

## The Long Jetty – unofficially open for business

From Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December the Port Welshpool Long Jetty has been unofficially open for business. Although the rehabilitation of the Long Jetty is still ongoing, the facility has been open for the public to enjoy over the Christmas / school holiday break.

Additional works are still required before the official opening in March/April, however most of these works will be carried out whilst the jetty is open. At times certain areas may need to be restricted to the public to ensure safety.

South Gippsland Shire Mayor, Cr Don Hill is excited about the jetty opening. “The community has been awaiting this project for many, many years and it was starting to look like it might never happen. It is exciting that the community will be able to make use of the new jetty ahead of its official opening.”

Council would like to thank Gippsland Ports and the contractor who have been working hard to ensure the facility is available for everyone to enjoy over the summer season.



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## TRADING HOURS

MON - FRI

11.00AM - 4.00PM

- BENDIGO BANK
- CENTRELINK
- VETERANS AFFAIRS
- TAXATION INFORMATION
- MASSAGE (by appointment)
- V/LINE TICKETING OFFICE
- INTERNET ACCESS
- ROOM HIRE
- PASSPORT APPLICATIONS
- VISITING ACCOUNTANT (by appointment)
- DIABETES CLINIC (by appointment)
- TOURIST INFORMATION
- FAX, COPY & PRINT SERVICES



## Centrelink Website

The Centrelink website ([www.centrelink.gov.au](http://www.centrelink.gov.au)) has been incorporated into the Department of Human Services website [humanservices.gov.au](http://humanservices.gov.au). The new site is a convenient, single entry point for health, social and welfare payments and services.

Any questions regarding your payments or entitlements, this would be your first port of call.

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- *Find out the latest information regarding services.*
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Next Visit

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## Port Welshpool Fishing Club

The Australia Day Dinner was extremely successful with just over 60 members and guests attending and enjoying a great night.

**The next dinner will be held on Sat 9<sup>th</sup> March. Casting off about 6-30.**

The evening meal will be a mixed grill along with our traditional nibbles and desserts, so come along and enjoy a night at the Old Port Ferry Terminal

Please let Alma know of numbers if you are attending. 0427310599

The current Best of species are....June Rawlings Senior Female from Jetty, 450gm Flat head



James Petiffer	Junior male Boat	415gm Flat Head
Angela Tisler	Senior Female Boat	1.3Kg Flat Head
Jack	Senior Male Boat	3.41KG Flathead
James Petiffer	Junior Male Boat	5.87 KG Snapper
Lochie	Junior Male Boat	1.72 Kg Gummy.
Vern Suckling	Senior Male Boat	225gm Whiting.

## Undercover Summer Market

Free Entry

BBQ, drinks, snacks

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March

Local stalls offering crafts, gifts  
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# Sea Days Festival

The weather for this year's Sea Days Festival could not have been better. This was reflected in the numbers of locals and visitors being well up over the two days.

A total of 77 children participated in the "Come Try Fishing", with a number of fish caught and put on display in the big fish tank. Fish-care Victoria sponsored this activity. (Your fishing licenses at work).

Rob Gardner and his volunteers manned the Touch Tanks, showing the variety of marine life found in the waters just outside the Terminal. Rob also had a fascinating photo display of his travels around the waters of the world.

Parks Victoria were kept busy answering questions in relation to local wild life and the introduced pest, Japanese Kelp. Barbara Jacobs from Coast-care also had a variety of activities to entertain the children.

The Welshpool Horticultural Society joined in for the first time, their craft table was busy throughout with many children leaving with their "Bonsai" beach creations.

Friends Of Agnes Falls, were keen to show off the plans for the new cantilever viewing platform proposed for Agnes Falls. Dr Bruce Robertson, (The Gull Guy), was also very popular, with his Pacific Gull display, and wealth of information in regards to these birds.

The Port Welshpool Coast Guard kept boat owners up to date with current rules, with Peter Carrolin and June Rawlings showing their collections of rocks and gems.

Sunday we welcomed back Andrew and his interactive reptile display, with many children able to handle a variety of his reptiles.

Winners of the schools poster competition were also announced on Sunday. The winning entries can be viewed on the Sea Days Festival website.

Throughout the event we had a great group of musicians who all helped to maintain the festive atmosphere.

The Port Welshpool Working Group would like thank ALL those volunteers and staff of Parks Victoria, Fish Care Victoria and DELWP for their contribution to the huge success of this year's festival.

A special thank you to Bruce Atkins from DELWP for his work and enthusiasm throughout the year.

See you all for Sea Days 2020 to be held on Sat 4<sup>th</sup> Jan and Sun 5<sup>th</sup> Jan.

WE NEED YOU, The Port Welshpool Working Group recognizes that the Festival is growing, (especially with the opening of the long jetty), and therefore are looking to expand the organizing committee to embrace new ideas and energy.

If you would like to be a part of the 2020 Sea Days Festival, please contact our secretary, Alma Mattingley, on 56881554 or e-mail to [pwwg14@gmail.com](mailto:pwwg14@gmail.com). While there is some work, it is also a lot of fun, and more hands helping, lightens the load for all.







## Twilight Soccer 7's

Come and play soccer for fun  
or get some pre-season training in!

### New Players Welcome

#### Mixed Teams

(teams are not fixed - made up on night)

**What:** 7 people per team, 7 minute halves, half pitch size  
Casual games, no obligation to come every week  
Be 15 years or older  
Must have own shin guards  
BYO Water

**Where:** Welshpool Rec Reserve (Pt Welshpool Rd)

**When:** Wednesdays - starting 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 5.30pm

**Cost:** \$5pp payable on night

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**\*\*All players must sign an indemnity form prior to taking the pitch\*\***



## Welshpool Recreation Reserve

If you've driven down Port Welshpool Road in recent weeks, you will have noticed the new look for our community Recreation Reserve. The complex has been given a new lease of life with a fresh coat of paint to the stadium and main building. Once the doors and old score box receive their new coat the whole building will look like new.

The basketball stadium floor upgrade is also now complete guaranteeing the future of basketball here in Welshpool. With their first all ages season on the new floor already complete, the Welshpool Basketball Association have just begun their Summer Seniors competition, running Wednesday nights until May. Prom Coast Soccer Club are currently running a pre-season Twilight Soccer 7's competition every Wednesday with their main season to begin in late April.

What a great facility we have here in Welshpool, and with continual upgrades and work done by the committees involved, it will remain an important asset for our community.



*Welshpool Memorial Hall presents....*

# *A Night of Rock n' Roll*



*Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2019*

*7pm – 11pm*



The evening will commence with basic rock n' roll lessons and then you are invited to dance the night away to the music of DJ Martin Sullivan.

\$10 Entry and bring a plate of supper to share

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Welshpool & District Horticultural Society

## *Autumn Flower Show*

*“The Tree Of Life” theme*

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March – 1.30pm – 5pm

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March – 10am – 4pm

Welshpool Memorial Hall



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# PORT WELSHPOOL & DISTRICT MARITIME MUSEUM

FISHING..... We are told Millions of dollars are spent each year on recreational fishing. Believe if you will, if you spend a day or just a short time at any boat ramp, not only will you be entertained but you see the range of boats from the old wooden sturdy boat, reminding us of yesteryear to the more modern day, sleek crafts, with everything you 'must have' to catch fish, or so it seems.

The lengths of the boats are one thing, but the motors to power them alone is very impressive, but I guess if your fishing in Bass Strait you need power on your side. The equipment needed to catch fish has come a long way also, from cotton lines and nets to all the nylon cords and lines all in their bright colours. The advertising tells you ..... the fish love this lure because.....and then there is the new naming of objects to make them more attractive. The dip net is now a "fish landing device", of course it is! There are plenty of fishing shows to entice you to all parts of Australia to catch that big one, with the beautiful blue, calm water.

The question is, do the fish really understand the lengths us humans go to to catch them? Have they progressed with the times or are they just out looking for food and like us see something different, as we do, and give it a try, but for them this means there end is our enjoyment. We all have our favourites but most say you can't beat a fresh flattie and especially eaten after being caught that day.

With all the must haves and have nots and the costs put aside, what a better way to spend a few hours floating around trying, [and trying it can be sometimes] to catch that fish.

What a better way to spend a day? Up at the crack of dawn, travel for miles, usually in the company of your mates, but some do prefer to go it alone. Removed from the mainland, and all the troubles and woes of life, in the peace and quiet, hoping for a reward to boast about, before Mother Nature changes the conditions, as the wind blows up or the tide changes. We suffer the cold, we suffer the heat and all in between, some go all through this just for the thrill of catching the fish they never eat.

When your back in port, the day hasn't ended there, for now there is the catch to clean and possibly a distance to drive home plus the boat to clean all in the ready for the next trip.

With all the rules and regulations to abide by to keep us safe against our own stupidity, usually, we always have the backup of the local coast guard just in case the unforeseen happens. We thank these wonderful men and women because without them the sea would not have this safe guard.

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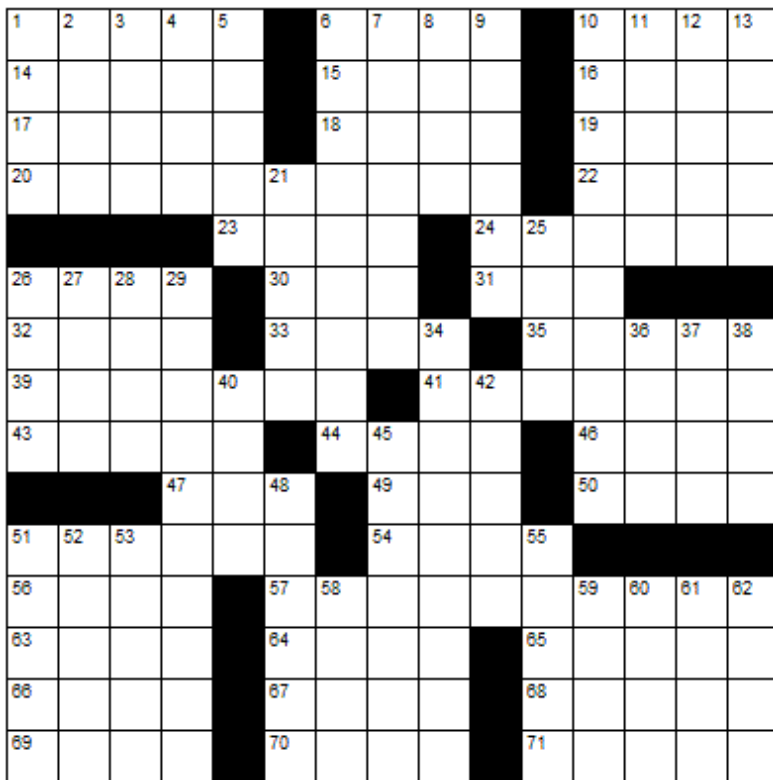
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## Down

1. Slaloms
2. Mother
3. By mouth
4. Madly in love
5. Leaf opening
6. Starchy banana-like fruit
7. Decrepit
8. Double-reed woodwind
9. The one who was attired in
10. Dispersed
11. Type of poplar tree
12. Of a pelvic bone
13. Feel
21. Admit
25. Italian for "Wine"
26. Wads
27. Again
28. Bloodsucking insects
29. Predestine
34. 1000 meters
36. Relocate
37. Type of sword
38. Lairs
40. Ear-related
42. Oozes
45. Fat
48. Deadly
51. Sedimentary rock
52. Christmas song
53. Betel palm
55. Clairvoyants
58. Bygone era
59. Journey
60. Anagram of "Note"
61. To be, in old Rome
62. Anagram of "Deer"

## Across

1. Dirty fogs
6. Ship's front
10. Platform
14. Unit of gold purity
15. Lubricate
16. Small island
17. Insect stage
18. Dwarf buffalo
19. Whirl
20. Lizard-like amphibian
22. Oceans
23. Countertenor
24. Express
26. Young cow
30. Legislation
31. Tear
32. Pearly-shelled mussel
33. Pig sound
35. Appointed
39. Dethrone
41. Variant of an element
43. Sugary
44. A purchase
46. Not odd
47. Petroleum
49. Female deer
50. D D D D
51. Meager
54. Rapsallions
56. Not soft
57. Typographer
63. Region
64. Owl sound
65. Jagged
66. Hubs
67. Backside
68. Dentist's direction
69. Dash
70. Lascivious look
71. Velocity



## LAST MONTHS CROSSWORD RESULT

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**Remember to include your name, contact number and date on your returned entry, Thank you.**

**Winner of the December/January Crossword:**

Lynn Gray





# Welshpool Golf Club

I hope everybody has recovered sufficiently from the Xmas New Year festivities and is now ready and raring to play golf. Ideal conditions are prevailing at the moment and we have some interesting and challenging games and events coming up.

The Betta Home Living 4BBB event for teams of men and ladies was run on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> January.

The winning ladies team of Anne Skan and Fran MacPherson recorded a score of 43 points. Runners up with 42 points were Jeanette Swann and Trish Latch. Ball down the line to Di Walker and Rachael Brown with 38 points.

The men's winners were Harry Barlow and Richard Knowles with a great score of 48 points. Runners up Gary Brown and Pappy Pope with 43 and ball down the line to Graeme Brennan and Alan Hayes with 41 points. Nearest the pins went to- 6<sup>th</sup> Graham English, 15<sup>th</sup> Richard Knowles and the 8<sup>th</sup> to Phil Packham.

We have been trying to adhere to the new Rules of Golf and with some lively banter backwards and forwards we are eventually getting to understand them. Although there appears to be some who consider themselves too old to be able to bend to perform the dropping of the ball from knee height rule. (you can kneel down).

There have been representations of players playing at Garfield and Foster recently and have performed very well. Ian Gibson winning the C Grade at Garfield and our team at Foster only missing out by the smallest of margins in taking out the major prize.

The men are currently playing qualifying rounds to see who makes it into the top 16 for our summer knockout competition. Some interesting scores have already been posted so we can look forward to some strong competition in the event.

Names are currently being requested for those interested in playing in our Pennant series that starts on 19<sup>th</sup> March.

We are still in Division five which consists of four clubs playing each other twice on different courses with the top two teams playing off in the final.

Results from club games have been-

Tuesdays- Greg Wilkinson (twice)

Wednesday ladies- Monthly medal to Jeanette Swann, 4BBB Trish Latch/ Jeanette Swann and a par event also to Jeanette Swann.

Friday chicken run- Russ Barwick, Brian MacPherson, Harry Barlow.

Saturday men's, Monthly medal to David Bligh, mulligans 4BBB event to Gary Brown/ Richard Knowles.

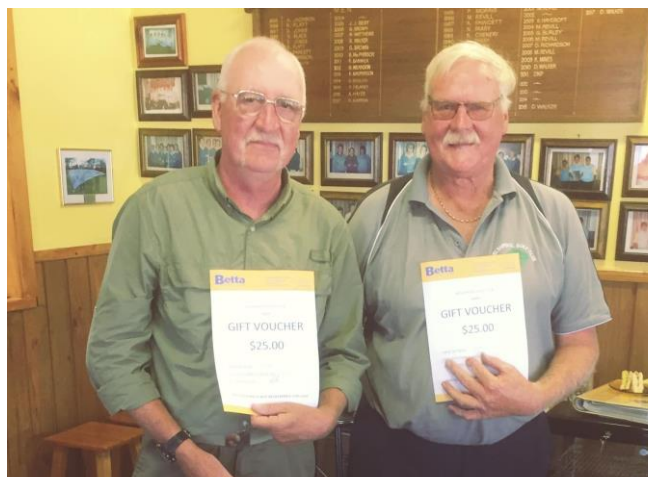
Sunday, 18 hole stableford- Paul Delaney, 8 hole stableford Marco Salierno

The February mens monthly medallist was John Sooalo with a fine net 61 (28). Balls down the line to David Bligh 66 (27), Ian Gibson 69 (17) and Pappy Pope 69 (19). The least number of putts went to Dan Conley with 24 putts on a count back.

The ladies monthly medallist was Jeanette Swann with a net 70 (29). Ball down the line to Di Walker 72 (20). And the least number of putts to Jeanette with 26.

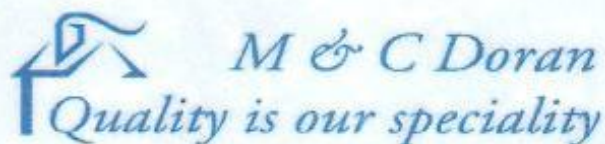
On Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February we played the Drummond Golf sponsored 4BBB. The mens winners were Dan Conley and Fred Bennett with 42 points on count back from runners up Russell Barwick and Ian Gibson also 42.

The ladies winners were Di Walker and Fran MacPherson with 39 points on count back from runners up Trish Latch and Jeanette Swann also 39 points



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## **2018 SOUTH GIPPSLAND TOY RUN**

The 2018 South Gippsland Toy Run was conducted by the Red Knights Motor Cycle Club on Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup> of December 2018. The Red Knights MC is a motorcycle club made up of Firefighters both active and retired, CFA and professional, who enjoy riding motorcycles and supporting various charities.

Ben and myself left Welshpool at 8 am and met up with three other riders from Yarram. We rode across to Sale and joined 70 other riders in the Sale Mall, the run left the mall at 10:00 am and went through: Longford, Rosedale, Glengarrie, Nambrock, Maffra and back to Sale. A distance of 200 kilometres and 349 kilometres in total for Ben and I by the time we got back to Welshpool.

The ride finished in the mall where all the presents were handed out to families. Food parcels were given to the representatives from the St Vincent DePaul Society and the Salvation Army. A Thousand dollars' worth of gift cards was also given to both organisations. These donations were distributed to families in need throughout South Gippsland.

The purpose of the Toy Run/s that are conducted all over Australia at this time of the year is to provide families experiencing difficulty over the Christmas period with a Christmas the same as the rest of us, motorcyclist gather and donate presents of toys for the children, food to assist the family and gift cards to assist with the essentials. These donations go to a vast number of organisations, The Salvation Army, Father Bob's, St Vincent De Paul to name a few.

Also a good opportunity for a good ride, meet new people and socialise, the Toy Run/s are always family orientated and supportive of these worthy charities. The South Gippsland Toy Run is 21 years old.

**Thanks goes to Di and the Girls at the Welshpool Op Shop for the donation of the toys it was greatly appreciated and it certainly helped some ones children have a great Christmas.**

Cheers  
Terry Busk

