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Here at the Western Echo we love a good debate. If you have a concern, grievance, pet hate or even wish to congratulate someone for doing the RIGHT thing, then this is the place for it. Please note though, that everyone has the right to reply to your letter and we at the Western Echo are under no obligation to publish if things look like they are getting out of hand. We do reserve the right to edit letters for reasons such as clarity and length. Other than that, feel free to have YOUR say.

These views in this newspaper, political or otherwise, are not necessarily those held by the editor or anyone professionally associated with the Western Echo.

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Snakes are out there but not to be feared

When the Weather eventually warms up, you will start to see more snakes out and about on the West Coast. Male snakes will be looking for females to breed with, as well as seeking food.. mice, rats small birds ect. Be careful when reaching for wood from your wood piles, keep your lawns mowed and clear away any debris from around your yard carefully. Hope you all have a great summer and stay safe. If you do have a problem snake on the West Coast, please call one of these numbers. Angie, Amanda and Warren will be more than happy to help you out.

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Almost our birthday

The November edition of the Western Echo will make number 36. That means it will be our birthday!

It is quite the job bringing the Echo to you almost singlehandedly but it is certainly a labour of love. I really enjoy putting the paper together but would love your help. If you have or are part of, an organisation, club or group that would like to have a regular column in the Echo then please let me know. Eventually I would like to build a section for mining and have regular columns for emergency responders, fires, SES etc and also sections for Men's sheds, neighbour-

hood centres, the libraries, schools and anyone else who would like to get their message out their through these pages. With 40% of West Coasters not having access to a computer, knowing how to use it or even social media, the Western Echo fills a gap and gets the word out to more people than any other medium on the West Coast. Being distributed throughout the North West towns as well the Echo really helps spread YOUR message. Don't be shy, let's get it out there! If anybody want to throw me a Western Echo birthday party let me know that too. Haha

Lighthouses have birthdays too

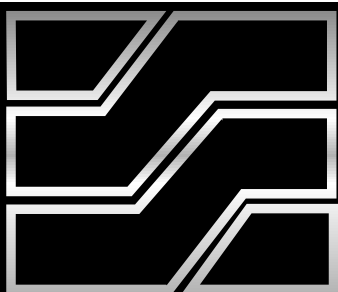
Cape Sorell Lighthouse on the West coast of Tasmania, turns 125 after being lit for the first time on 2 October 1899.

The majestic brick tower is 37 metres high and was originally built to serve the port of Strahan, but now functions as an aid to navigation into Macquarie Harbour and the Gordon River.

Originally powered by oil, the tower was converted to diesel-electric operation in 1935, before the light was automated in 1971 and the keepers withdrawn. In 1988, a solar powered light replaced the original apparatus.

The lighthouse, situated on the tip of the outermost boundary of the Macquarie Harbour has strong aesthetic values within the rugged coastal setting. It is also highly significant for its association with the development of navigational aids along the west coast of Tasmania.

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The importance of families



An exciting project investigating how families influence children’s future career choices is currently being undertaken on the West and Northwest coasts. Early input highlights how important parents, grandparents and other carers are to children. Families have huge impacts on their children’s academic success, social skills and career choices.

The research project stems from young people becoming less interested in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) education and careers. At the same time, there are too few workers available for STEM industries. This makes for great opportunities, and high salaries, for people with STEM training.

Your experiences and opinions about STEM could add value to the project. Benefits could flow to your children as this research informs school practices, industry connections and community understanding of STEM careers. All input will be anonymous and confidential.

The project is supported by the federal

Department of Education, University of Tasmania and some mining industry partners through a Regional Research Collaboration with a focus on critical minerals. There are \$60 IGA vouchers available to reward your input. These are designed to help out at a time when the rising cost of living is affecting most families. In return, you would be asked to share your early experiences with science, maths, technology or building, as well as your job choices and your hopes for your children.

To volunteer for an interview, simply use the advertised QR code to complete a short survey and leave your contact details. An informative video starts the survey.

You can also catch up with the researcher, Jane Hall-Dadson, at the Zeehan Heritage Centre Family Day on October 10, or at Health Fest West in Queenstown on October 19. Jane’s Family STEM Fun activities are regularly shared at events like these throughout the region.

Health Festival pilot



Health Fest West – Healthy Living and Ageing on the West Coast, Saturday 19 October 2024.

10:00 am – 3:00 pm, Mountain Heights School Stadium via Hurst and Hall Streets.

In celebration of Senior’s Week, Veteran’s Health Week and Mental Health Week 2024, Health Fest West is a collaboration between West Coast Council, Study Hub West Coast, UTAS and Zeehan Neighbourhood Centre.

We all know that improving health services on the West Coast is vitally important. This is a wonderful opportunity which provides a way to focus on conversations that create awareness and help shape attitudes and behaviours towards living longer and healthier.

This is a pilot event but one that will hopefully be held annually and helps to greatly improve the ongoing health and wellbeing outcomes of West Coasters.

Health Fest West will have free health screening options, lifestyle ideas, free wholesome food and a stage with keynote speakers and presentations talking about the future direction of healthcare on the West Coast. The event will also provide an opportunity to collectively design and shape two significant Tasmanian Health Department projects starting in the region - Access to Health (A2HS) and Healthy Together (HT).

Your health is important, so bring the whole family, especially nan and granddad, enjoy some fun experiences and join in the day’s activities for improving health and wellbeing outcomes in your West Coast community.

Feedback wanted on mine closure

The Mount Bischoff tin mine has played an important role in Tasmania’s mining history as the first major mineral resource developed in the state.

The town of Waratah was built to support the mine in the late 1880’s and operations of varying scale continued until 2010 when the mine was placed in care and maintenance.

Bluestone Mines Tasmania Joint Ven-

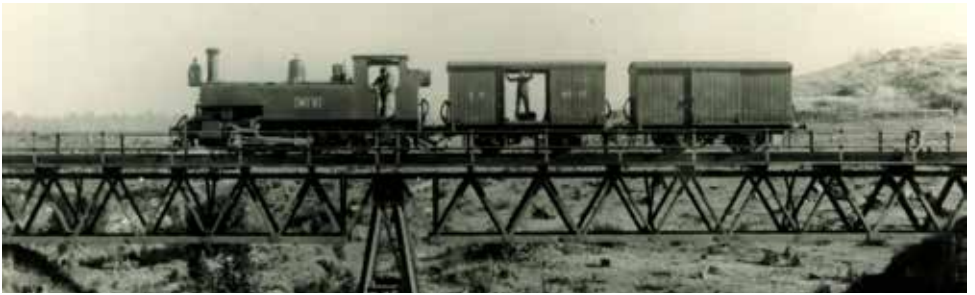
ture is in the process of developing a mine closure plan to identify measures to reduce environmental impacts after the mine is closed while identifying and preserving important heritage features where possible. The mine closure also presents an opportunity to re-purpose areas of the site for new uses, including potential recreational access.

We would like to invite you to provide

your feedback on the closure of the mine by completing a short online survey.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx...>

The survey will be open until Monday, 21 October 2024.



Did your early experiences affect your job choices?

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QBank artist Mike Maka travelling the world

A recent exhibition by the QBank artist in residence had me wandering down to Queenstown recently to have a look and meet the artist.

Mike Maka is an artist of international reknown who travels the world creating masterpieces on everything from small canvases to twelve story murals.

I asked Mike how he got his start as a artist.

"I guess I've always been creating art and in my family I was one of six kids, and we drew all over the walls when I was pre-teen, so that was the environment that I grew up in and high school, I was doing art. Out of high school, I was studying illustration, studying through universities and some years to become full time, but have been doing that for 15 years. I guess the jump to full time

artist is a significant point, and that was when I was about 27 so about fifteen years ago. It's pretty amazing. I've traveled many places around the world so I'm pretty lucky and versatile, it's mostly painting murals and some canvas works and a bit of sculpture.

So what size murals are we talking about?

"Some of the biggest ones? I've done a twelve storey mural in Darwin. I've done a five story mural in Greece, and some of the biggest things have been water towers in York Peninsula, South Australia (see photo at right).

So why Queenstown?

"It was quite interesting just learning about geology and mining, because it's something that has a mixed reputation, you know, because the modern world around us is all made from things from

the earth, yeah, and we have the ability to put these things into certain combinations and explore outer space, but it also does damage the natural environment but then at some point, if you make art out of that is it then becoming a new environment, using the old stuff in a different way.

So what next for Mike Mika?

"I didn't plan on having an exhibition here, and most of the works I've been producing are for a show in Melbourne in two months.

I'm off to the Yucatan Peninsula in a week doing a big mural, two metres by fifteen metres there for a hotel, got a little job in New York, and then a fun job in DC. Then I come back to Melbourne for that exhibition and then in December, I have a job in the Himalayas, India.

It's a random request from a guy that used to live in Melbourne for twenty years, and he's back in his hometown in Manali, which is up in the mountains, and he wants me to paint a

Melbourne themed mural for a restaurant in the hotel. I wasn't quite sure how to interpret it, to make it not look cliché, but it's gonna be fun job.

Wow! What a great lifestyle. Mike certainly has an incredible talent and more can be seen on instagram at @mike.makatron or simply google Mike Maka



Maugean skate population stabilises

New data recently released indicates the Maugean skate population has stabilised and there are as many juveniles in Macquarie Harbour today as there were 10 years ago.

The Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies research found that the population of the skate stabilised in 2021, with no overall further decline in the three years since.

It also found an increased presence of young Maugean skates, at 2014 levels, labelling the findings a "positive sign" and a "ray of hope" for the future of the skate.

Salmon Tasmania CEO Luke Martin said the new IMAS research, coming on top of data from the EPA indicating water conditions in the Harbour have recovered to the best levels in over a decade, confirmed it would be a very unreasonable response by the Federal Environment Minister Tanya Plibersek to consider shutting down salmon aquaculture in Macquarie Harbour.

"As an industry we have never shied away from concerns about the Maugean skate, and indeed we have invested heavily in the scientific research and analysis that is now shaping the conservation response to ensure the future of the species in Macquarie Harbour.

"We have also consistently said we expect all regulatory decisions made about our industry's presence in the harbour to be based on science, and not political

agendas, or in response to pressure from single-minded activist groups.

"Today, we have further science that confirms the Maugean skate population stabilised three years ago and that the number of juveniles is at a decade high," Mr Martin said.



"This follows science from the independent EPA last week that showed that the oxygenation of Macquarie Harbour is the best it's been in more than a decade. "The science irrefutably shows that the

skate and the harbour are on the improve, all while salmon aquaculture continues.

"It confirms the adaptive management approach adopted by regulators, with the full cooperation of our industry, is working and can continue to support an industry presence in the harbour that is so critically important to the economic and social wellbeing of the local community.

"We also expect other stakeholders in Macquarie Harbour, particularly Hydro Tasmania, to step up and share responsibility for the long-term management of the harbour.

"There is no justification for Minister Plibersek to kill our industry to save the skate – she cannot and should not ignore the facts.

"The Tasmanian salmon aquaculture industry is underpinned by world leading science and intense regulation, and it is working."



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The Unconformity appoints new artistic director

The Unconformity is pleased to announce the appointment of Loren Krone-myer as its new Artistic Director.

Loren will lead the cultural and creative vision of The Unconformity festival and explorations, taking over from founding Artistic Director Travis Tiddy who completed his tenure in August 2024.

Loren is an artist living and working in regional Lutruwita/Tasmania whose work spans interactive and live performance, experimental media art, curatorial, and large-scale worldbuilding projects aimed at exploring ecological futures and survival skills.

She received the first Masters of Biological Arts Degree from SymbioticA Lab at the University of Western Australia, and has a PhD from the University of Tasmania. Most recently, Loren has worked as curator on projects including Faux Mo at MONA FOMA Festival, Forest Congress at MONA, and as the Director of Art Farm Birchs Bay.



Loren will begin her role on 7 October 2024, bringing her experience and knowledge to the development of the organisation's 2025 festival and ongoing cultural programs.

The Unconformity invites the West

Coast community to welcome Loren at an informal meet and greet event at 5:30pm on Wednesday 9 October 2024 at The Unconformity Hall, 35 Cutten Street Queenstown.

Lutruwita Art Orchestra workshop in Queenstown

Experience the improvisational creative development practices of the Lutruwita Art Orchestra.

A workshop for musicians and non-musicians.

Bring instruments including vocals and body, ready to improvise with the orchestra or come along to observe and enjoy the energy.

The session will be led by Artistic Director Stevie McEntee and give participants the opportunity to experience the collaborative and improvisational composition style that makes the Lutruwita Art Orchestra unique.

Though the workshop is free, we ask that attendees register to let us know numbers.



A fishing trip gone horribly wrong!

On the morning of 11th November 1926, four search parties left Strahan continuing to search the beaches of Macquarie Harbour for four men who were overdue from a fishing trip.

John Fisher and friends Harry Fry, Bernard Matthews and Frank Amiguét had set sail from Regatta Point on 6 November for a weekend of boating and fishing on Macquarie Harbour.

They were last seen alive on Sunday afternoon about six miles from Strahan. Four days later the boat and some of their gear was found on the beach near Connelley's Creek. It was surmised that the party were caught in rough seas while trying to reach Strahan and that disaster soon followed.

On 1st December the remains of John Fisher were located; Frank Amiguét's decomposed remains were not located until 8 January 1927. It is not known whether or when the remains of Bernard (Pat) Matthews and Harry Fry were located. Between them they left three widows and eight children to mourn their loss.

All four men had enlisted and served in the 'defence of the Empire' during

World War 1. Frank Amiguét had enlisted in August 1916 and served with the 12th Battalion. He had been wounded in action on two occasions including a shrapnel wound to his right shoulder and a gunshot wound to his right arm.

John Fisher enlisted in August 1915 and was allotted to the 26th Battalion, but by the time he was discharged was serving with the 12th Battalion along with his friend Frank Amiguét. John Fisher was seriously wounded on 26

April 1917 sustaining gunshot wounds to his right eye, abdomen and thigh.



Bernard Matthews had also been wounded on three occasions whilst serving with the 52nd Battalion with wounds to his head and right hand. Harry Fry enlisted in November 1918 but was discharged due to the cessation of hostilities.

Fisher, Amiguét and Fry were all laid to rest in the Queenstown general cemetery. The name of Bernard Matthews appears on the family grave at Latrobe. A wooden fence was

placed around the grave of Harry Fry, but the ground is now overgrown. The graves of John Fisher and Frank Amiguét are devoid of any recognition of who is buried there.

The Headstone Project was formed in 2010/11 to ensure that every veteran who had served in 'defence of the Empire' would have their last resting place marked in such a way that recognised their service. To date the project has located over 500 World War 1 veterans who were in unmarked graves such as Fisher, Amiguét and Fry.

In November this year, volunteers with The Headstone Project will be working on the West Coast at Queenstown, Roseberry, Strahan and Zeehan. During this time the graves of these three veterans will be recognised along with others. A service of dedication will be held on Saturday 16th November. Details will be supplied later.

Photo at left shows Sgt Jack Fisher who was one of the men that drowned at Macquarie Harbour.

Photo from the Weekly Courier dated 6 April 1916

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Colourful trucks for cancer and mental health awareness

Batchelor's unveil a new initiative in their ongoing support for mental health awareness and breast cancer awareness, by painting two of their trucks being used at Renison in bright colours as conversation starters. The Terrex TA400 dump-truck is now sporting a vibrant blue colour to raise awareness and show commitment to the SPEAK UP! Stay ChatTY campaign. For several years, BCG has been a steadfast ally in advocating for mental health, recognizing the crucial need for open conversations and support within the workplace, and wider community. The vibrant blue truck serves as a moving billboard, sparking conversations and encouraging individuals to reach out and speak up about mental health challenges.

Comment from Mitch McPherson, Founder - SpeakUp Stay Chatty - Stay ChatTY's logo is a prominent reminder to check in regularly on both yourself, and those around you. Having worked over multiple years with Batchelor Group, we are really proud and grateful to see them use our logo as this reminder for both their staff, as well as those in the community that will lay eyes on

it. In another powerful gesture, Batchelor's have painted another Terrex TA400 dump-truck a hot pink colour, symbolising their dedication to the fight against breast cancer. The striking addition to the fleet represents a beacon of hope and solidarity for those affected by breast cancer, which has directly affected numerous members of the Batchelor team directly or indirectly.

Batchelor's along with their team members started "pink shirt Friday" hot pink hi-vis uniform. All the Batchelor team are encouraged to wear them each

Friday to show support. Breast cancer is the second most commonly diagnosed cancers in Australia, with 9 Australians dying each day from the disease.

Mr. Batchelor said "With our trucks moving around the state, it presented the perfect opportunity to npromote causes close to our company's ethos. Mental health challenges and breast cancer affect many individuals and families in our community, and if our efforts can facilitate access to support and raise awareness, we will consider it a significant achievement."



Passionate about edible Tasmanian plants

Rees Campbell is coming to Queenstown on Saturday November 9th to share her passion for growing and cooking with edible Tasmanian plants.

There are over 150 edible native plants growing on this island and Rees grows 120 of them with her husband Col in her suburban garden in Wynyard.

Although a child from several generations of white Tasmanian settlers, Rees feels the island is part of her. She grew up sipping the nectar from waratah blossom, eating exocarpus berries when ripe, and collecting periwinkles from the shore cooking them in campfires, without realising she was continuing a culinary history of wild Tasmania. "I love being able to be truly Tasmanian if you like , that means so much to me. There is always a satisfaction to grow your own meal, doesn't matter how you do it, but when you include what was naturally here thousands, hundreds of thousands of years ago , it connects me to the past and the future in one thing, it's wonderful."

We're lucky here in Tasmania that there is nothing that is actively deadly poisonous in our bush, that is a native, except some fungi. These plants have developed along with our soils, they have the requirements that we need, and are nutritionally dense. We are from mixed heritage on this island or as she says, we're all mongrels, so we should eat a mixed (mongrel) diet. Due to the tiny

harvest possible from most native plants Rees deliberately uses a combination of introduced and native plants when she cooks, with the native ingredients imparting a distinct and unique flavour to most dishes.

There is so much more in the Tasmanian bush that is edible than we thought but Rees is not about to tell us to go foraging for our tucker, unless it's a weed. "Use the bush as a library not a supermarket" is her mantra. Because its often the fruits we use, if we forage for them we are not only destroying the propagation method but also removing food for wildlife, which upsets bio-diversity.

Rees is really proud to have written the first comprehensive guide on Tasmanian edible plants and is passionate about sharing her knowledge.



"Knowledge shared means that everyone has the knowledge and knowledge is power; understanding what you have means you value it, if you value it you conserve it."

Come and join Rees to find out what to grow, and how to cook it.

Saturday 9th November -2.30-5pm, PressWEST 29 Bowes St, Queenstown

Door: \$10 , concessions \$5 – includes tasty Feisty Tasmanian snacks and a cuppa (cash only)

Rees will have books and some "Feisty Tasmanian" products to sell too. Also cash. For more information contact Annie at vikingfilms@bigpond.com



Each month we'll be introducing you to some of the wonderful volunteers from the Galley Museum in Queenstown.

Jill Brodie

A long-term volunteer with the Hospital Auxiliary, Jill has volunteered in various ways with the Galley over several years when she is able.

Currently Jill volunteers a couple of hours a week, in between family commitments.

Jill enjoys interacting with different people and helping to put out displays throughout the museum.

"The Galley is a real community centre where everyone gives what they can to help," Jill said.

"My favourite room is the hospital room which I find really interesting."



Raymond Arnold

Raymond first visited the Galley in the 1980s, when Eric 'Shrewdy' Thomas was still alive and building up the museum with his photography collection.

Bringing students to the Galley in the 1990s, Raymond engaged with Noeleen Bradshaw about the museum, its history and role in the community.

Raymond moved to Queenstown in 2005 and in 2010 he spent time at the Galley, with Peter Reid showing him the ropes.

"The Museum is the heart of the community, a spiritual place with its stories and connection to the region," Raymond said.





Women in Mining Awards

We have extraordinary women working across MMG's Australian operations. Rosebery Mine's Community Relations Advisor, Projects - Chris Winskill is one of them. She was recently recognised for her contribution to the mining industry as a Tasmanian finalist in the Exceptional Woman in Australian Resources award. She is a trailblazer in the local mining industry, having spent more than 40 years working at Rosebery Mine across various roles including recruitment, housing, and stakeholder and community relations. We are proud of Chris for her dedication to Rosebery Mine and her local community.

Image (L-R): Nyree Burnell, Teresa Patterson, Nadine Heal and Chris Winskill

Service Awards 2024

Each year, MMG Rosebery recognises the loyalty and dedication shown by our people. Our site would not be a success without the expertise and experience of our employees. Congratulations to all those who received a certificate for their service.

- Amelia Gallagher - 10 Years
- Shane Chapman - 10 Years
- Andrew Death - 10 Years
- Steve Scott - 10 Years
- Craig Jordan - 15 Years
- Rhys Phillips - 15 Years
- Nickolas Armstrong - 15 Years
- Matthew McMullen - 15 Years
- Doug Bonney - 15 Years
- Richard Glover - 30 years
- Dick Van Beek - 40 Years
- Kim Jordan - 40 Years
- John Rudling - 45 Years



Image (L-R): Madison Lello, Dave Runciman, Ryan Micallef and Shanita Major.

Photography Presentation

MMG Rosebery sponsored the photography competition for the West Coast Study Hub Health and Wellbeing weeks with Rosebery District School. Students completed training and submitted photos, which were judged by the Rosebery Community Consultative Committee. Dave Runciman, Supervisor of Site Projects and Chris Winskill, Community Relations Advisor – Projects, presented the prizes at the school assembly on Thursday 26 September. Congratulations to 1st prize recipients, Gabrielle and Garry, 2nd Maddison and Logan and 3rd Shanita and Ryan.



Mill Shut

You may have noticed various cranes on site during MMG's recent planned Mill shut. Multiple maintenance tasks were completed during the 8-day shut. Cranes were used for new tank and pipe replacements. We had a crane lifting a excavator into the Fine Ore Bin 2 for the clean out. This enabled a check of the structural condition of the insides of the bin silo and to provide a safe work environment while a team upgraded all the structural/ Mechanical feeder equipment under the bin.

Riding Tasmania’s byroads for RAW

Father-and-son duo, Darrel and Jon-athan Young have started up a program called ‘Ride the Byroads’ and I will let Darrel tell you a bit more about it.

“Jonathon is the creative mind behind the website and has taken the lead in designing the website, including its name and logo. I gave Jono considerable creative freedom to shape this concept. I have the fun job of riding, promoting RtB and meeting the locals.

‘Ride the Byroads’ draws unabashed inspiration from the Back Country Discovery Route USA (Ride BDR) and has been operational since October 2023, generating significant interest both in Australia and internationally.

Currently, we offer two routes: from Cockle Creek to Eddystone Point Lighthouse and now extending to Stanley concluding at the iconic Photo Frame.

These two routes converge at Ouse. We proudly support a Tasmanian organisation called RAW Rural Alive and Well, which offers programs aimed at benefiting the very communities that our trails traverse. ‘Ride the Byroads’ is committed to providing economic relief to these communities and supporting mental health.

According to Tourism Queensland, motorcycle tourists can spend up to

We have initiated a challenge to discover a gum tree, encouraging riders to look beyond their navigators or phones and truly appreciate their surroundings.

While many aspire to visit Cape York, we also highlight we have the southern-most road in Australia.

Our website features an interactive route map marked with icons representing points of interest, along with relevant information about each area.

Currently, we utilise social media to keep riders informed about road conditions, such as fallen trees etc. However, Jonathan is in the process of developing an app that will provide real-time notifications about road conditions—an enhancement not available with Ride BDR in the USA. We believe this app places us at the forefront of global adventure bike riding.

We hope to have that available within the next month.

Our routes cater to riders of all skill levels and experience, accommodating a wide range of motorcycles, from mod-



ern scramblers to adventure bikes, and even push bikes. I often entertain the idea of an E-bike challenge.

We encourage riders to exhibit courtesy by waving and smiling at locals and fellow road users, fostering a positive image of motorcycle enthusiasts. Additionally, we advocate for riders to pick up one piece of litter during their journey, emulating a custom observed in Nepal.



\$160 per day in local areas on food, accommodations, fuel, and other necessities, while caravaners tend to be more self-sufficient, averaging only about \$40 per day.

Rail partnership keeps trains moving

A partnership between Devonport’s Don River Railway and the West Coast Wilderness Railway will see both railways benefit from one locomotive this Summer. A diesel locomotive belonging to the Devonport operation headed to Queenstown this week, where it will undergo maintenance before being utilized as a backup engine in Strahan for the Summer months.

The Railway, which normally operates two original 1950’s Drewry diesel locomotives, is down to just one this Summer, with the second awaiting significant upgrades.

“The older the locomotive, the more care and maintenance it requires,” says Nick Shackleton, Acting Rail Division Manager with West Coast Wilderness Railway, “Some mornings, the locos don’t want to get out of bed, but we can still have up to 130 passengers queuing

up to get onboard. It’s imperative we have a standby engine and this partnership with Don is the perfect win-win.”

Eamon Seddon, General Manager at Don River Railway has also welcomed the partnership. “Our teams regularly work together in an informal capacity, and we welcomed several of the team here in Devonport after last year’s fire to help us get back on our feet. This new partnership is a natural progression, giving V2 a renewed lease on life and a new paint job, which we don’t have the capacity to deliver this year,” he says.

The 2.5-hour Teepookana and the King journey currently departs Strahan 3 times a week but is expected to depart up to 10 times a week in the height of the peak season. Don River Railway operates 30 minute services along the Don River, Thursday to Sunday year-round.

Less weeds are better

Volunteer group Friends of the Henty braved the recent weather a couple weekends back to continue their work removing invasive weeds from the Ocean Beach Trail. A small group of Strahan residents, helped by some volunteers from Burnie and Hobart, removed another few thousand Montpellier broom seedlings.

Montpellier broom is a noxious weed from Europe that is highly invasive on the sandy soils around Strahan. It grows very densely and is full of flammable oil, making it a serious fire hazard. Its ability to out-compete native vegetation reduces the quality of habitat for wildlife.

The trail is slowly but surely becoming weed-free, but regular work to remove seedlings will need to happen for a few more years to come.

We also spent a few hours sifting through the recent debris on Ocean Beach for rubbish. We took 4 whole garbage bags out in total!

Thanks to World Heritage Cruises for donating lunch for volunteers, Gordon River Cruises for donating dinner food, Parks and Wildlife Service for assisting us on the ground and with logistics, thanks to Landcare Tasmania and the Elsie Cameron Foundation for supporting our work, and a huge thanks to everyone who came to help on the day.

If you would like to join us next year, or want to know more, send me a message or send us an email at friendsofthehenty@gmail.com.



West Coasters at Burnie Show



Just a few photos sent in by some of our readers showing the fun at the 2024 Burnie Show. From dagwood dog eating A-Don (Donny) Welsh at left and Zachary Brown at right to youngsters on rides or cuddling animals the show had a bit of everything for somebody.

I took heaps of photos myself on the Saturday but simply had no room for them in this edition of the Echo. I do like the thought of starting up a lawnmower racing club on the West Coast though. Who's interested in being part of that? Get in touch.



Charles Woodley Memorial Fishing Comp

The 4th year of this annual competition occurred from the 5th to the 7th of Oct in Tullah. This years event was only held on Lake Rosebery as Mackintosh was closed, but 70 anglers still turned up and weighed in a total of 71 Trout. The Tullah Progress Association congratulates all the winners of raffle prizes and competition event categories. The large complete lists are available on the Charles Woodley Memorial Fishing

Competition Facebook page. The organisers thanked the sponsors Hydro, MMG, West Coast Council, Swick, Bluestone/Renison, Petuna, Shaws, Henty Gold, CRF Contracting, Innes Distillery, Tullah Hotel and Tullah Lakeside Lodge whose ongoing support makes this wonderful event possible. They original intent to honour the memory of Charles, invigorate local business and put Tullah on the map has been achieved yet again!



Alice Stevens with her good size fish



Brooke Stephens



Duane Bird

Burnie Archery Club has railway roots



Did you know the Burnie Archery Club was started in 1958 by two workers from the Emu Bay Railway - still going strong.

HEALTHY LIVING FESTIVAL

October is exciting with our Health Fest West – Healthy Living and Ageing Festival being held on Saturday 19th October at Mountain Heights School, from 10am to 3pm. This festival is a collaborative effort with West Coast Council, UTAS and our wider West Coast Community. It’s going to be a great interactive event with lots of health and allied health professionals coming. This event is for you, your nan and pop, your mum and dad and your elderly neighbours!

What does healthy living and ageing look like on the West Coast? Because we live in a remote community we can often feel like we are overlooked when it comes to health and health services. Here’s our chance to chat to a number of people in the health industry and make sure we can access health & well-being services locally. There’s something for everyone – Fresh free Salmon BBQ, live demonstrations, great talks from health professionals and a 4mx4m inflatable brain! The Festival will consist of:

- Health professionals who come to the West Coast
- Keynote speakers and presentations
- Yummy BBQ!
- Free health screening and checks
- Exercise tips
- Poster displays with lots of flyers and brochures
- Health related education careers
- Much MORE!

Can’t wait to see you there!

Have you thought about becoming a Mental Health First Aider? Hydro Tasmania, have generously fully funded two Mental health First Aid courses in November – one in Zeehan and one in Strahan. Facilitated by SPEAK UP! Stay ChatTY you will learn practical mental health first aid skills to support friends, family members, colleagues and others. For more information, visit mhfa.com.au/courses or contact If you are interested in attending either workshop, email Yolande – yolande@studyhubwestcoast.com.au for the registration flyer. Commencing at the Study Hub in Zeehan on October 17, for 4 weeks, a series of 4 free information sessions have been organised to help people think about their ‘inside self’ differently. Suitable for ages 16 and over, these information sessions relate to understanding anxiety, depression, negative thinking, stress and making better choices for our life, our health and our relationships. If you are interested in attending, or would like more information please contact yolande@studyhubwestcoast.com.au Don’t forget to follow us on Facebook for West Coast events, workshops, training and education news - <https://www.facebook.com/studyhubwestcoast> Like to know more about what education options on the West Coast? Email us nicky@studyhubwestcoast.com.au yolande@studyhubwestcoast.com.au belinda.martin@utas.edu.au (UTAS enquiries)



Strahan’s 2024 Shoreline Clean-Up

You are invited to participate in Strahan’s 2024 Shoreline Clean-Up, run jointly by Cradle Coast NRM’s Healthy Harbour Project and the Strahan Aquaculture Community Forum. As in previous years, we anticipate that this will be a fantastic way to not only take care of our beautiful local areas, but also to bring the whole Strahan community together! The event will run over two days, with Strahan Primary School starting us off on Friday 8 November by cleaning up rubbish around the school and West Strahan Beach. On Sunday 10 November, we are inviting local businesses, community groups and individuals to choose an area to tidy up. To celebrate our hard work, we will wrap up the two days with a free thank- you barbecue dinner held at West Strahan Beach from 5pm on the Sunday. We would like this community event to be something that workplaces can do as a team – a great opportunity to get staff together to do something fun and meaningful before we head into the busy summer season. If you are unable to participate on Sunday 10 November, you are welcome to pick another time during the week. We have a list of sections of shoreline, and some other areas, which we would love to see cleaned up. Please let us know if there is a particular area you would like to cover. If you are keen to be involved, please let us know so that we can send you more details and confirm your allocated area to be cleaned up. Contact: M: 0447 657 778 W: hbrinkhoff@cradlecoast.com

As the weather warms up, out come the snakes

In Tasmania we have three species of snakes, and they are all venomous. The Tiger snake, The Low-lands Copperhead and The White-Lipped Whip snake.

Now is the time to clean up our yards. Clear away rubbish piles, keep lawns mowed, be careful when you grab wood from wood piles. When gardening just be aware that snakes are out and about. Snakes are part of our Australian summer.

It is important to educate our children on snake safety and what they can do if they come across a snake or lizard. Parents can teach their children snake safety. This general information is for adults and children.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU SEE A SNAKE OR LIZARD!
NEVER TOUCH OR TRY TO PICK UP A SNAKE OR A LIZARD.
They can get very grumpy and, can be dangerous.

DON'T BE AFRAID IF YOU SEE A SNAKE OR LIZARD.
They don't want to bite us. We are much bigger than they are. snakes and lizards just want to be left alone.

IF YOU SEE A SNAKE OR LIZARD CLOSE TO YOU, STOP!
STAND VERY STILL. STAY CALM. KEEP STANDING VERY STILL UNTIL THE SNAKE OR LIZARD MOVES AWAY FROM YOU. BE PATIENT.
WHEN THE SNAKE OR LIZARD HAS MOVED WELL AWAY FROM YOU, CALMLY WALK AWAY.

CHILDREN SHOULD SEEK A GROWN UP LIKE A PARENT OR TEACHER STRAIGHT AWAY AND TELL THE GROWN UP WHAT HAPPENED THEN SHOW THEM WHERE YOU SAW THE SNAKE OR LIZARD.

If you see a snake well ahead of you, do not panic. Stand still and, slowly but very calmly back away out of harm's way... Don't panic... Snakes react to movement. Children can also call out to their care giver/parents "SNAKE"! whilst still following the above general advice

If you see a snake at home or workplace, Follow the above general advice. Get all people and pets out of harm's way.

Call your local Snake Catcher. From a safe distance, keep an eye on where the snake is until the Snake Catcher arrives.

Never touch or provoke a snake. Never attempt to capture or handle a snake. Do not kill a snake as they are a protected species by Law.

Never touch a dead snake. Venom may still be in the snake's fangs and can remain there for a long time.



When going camping, bushwalking or heading out into the great outdoors, be sure to have your snake bite kit with you. First aid courses cover what to do for a snakebite and operate all over the State through many different organisations.

If a snake is in a room in your house/workplace get every person and pets out of harm's way. Close the door to that room and wrap a towel up and jam it under the gap of the door. Call your local Snake Catcher. Keep an eye on the door until the Snake Catcher gets there.

If the snake is outside, from a safe distance, keep an eye on where the snake is until the Snake Catcher gets there. If you keep an eye on the snake until the Snake Catcher gets there then, the Snake Catcher has a better chance of finding the snake and removing and relocating the snake. Please keep your dogs restrained whilst the Snake Catcher is trying to catch the snake.

If you suspect you or someone you know has been bitten by a snake, call 000 immediately. If your pet has had an encounter with a snake, call the vet immediately.

Please pay attention to your pets. If your dog is barking or constantly sniffing at a particular area, please go check it out, there may be a snake or lizard around. The same applies to your birds.

This year we have 3 Snake Catchers who are happy to serve the West Coast Community with catching and relocating problem snakes.
WEST COAST SNAKE CATCHER'S
Amanda Norris - 0459825241
Warren Donnelly - 0400559527
Angie Capan-phone - 0409164394
NORTHWEST SNAKE CATCHERS - 0488929761


Amanda Norris, Warren Donnelly from Queenstown and, Angie Capan, work cooperatively with each other helping people with problem snakes, educating, catching and relocating snakes, covering all the West Coast.

There are others on the West Coast who have been trained and have their Snake Catching Permits who also may be willing to help.


If you are interested in becoming a Snake Catcher, REPTILE RESCUE teaches quality snake handling and snake education courses all around the State.

Hope you all have a great summer and please stay snake safe.

Written by ANGIE CAPAN, supported by AMANDA NORRIS, WARREN DONNELLY, NORTHWEST SNAKE CATCHERS & CHRIS DALY from REPTILE RESCUE 0499116690



ROSEBERY DISTRICT SCHOOL



Duke of Ed Camp

On the first day of camp, we started the Arches Knob Circuit walk at Narawntapu National Park, the walk took us around 3 hours to walk. We then travelled to Low Head caravan park to unpack, we then left to go to Kings Meadows to do an escape room which was Trial of the White Rabbit, which was based off Alice in Wonderland.

The second day of camp, we headed to East Beach and walked along the shore, we missed our rock-climbing session at PCYC because we finished the walk along the beach at 11. Since we missed our rock-climbing session at PCYC, we went to Penny Royal instead. At Penny Royal, we did the cliff walk, Sarah Island and Tamar ghost tour, The Dark Ride and we finished with gold and gemstone panning and the barefoot sensation. The Ghost tour and The Dark Ride were about Matthew Brady. We travelled to Riverbend Park for lunch.

The last day of camp, we went to the Cataract Gorge and did a walk there, then we travelled to Grindelwald to do splash golf. Then we came back to Rosebery. I liked the Dark Ride at Penny Royal and I enjoyed the Splash Golf at Grindelwald.

Science Week

Students at RDS has a special visit from 4 scientists. The aim of science week is to engage and inspire people with science, engineering and technology. Students participated in a range of fun and engaging experiments and workshops.

Tales from a Zeehan graveyard

ESTEEMED CITIZEN AND WELL KNOWN PUBLICAN PASSES AWAY AFTER LONG ILLNESS

At about 4 a.m. on Saturday, the 9th of January 1904, Donald MacLennan, a very wellknown and respected resident of Zeehan passed away at his residence, the Caledonian Hotel.



Long gone, this hotel was situated facing Main Street on the grounds of where the Primary School is now, about opposite St. Fursaeus' Church. The deceased, who had been born in Scotland 53 years previously, had suffered from periods of ill health, and for the last six months of his life he had practically been an invalid.

Until 1891 he lived and worked in Inverness, when poor health caused him to seek a change of climate, and he came to Australia. Towards the latter part of that year, he reached Zeehan, and in conjunction with his brother Murdoch (who later became licensee of the Royal Exchange Hotel), he built the Caledonian Hotel, which he ran until his death, with the exception of a period of

twelve months when he visited Scotland in 1901-02.

Prior to that trip he had been a member of the Town Board for one term, and a member and Chairman of the Hospital Board for many years, and on his return from overseas he again secured a seat on that body, which he retained until he died. In addition, he held various positions in the Licensed Victuallers' Association (a forerunner of the Tasmanian Hospitality Association.) He also enjoyed angling and was involved in many sporting pursuits until his health failed him.

It was due to Mr MacLennan that Zeehan was the first place outside Hobart and Launceston to have a telephone service (which commenced in June 1896), and the original subscribers agreed that in honour of that his phone number should be number 1.

It was the hospital though, which was his main interest, and he devoted many hours to it and gave it his close attention. When he was once asked about his devotion to the hospital, he replied that being a sufferer himself he could feel for others, and it was his wish to help everyone who was in pain, to cheer them up, and to procure for them the best that science could give. His heart and soul were in the Hospital, and it was felt that if his friends wished to perpetuate his memory and could somehow ask him what he would want he would say, "No costly marble monument over my grave, but a ward in the Hospital, or something that will tend to lighten the sufferings of the sick."

Donald MacLennan was buried on the following Sunday afternoon and a large cortege which included William Lamerton, M.H.A., Justices of the Peace, members of the Hospital Board, Town Board, Licensed Victuallers' Association, Mine Managers' Association, and Amalgamated Miners' Association,

as well as local businessmen and the general public, and several people from outside Zeehan, followed the hearse to the Cemetery.

On reaching the Cemetery gates the coffin was carried by the Chairman of the Hospital Board (Mr James Harrison), the Treasurer (Mr F.W. Wathen, also Chairman of the Town Board), and two members of the Hospital Board (Mr J. Lynch and Mr E. Kidd), with Mr William Teniswood and Mr John Jardine, members of the License Victuallers' Association, acting as guides. Then came

Smith, of the Presbyterian Church, who finished his remarks with "the end of even the brightest career is a coffin and a grave. And so, to earth again we trust what came from dust and turns to dust, And from the dust shall surely rise when the last trumpet fills the skies."

Wreaths were sent from the Hospital Board, Hospital Nursing Staff (white flowers with a red cross), the Licensed Victuallers' Association, Mr D. Sullivan of Hobart, Mr J. Overall, Mr W. Skeggs, the Hotel Staff, Mr



his brother and only relative in Zeehan, Mr Murdoch MacLennan, Dr. Gilbert Butler, the remaining members of the Hospital Board, the Licensed Victuallers' Association and the Town Board, several Justices of the Peace, and other friends. As the procession started the bell at St. Fursaeus' Church was rung as a mark of respect.

On arrival at the grave the Service for the Burial of the Dead was read by the Rev. D.W.

S. Dodds, and others.

Donald MacLennan's burial plot is known exactly and contains a headstone, which sadly has seen the inscription eroded away over the last 120 years.

This is an abridged excerpt taken from books edited by Malcolm Ready, *Burials at the Zeehan General (Pioneer) Cemetery*.

Zeehan & North East Dundas Tramway Bogie 1896

The North East Dundas Tramway (NEDT) was a 2 ft (610 mm) narrow gauge tramway on West Coast Tasmania that ran between Zeehan and Deep Lead (now Williamsford). It was part of Tasmanian Government Railways.

The line was opened in 1896 to carry ore from the Williamsford mines to Zeehan where it would be loaded onto another train for shipment to Burnie. The narrow-gauge (2 ft) was chosen because of the extremely difficult terrain that the railway crossed, requiring several big trestle bridges, including one at the foot

of Montezuma Falls. After some rain the engine and carriages would get soaked by spray from the falls. There was a break-of-gauge with the mainline 1,067 mm (3 ft 6 in) system at Zeehan.

The railway was closed in 1932.

The rolling stock for the Tramway was built in the Launceston Railway workshops, and comprised twenty five eight-wheel low-side trucks, tare 3 tons 1 cwt. 1 qr., load 10 tons; six eight-wheel flat trucks, tare 2 tons 18 cwt. 1 qr., load 10 tons; two four-wheel bolster trucks, for carrying long timber, tare 1 ton 19 cwt.,

load 5 tons; and four passenger cars, each with six cross-seats with reversible backs, to carry eighteen passengers, also a locker for mails and parcels.

All trucks and cars have cast-steel wheels 21 inches in diameter and are fitted with automatic vacuum brakes. The trucks have side levers and the cars have hand-screw brakes. The vacuum brake can be worked from the engine or from the passenger cars, which act as brake vans. When this brake was introduced, one effect was to accelerate the journey speed by about 10 minutes owing to

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which will incorporate the town of 'Echoville' and its twin mountain peaks.

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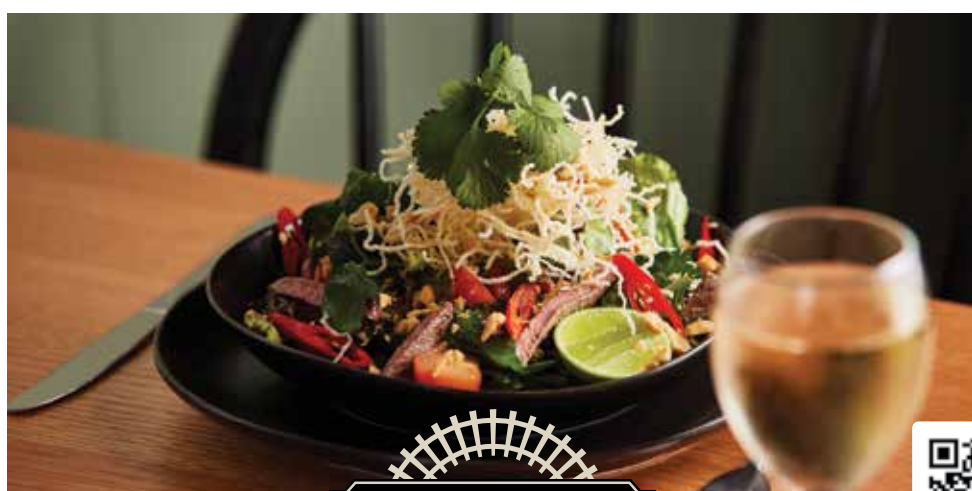
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To book a stall contact Teena: gemfair@wchczeehan.com.au.

WIO working it out
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Location: 9-13 Driffield Street, Queenstown

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
October 2024	1st Move N Groove @ 11.30am Story Time @ 1pm	2nd Play Space opens @ 10am Story Time @ 1pm	3rd Move N Groove @ 11.30am Story Time @ 1pm	4th CFLC CLOSED for Burnie Show Holiday
7th Library Story Time @ 11am Halloween Craft @ 1pm	8th Move N Groove @ 11.30am Story Time @ 1pm	9th Play Space opens @ 10am Story Time @ 1pm	10th Move N Groove @ 11.30am Story Time @ 1pm	11th Halloween Messy Play @ 11:30am Story Time & Show & Tell @ 1pm
14th Library Story Time @ 11am Musical Munchkins Play @ 1pm	15th Move N Groove @ 11.30am Story Time @ 1pm	16th Play Space opens @ 10am Halloween Fruit Art @ 11:30am Story Time @ 1pm	17th Move N Groove @ 11.30am Story Time @ 1pm	18th Halloween Craft @ 11.30am Story Time & Show & Tell @ 1pm
21st Library Story Time @ 11am Halloween Messy Play @ 11:30am	22nd Move N Groove @ 11.30am Story Time @ 1pm	23rd Play Space opens @ 10am Musical Munchkins @ 11:30am Story Time @ 1pm	24th Move N Groove @ 11.30am Story Time @ 1pm Yoga @ 2pm	25th Musical Munchkins @ 11:30am Story Time & Show & Tell @ 1pm
28th Library Story Time @ 11am Halloween Craft @ 11:30am	29th Move N Groove @ 11.30am Story Time @ 1pm Yoga @ 2pm	30th Play Space opens @ 10am Story Time @ 1pm	31st HALLOWEEN Spooky Halloween Party @ 11:30am	



Fred Smith in concert - October 12, 2024

Don't miss the chance to experience Fred Smith live—an evening of music that will stay with you long after the night is over. A renowned Australian diplomat, author and songwriter, Fred Smith has used his two careers - diplomat and musician - to build bridges and open doors. Fred has spent the last 20 years working on a variety of pursuits including working on Australian stabilisation missions in Afghanistan and the South Pacific, and touring the US and Australian festival circuit. His songs reflect the world he has seen in what, so far, has been a messy and interesting life. Some are sad, some are funny and serious, they have melodies and stories that stay with you... General Admission tickets \$20 +BF: www.theparagon.com.au/special-events Doors open: 7.00pm | Music from 7.30pm

STRAHAN VILLAGE TWILIGHT MARKET

Strahan Village and the Strahan CWA are holding a Twilight Market on the 29th November 2024. The market will be held on the street in front of Hamers Bar & Bistro the Kitchen Café and Gordon River Cruises. There is also some spaces available on the grass area in front of the Cottages. The market will be held between 4pm and 8pm. There will be limited spaces on the street in front of Hamers Bar & Bistro, the Kitchen Café and Gordon River Cruises. Anyone who would like a stall on the grass will need to provide their own gazebo. The gazebo will need to be a maximum of 3m x 3m Food vans/vendors must provide their own Council permit. Permits or proof of exemption must be provided when booking your stall. Cost for each table will be \$10. All proceeds will go to the Strahan CWA. There will be a limit of two tables per vendor. To register your interest please email lyndy.smith@strahenvillage.com.au

WE PLAY STADIUM CRICKET

Photos by Alan Jennison

Following last week's fantastic trip to the West Coast with Stadium Cricket at Zeehan and Queenstown, coordinators are in place in Zeehan to set up the centre at Zeehan Primary school....

NOW is the time to get your fun, 6 person team together, name your team, and contact myself or one of the coordinators. Also if looking to join a team.

Rosters hopefully starting in 2/3 weeks. Nights will be up for discussion...

Don't forget, these rosters are fun!!!!

CONTACTS:

For mixed and junior rosters:

Ashley: 0477 433 765

Tarina: 0448 288 522

For mens roster:

Dave: 0472 743 491

Let's get Stadium Cricket happening. Don't miss out!



Feel like helping the MTB club?



The West Coast MTB Club Tasmania asks if you are passionate about mountain biking on the West Coast and interested in being a part of the committee? They would love to have you join their little MTB family!

Fresh ideas and energy can make a real difference.

Join us for our Club AGM on Tuesday, October 22nd, at 5:30PM at West Coast Ride (Orr Street, Queenstown)!