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The recent SeaDays Festival held at Port Welshpool had to overcome Covid and foul weather in the lead up to the event. This was reflected in a smaller than usual number of visitors.

Those that did attend were all very impressed with the variety of activities for everyone.

The ever popular "Come Try Fishing" saw some children at each session catch their first fish. Thanks to Recreational Fishing Victoria for their continued support.

We welcomed Birdlife Australia and the West Gippsland Library Service for the first time, (and hopefully not the last) along with the Welshpool Horticultural Society, and all were popular with our visitors with a variety of activities.

The Star of the South offshore windfarm project updated visitors on this huge project to be installed off Woodside Beach.

The Port Welshpool Working Group would like to thank Star of the South for their generous support for this year's Festival.

The Port Welshpool Coast Guard and Friends of Agnes Falls rounded out the attractions for this year.

Music was supplied by Cladene-Maree and her student Gabby on the violin, a change from previous years, but very well received.

While Covid meant that Coast Care and Parks Victoria could only have a very limited presence for the Festival, they were still heavily involved in the planning process.

The Port Welshpool Working Group would like to thank ALL volunteers and contributors to this year's festival and look forward to next year's festival to be held on January 7th and 8th 2023.

Hopefully the Covid situation will be such that a much larger event can be delivered.





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Prostate Cancer Charity Drive

The Great Southern Rail Trail was buzzing with activity over the Australia Day long weekend when members from the Eastern Vic Pleasure Harness Club and the Southern Cross Harness Club organised a fundraiser for Prostate Cancer.

Their trip took them from Leongatha to Welshpool, finishing up at the Welshpool Recreation Reserve.

Members faced a number of challenges along the way including the unpredictable weather.

Congratulations to the Clubs for organising such a wonderful fundraiser and enjoying our beautiful Rail Trail. We look forward to seeing you all again.



Welshpool & District Primary School

Great to see so many smiling faces as we have a fantastic start to 2022!







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Welshpool & District Advisory Group

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The Welshpool and District Advisory Group who manage the Welshpool Rural Transaction Centre and

the Welshpool Op Shop understands the impact of Covid-19 on our district and families, in accordance with the Groups mandate we are able to offer support.

We are in a fortunate position to invite not-for-profit organisations and clubs to submit an application for a small grant to assist in the purchase of much needed equipment. Written applications can be submitted in person or by email. The application letter requires details about the group/organisation and what the request is for.

Please email us on <u>rtcwelshpool@bigpond.com</u> or call in to 14 Main St. Welshpool.

Port Welshpool Fishing Club

Now that the silly season has come to an end its time to get those rods out of mothballs and catch some fish. There have been some nice fish weighed in over the holiday season and we look forward to many more being weighed in.

We have had a lot of juniors getting involved and weighing in some nice sized fish, even putting some of us older people to shame. It's great to have a few new

families joining the club and having the younger ones involved in a great outdoor activity. It's also wonderful to see the kids enjoying themselves out on the oval at club functions as well.

Remember every fish that you weigh in is a potential winner in the secret weight prize, the more fish you weigh in the more chances you get so let's get our weigh master Ron Hunt busy, send him those pictures and weights regularly.

Our next function is on next **Saturday 19th February** at Welshpool Recreation Reserve so be there or be square 6:30 start byo. Covid rules will apply.

Police and Fisheries have been out in force lately checking boats for safety gear and such a few infringements have been issued, especially to those that haven't been wearing a life jacket while launching and retrieving so make sure all your gear is up to date and checked.



I have not been putting any weights in the newsletter as we are trying to encourage you to weigh in instead of thinking your fish is not big enough. The leader board will be at the club when you come on the weekend. Remember every fish counts, we have heaviest mixed bag trophy that anyone can win young or old just weigh in those fish.

Tight lines and stay safe on the water and land.

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Port Welshpool Working Group Market

Sunday 27th February

9am – 2pm

Old Ferry Terminal Port Welshpool

Covid rules apply (Stall enquiries to Alma......0427310599) Welshpool & District Horticultural Society

Autumn Flower Show

"The Joy of Gardening"

Friday 11th March

Saturday12th March

Welshpool Memorial Hall

Public Choice theme

"Always look on the bright side"

Schedules available from the RTC or Fran Grylls 5184 1376



Friends of Toora Heritage Pear Orchard, inc. NO PEAR PARTY for 2022. We are sorry that we will not be holding the Pear Party This year 2022. This is due to COVID 19 restrictions. We will be open on March 13th for Pear Sales. 11-3pm. Pears will be ready to pick from Mid March. We have an HONESTY system. Pick your own Pears- Bags supplied \$6. \$\$Money into the RED box. Thank You all for your support. Come & see the Fairy Tree & Food Forest Garden.

Further information. Ph Meryl. 0428864520..56816335.

Toora & Dist Family History Group inc. Meet in the Research room, Toora Hall.

Will be reopening on Monday. Feb 7th . 1-4 pm.
If you are interested in researching your family History, or becoming a member, give us a call.
We are currently researching these families.
if you can help with any information please let us know.
BOZINIS lived in Creamery Valley Rd, Toora Nth. Farmer. 1940s.
COLE Margaret Ann. teacher. Hedley. Passed away 2019.
Call in & see us any Monday afternoon. Have a cuppa & chat.
Membership . \$15. Research \$25.
More info. F/b or Ph Mary 56 821166. Meryl 0428864520.



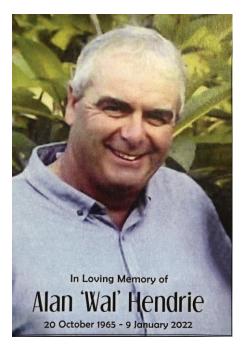


Alan (Wal) Hendrie

Alan (Wal) Hendrie grew up in Welshpool on the family farm. He attended the Welshpool Primary School, Foster High School and Leongatha trade school. Wal completed his farm apprenticeship on his uncles Max and Barry's neighbouring property.

He later ran his own dairy farm in Welshpool and was the first in the area to milk once a day so he could be sure to attend as many of his children's sporting and school events. He worked hard but worked harder for his family.

Wal was a devoted family man who never took life too seriously but earned peoples respect wherever he went. He was very community minded, and whilst in Welshpool was President of the school council, a dedicated member and later Captain of the CFA, and also looked after the Welshpool Cemetery Trust. Wal would always get the job done. He had a knack for making everyone feel like they really mattered and always had a cheeky grin.



Once Wal moved to Noosa in 2013 with Joanne and his girls, he continued to make a huge impact on many people's lives. With the passing of Joanne in 2016 and Ella just a year later, Wals lightness in the face of unimaginable sadness was inspirational. He always had a joke to share and was well known and liked around the town, often seen riding his scooter and always had time for a wave and a chat. Wals career change saw him become a bus driver for Buslink in Noosa. He soon became the heart and soul of the depot and was so happy, he loved his job. He was always reliable and gave so many such joy. He will be greatly missed by the students of Sunshine Coast grammar on his bus run, and his work colleagues.

On behalf of the Welshpool and wider community we extend our sincere condolences to Wals family. He will be sadly missed by many.

In the words of a happy bus driver, "let's all bop along now, livin' the dream. Happy Days".

Alan (Wal) Hendrie 20.10.1965 – 9.1.2022

To the wonderful Welshpool and District Community:

We would like to express our extreme gratitude for all the support and thoughts provided by the Welshpool and District community on the sudden and unexpected passing on our beloved son, father and brother, Alan (Wal). The wonderful tribute to Wal held at the recreation reserve was a great reflection of the impact his cheeky personality had on the district, given that it is almost ten years since the family relocation to Queensland. What a perfectly touching way to remember the character that he was. We could feel the love and support from afar, and the video phone link was a special interaction with those in attendance. It was wonderful to see old familiar faces gathered together to remember old times and share Wal stories, of which there are plenty, most with a humorous element!

How fortunate we were as a family, to be part of a wonderful country community.

We would like to particularly thank Eddie Fowler and David Grylls for arranging the gathering. A special thank also to Ian and Shelly Conn, David and Ben Grylls, Max and Vicki Bennett-Wood, and Trevor Venning, for travelling to Queensland to support us at this challenging and sad time.

Thank you also for the flowers, cards and messages of love and thoughts.

As Wal would say.... "Job's Right" "Toodle Pip"



Eva, Julie, Rvan, Abbev and Ebonv.

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District

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Saturday

Mini Bread Quiches

Ingredients

12 slices bread, crusts removed
100gm zucchini, coarsely grated
¼ cup (30g) coarsely grated tasty cheddar cheese
2 rashes rindless bacon, finely chopped
1 tbsp chopped chives
3 eggs, lightly whisked
1 tbsp milk



Method

Step 1 – Preheat oven to 180°C. Grease 6 holes of a 1/3-cup (80ml) muffin pan. Place 1 slice of bread on a clean working surface. Arrange another slice of bread on top at a 45-degree angle. Use a rolling pin to roll out bread slices until 5mm thick. Repeat with remaining bread slices. Line the prepared holes with bread, pressing down firmly. Spray with olive oil spray. Bake for 15 mins or until just golden.

Step 2 – Combine zucchini, cheddar cheese, bacon and chives in a bowl. Divide evenly among the bread cases. Whisk the egg and milk in a jug and pour evenly over the zucchini mixture. Season. Bake for 20-25 mins or until the egg mixture is light golden and just set. Cool slightly. Serve warm or at room temperature.

(Mini quiches can be made up to 4 days ahead. Store them in an airtight container in the fridge.)



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Port Welshpool and District Maritime Museum

As the calendar flicks over for another year we wonder what this year has in store for us. You never know what is in front of you as it is, but now we have a new way of life living with Covid and all that it has brought. As many generations have faced and learnt how to handle all that had been thrown at them, as they learnt along the way, the same as we are now.

As the Museum 2021 closed with our A.G.M. A new President was elected and we thank Rodney Grylls who stepped up to the position. Fran Grylls has retired from the Presidency but has stayed a very valuable member and we thank her for her dedication over the years. With Rodney leading the Committee, Greg Gordon is in charge of finances and Janet Taylor as Secretary.

With all the Covid restriction the Museum has had its doors closed a good part of the year but with a very dedicated volunteer team the Museum has survived.

During 2021 the Committee was very fortunate to have a few donations that have been very gratefully received and for those we thank the Port Welshpool Working Group and the Port Welshpool Fishing Club. At present our 141 year old building is getting a face lift. Built by John Avery from Port Albert; John walked from Port Albert on a Monday, to build this to be family home for my Grandfather and his soon to be bride Elizabeth from Tarraville. Yes John walked, remembering it was 1881. This builder was known for his good workmanship and this building has stood the test of time. Over the years borer and white ants have been a challenge but we humans have won. Solidly built its only fault as it has aged has been the building has no footings as is required for today's builds but she sits on rocks, well it was 1881 and regulations were much different then. Where these rocks came from we do not know, but guessing the times it probably was from a local area or may be even ballast from a ship, we will probably never know. Wherever that may be they once came in very handy; if you were looking for something to make a mould from so you could make lead sinkers these rocks were ideal. With a Primus, a saucepan and lead from batteries the process began. Make your sinkers then return the rock to under the house, job done. After all it was the age of improvising.

So as the process for the up lift begins we watch with eagerness as she is lifted from the rocks and in some places the earth. We say thank you to everyone concerned for their interest in keeping this grand old lady a very important land mark for history for us all. With a fresh coat of paint and some new shelving all displays will give a better show of what treasures have been stored in her four walls. Further into the year and with Covid regulations permitting, the Museum Committee hope to be able to have guest speakers to help spread knowledge of the history of the area. An oral history day where you can tell your stories of history you have memories of or maybe some photos that can be shared all in the keeping for future generations to come as it would be a shame for us to take history to our graves when we have a time and place for it to be recorded for others to look back on.

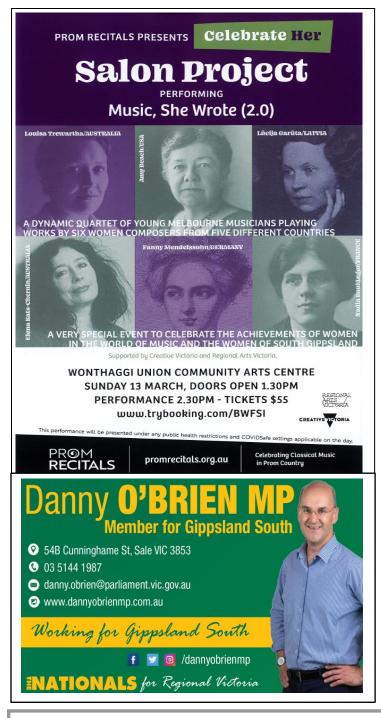
For now the Street Library is still being well used which is great to see, but, if it happens to disappear it is only because of the renovations and it will be back.

So from the Committee and Members of the Museum we wish everyone a safe and happy 2022 and we look forward to seeing you when we open again later in the year or if you would like to help out in anyway your help would be much appreciated.

Contact Janet on 0413199776. Cheers.











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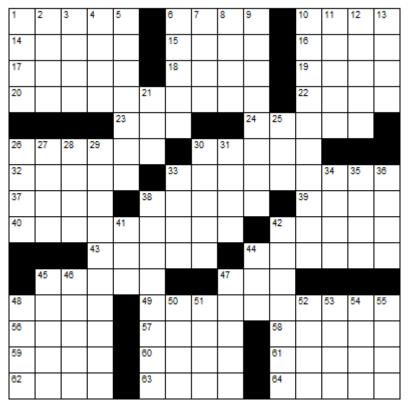
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CROSSWORD



Across

- 1. Distend
- 6. Handle
- 10. Welt
- 14. Move forward suddenly
- 15. Gray wolf
- 16. Poems
- 17. Academy award
- 18. Wicked
- 19. Klutz's cry
- 20. A peninsula
- 22. To endure (archaic)
- 23. N N N N
- 24. Escapade
- 26. Eloquent

- 30. Ancient Greek unit of length
 32. Hard wood
 33. Growths of upper lip hair
 37. Dash
 38. Mommies
 39. Large brown
 seaweed
 40. Blasting cap
 42. Vice _____
 43. Concerns
 44. Encumbrance
 45. Uncertainty
 - it 47. Zero
 48. Distressed cry
 49. Deplorable
 56. Dogfish
 57. Historical periods
 58. To untwist
 59. Gave temporarily
 60. Hue
 61. Way to go
 - 62. Border
 - 63. Articulates 64. Dog-___

Down

- 1. Coalition
- 2. Verdant
- 3. A single time
- 4. Food thickener
- 5. In a concise manner
 6. Secluded valleys
- 7. Wander
- 7. Walluer
- 8. Nile bird
- 9. Skunks
- 10. Tree-boring bird 11. Worship
 - worship
- 12. Pariah
- 13. To be, in old Rome
- 21. In song, the loneliest number
- 25. American Dental
 - American Denta
- Association 26. Provide nourishment
- 27. Qualified
- 28. Jacket
 - et
- 52. Dwarf buffalo 53. Make unclear

47. Homes for birds

48. Harvard rival

50. Diva's solo

51. Numerous

29. Vaccinate (alt.

30. Japanese wrestlers

31. Russian emperor

34. Group of cattle

spell.)

33. Spouse

35. If not

36. Extent

38. European

house martins

41. Apprehend

44. Container

45. Vaulted

46. Unpaid

42. Raptor

54. Tardy

over

- 55. Gave the once-
- Winning entry will receive a free coffee and cake from the Welshpool Café L Supermarket



LAST MONTHS CROSSWORD RESULT

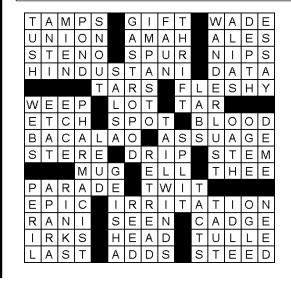
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All correct entries will be put into a hat and the winner will be drawn by Supermarket staff. No correspondence will be entered into etc. Please remember to double-check your spelling. Remember to include your name, contact number and date on your returned entry, Thank you.

Winner of the December Crossword:







Community Group Listing

*Welshpool & District Advisory Group – Contact: Linda Razinger 03 5688 1051

*Welshpool Fire Brigade – training every Thursday night 7.30pm

*Welshpool Recreation Reserve – Contact: Madelaine Mason 0409 976 211

*Welshpool Basketball Association – Contact: Madelaine Mason 0409 976 211

*Prom Coast Soccer Club – http://www.promcoastsoccerclub.com.au/ Contact: Shellie Cashmore 0419 322 384

*Welshpool Memorial Hall – Contact: Alan O'Neill 5688 1419

*Friends of Agnes Falls – https://www.facebook.com/FriendsOfAgnesFalls/

*Port Welshpool Fishing Club – Contact: Jenny Horner 0428 862 028

*Port Welshpool Working Group – Contact: Alma Mattingley 0427 310 599

*Welshpool & District Playgroup – https://www.facebook.com/WelshpoolPlaygroup/

*Welshpool & District Horticultural Society – meeting every 2nd Wednesday of the month. Contact: Tom Reakes Ph. 0429966002

*Port Welshpool & District Maritime Museum – Email: pwmmuseum@gmail.com

*Port Welshpool Coast Guard – Contact: Peter Carrolan 0417 372 059

Community Planning



Last month two members of the Welshpool and District

Advisory Group (WDAG) committee attended a Community Planning Network workshop presented by the South Gippsland Shire Council. A great deal of information was received as well as some invaluable ideas for our future Community Plan.

Thank you to the members of the local community who returned the "Have your Say" forms. We received many forms with a variety of ideas for our local area.

In the near future there will be more information regarding the update of the Welshpool and District Community Plan and how you can become involved. Community members and residents of all ages, workgroups, committees, local businesses, sporting groups and all interested parties will be invited to take part in planning for your future!

Stay tuned for more information or feel free to visit the Welshpool Rural Transaction Centre with any queries you may have.



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