traffic will be detoured via Cotton Street, Latrobe.

What's On

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

March

- 4 **Lions Club of Latrobe Youth of the Year Quest.**
☎ 6426 1442
- 4 **Rubicon River Arts Annual General Meeting** at the Anglican Church Hall at 7.00 pm
- 5 **Chocolate Masterclass** at the House of Anvers, 9025 Bass Highway, Latrobe from 1.30 pm to 4.30 pm. Cost: \$75 pp. Bookings 6426 2958
- 7 **Latrobe Carnivale** from 5.30 pm until 8.30 pm in Gilbert Street, Latrobe. Come and enjoy the carnival

- experience as artisans entertain with their skills and shops are open for late night trading. ☎ 6421 4650 (Chris)
- 8 Richard Gill and the TSO** perform in the Latrobe Memorial Hall. General admission: \$5 - \$26. Bookings essential. ☎ 1800 001 190 or go online to tso.com.au
- 10 Gypsy Rose** at Shearwater Resort from 4.00 pm. Free entry. ☎ 6428 6205
- 14 Latrobe Carnivale** from 5.30 pm until 8.30 pm in Gilbert Street, Latrobe. Come and enjoy the carnival experience as artisans entertain with their skills and shops are open for late night trading. ☎ 6421 4650 (Chris)
- 15-24 10 Days on the Island.** Refer to separate article
- 17 Cheese Making with Red Cow Dairy** at Tranquilles Cooking School from 10am until 3pm. Cost: \$160. Bookings ☎ 6428 7555
- 17 Grape to Glass Vineyard tour** of Ghost Rock Vineyard from 10.30 am includes a guided tour of vineyard and shared platter lunch. Cost: \$25 pp. ☎ 6428 4005
- 17 Cradle to Coast Culinary Tasting Trail Tour** with Ben Milbourne commencing at Ghost Rock Vineyard, 1055 Port Sorell Main Road, Northdown at 9.30 am. Cost: \$120 pp. ☎ 6420 2990
- 17 Targa Tasmania** comes to the Latrobe Municipality. Refer to separate article.
- 19 Indian Cooking** at Tranquilles Cooking School from 5.30 pm until 8.30 pm. Learn Indian Culinary Art with Ajay, Learn authentic curry, blending spices and balancing spices in dishes. Cost: \$160 pp. ☎ 6428 7555
- 21 Little Big Shots - International Film Festival for Kids** in the Latrobe Memorial Hall at 1.30 pm (for 2-12 year olds) and 4 pm (for 6-16 year olds). Free admission. ☎ 6233 5700
- 22 Sprag Session** at the Australian Axemans Hall of Fame from 7.00 pm. Admission fees apply - book early - <http://tendaysontheisland.org/2013/tickets/>.
- 23 Metro Auto Spares Dash for Cash** at Bendigo Bank Arena, Speedway Drive, Latrobe featuring Sprintcars (Low), Super Sedans, Formula 500s (State Title), AMCAs, Lightning Sprints, Junior Sedans, Demolition Derby, Karts. Admission fees apply. ☎ 0417 593 518
- 23 Bon Jovi Tribute Show** supported by the Love Gods at Shearwater Resort from 6.30 pm. Cost: \$25 per person. Bookings ☎ 6428 6205
- 24 Thai Cooking** at Tranquilles Cooking School from 10am until 2pm. For all those Thai lovers come along and learn the secrets of traditional Thai food with Asian chef Anthony Kwong. You will learn how to make Green Curry, Thai stir fry and Tom Yum soup. Cost: \$155 pp. ☎ 6428 7555
- 24 Delta Therapy Community Dog Walk** from Pioneer Park, cnr Rice and Meredith Street, Port Sorell at 11.00 am. Register from 10.30 am. Cost: \$5 family, individual \$3. ☎ 6424 8948
- 28 Essence of Elvis** at the Australian Axemans Hall of Fame from 1.30 pm. Cost: \$5 pp. Meals available. Bookings ☎ 6426 2099

- 29 Essence of Elvis** at the Australian Axemans Hall of Fame from 7.30 pm. Cost: \$10 pp. Meals available from 6pm. Bookings ☎ 6426 2099
- 29 Seafood Cooking Class** at Ghost Rock Vineyard, 1055 Port Sorell Main Road, Northdown from 10.00 am until 3.00 pm. Cost: \$120 pp. Bookings ☎ 6420 2900
- 29 Mar - 2 April EASTER**
- 30 Essence of Elvis** at the Australian Axemans Hall of Fame from 1.30 pm. Cost: \$5 pp. Meals available. Bookings ☎ 6426 2099
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- 20 Come and Try Felt Workshop** at the Anglican Church Hall, Rice Street, Port Sorell from 1.00 pm until 5.00 pm. Cost: \$45. ☎ 0408 811 167
- 22 Apr - 3 May School Holidays**
- 25 ANZAC Day Services**, Post Office Reserve, Gilbert Street, Latrobe
6.00 am Dawn Service
9.45 am Citizens Commemorative Service
Refer to separate article

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- 5 Latrobe Cemetery Working Bee** from 9.00 am at the Latrobe Cemetery, Gilbert Street, Latrobe. This is a major working bee in readiness for Mother's Day. ☎ 6426 1797 (Mike) or 6421 4650 (Candice)

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