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National Volunteer Week - 17th to 23rd May

With National Volunteer Week falling in the month of May, this is a great time to take the opportunity to Thank all the volunteers within the many and varied Community Groups in our local and surrounding communities. Without these volunteers and committee members, many of our facilities and activities would not continue on for the benefit of our community.

Within this month's newsletter many of these community groups are featured with a short write up of who they are, and what they do. For such a small community there are so many wonderful active groups and volunteers helping to provide such varied activities.

Are you new to our community, or just looking for something to do? One common issue facing many of these community groups is finding new helpers. Volunteering can be incredibly satisfying knowing that you have assisted your fellow community members. It may be attending meetings to offer some input, selling raffle tickets to help raise funds, helping to organise a small event or simply enjoying a cuppa and a chat with people with similar interests to yourself. There are many activities, big or small, that you may be able to assist with.

Whilst reading about the many community groups in our area, you may discover one that sounds like it could be for you, or you may not have even known about this activity and may want to join in. The following stories are just short snippets of what these groups do, please contact the relevant group for any further information you may require. Remember, "many hands make light work" and you may enjoy yourself and meet some new people whilst helping.

To our current volunteers we say "THANK YOU", may you continue the wonderful work you do for our community.



Disclaimer

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10.00AM - 3.00PM

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Centrelink Website

The Centrelink website (*www.centrelink.gov.au*) has been incorporated into the Department of Human Services website *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.

- You are able to register online and access details of your account.
- Find out the latest information regarding services.
- Calculations can be done to work out family assistance.
- Access forms and brochures.

A touch screen computer is available at the Welshpool Rural Transaction Centre for your use.

Staff at the Centrelink agency are able to assist you with registration etc.



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Welshpool & District Advisory Group

Welshpool & District Advisory Group (WDAG) incorporates the Rural Transaction Centre (RTC), Welshpool Op Shop and Nursery.

The Welshpool and District Advisory Group is a committee of long serving dedicated volunteers. The committee was formed to help meet the needs of the community and to enrich Welshpool. The building of the RTC was purchased over 20 years ago with the assistance of a Government Grant and is an Agency for Centrelink, Bendigo Bank and also the Welshpool Community Library.

Through much hard work the building next door was purchased from Murray Goulburn, therefore keeping it part of the Welshpool Community. This became the Welshpool Op Shop and an integral part of Welshpool.

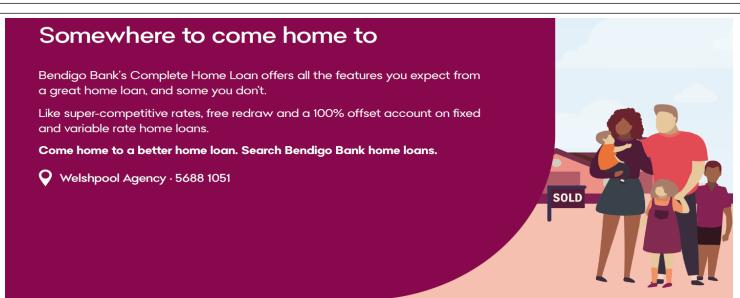
Whist the RTC operates with trained and qualified staff due to the Bendigo Bank and Centrelink, the Op shop and Nursery are staffed by dedicated volunteers. It is the funds raised from this source that enable donations back into our local community.

The RTC is open from Monday to Friday 10.00 - 3.00

The Op shop is open Monday – Friday 10.00 – 4.00 and Saturday 10.00 - 2.00 and new volunteers are always welcome. If you have a spare day, come and enjoy a cuppa and friendly atmosphere and become part of this energetic group.







Welshpool Recreation Reserve

The community of Welshpool and surrounds are incredibly lucky to have the Arthur Sutherland Recreation Reserve located on Port Welshpool Road Welshpool. The 40 acres of land including the Golf Course, football oval, basketball stadium and club rooms, was donated to the community of Welshpool in 1967 by Mr Arthur Sutherland, a long term local resident. This Reserve is one of only three in the South Gippsland Shire that is community owned rather than Council owned.

The Welshpool Recreation Reserve Committee consists of local community members, including representatives from each of the user groups, to maintain the upkeep and continue to improve this facility for our local members. Currently we have the Welshpool Basketball Association, Prom Coast Soccer Club and the Welshpool Golf Club using the facilities.

The committee also run an annual Seafood Feast in February and the Welshpool Lawn Mower Race Day in December. These two events are our two fundraisers for the year with monies going towards maintenance or new projects for the reserve. In recent years with these funds and the assistance of grants we have built a new storage shed, new seating in the dining area, new front fencing, a full

kitchen refurbish and the new basketball stadium floor. We are only a small committee who meet once every one to two months. We would welcome some new members who see the importance of keeping this great facility going for our locals, especially all the children and adults who participate in these represented sports.

If you are interested in joining us please contact the secretary on welshpoolreserve@outlook.com or phone Madelaine on 0409 976 211.



Welshpool & District Horticultural Society

The Welshpool and District Horticultural Society meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 1:00 pm <u>usually</u> at Welshpool Memorial Hall.

Visitors and new members very welcome. Speakers, discussions and visits to gardens.

For information contact:

President – Tom Reakes 0429 966 002
 Secretary – Maggie Daniel 0438 137 618
 Treasurer – Jan Gyles 0409 933 441

The Society is affiliated with The Royal Horticultural Society of Victoria, The Australian Horticultural Judges Association, Dahlia Society of Victoria and The Rose Society of Victoria.

The Society runs two Shows each year at The Welshpool Memorial Hall on the Labour Day weekend in March and on the Melbourne Cup Weekend in November. Members run and maintain our own small Plant Nursery on site at the Welshpool Hall. Anyone is welcome to enter into the show, with many different categories to choose from.



Prom Coast Soccer Club

Prom Coast Soccer Club is a friendly local club located at the Arthur Sutherland Rec Reserve in Welshpool. The PCSC relocated from Foster in 2012 to enjoy expanded facilities in Welshpool. The PCSC has continued its long history of volunteers establishing, relocating and running the club.



Currently we have long serving executive committee members that have tirelessly managed PCSC from a 1 team club to expanded membership of 3 teams and a mini roos program. The committee has a focus on being an inclusive, family club that encourages participation from children and adults of all abilities and experience.

Volunteers at PCSC usually have many hats from running the committee, to game day jobs coaching, match and lines referee, canteen, cleaning, match reports, first aid, and at the same time often playing a game. We always value and need extra help, our volunteers also have busy lives working and families or involved with other local clubs.

Our club is also seeking any person's new or past members to help with coaching, linesman and refereeing at home matches. We have openings for positions on our committee. For further contact details, information, including fixtures, on the soccer club please visit our face book page or www.promcoastsoccerclub.com.au





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FRIENDS OF AGNES FALLS

Our group, FoAF, has been operating since late 2012, with the main aims of helping Parks Victoria staff to maintain and improve the Agnes Falls picnic ground, provide them with suggestions for improvements and work that needs to be done, and to help promote the Agnes Falls as a most worthy tourist destination.

We have around 30 financial members – many in Melbourne - and a core group of around 8 local members who attend our General Meetings each couple of months, and our occasional Working Bees on site at the Reserve when we weed, plant, collect litter, rake and tidy the grounds and pathways, and sometimes re-oil the park picnic furniture.

We attend local events with displays of information about the Falls and Reserve, such as the Seadays Festival, Foster Show, and Meeniyan Garlic Festival, and have souvenir merchandise available for purchase and promotion. We also occasionally organise "Open Days" at the Reserve, when we run a sausage sizzle with refreshments available, as well as our souvenirs and a fundraising raffle. With two or three weeks' notice we also cater Morning or Afternoon

Teas for visiting groups, by appointment. With the Agnes Falls just being "up the road" from Welshpool, and Meetings all held locally, (usually with Lunch or Dinner available - own expense), we welcome new members to join us at any time. Membership is only \$10 per adult (1 July to 30 June) and enable members to vote or hold a position on the Committee, and be covered by Parks Victoria volunteer insurance when working on site at the Agnes Falls Scenic Reserve.

For further information please telephone Kathy (Secretary) on 5688 1400, or email friendsofagnesfalls@gmail.com

Welshpool Fire Brigade

The Welshpool Fire Brigade is one of 13 in the South Gippsland Group of Brigades, from Inverloch through to Hedley including Milford.

The South Gippsland group are members of District 9 of which there are 52 brigades made up of three groups, including Strzelecki and Baw Baw. Each brigade has their own structure.

The Welshpool Fire Brigade train every Thursday night at 7.30pm. New members welcome.



Welshpool & District Playgroup

Welshpool is very lucky to have a fantastic playgroup run at the Welshpool Kindergarten every Monday morning at 9.30am. This is such a great addition to our

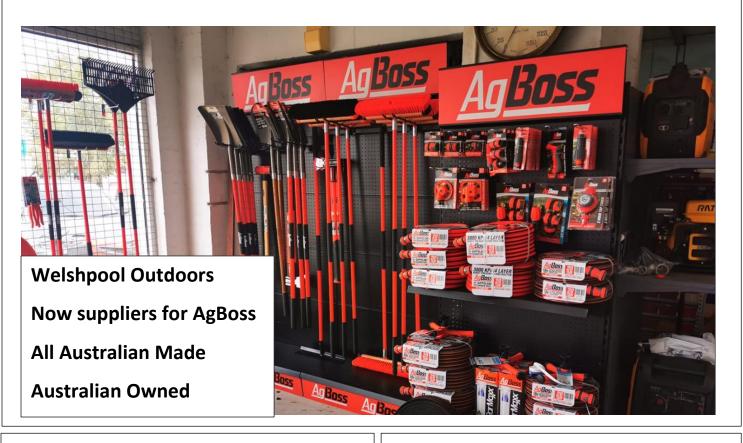


wonderful community. We have many local parents attend from Welshpool and surrounding areas with children from 0-5 years. We have lots of inclusive activities and resources to offer our children including a great playground, cubby house, mud kitchen and lots of outdoor toys. Inside we have arts, crafts, music, books and plenty of space for the little ones to crawl around. We have a fully equipped kitchen with tea/coffee and baby changing facilities. We would love to welcome new families, everyone is welcome to join. Follow us on our Facebook page or contact Lisa Fitzgerald on 0428517713 for more information.

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Port Welshpool Working Group

Market

Sunday 27th June

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Old Ferry Terminal Port Welshpool

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Welshpool Cemetery

The Welshpool Cemetery was established in 1895 and operate under the Cemetery Trust with a committee of management consisting of local volunteer members.

The committee is responsible for the safety and upkeep of the cemetery grounds.



Welshpool Op Shop & Nursery

Monday to Friday 10am - 4pmSaturday 10am - 2pm
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This piece of land in Turnbull Street, Port Welshpool and its contents was once my family home; during the mid 1970's. Due to family circumstances, its great potential and its historic value to the fishing industry, a Museum was born. The generosity of my dad, Arnie Smith; the then Council of South Gippsland, [Mayor and Councillors] agreed for it to become an asset for the Shire, BUT, for it to operate Volunteers were needed; the wonderful citizens of the Pt Welshpool / Welshpool area gathered, and it hasn't looked back.

For the past 50 years Volunteers have welcomed many a visitor, school groups, bus groups and locals through the doors; all visitors interested in the history, some looking for history of their family or boats that once called Port Welshpool home. The importance of these very special men and women who Volunteer cannot be expressed enough because without their interest, time and willingness to keep history alive all this valuable history would probably be lost. Volunteering has become a very important part of our existence as without all these wonderful people many an organisation would fold and sadly some have.

If you have a few hours to spare and would like to widen your knowledge of the area we can always find a task to fit your skills while meeting interesting people. At the Museum you will be very welcome and as you know "many hands make light work."

"To every volunteer past or present you cannot be thanked enough for your time and interest in keeping history alive for present and future generations to come."



Port Welshpool Fishing Club

Our little club is run solely by volunteers and boast 40 plus members. We are a social club which encourages fishing whether it be land based or on a boat in Corner Inlet and surrounding tributaries that run into the Inlet. There is no age limit for members but at the moment we are short of juniors. We get together from November through to June on a monthly basis where we enjoy a 3 course



meal and discuss our fishing prowess plus generally have a good time. Our philosophy is to enjoy fishing in all shapes and forms and encourage young and old to participate.

We do not have competitions with other clubs but run on a trust system of weighing in whatever you may catch over the course of the season. The heaviest of each species qualifying for a trophy at the end of the season plus various other awards at presentation night which is held in June each year. We are always ready to welcome any new members that would like to join, young or old, so get in touch if you want to come and interact with a great bunch of people. Our club rooms are located at the Old Ferry Terminal at Port Welshpool if anyone is interested in joining just get in touch with any one of the committee members, looking forward to seeing you there. Cheers

President: Jenny Horner 0428 862 028 Vice President: Ron Hunt 0400 903 369

Secretary: Rob Ellis 0409 808 274

Treasurer: Alma Mattingley 0427 310 599



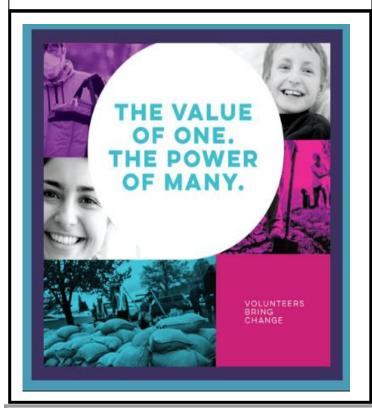
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- 2. Genuine
- 3. Handrail
- 4. A type of hormone
- 5. Eastern newt
- 6. Perished
- 7. Beginning
- 8. Hollyhock or hibiscus
- 9. A four-sided spinning top
- 10. Car
- 11. Two-toed sloth
- 12. Wagers
- 15. Not clergy
- 21. Prig
- 23. Guns an engine
- 25. Winter precipitation
- 27. Is endebted to
- 28. Stomata

- 29. Comes after Mi and Fah
- 31. Rancor
- 32. Homes for birds
- 34. Beer barrel
- 36. Check
- 39. Genus of macaws
- 40. Roman robe
- 43. Attribute
- 44. An aromatic ointment
- 46. Mangle
- 47. Motorcoach
- 49. Fen
- 50. Acts
- 53. Dot
- 55. Strong fiber
- 56. Unique
- 57. At the peak of
- 58. List of options
- 60. Diminish
- 61. Put away
- 64. Apply gently

Across

- 1. Spheres
- 5. Biblical kingdom
- 9. Spread
- 13. Kind of moss
- 14. Last
- 16. Graphic symbol
- 17. Story
- 18. Electrical pioneer
- 19. French for "State"
- 20. Aspersions
- 22. Excited
- 24. Male offspring
- 26. Lugged
- 27. Alternatives

- 30. A fire-breathing dragon
- 33. Lexicon
- 35. Mixture of rain
- and snow
- 37. Historic period
- 38. Cereal grass
- 41. South southeast
- 42. 4-door car
- 45. Eyelets
- 48. Benni
- 51. Opposed
- 52. Muscle spasm

- 54. Parental sister
- 55. Council chamber
- 59. Appendages
- 62. Against
- 63. Anagram of "Diets"
- 65. Rhythm
- 66. Messy dresser
- 67. Reddish brown
- 68. "Do ___ others..."
- 69. Sort
- 70. Counterfoil
- 71. Goulash



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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 April Crossword:



Lynn Gray



LAST MONTHS CROSSWORD RESULT

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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

Port Welshpool Working Group

The Port Welshpool Working Group is a diverse group of volunteers from Port Welshpool and surrounding areas. Our Primary responsibility is the administration and upkeep of The Old Ferry Terminal which serves as our community hub.

Our group also stages the annual Seadays Festival, which is largely funded from our own resources. The Seadays Festival is an opportunity to showcase Corner Inlet to our city cousins. The Festival is also an opportunity for the community to work together and is always welcoming of extra ideas/help/volunteers.

The indoor market, held approximately every two months, is also becoming more popular. This is as much a fun social event, not just solely fund raising.

The Working Group is also an advocacy to Council, State and Federal Governments, in regards to issues impacting Port Welshpool. Recent activity was the restoration of the Long Jetty, and submissions re the proposed Marina and Roll On/Roll/Off facilities at the boat ramp.

We do have a lay back approach to most things, but like to get things done. Like most organizations, we are always happy to embrace new members.

Contact can be made via e-mail

pwwg14@gmail.com

Or phone 56881152 Alma Mattingley Secretary

Or 56881554 Vern Suckling President













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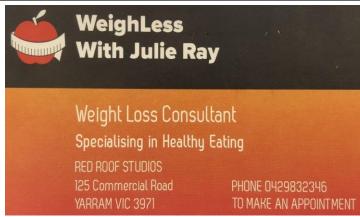
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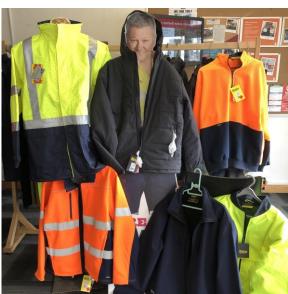
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Welshpool Basketball Association

The Welshpool Basketball Association run two competitions each year, the Seniors Summer season in February, and the All Ages Spring season in September. We have players attending our competitions from far and wide and pride ourselves on providing a fun and friendly competition.

We have just finished another successful Seniors season and will soon be starting to organise the All Ages season. There are many jobs, big and small that need doing before and during the season. The current



committee are always looking for helpers and of course if you would like to join our committee we would love to have you on board. We have a couple of committee members that will be moving on come the next AGM so we will be looking for new members. If however the committee is not for you we could still use your help on game nights, handing out uniforms at the start of the season, scoring, lending a hand in the canteen, coaching, umpiring or giving the floor a quick sweep. The jobs are many and varied. If you are keen to help out please contact welshpoolbasketballassociation@hotmail.com or message us via our Facebook page 'Welshpool Basketball Association — Official', or contact Tina on 0409 444 162.

WELSHPOOL MEMORIAL HALL

The first hall in Welshpool was officially opened on July 10th, 1903 at a cost of \$600. The halls started service as Mechanics Institutes, a movement which had begun in Britain as a means of spreading knowledge to working people. There was an institute in practically every town Australia.

Dances, music evenings, weddings, etc. kept the hall, and its committee busy and from the 1930's moving pictures were shown regularly. Regrettably, there was an "incident" in the projection room, and on October 16^{th,} 1942 the hall burnt down. During the war years there were not the materials to rebuild the hall, however the committee of the time continued with plans to rebuild and this time it would be a brick building. With much fund raising and hard won grants the funds to rebuild were finally available. The people of Welshpool contributed labour to build the hall and local business helped with cement, a heavy vehicle, and even a brick making machine. The hall was finally finished and opened on October 29th 1953 for a cost around \$24,000.

Hall history from "Welshpool, The story of a Gippsland Port and Town" by Donald Linforth.

Today our hall is used for private hires and twice a year the Horticultural Society fills the hall with all sorts of flowers and produce with the Autumn and Spring flower shows. The current hall committee is a small group and is always on the lookout for those that would like to help with the looking after the hall, and to be a part of events held there. Contact Alan at the Welshpool Post Office on 5688 1419.



