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Selfies in a sea of colour



Leah from Burnie, Millie from Devonport and Megan from Burnie exploring Table Cape Tulip Farm and soaking up the sun at 'Tunes in the Tulips' last weekend. More on pages 6 and 7



95% of GP visits
in Braddon are now fully
bulk billed



Delivered by Anne Urquhart MP

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Letters to the editor...

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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'Western Echo' Wendy

Bunnings! I had no idea what that word meant until dad took me there a few days ago. Wow! what an amazing place. I have never seen so many dog toys in one place, and the dog food... there was so much of it dad had to wipe my chin

I was salivating so much (gross I know but hey, I'm a dog!)

The best part though was meeting all the other puppies, I had no idea we were allowed in those big buildings but there

were so many other pups walking around or in the trolleys like I was. This Bunnings is a wonderful place and I can't wait to go back there. Can we dad? Huh dad? Please dad. (Yay! Dad has promised we will be back there soon so I look forward to meeting you all and your furbabies).

Dad says the only reason I want to go back is to get more treats from the lovely lady on the door but that is not (quite) true. I love these trips and I can't wait until dad says those magic words... want to go for a drive Wendy? Dad also said we have a birthday party coming up so that will be fun too.

Until then...

Woof to you all... Wendy



To the editor,

BIN YOUR BUTTS AND RUBBISH PEOPLE! I live in Burnie and walk the streets and beaches picking up rubbish AND cigarette butts. I've also recently driven to Queenstown, Strahan, Cradle Mountain and Zeehan. The roadsides are a disgrace and littered with cans, glass and plastic bottles, take away food wrappers and other rubbish. Come on people! This is not good enough! We're better than this! Carry a jar or small tin and put your cigarettes in it and take them home with you. Keep your rubbish in your car until you're near a bin. Let's RESPECT that we live in a great State with endless beauty and that we share this landscape with animals. **BIN YOUR BUTTS and rubbish.**

KEEP TASSIE BEAUTIFUL!

Suzanne Simpson



To the Editor,

thank you Western Echo for filling my last hour on The Spirit with informative and enjoyable reading. My old stomping-ground is the West Tamar but I found your articles and human interest accounts from the West Coast a credit to your writers and especially enjoyed the write-up of the endeavours and achievements of Corey Armstrong. We often

hear how the bleak outlook of today's economic climate is affecting the mindset of the young upcoming workforce but hopefully, there may also be other readers who might have the opportunity to portray Corey as a significant role-model for setting achievable goals; I'll be happy to give it a go with my grandsons.

Catherine Selwood, Kiata, Victoria

Birthday news for the Echo!

The Western Echo newspaper is five years old in November! Yep, next month will be the 60th edition of the Echo and what a journey it has been thus far.

We have covered so many different events, stories and happenings, sharing them all throughout the West and Northwest and it seems to have gone so quickly. Worry not though as we will have much more to bring in upcoming editions including whale watching in Bass Strait and maybe even flying in one (or both) of the planes in the ad on the bottom of the facing page.

The warmer weather has arrived, and with it the season for shows, carnivals, parties and all sorts of happenings in our region.

I really enjoy bringing the Western Echo to you each month and we have all sorts planned for the future.

We would however, ask that YOU get involved. If you have an event coming up, let us know. If your organisation or group would like a regular column at no cost then let us know. If you have a

congratulations, a message or something you want to get off your chest then send a 'Letter to the Editor'. This is YOUR paper and here is your chance to be a part of it.

All my contact details are above left so please shoot me an email, ring, text, or knock on the door (loudly so I hear it) and let's take this paper into the next five years together.

Oh, we also have a brand new landline phone number as well so give me a call on 6459 ECHO (6459 3246) to discuss story ideas or potential advertising.

We also have a brand new website coming online soon as well and it will be a huge improvement over the one we have been using.

In the November, December and January editions we are going to feature a huge pullout section devoted to the West and Northwest - this will include where to go, what to do, where to stay etc. so if you would like to be involved then once again let us know. This will be huge! Here's to another five years. Cheers. **Alan/Ed**

Authorised by Senator Josh Dolega, ALP, 1-3 Rooke St, Devonport 7310 TAS

From October 1 2026

LABOR IS ENDING CARD SURCHARGES



Boat Harbour Beach now in shipshape condition



The \$12.5 million transformation of Boat Harbour Beach is now complete, marking a major milestone for one of Tasmania’s best-known coastal destinations.

At the centre of the project is the new Boat Harbour Beach Surf Life Saving Club and community facility, which includes a café, upgraded public amenities and improved parking.

The surrounding foreshore precinct has also been upgraded, with improved footpaths, accessible beach access, recreation areas and landscaping.

The upgrade follows the Boat Harbour Beach Master Plan that was developed through extensive community consultation and addresses ageing infrastructure, while protecting the distinctive coastal character of the area.

The Australian Government has contributed \$4.5 million through the Priority Community Infrastructure Program, alongside \$2.7 million from the Tasmanian Government and approximately \$5.3 million from Waratah-Wynyard Council.

Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government Catherine King said “Boat Harbour Beach is a special part of Tasmania’s coast and our investment will give the community the infrastructure it needs now and into the future. These new facilities will benefit businesses, community and tourists and help ensure the beach is accessible for everyone.”

Nick Duigan Tasmanian Minister for Sport said “We are building an even better Tasmania by investing community infrastructure that will serve the Boat Harbour region for decades. This is a great example of all levels of Government

Catching a tiger (moth)by the tail

The de Havilland DH.82 Tiger Moth is an iconic 1930’s British biplane designed by Geoffrey de Havilland. Introduced in 1931, it became the primary basic trainer for the Royal Air Force (RAF) during World War II. Through the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan, it trained thousands of Allied pilots, proving essential to the wartime aviation effort. Stay tuned for a future issue when the Echo’s editor takes to the skies

working together to deliver the facilities Tasmanian communities deserve.”

Waratah Wynyard Mayor Dr Mary Duniam continued: “This has been shaped through years of planning, consultation and collaboration. The result is a safer, more accessible and welcoming precinct that will be enjoyed by locals and visitors for generations.”

Member for Braddon, Anne Urquhart MP was at Boat Harbour and said: “Boat Harbour Beach is one of the North West Coast’s most beautiful locations, and this facility will allow many more to enjoy the beauty of the area. Improved access to the beach, the new Seekers Bar & Café, new Surf Club and improved carparking offer great facilities for locals and visitors. I congratulate the community, Mayor Duniam, Waratah-Wynyard Council, and the developers on their vision for this project. I am proud to be part of a Federal Labor Government which has helped bring it to life.”

Boat Harbour Beach Surf Life Saving Club President Carolyn Hay said: “This facility gives us a much stronger base for surf safety, training our members and developing the next generation of lifesavers. It also creates a fantastic new space for the wider community.”

Bushfire-ready challenge 2026

With summer approaching, the Tasmania Fire Service is encouraging households across the region to take part in the free Bushfire-Ready Challenge. The four-week online program helps participants take practical steps to prepare for bushfire season through simple weekly activities. Topics include understanding bushfire risk, creating a bushfire plan, preparing an emergency kit, and assessing your property. The challenge is designed to break preparedness into manageable actions that can be completed at your own pace. Whether you're new to bushfire planning or simply want to review your existing arrangements, the challenge provides practical information and resources to help. Last year, hundreds of Tasmanian households took part, building knowledge, confidence and preparedness before summer. The Bushfire-Ready Challenge is free and open to all Tasmanians. To learn more or register, visit: <https://bushfire.tas.gov.au/bushfire-challenge/bushfire-ready-challenge> Take it on. Be prepared.



Tasmania
Fire Service



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CHALLENGE



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BUSHFIRE PLAN



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PROPERTY



KEEP YOUR
FAMILY SAFE

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BUSH DANCE

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HABITAT RESTORATION FOR THREATENED SPECIES

by UTAS
FRI 16 OCT 2PM-4PM

SKETCHING THE TIDELINE

with Claire Pendrigh
SAT 17 OCT 10AM-4PM

ESCAPE TO PREMAYDENA GARDEN

Plant Sale, Music, Food
SAT 31 OCT 10.30AM 3PM

SUNSET TO STARS
Astrophotography Workshop
TUES 13 OCT
6:30PM-9:30PM

FAT BEETS FRESH
FOOD MARKET
SAT 17 OCT
10AM-3PM

KOONYA OPEN
MIC NIGHT
SAT 17 OCT
6PM

TASMAN MOUNTAIN
BIKE OPEN DAY & BBQ
SUN 18 OCT
10AM-2PM

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7PM

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Free employment support workshops plant the seeds of new opportunities



West North West Working is proud to be participating in the Waratah-Wynyard Spring Loaded Program this October. The “Planting the Seeds of Opportunity” series will bring a month of friendly, hands-on employment, education and training workshops to the Wynyard Community Centre in Little Goldie Street. These practical workshops are designed to build your confidence, strengthen your job search skills and connect you with employment, education and training opportunities. Whether you’re updating your resume, preparing for interviews or exploring your future options, the workshops will help you develop the skills to move forward.

The free workshops will run from Monday 5 October to Thursday 29 October 2026 and are open to people at any stage of their journey, from first-time jobseekers and people returning to the workforce to those exploring a new direction or further education or training. Participants can attend the workshops most relevant to them, and there is no cost. Full details of the program and workshops are available on the West North West Working events page: www.wnwworking.com.au/upcoming-events/. West North West Working provides free employment, education and training support to people living in the region. To connect with a Local Engagement Officer in Burnie, Circular Head, Waratah-Wynyard or the West Coast, visit www.wnwworking.com.au.

Active, connected and involved

Circular Head is celebrating Seniors Month this October with a great range of activities encouraging older residents to stay active, connect with others, learn something new and enjoy being part of community life. Council has brought together activities from across Circular Head, with local clubs, groups and organisations joining Council to offer everything from gentle aqua, strength and balance sessions and indoor bowls to craft, digital literacy, bingo and social activities. Mayor Gerard Blizzard said Seniors Month was an opportunity to celebrate the contribution older residents make to Circular Head. “We want Circular Head to be a great place to live at every stage of life,” Mayor Blizzard said. “Our older residents contribute enormously to our community – through our families, clubs and organisations, volunteering and the knowledge and experience they share. Seniors Month is a chance to celebrate that contribution, but also to create opportunities to get together, stay active, learn something new and connect with others.” At the 2021 Census, around one in five Circular Head residents was aged 65 or over, highlighting the importance of thinking about what people need to live and age well in our community. This is reflected in Vision 2050 and Council’s Population Strategy, which recognise health, wellbeing, social connection and a sense of belonging as important to Circular Head’s future. Council is hosting three special events during Seniors Month: the Mayor’s Morning Tea on Friday 16 October, the Kennaook/Cape Grim and Woolnorth Station Bus Tour on Wednesday 21 October, and a Mini Mosaic Workshop at Smithton Library on Wednesday 28 October. Council thanked the many local clubs, groups and organisations contributing activities throughout October. “Our community organisations do so much to help people stay active and connected – not just during Seniors Month, but throughout the year,” Mayor Blizzard said. The full Seniors Month calendar, event details and booking information are available on Circular Head Council’s website and Facebook page. Bookings are required for some activities, including Council’s three special events, and people are encouraged to book early

Smithton Scouts Pudding Cook

Smithton Scouts are getting ready for one of their biggest fundraisers of the year — the annual Pudding Cook — to be held on Saturday, November 7th, from 8.00am at Tarkine Oysters, West Esplanade. We are looking for volunteers to lend a hand on the day, with a variety of jobs including preparation and mixing, cooking, packing, washing up and general assistance. You don’t need any special experience — just a willingness to help and a few hours to spare! It’s also a great chance to get together, have a bit of fun and support a fantastic local cause. The Pudding Cook is a major fundraiser for Smithton Scouts, with our delicious Christmas puddings available for just \$20 each. Every pudding sold helps support our local Scout Group, providing activities, equipment,



Woolnorth Station

Established in 1827 by the Van Diemen’s Land Company under a royal charter, Woolnorth Station is a historic 16,800-hectare pastoral property located in far north-west Tasmania. Initially founded for fine-wool sheep grazing using convict labor, it faced severe early livestock losses and violent clashes with the local Indigenous population. Today, it operates as a major dairy enterprise and wind farm.

Livestock Traceability

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WE ENJOY - TUNES IN THE TULIPS

Photos by Alan Jennison

Sunday, October 4, 2026 saw the historic Table Cape Tulip Farm in Wynyard, Tasmania host its celebrated annual spring tradition, Tunes in the Tulips.

Marking over thirteen years of rich legacy, this highly anticipated gathering seamlessly blended the vibrant expanse of blooming tulip fields with live entertainment.

Running from 2:00 PM to 5:30 PM, the undercover event featured standout musical performances from acclaimed multi-instrumentalist Xani Kolac and regional artist Leigh Smith.

Attendees explored rows of vivid blossoms before gathering to enjoy local food and drinks, successfully solidifying the afternoon's role as a cornerstone of the northwest coast's seasonal tourism. Don't forget also that this weekend coming is the Tulip Festival - a must not be missed experience.





So glad these were not required this weekend



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Make a splash this summer!

Enjoy a fun, flexible and dynamic job as a Pool Lifeguard

Council is seeking enthusiastic, reliable and community-minded people to join our team as Seasonal Lifeguards (including Senior Lifeguards) at the Queenstown and Zeehan Swimming Pools during the 2026–2027 swimming pool season.

People with a can-do attitude who are enthusiastic about our pools

and working with the community are encouraged to apply or contact Council to discuss. Applications can be submitted before completing a Lifeguard course – just let Council know you're enrolled in a course, and when you can provide proof of successful completion, we'll be able to continue to assess your application.



GET READY TO VOTE

Local government elections are happening across Tasmania this October, including for West Coast Council.

These elections are your opportunity to choose the councillors, mayor and deputy mayor who will represent our community for the next four years. The people elected to council make decisions about local services and places that are part of everyday community life.

Voting in Tasmania's local government elections is compulsory for enrolled electors and, unlike state and federal elections, voting is by post. There are no polling places or election-day queues.

Keep an eye on your letterbox

Ballot packs will be delivered by post from Monday 5 October. Your pack will contain your ballot papers, instructions and everything you

need to return your vote. Once it arrives, don't put it aside for later. Complete your ballot papers and return your vote as soon as you can.

Voting closes at 2 pm on Tuesday 27 October 2026. Your completed vote needs to have reached the Tasmanian Electoral Commission by this time, so return it early and allow plenty of time for delivery.

If you can't post it in time, you can bring it into our office at 11 Sticht Street, Queenstown.

Make sure your vote counts by completing and returning it as soon as possible.

You'll find information about candidates, voting information and full election details at tec.tas.gov.au/LG26



Zeehan pathway improvement project

Delivering improved shared pathway infrastructure within Zeehan.

The Zeehan Shared Access Improvement Project (known as the Zeehan Pathway Improvement project) is progressing, with surveyors on site recently.

The project aims to create a continuous, safe and accessible shared pathway network connecting key community destinations through Zeehan, from West Coast Village to Silver City Mountain Bike Trailhead.

The project responds to identified deficiencies within the existing pathway network, and will deliver

upgrades and extensions to shared pathway infrastructure across five sections throughout Zeehan, improving safety and accessibility.

Following site surveys, concept designs will be developed, with the project team to engage with stakeholders and residents as the project progresses.



For more details about the project, scan the QR code.

Free kerbside collection

Twice a year West Coast Council offers a free kerbside collection for larger items. The next collection will be held on Tuesday 17 & Wednesday 18 November.

The collection is a great way to:

- help those who may not have a way to get larger items to transfer stations
- encourage responsible waste management
- keep our communities clean

Register your items for collection by 5pm on Friday 15 November:

- Call 6471 4700
- Visit the Council Office at 11 Sticht Street, Queenstown



Scan the QR code to complete the online form.

Please note: Items not registered will not be collected. Broken glass, asbestos, fuels & oils, tyres, soil, concrete, gas bottles, paint tins & items over 3 metres long will not be collected

BUSHFIRE-READY CHALLENGE

The Tasmania Fire Service Bushfire-Ready Challenge is returning this October.

This completely online experience will challenge you across four weeks, prompting you to understand your bushfire risk, create a bushfire plan, complete a property assessment, put together an emergency kit, and most importantly keep your household safe!

Register now and ensure you're ready for the bushfire season: bushfire.tas.gov.au/bushfire-challenge/bushfire-ready-challenge

Why not invite others? Encourage friends and family to register to increase their bushfire safety knowledge and strengthen our community's preparedness.

Questions? Email Tasmania Fire Service at community@fire.tas.gov.au

Take it on. Be Prepared.



Raise the roof, not the rates

Building a new home? The New Residential Build Incentive Scheme is for you.

To encourage new developments to meet growing housing needs, Council will provide a general rates remission for two years to eligible properties where a new residential build has been completed.

To qualify, the development must meet all planning and building requirements, and applicants must submit the New Build Incentive Scheme Remission form. Remission will only be granted once construction is complete, and all required documentation has been received.

Applicants who are also eligible for the Tasmanian Government's First Home Owner Grant for new home construction, and provide evidence to Council, will receive an additional year of remission.

Application forms are available on Council's website and from the Council office.



Grass – let's keep it low

With summer around the corner, Council has commenced its fire abatement program.

All property owners who received an abatement notice last year will receive notification in early October that Council will be commencing inspections shortly.

Throughout the 2025--2026 fire season Council targeted long grass and gorse through inspections across the region. As part of this year's program Council will continue its focus on long grass and weeds, including gorse, holly, fox glove, broom and pampas grass.

Landowners are reminded that grass should be kept at a length which doesn't pose a fire risk for the period between November and April – importantly if you receive a fire abatement and clear the fire risk, continue to do so throughout the fire season.

Don't cut once, keep the grass low all season.

As patrols commence, fire risk abatement notices will be issued where fire risks are identified. Fire risks include fire hazards which pose an unacceptable risk to built infrastructure or firefighting access/evacuation routes within urban areas or where the ignition of a fire hazard during a bushfire would place additional demand on emergency services.

Anyone can report a fire risk to Council at any time throughout the year. If it is safe and reasonably practical to do so, Council will investigate and will issue an abatement notice if warranted.

More information about Fire Management and Fire Abatement, including helpful Frequently Asked Questions, is available on Council's website.



Over two big weekends on 7–8 and 14–15 November 2026, households, schools, community groups and local businesses across the West Coast are encouraged to join thousands of Australians for the final national Garage Sale Trail before the initiative closes its roller doors for good.

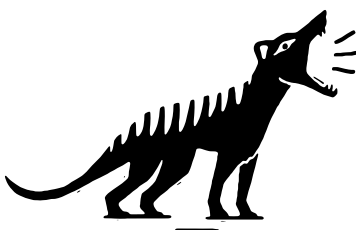
Participating is a fantastic way for local residents to clear out clutter, and make or save some extra cash.

- How to get involved:
- Host a sale – it's free to register. Sellers receive tips, promotional materials and more to help make their sale a success.
 - To register a sale or search for local events on the trail, visit garagesaletrail.com.au/West-Coast

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Tue 27 Oct
Tue 24 Nov
Tue 10 Dec

Agendas, minutes, and any associated documents are available on the Council's website or from the Council Office.



Oops...dog rego is overdue

We get it – life gets busy and registering your dog might've slipped off the 'to do' list.

Under the Dog Control Act, dogs over six months must be registered by 1 July each year, and whilst many have been registered, there's still dogs across the West Coast that are yet to be registered.

Remember, unless you've paid for Whole of Life registration for your dog, your dog is unregistered and as the owner you're in breach of state legislation. Council will soon be following up with property visits and may issue owners of unregistered dogs with an infringement.

If you still have your dog, it's time to register. If you no longer have your dog, please let us know so we can update our records.

How do I register my dog?

Contacting Council or visit a Council agency to complete registration as soon as possible.

Registering your dog is an important part of responsible dog ownership. For more information about owning dogs on the West Coast visit Council's website.

West Coast Council office:
11 Sticht Street, Queenstown
Open Monday–Friday
8.30am–5pm (closed Public Holidays)

COUNCIL SERVICE CENTRE:
West Coast Visitor Information Centre
Open Monday–Friday 10.30am–5pm
29 The Esplanade, Strahan

COUNCIL AGENCIES ARE LOCATED:
Rosebery District School
Open Monday–Friday 8am–4pm
7–11 Morrisby Street, Rosebery

Zeehan Post Office
Open Monday–Friday
June to August: 9am to 4:30pm
September to May: 9am to 5pm
114 Main Street, Zeehan

REMINDERS

9 OCTOBER
Recycling collection Zeehan, Rosebery & Tullah.

27 OCTOBER
Local government election polling closes.

30 OCTOBER
Rates second instalment due.

2 NOVEMBER
Recreation Day public holiday.

6 NOVEMBER
Recycling collection Queenstown, Gormanston/Linda & Strahan.

NEW DIGS, SAME LOCAL KNOW-HOW

ADVICE & BOOKINGS

WEST COAST MERCHANDISE

LOCAL GIFTS

We are currently operating from temporary premises at 29 Esplanade Strahan, while our usual location undergoes renovations. Drop in for local advice, bookings, and to browse our West Coast-branded gear. Or visit the website for everything you need to explore our region. Locals and visitors welcome. We're here to help!

VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE

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Regional economic committee returns to full membership

The Northwest Regional Economic Development Committee (NWREDC) has welcomed a full cohort of members, with the refreshed Committee meeting later this month for the first time.

Chair Mr Andrew Kneebone said, “The Northwest region of Tasmania is entering a period of significant opportunity, and this committed group of people acting as a united voice is well placed to help the region make the most of it.”

Our members bring deep experience, strong local knowledge and a shared commitment to supporting sustainable economic growth. I’m looking forward to working as a committee and with our member councils to provide clear, coordinated strategies that strengthen outcomes for our communities.” The NWREDC provides strategic advice, regional intelligence and coordinated advocacy to support economic development across Northwest and West Tasmania.

Key regional issues for the group include housing, workforce development and skills, major energy and mining developments, industry and sector growth, public infrastructure and regional connectivity, and the health and education systems that underpin economic participation.

The Committee will work to identify emerging opportunities and risks and strengthen regional coordination and of-

fers an important and consistent regional voice on development priorities and required actions. Members contribute insight, represent stakeholder interests, and support strategic initiatives while adhering to CCA policies and confidentiality requirements.

The NWREDC advises the CCA Board, reviews significant regional projects, and helps shape annual work planning. Current membership of the NWREDC includes:

- Andrew Kneebone (Chair)
- Michael Buckby
- Cyndia Hilliger
- Sonya Stanford
- Claire Connolly
- Vanessa Skipworth
- Ian Jones

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CCA is jointly owned by the councils of north-west and western Tasmania to help them achieve regional outcomes and maintain strong local government by working together.

The Committee will meet for the first time as a newly invigorated group before the end of this month.



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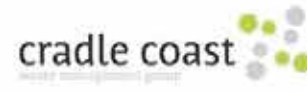


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Introducing our new mission

Symphony of stories celebrated for Children’s Book Week



The Rocky Cape Charity Ride is incredibly proud to announce our 2027 fundraising mission supporting the Maternity Ward at the North West Regional Hospital (NWRH).

This year, our mission will focus on supporting families through some of life’s most precious beginnings, while also providing compassion, dignity and privacy through some of life’s most heartbreaking goodbyes.

Nurtured Beginnings We will be raising funds to support and enhance the Maternity Ward, helping provide improved facilities, equipment and spaces for our beautiful babies, mothers and families across the North West Coast.

Gentle Goodbyes We will also be working towards creating a private, comfortable and homely space within the hospital for families experiencing miscarriage, stillbirth or neonatal loss giving families precious privacy and time together while remaining close to the medical care and support they need.

While some aspects of our plans are still being worked through and are yet to be formally confirmed with Tasmanian

Health Service (THS), one thing is certain, our mission will remain.

The finer details may evolve as we work alongside the hospital and its incredible staff, but our purpose will not: to make a meaningful and lasting difference for babies and families on the North West Coast, in both their happiest moments and their hardest.

After raising more than \$140,000 for the NWRH Paediatric Ward, our mission continues. One year. One big difference.

We are incredibly proud to continue supporting the babies, children and families of Tasmania’s North West Coast.

This is more than our next fundraiser. This is Nurtured Beginnings, Gentle Goodbyes and we cannot wait to show you what our incredible community can achieve together in 2027.

Rocky Cape Charity Ride 2027



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Rocky Cape Charity Ride



Like a great symphony, reading draws together many interwoven elements: sounds, words, language, vocabulary, background knowledge, memory and meaning.

St Joseph's Catholic School in Rosebery was one of many Catholic Education Tasmania schools across the state to recently celebrate Children's Book Week, with the 2026 theme being a 'Symphony of Stories'.

The school community went all out with their celebrations, showcasing some spectacular costumes depicting student's favourite book characters.

"We held a wonderful Book Character Parade during Book Week. It was fantastic to see some of our favourite books come to life through some very imaginative costumes," St Joseph's Rosebery Library Aide/Finance Assistant Theresa Jarvis said.

"We also held our annual Book Fair,

which was very successful and directly benefited our school with a percentage of every sale earning new books for our school library."

The tight-knit community rallied together to fundraise \$1800 in sales at the book fair, which will all go towards the purchase of new books for the school library.

Ensuring every child develops the knowledge and skills required to become a confident reader, is at the heart of everything that Catholic Education Tasmania does in its schools.

"We know that reading is the gateway to all learning, unlocking doors to opportunity, participation and human flourishing," Jennifer White, CET System Lead: Curriculum and Pedagogy, said.

"It is through reading that learners gain access not only to the curriculum, but also to the accumulated wisdom, creativity and stories of humanity."



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26-27

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SUPPORTING THE NWRH MATERNITY SERVICES DEVELOPMENT

Creating better beginnings and providing compassionate care during life’s most challenging moments.

MATERNITY WARD UPGRADES

Providing much needed medical equipment, modern upgrades and a more comfortable, welcoming environment for mums, babies and their families.

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ONE COMMUNITY. ONE PURPOSE. A LASTING IMPACT.

Community Newsletter

October 2026



Image: MMG Rosebery's Craig Youd with members of the 1st Queenstown Scout Group

MMG joins regional growth workshop

MMG's Jill Richardson joined community members at a Tourism Industry Council of Tasmania (TICT) workshop in Queenstown, focused on helping build the foundations the region needs to welcome more visitors.

Participants explored practical strategies, including introducing electric vehicle charging stations, and signing up to TICT's free Tassie Tourism Ambassador Program, which equips tourism staff and locals with the skills to deliver excellent visitor experiences.

Initiatives like this help set the West Coast up for long-term tourism growth, and we are pleased to support them.



Image: L-R Wee Georgie Wood Railway Manager Jenny Bowie, MMG's Jill Richardson & Rosebery Heritage Centre Manager Kim Scanlon.

MMG hosts international experts

MMG Rosebery welcomed 56 delegates from around the globe to tour our Bobadil Heights tailings storage facility (TSF), as part of the ANCOLD Tailings Operators Forum.

The visit was an opportunity to showcase our approach to environmental management and sustainable operating practices, while giving our teams a chance to share valuable knowledge with a wider audience.



Image: ANCOLD Tailings Operators Forum delegates at the Bobadil Heights tailings storage facility.

Community training in action

MMG Emergency Response Team (ERT) member Craig Youd volunteered his time to deliver a Mines Rescue training session to the 1st Queenstown Scout Group, giving local Scouts a hands-on introduction to a range of rescue techniques.

The session focused on working safely, communicating clearly and getting the basics right - the foundation of any strong emergency response.

Charles Woodley Memorial Fishing Comp

MMG is proud to be an annual sponsor of the Charles Woodley Memorial Fishing Competition, a fantastic day honouring a great legacy. Congratulations to Darci Archer, who took home the ultimate YETI outdoor pack.



Image: MMG's Juanita Kapp with raffle prize winner Darci Archer



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Boat Harbour Beach set to become more accessible

The Albanese Labor Government is investing \$5,642 in a new beach wheelchair for Boat Harbour Beach, so locals and visitors with disability can enjoy improved access to the area. In partnership with Waratah-Wynyard Council, this beach wheelchair is part of the latest round of funding under the Accessible Australia initiative, which will provide \$3.8 million for 37 new inclusive amenities projects across the country. The accessible amenities include eight inclusive beach projects, twelve fixed Changing Places facilities, five portable Changing Places facilities and twelve inclusive play spaces. For the first time, beach wheelchairs, floating wheelchairs and beach matting are among new inclusive amenities being funded under the Albanese Government's Accessible Australia initiative. This latest funding reflects our government's strong focus on inclusion for people with disability across all aspects of our society and in every community. Funding is delivered through Federation Funding Agreement Schedules with the government working in partnership with participating states

and territories. Anne Urquhart MP, Federal Member for Braddon said: "In all that we do it is important for people with a disability and their families to be welcome and included in our communities. Federal Labor's funding for a new beach wheelchair is great news, opening access to the spaces we gather in and letting more people experience the natural beauty of Boat Harbour. The new beach wheelchair will improve accessibility onto Boat Harbour Beach, ensuring people with disability can enjoy the beach and water. I'm proud to be part of a government that invests in infrastructure and amenities to make sure people living with disability can enjoy our natural environment." Dr Mary Duniam, Mayor of Waratah-Wynyard said "Improving accessibility right across our community is important, and we're grateful for the funding for the new beach wheelchair which compliments the broader precinct upgrade at Boat Harbour Beach."



Pictured (left to right): Paul Wilmot (member Boat Harbour Surf Life Saving Club), Annie Triffett (member Boat Harbour Surf Life Saving Club), Anne Urquhart MP, Dr Mary Duniam (Mayor of Waratah-Wynyard).

Another exciting step forward for Matty!



Back in June, we at the Burnie West Rotary Club were incredibly proud to see Matty receive his brand-new Mazda CX-30 — made possible through the amazing support of our community and the many people who came together to help him achieve greater independence. Today, Matty is taking another important step in that journey! He is out with Robert Bentley doing driver training in a specially modified DriveWise training vehicle, giving him the opportunity to develop his driving skills in a vehicle that has been adapted to suit his individual needs. For Matty, learning to drive isn't simply about getting from A to B. It represents independence, confidence, choice and the ability to have greater control over his own future. A huge thank you to Robert Bentley for

his patience, expertise and commitment to helping Matty learn, and to Ana from U-Turn Driver Assessment & Training, whose knowledge and support have been such an important part of Matty's journey. We also want to acknowledge the incredible team at Burnie Mazda and everyone who supported our fundraising efforts and helped make Matty's new vehicle possible. It is wonderful to see that journey continuing — from receiving the keys in June to now learning how to confidently use a vehicle and work towards becoming a more independent driver. This is what community is all about. We'll keep following Matty's progress and sharing these milestones along the way. We couldn't be prouder of him! Well done, Matty — keep going!

Summer means sun and snakes...

We teach our children to swim. The best thing we can do is educate ourselves and our children on snake safety and snake awareness. Maybe it should be part of every schools curriculum.

Every snake has their own unique personality. Just like us. Some people are chilled, some are grumpy or nervous, anxious, skittish, shy ect and it's the same with snakes.

They play a very important role in our environment and ecosystem due to their main dietary source of mice and rats as well as other animals but snakes themselves are also a key food source for other native species like birds, scavengers and other snakes.

Snakes are complex creatures and may be very defensive during mating season. Once the male snake has the scent of a female snake, that is all that matters to them.

Snakes want nothing to do with us. We look like giant predators to them. They will however defend themselves if we provoke, startle, annoy, try to hurt them or pick them up but they will still try to get away from you at the same time. Baby venomous snakes fangs ARE able to penetrate your bare skin. Venomous snakes will envenomate if it bites you and white lipped whip snakes are mildly venomous and have the potential to kill a small child or small dog. Some people say it's like a bee sting but even bees can kill some people. Take every snake bite seriously.

There are plenty of qualified snake catchers you can call to catch and relocate a problem snake. The Snake Awareness and Safety message is...

If you see a snake on your property,

remove people and pets out of harm's way, chances are it is just passing through.

Keep a safe distance between you and the snake. Watch where it goes. If the snake remains on your property, call your local snake catcher to have it relocated. If you have lost sight of the snake be a good neighbour & let your neighbours know that there is a snake around. If you see a snake out and about, respect the snake and give it space. Stop, stand still and wait for the

snake to move on. Once you are out of harm's way slowly and calmly walk backwards away from the snake, keep your eyes on the snake whilst walking away.

If you suspect you have been bitten by a snake, remove yourself away from the snake, apply pressure bandages or snake bite bandages, call 000 immediately, sit down or lay down and stay very still.

If your pet has been in your yard with the snake, call your local vet immediately. Symptoms may not show up in your pet until 24 hours after incident and by then it is too late. Never touch or attempt to pick up a dead snake. Venom can remain in its fangs for a long time

Australia has an excellent anti-venom facility that helps save lives for people & animals. If you call your local snake catcher please keep an eye on where the snake is until the snake catcher arrives. You can call your local snake catcher for advice as well. If you're interested in becoming a snake catcher or getting over a fear of snakes, there are state recognised courses you can take. Hope this is helpful to people and that you all have a great safe summer.

Snake catchers contacts
Northwest snake catchers 0488929761
Deloraine snake catchers 0432240834
Reptile rescue Inc 0499116690
Tasmanian herpetological society (THS)
0407666442
West coast - Amanda Norris 0459825241

News from Soroptimist International



Premmie Baby Care Packs: Caring for Newborn Premature Babies

The Soroptimist International clubs of Northern & NW Tasmania- Circular Head, Burnie, Devonport, Launceston and George Town have come together on this regional project to support our local premature babies.

Premature births catch parents off guard, leaving them unequipped with items tailored for these fragile infants.

This comprehensive care pack aims to address the specific needs of premature babies and their families, offering comfort, practicality and emotional support during their hospital stay.

Premature babies from the Northwest Coast of Tasmania, including Circular Head, will be transferred to the LGH or RHH for neonatal care.

The care packs will automatically be gifted to these babies. The packs consist of

- Luxury Organic Bamboo Romper: Spe-

cially crafted in a small size to accommodate premature babies, this romper is designed with studs to facilitate easy access for cords and tubes often required during a baby's hospital stay.

- Baby wrap in Organic Bamboo: Soft and gentle, this bamboo wrap offers both warmth and affectionate comfort to the baby, promoting a sense of security and care.
- Scented cushion: A thoughtful addition for mothers, these cushions can be placed inside their bra to absorb their scent.

Placing one in the baby's cot, whether in the NICU or SCN, allows the baby to have the familiar, comforting scent of their mother nearby. Mothers are encouraged to rotate and keep these cushions close to ensure the baby always senses their presence.

Science Week and Book Week

In recognition of Science Week and Book Week Soroptimist International of Circular Head donated copies of the book "Hold On – Saving the Spotted Handfish" to all Primary Schools in Circular Head.

The Spotted Handfish has survived since the time of the dinosaurs and is now an endangered species found only in areas of the East Coast and the South-east of Tasmania.

This book, written by Dr. Gina M Newton, a scientist and science communicator, and beautifully illustrated by Rachel Tribout shares information about

the evolution, habitat and the threats faced by the Spotted Handfish.

Books for Babies: Welcoming baby to the World of Books

The Soroptimist International of Circular Head Club have been sponsoring Books for Babies for a number of years providing a book for each baby born in Circular Head and given to the Mum on her visit to the Child Health Nurse.

The journey actually began in the 1990's when Mothers had their babies at the District Hospital and members were able to visit them while they were in hospital. Unfortunately, with changes in the health system these visits were discontinued.

Since 2020 The Club was able to resume this project through connections within the hospital and in 2023 more locally.

The package the Child Health nurse gives the Mum now includes a handknitted beanie with the book. The Soroptimist Members recognise the importance of reading aloud to children from birth.

In the process of reading there is a special connection formed between the parent and the child. It can become a shared experience with other family members as well. It provides the child with a wider range of words other than everyday conversation.

In time these shared experiences can enrich their vocabulary and can provide a foundation for a lifelong love of read-

ing.

The Biggest Morning Tea 2026-Cancer Council Fundraiser.

Soroptimist International of Circular Head and Rural Health partnered to Host a Biggest Morning Tea at the Emmer-ton Park Club House on the 21st May Members of our Club contributed in some way to make this event successful.

Entertainment was provided by Barb, our local ventriloquist, with her beautiful puppets. This little segment was delightful and heart-warming

Our Guest speaker was Natlie Talbot, Rural Health Operation Co coordinator, who spoke about her role at Rural Health.

The people who attended this event were very generous with buying raffle tickets lucky dips and taking part in competitions

The scrumptious food was beautifully presented by our members who worked in the Kitchen.

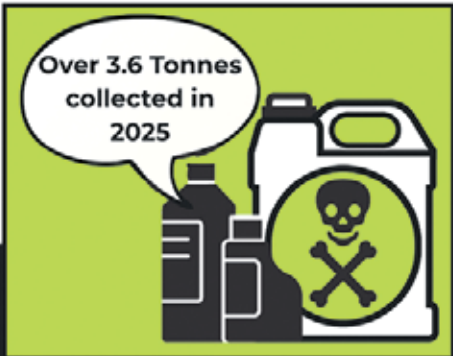
A big thank you to the community of Circular Head for your continued support to our Biggest Morning Tea.

Money raised was \$1331.00 all of which was donated to the Cancer Council

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Art before my very eyes



It's not often I get to sit and watch an artist actually working in their studio, but such was the case recently when I visited Monica Dixon and had a chat whilst she worked on one of her latest pieces.

As someone who can't draw or paint myself, I was fascinated by the way she prepared her palette, putting little splodges of oil paint in seemingly random spots around the edges on a sheet of glass, Monica explained that she keeps the cool colours and warm colours separate and mixes them as needed. A dab here and a touch of paint on the brush tip there and the colours were soon blending on the palette in shades that were so similar and yet made such a huge difference once laid down on the canvas.

Watching Monica applying paint to that canvas was the real eye opener though. The tiniest amount of paint on an almost dry brush, the lightest of touches on the canvas and the face she was working on came to life. it was like magic! The closest thing I can think of is watching a print slowly appearing in a tray of developer in the darkroom, but this was coming from Monica's fingertips, her brush, her mind and heart and I was in awe.

I know I can take a good photograph, but this was something else again, this was art happening right in front of my eyes.

I chatted with Monica whilst she

Painted and found out she spent her early years on a farm on the northwest coast of Tasmania and, as the daughter of an environmental artist, was inspired to paint at an early age.

Whilst raising a family and building her career, painting became a way to capture moments and ideas within a busy life. After three decades as an interior decorator, and with all children following their chosen paths, Monica commenced painting fulltime as a working artist.

Monica's paintings develop from a very introspective place of imagination and develop through a deliberate and considered process of play and experimentation, adopting surrealistic and imaginative concepts, where she feels this adds to the emotion, or nostalgia of the story.

Combining the technical skills of classical oil painting techniques, relative to portraiture, using indirect painting, layering and glazing techniques to achieve realistic skin tones and three-dimensionality to faces, with modern contemporary techniques of deconstructing and dissolving forms in unexpected ways, Monica's paintings find wonder and serenity based on her lived experiences and surroundings.

Monica is holding an exhibition in the Red Gallery in Footscray from November 13th to 22nd so if you are heading Melbourne way be sure to drop in, view the paintings and say hi.

Tasmania's first ever 'Tabletop' convention

Tasmania's first ever Realm of Gaming Tabletop Convention will be held on 7th - 8th November 2026 at the Burnie Arts Centre.

There will be Tabletop Tournaments/ Casual Gaming, Warhammer 40,000, Age of Sigmar, Bolt Action, TCG/Casual Gaming, Magic-The Gathering, One Piece Card Game, Dragonball Card Game, Fusion World, RPG Tables, drop in and out RPG tables, Dungeons and Dragons and many more! Board Games and dedicated tables ready to play!

There will also be Vendors Stalls from all over Tasmania, Cosplay & Community Cosplay Competitions, random door prizes drawn at set times, food & entertainment Food Vans (TBC), live Music (TBC). Don't miss it!



Railway goes Nova

As an action from a round table discussion around the future of the West Coast Wilderness Railway, Nova Economics has been engaged to determine the economic, social and cultural value of the railway to residents.

Nova's representative said "Nova Economics is undertaking an independent study into the economic, social and cultural value of Tasmania's West Coast Wilderness Railway. We're interested in hearing from Tasmanians with a wide range of perspectives, including people who have travelled on the railway, people who know a little about it, and people who have never visited. Your feedback will help decision-makers better understand the role the railway plays in Tasmania's visitor economy, heritage, and identity". The survey takes approximately 5-10 minutes to complete. Responses will remain confidential and be reported

only in aggregate form. While you may receive invitations through multiple organisations or communication channels, we ask that you submit only one response to help ensure the results accurately reflect community views. As a thank you for participating, respondents can choose to enter a draw to win two tickets on the West Coast Wilderness Railway. Thank you for helping us improve our understanding of this unique Tasmanian experience. Please share the survey with your Tasmanian friends and family."





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Wynyard Community Centre
Little Goldie Street

Planting the Seeds of Opportunity – practical workshops for employment, education and training with West North West Working

Visit the **WNWW Events** page to explore all our **Spring Loaded** activities and find an event that's right for you.



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Burnie in Bloom set to bring the colour to Upper Burnie

Get ready to bloom, eat, shop, play and be entertained when Burnie in Bloom takes over McKenna Park, Upper Burnie, on Saturday 7 November.

From 2pm to 7pm, the park will come alive with free live entertainment, interactive activities, roaming characters, kids' rides, more than 50 market stalls and plenty of food and drink to enjoy.

The Australian Army Band will bring the big sounds, while Mr Shaggles Circus World will have audiences joining in the fun.

Dr Hubble Bubble, Australia's favourite bubble man, will create a spectacular world of giant bubbles, and keep an eye out for Maggie Moo on the moo-ve!

With food stalls, coffee, cider, brews and plenty of market treasures to discover, there's something for the whole family.



The Australian Army Band will be bringing live music to Burnie in Bloom.

Australian Army Band
Mr Shaggles Circus World



Mr Hubble Bubbles
Maggie Moo Music

Burnie City Council Presents

Burnie in Bloom

McKenna Park, Upper Burnie

An afternoon packed with live music, interactive entertainment, rides, roaming characters, delicious food, drinks, market stalls and plenty of family fun.



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7:00 PM

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Entry is free, so pack a picnic rug, bring the family and make an afternoon of it.

Find out more at:
burniecitycouncil.my.canva.site/burnie-in-bloom.

Free Metro shuttle buses will also be available to help people get to and from the event, making it easy to leave the car at home and enjoy the afternoon. Keep an eye on the Burnie in Bloom events page for the shuttle schedule when it's released.




Rail removal begins on North Terrace

Work to remove rail infrastructure along North Terrace began on Monday, 5 October, with works expected to take up to two weeks to complete.

Traffic management will be in place at various stages, with some delays possible when lane closures are required. Drivers are encouraged to allow extra time and follow traffic management signage.

Some pedestrian crossings will temporarily be gravelled while the rail is removed, before being resurfaced with asphalt once the works are completed. Screens will be used around workers while the rail is being cut, with spotters also on hand to help pedestrians safely navigate the work area.

Following removal, the rail and associated hardware will be securely stored. The State Government remains the owner of the infrastructure and will determine its future disposal, with heritage rail operators given first preference.

The rail removal marks an important milestone in the transformation of Burnie's Foreshore and the delivery of the City Centre Urban Plan. The Burnie Foreshore redevelopment forms part of the plan, supported by \$17.3 million in funding from the Tasmanian Government.

Council will share the completed concept design with the community in the coming weeks as work continues towards the Making a Better Burnie 2044 vision.



Road closure information.

Please note there will be road closures on Sunday 25 October 2026 for the Strait Link Burnie 10 to be staged safely.

Wilson Street - between Wilmot Street and Cattley Street
Closure between the hours of 7am and 4pm

Wilson Street - between Cattley Street and Ladbroke Street
Closure between the hours of 7am and 2pm

Wilson Street - between Ladbroke Street and Bass Highway
Closure between the hours of 9:30am and 12pm

Cattley Street - between Marine Terrace and Mount Street
Closure between the hours of 7am and 2pm

Cattley Street - between Marine Terrace and Wilson Street
Closure between the hours of 7am and 2pm

Ladbroke Street - between Marine Terrace and Mount Street
Closure between the hours of 9:30am and 12pm

Bass Highway - the two lanes of the eastbound carriageway to be closed between Wilson Street intersection and a point approximately 100 meters east of last business at Round hill.
Closure between the hours of 9:45am and 12:30pm.

Detours will be in place with police and traffic marshals on site to assist you. Please pre-plan your routes accordingly.

For more information, head to:
www.burnieten.com.au

Working together for community recovery

Local organisations recently came together in Burnie to strengthen how the community can be supported in the weeks and months following an emergency.

Burnie City Council and Resilience and Recovery Tasmania co-hosted the North-West Recovery Exercise, bringing key organisations and stakeholders together to explore community needs around three weeks and six months after an emergency.

The exercise was an opportunity to share knowledge, strengthen connections and consider how organisations can work together to support the community through recovery.

Council thanked Resilience and Recovery Tasmania, the Department of Premier and Cabinet and all participating organisations for contributing to the exercise.



Civic Plaza opens a new chapter for Burnie Arts

A new chapter for Burnie Arts has begun with the official opening of the new Civic Plaza, creating a flexible space for the community to gather and celebrate arts and cultural activities.

The new plaza has transformed the area around Burnie Arts, providing opportunities for community events, performances, exhibitions and other activities, as well as creating a space that can be adapted for future activations.

The Civic Plaza was officially opened by Tasmanian Minister for the Arts, the Hon Roger Jaensch MP, at a ribbon-cutting ceremony attended by local MPs, project representatives, Councillors and members of the Burnie Arts Working Group.

The project forms part of the broader Burnie Urban Plan and was supported through funding from the Tasmanian Government.

With the new space now open, the community will have more opportunities to experience and participate in arts, culture and events in the heart of Burnie.

Burnie Airport departures lounge reopens after 20 years

A part of the Burnie Airport terminal that has been unused by passengers since 2006 has been given a new lease of life, with the expanded departures lounge now officially open.

The refurbished space provides additional room for passengers to relax and wait before their flights, making better use of the existing terminal as Burnie Airport looks towards the future.

Burnie City Council, as the majority owner of Burnie Airport Corporation, joined Burnie Airport CEO Tyler Wilson, Airport Board members John Nissen and Craig Books, and Burnie Airport Corporation Director Rod Sullivan to mark the opening in late September.

The reopening marks another step in improving the experience for passengers travelling through Burnie Airport.



More than \$170,000 awarded to local Burnie organisations

More than \$170,000 in funding has been awarded to 34 local organisations through Burnie City Council's 2026-27 Community Grants, Event Sponsorship and Partnership programs.

The Community Grants Program awarded \$42,039 to support local projects across areas including community wellbeing, arts and culture, environmental sustainability and community facilities.

A further \$80,000 was awarded through Event Sponsorship to support events that contribute to Burnie's social, cultural and economic life.

The Partnership Program provided \$48,000 to organisations delivering significant and ongoing benefits to the Burnie community through longer-term strategic relationships with Council.

The funding supports Council's Making a Better Burnie 2044 vision and will help local organisations and community groups deliver projects and activities that benefit our community.

A full list of successful recipients is available at: burnie.tas.gov.au/CGPAwarded



Over two weekends on 7-8 and 14-15 November, households, schools, community groups and businesses across Burnie are encouraged to join thousands of Australians for the national Garage Sale Trail.

It's a great way to clear out clutter, make some extra cash and give pre-loved items a new home. Register a sale or find a local sale at garagesaletrail.com.au.



Second Glance
Second Hand Clothing Market
Saturday, 31 October
12pm to 3pm
Burnie Arts

What's on at Burnie Arts



Celebrate 50 years of Burnie Arts | 1976-2026

The Burnie Civic Centre, Burnie Arts & Function Centre, Burnie Arts Centre is turning 50 years old this year! This is a major milestone for any cultural institution in Australia and we are going to have a party to celebrate our amazing building serving the community of Burnie for 50 years!

Burnie Arts are calling all former and current staff, performers, artists and participants to join us for an informal celebration in the Atrium. Share memories, reflect on old photos and object displays and catch up with friends.

Remember the achievements of the past as we look forward to the possibilities for the future.

There will be lots of cake!

Thursday, 15 October
6:30 PM - 10 PM



For information on this and more visit: burniearts.net

Save the date

Rotary Club of Burnie's
HOUSE OF HORRORS
Cattlesheds, Old Burnie
Showgrounds, Wivenhoe
30 and 31 October 7 PM - 10 PM

Kids Corner (0-7 yr olds)
Burnie Arts
Every Thursday | 10 AM - 4 PM

Burnie City Council
October Meeting
Council Chambers, 80 Wilson St.
Tuesday 27 October | 7 PM

Thanking our elected members

Long service recognised as the current Council term comes to an end

As the 2026 Local Government Elections approach, Council thanks all of its elected members for their service: Mayor Dr Mary Duniam, Deputy Mayor Celisa Edwards, the late Cr Kevin Hyland, Cr Michael Johnstone, Cr Leanne Raw, Cr Andrea Courtney, Cr Gary Bramich and Cr Dillon Roberts. Two long chapters are closing, with Mayor Duniam and Cr Bramich not nominating for re-election.

Mayor Duniam was first elected in 2005 and has served for more than 20 years, including as our first female Mayor. Cr Bramich concludes 28 years of service. We also remember Cr Kevin Hyland, who passed away in August after more than two decades of service, including as Mayor from 2005 to 2010. To all of our elected members, thank you for your time, commitment and service.

NOTICEBOARD

KEY DATES

- **Wynyard Tulip Festival**
- Entry free, Sat 10 October, 11am–9pm.
- **Council Ballots close Tue 27 October**
- Expect your pack by post from 5 October.

Learn more: www.warwyn.tas.gov.au



SPRING GUIDE 1-31 OCTOBER 2026

Spring Loaded: October starts here

Spring Loaded is under way, with a month of workshops, live music, gardens, sport and family activities across Wynyard, Somerset, Table Cape and the wider region until 31 October. Golfers can also enjoy the Week of Golf on 17, 20, 21 and 24 October.

www.warwyn.tas.gov.au/spring-loaded

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

12 October: Paint. Create. Play., Frederick St Reserve

13 October: Zap & Zoom!, Wynyard Yacht Club

14 October: Chalk It Up, Somerset CBD Plaza

15 October: Pop N' Play, Gutteridge Gardens



Pictured: Community members and project partners mark the completion of the Boat Harbour Beach project.

Boat Harbour Beach marks a major milestone

September marked a major milestone for the Boat Harbour Beach Master Plan, with the new surf lifesaving club and community facility recognised in a joint government announcement on 28 September. The project brings together new club facilities, Seekers Bar & Café, improved parking and public amenities.

Council thanks the community members, working group and project partners who have helped shape these spaces. Landscaping and outdoor recreation works remain in Council's project timeline through November. See the project page on Council's website for updates.

ELECTION

Council elections: watch for your ballot pack

Local government elections take place this October, with ballot packs delivered by post from Monday 5 October. Your pack includes candidate information, ballot papers and instructions for returning your vote. The poll closes at 2pm on Tuesday 27 October, so allow time for your completed ballot to arrive. More info: www.tec.tas.gov.au

OUR TEAM

Passing on skills and growing our own

Parks and Reserves team member Brady is undertaking an arboriculture apprenticeship, with qualified arborist and Asset Services Coordinator Jono Linden working alongside him one day a week. More than 20 years ago, Jono helped support a young trainee, Ant MacMichael, who is now Council's Parks and Reserves Supervisor.

www.warwyn.tas.gov.au

COMMUNITY

Welcoming our newest citizens

Council recently welcomed four new Australian citizens to our municipality as they took their citizenship pledge. Anita Dow MP joined Mayor Mary Duniam to celebrate this important milestone with our newest citizens and their families. Congratulations and welcome!

PARKS & REC

Langley Park upgrade: new completion timeframe

Work is progressing inside and outside the building. Most internal walls and ceilings are in place, plumbing and electrical work is nearly complete and painting has started. The old canteen has been demolished and concrete work for the new lift and entrance is finished. Completion is now expected in January 2027, due to delays in the arrival of some important building components. warwyn.tas.gov.au/projects/langley-park-building-upgrades/



ONE BIG DAY

SATURDAY 10 OCTOBER 2026
11am–9pm | Free entry | www.wynyardtulipfestival.com.au



So much to see.

Live music by the river, the new Main Street Market on Goldie Street and free family fun at the Play Patch on the waterfront, all building to a fireworks finale.



Live music
The Bad Dad Orchestra, Main Stage, 8pm



Fireworks
Festival finale at 9pm



Helicopter rides
See Wynyard from above



Thrill rides
Wharfedale Thrills, 11am to 9pm

FREE SHUTTLE BUS

Park here. Shuttle in. One loop, three stops, all festival day.



1

PARK

Frederick Street Reserve
Lowe Street, Wynyard

2

FESTIVAL

Little Goldie Street
Free festival entry

3

TULIPS

Table Cape Tulip Farm
Farm entry fees apply

Wynyard Bus Lines runs a continuous loop throughout festival day. Coaches have steps: prams fold and travel underneath, and a wheelchair-accessible vehicle is on call. Just ask any shuttle driver.

Full program and timetable: www.wynyardtulipfestival.com.au



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www.warwyn.tas.gov.au/enews



Settlement of Stanley, the bicentenary

Stanley's Bicentenary – 200 Years of European Settlement Stanley will be commemorating 200 years since the beginning of the first permanent European settlement west of the Mersey River from 30th October until 2nd November with a weekend of various activities.

The brig *Tranmere* arrived from England, via George Town, on 24 October 1826. Owing to adverse weather conditions, the vessel was not unloaded until 27 October, when 14 indentured servants, together with livestock and essential supplies, came ashore.

The settlement, then known as Circular Head, continued to grow and, in 1842, was officially proclaimed a town and renamed Stanley in honour of Lord Stanley, the British Secretary of State for War and the Colonies.

For the first sixty years of European settlement, the sea was the lifeline of Circular Head and the principal means of communication, transport and trade.

With eventual roads little more than rough tracks and overland travel difficult and unreliable, the settlement depended upon sailing ships to connect Stanley and the surrounding district with the wider world.

Ships regularly traded between the ports, bringing settlers, provisions, livestock, tools and essential supplies, while carrying away timber, agricultural produce and other commodities.

It is very fitting that the tall ship, *Julie Burgess*, will be in port over the weekend offering two-hour trips on Saturday and Sunday, 10am and 2pm, sponsored by TasPorts.



The 19m former fishing ketch was built at Ned Jack's shipyard, Launceston, in 1936 for Captain Harry Burgess and was the last of the Burgess fishing ketches, spanning 100 years.

Under the command of Captain Dick Burgess, the *Julie Burgess* would visit Stanley to unload crayfish at the local

factory. She was fully refitted for the 1988 Bicentennial Tall Ships event and can now be viewed on the Mersey River.

A plethora of activities will be happening over the weekend:

Friday 30th October

- Showing of *The Light Between Oceans* film night Stanley Town Hall; entry by donation.

Saturday 31st October

- A community day at the Stanley Recreation Ground with activities centred around a parade open to the public to participate. Parade participants to assemble Tatlow's Beach, Marine Esplanade, 10.30am for registration and procession to the ground at 11am.

The parade will feature steam engines, working bullocks, heritage tractors, Burnie Highland Pipe Band, Veteran Car Club and others.

- Working displays including Sea Eagle spinners and weavers; blacksmiths and shingle splitter; Russell and Molly of ABC Muster Dogs; Draught Horses; Historical Machinery Club and display by Latin dancers – Ritmo Latino

- Historical photograph display by Stanley Discovery Museum

- Formal Release of New Publications by Betty Jones (1.30pm) Further Along the Terrace: Stanley's Properties and People, 1923-1976+

- Stanley Primary School open for in-

spection 1pm to 3pm Saturday Night

- Stanley Town Hall Bush Dance with Caller, Jess and her band; \$15 Entry with light supper Sunday 1st November Free Open Day at Highfield:

- Highfield House and grounds open; no charge; welcome to bring a picnic

- Chapel will have display of Dr Christina Henri's commemorative bonnets

- Guest Speakers to be held in the barn - 10.30 Brian Rollins Van Diemen's Land Company's activities of 1826 leading up to the settlement at Circular Head - 12.00 Dr Ian McFarlane The Van Diemen's Land Company's important contribution to Australia's early colonial development Sunday (Museum/St Paul's Church Grounds)

- 12.30pm Community bbq sponsored by IGA Local Grocer, Stanley

- 1pm - Wynyard Choir, The Ferals, singing in St Paul's Church prior to Opening

- 2pm - Opening of refurbished Church; commemorative garden and sculpture Sunday (Circular Head Heritage Centre)

- Pioneer Day featuring tractor display, working farm implements. Heritage Centre open by donation. Monday 2nd November:

- Museum open all weekend, no admission fee

- 10am - Guided Alexander Terrace walk followed by 11am - Guided Cemetery tour including a flower to be placed at all graves 1.30pm – Open Mic for Family Tales/History - St Paul's Church All Weekend:

- Stanley Discovery Museum and Joe Lyons Cottage open all weekend; no admission fee

- *Julie Burgess* in port, sailings available weather permitting; other times inspection invited

- Presbyterian Church open all weekend with everyone welcome to attend Church Service 10.30am Sunday Bookings invited via Humanitix for the Bush Dance, Saturday night <https://events.humanitix.com/the-big-bicentenary-bush-dance> and for tours on the *Julie Burgess* <https://events.humanitix.com/julie-burgess-stanley-sailings> For more information www.stanleyandtarkine.com.au/stanley-bicentenary/



Stanley Highway upgrades underway

Planned upgrades to the Stanley Highway are underway, improving safety and efficiency for motorists on the North West highway.

Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Kerry Vincent, said construction upgrades will be delivered on a 2.8 km stretch of the Stanley Highway between West Inlet Track and Dovecote Road.

"The Stanley Highway upgrades will deliver improvements to one of Tasmania's most important transport routes, supporting the local community, freight operators, and our tourism and agricultural industries," Minister Vincent said. "The upgrade balances road safety improvements with priorities identified by

the community, delivering wider lanes and sealed shoulders to improve safety and traffic flow along the route. The works will also include upgraded roadside drainage, improvements to key road infrastructure, and the installation of wildlife awareness signage to help protect Tasmania's iconic wildlife. We are building an even better road network, with these upgrades the next phase to be delivered along the Stanley Highway under our Government's \$10 million North West Coast and West Coast Infrastructure Program. These upgrades demonstrate the Tasmanian Government's 2030 Strong Plan for Tasmania's Future commitment to improving regional in-

frastructure and transport connections across the North West. They complement projects such as the Trethewies Lookout upgrade, delivered in early 2025 under the same program, which delivered a safer and more welcoming destination. Community feedback has played an important role in shaping and prioritising improvements along the highway, and we thank residents and road users for their continued support and patience while these works are delivered."

Construction is expected to be completed late 2027.



WARATAH WYNYARD COUNCIL ELECTION CANDIDATES

Celisa Edwards

Hello, I'm Celisa Edwards. I am Waratah Wynyard's current Deputy Mayor. Through my term I have carried integrity to the highest standard, through many challenges where strong leadership has mattered. I listen to understand people's needs, concerns and ideas to help find solutions forward. I am approachable, honest and your strong voice. I ask for your no 1 Vote as Councillor and Deputy Mayor to continue and stay focussed on what matters most, our community. I will continue being accessible and committed.

Collaborating together for common goals, planning wisely and to help continue in making a safer and flourishing municipality for our future generations. If you would like someone experienced with integrity, genuine commitment to our municipality, funky and fun, and accessible. I would love the opportunity to continue listening, advocating and working for our municipality. Councillor and Deputy Mayor.

Authorised by Rachille Price 87b Old Bass Highway Wynyard.



Leanne Raw

My name is Leanne Raw, and I'm honoured to be standing as a candidate for Mayor of Waratah-Wynyard, while also seeking your support for re-election as a Councillor. I am standing for Waratah Wynyard Council as I have the time, energy and passion to give back to the Waratah Wynyard community. I enjoy working for our community. What makes me suitable for these positions?

Firstly, it is my personal values of Dedication, Commitment, Honesty, Loyalty, Generosity and Determination. Secondly, it

is my work values of Equity, Integrity, Impartiality (No Bias) - Decision making on merit, evidence, research and data, Respect, Responsiveness and Accountability. I look forward to working for Waratah Wynyard.

Authorised by: David Raw, 2 Walker Street, Wynyard



Chloe Foster

I'm standing for Councillor and Mayor to help make Waratah-Wynyard the best place to raise a family and build a future. My husband George Hills is a teacher and we're raising two children here in the community we love. With a decade as General Manager of Sea FM and 7BU and nine years prior running my own business, I bring proven leadership in people, budgets and communication. I'll prioritise sensible use of ratepayer dollars, economic growth and protecting the lifestyle that makes our region special. My

leadership will be informed by community engagement and real conversations. I'll be a strong voice for our region. I'm honoured to have the support of former Mayors: "Chloe Foster has extensive experience, a clear vision for the future and what it takes to lead Waratah-Wynyard Council with integrity and purpose." - Dr Mary Duniam "She's a smart lady. I think she's got the knowledge and temperament for the top job." - Robby Walsh

Authorised by: Dr Mary Duniam, 2/20 Esplanade, Somerset



Trent Wells

Hi, I'm Trent Wells. I'm seeking to become a councillor because I believe I bring common sense, independent thinking and strong problem-solving skills. For those who don't know me, I grew up in this municipality along with my wife, Antonia. We've been married for nearly 30 years and have two adult children who now work locally. I own a farming and excavation business and have proudly volunteered with the Tasmania Fire Service for over 20 years. I want to help keep our towns, businesses, communities and rural sector

strong and thriving. I bring a fresh face and a new set of ears. I'm here to represent the people within this municipality. I have a can do attitude to life. I would appreciate your support and look forward to being a representative for you. *Authorised by: John Blackley 5 Reservoir Drive Wynyard Tas*



Laura Johnson OAM

Laura Johnson OAM is a proud local, social worker, community advocate and founder of THEIRS. Growing up in Smithton and now calling Somerset home, Laura is passionate about the future of the Waratah-Wynyard community. Laura is running for Waratah-Wynyard Council to bring a fresh perspective and a strong youth voice to local government. She believes young people should have a genuine seat at the table and be involved in shaping the future of the community they will grow up in. Her campaign is built around four values: Capacity, Community, Connection and Opportunity-

supporting local clubs, organisations, volunteers and businesses; investing in our community; strengthening connections across our towns and generations; and creating greater opportunities for young people, families and the wider community. Laura brings extensive experience in advocacy, leadership and community development and holds a Bachelor of Social Work (Honours). She was also one of the youngest Australians to receive an Order of Australia Medal (OAM) for her contributions to the community.

Authorised by Laura Johnson OAM of Somerset



BURNIE CITY COUNCIL ELECTION CANDIDATES

Amina Keygan

I'm Amina Keygan, your candidate for Councillor and Deputy Mayor of Burnie. I'm committed to transparency, strong leadership, and a city that works for everyone. I've spent my career in public and community service, and that same commitment drives everything I do as your Councillor. I've been working hard to repair Burnie's financial sustainability and to bring radical transparency to how decisions are made. Every choice I make starts with one question: what is in the best interests of Burnie? I have no

intentions for higher office and am an independent candidate. My focus is here, on this city, and on the people who call it home. Steady, honest and accountable leadership is what will keep Burnie's momentum going, and it's what I'll keep delivering if elected Deputy Mayor. Find me on Facebook, get in touch, and let's keep building Burnie's future together.

Authorised by Cadence Casey, 44A Loongana Ave, Shorewell Park



Adrian Pickin

A passionate community advocate who has proudly called the Burnie region home for many years. I am standing as an independent candidate for Burnie City Council as I believe strong communities are built through listening, respect and genuine local representation. As a Municipal Ranger, I have gained firsthand experience understanding the challenges faced by residents, businesses and local government. This has given me practical knowledge of community issues, governance, compliance and the importance of delivering fair and effective outcomes. I have dedicated many years

to volunteering and supporting community initiatives across regional Tasmania and am passionate about protecting what makes Burnie special while creating opportunities for growth, stronger local businesses and connected communities. I believe every part of our municipality deserves to be heard. I am committed to transparent decision-making, responsible financial management and ensuring Council remains accessible, accountable and focused on the needs of our community. *Authorised by Adrian Pickin 25 Jones St, Burnie*



BURNIE CITY COUNCIL ELECTION CANDIDATES

Paula Kirkpatrick

I was a Postie for 20 years then ran a business contracted to Housing and Aged Care and proud mum of 2 sons. I am running for Burnie Council because I want to help bring positive change. 1) Communication: I'll ask questions, give reasons why and provide answers where I am able to. 2) Financial Accountability: Review expenditure, financial priorities and funding to advisory groups and consultants. Building upgrades - community requests. Ensure tenders/grants are advertised and

made known to local businesses/community groups. 3) Completion dates & time frames; investigate processes where action can be implemented faster e.g. fouryear parking plan -Burnie needs an RV park, better promotion of local attractions, places of interest, Information Centre - reasons for people to stay. Follow me on Facebook!

Authorised by Paula Kirkpatrick, 5 Fidler St, Burnie



WEST COAST COUNCIL ELECTION CANDIDATES

Robert Butterfield

For the past term, it has been a privilege to serve as your West Councillor and Deputy Mayor. I am proud to have represented our community with honesty and a genuine commitment to the people who call the West Coast home. Through my work in industry, emergency response, and community service, I understand the challenges our region faces and the opportunities ahead. I am passionate about supporting local businesses, improving our infrastructure, strengthening community services and ensuring

council delivers value for every ratepayer. I believe in listening, being accessible and making decisions that benefit our whole community-not just today but for future generations. The West Coast is a remarkable place, and I remain committed to working hard to help it thrive. I respectfully ask for your support so I can continue to be a strong, experienced and trusted voice on your council. *Authorised by Robert Butterfield, 27 Powell Street Queenstown*



Liz Hamer

You want change? I've worked tirelessly for the last four years to help businesses and residents stay on the West Coast. Let's reinforce these efforts and put the residents first. Stay aware and choose carefully -

Vote number one - Liz Hamer for Councillor & Mayor "Serving YOU with good governance and invoking the 4 "R's" of Council" Member of: Weed Management Committee of Council Emergency Management Committee of Council Australian Local Government

Women's Association. (Residents – Rates – Rubbish – Roads) I will support a forensic audit and an asset review and audit . I have stood alone in the fight to protect our heritage and assets and will lead the way to answer your concerns that need answers if you want change vote me in as mayor, new leadership that has integrity and honesty and a council that work for you please consider.

Authorised by Liz Hamer, 30 Harvey Street, Strahan



Helen Ryan-Sykes

What Matters Most to You for Your Community? I understand everyone on the West Coast is experiencing a Cost-of-Living Crisis. I understand this by listening to you on what you want and need in our community. The unnecessary spending of West Coast ratepayers' money on objects like a Wall in Strahan by your representatives on the current Council is not good enough. Not providing regular consultation with West Coast rate payers prior to decisions about new infrastructure projects is not good enough.

The West Coast needs a new team of Councillors to bring prosperity to your towns with a local economy enjoyed by all who live here and for those who visit. Allow me to be your Deputy Mayor and Councillor representative on Council and restore the West Coast Vision back to life, building the future together for all of us!

Authorised by H. Ryan-Sykes, 12 Jack Street, Strahan



Shane Pitt

Having lived and worked on the West Coast my entire life my commitment to our region runs deep. Since being elected to Council in 2009, serving as Deputy Mayor from 2014 and Mayor since 2021, I have worked hard to represent our whole community with integrity and dedication. With 41 years of volunteer involvement across many local organisations, I understand both the challenges we face and the strengths that make our region unique. I will continue to uphold Council's responsibilities, advocate across all

levels of Government, and work to secure and restore essential services. Protecting our industries and jobs remains a priority, along with promoting the West Coast's attributes to support growth and opportunity. Our community deserves strong, experienced leadership that listens, acts, and stands up for the West Coast. With pride and passion, I am seeking re-election to continue this important work. *Authorised by Shane Pitt, 17 Wilsdon Street Queenstown*



Nardi Rogers

Nardi Rogers | Candidate for Councillor I'm Nardi Rogers, a proud member of our West Coast community and a passionate advocate for the place we call home. I believe our community deserves a strong, approachable and independent voice on Council — someone who listens, cares and is prepared to get things done. I'm passionate about supporting local businesses, creating opportunities for our community, protecting what makes the West Coast special, and helping build a positive future for residents, families and visitors

alike. I'd love to hear what matters to you and what you believe we can do better. Vote 1 Nardi Rogers for Councillor.

Authorised by Chris Rogers, 48 Meredith Street, Strahan



Lindsay Newman

I'm a local, always lived on the West Coast, and for the past 12 years I've represented you as a Councillor. I listen to your concerns, and refer you to the appropriate contact. I believe in Accountability & Respect, Integrity & Transparency, Job security & diversity, Economic growth for all communities, Job opportunities for our youth, and appropriate accommodation for Aged and Disabled persons. Married to Anna, we raised our family here, including our grandchildren. I have a background in Mining,

Hospitality, Fishing & Education. I have the time to serve you, and I ask for your 1 VOTE FOR BOTH COUNCILLOR AND MAYOR. Stay safe. *Authorised by: Anna Newman, 872 Granville Harbour Road, Granville Harbour*



CIRCULAR HEAD COUNCIL ELECTION CANDIDATES

Gerard Blizzard

I am seeking re-election because I remain committed to serving the Circular Head community with integrity, fairness and common sense. As Mayor, I have worked to make decisions that are in the best interests of our entire community. I believe every issue deserves to be considered with an open mind, by listening to all viewpoints, examining the facts and making informed decisions for the long-term benefit of our municipality. I have always been accessible and available to everyone. Whether we agree or disagree, I believe

every resident deserves to be heard and treated with respect. Good governance requires transparency, responsible financial management and a willingness to work collaboratively with all levels of government, community groups and local businesses. If re-elected, I will continue to advocate strongly for Circular Head, support sustainable growth, and work to ensure our municipality remains a great place to live, work, raise a family and invest. *Authorised by Gerard Blizzard, 77 Brittons Rd, Smithton*



Annette Dawes

My name is Annette, and I'm seeking your support to continue serving our community as a Councillor and Deputy Mayor on the Circular Head Council. For the past four years, it has been an honour to serve as your Deputy Mayor. I have worked with fellow councillors, Council staff, local businesses, community organisations and residents to help make Circular Head an even better place to live. With a background in education, music and community service, I believe in listening, treating people with respect and working together to

find practical solutions. I am passionate about supporting local events, encouraging sustainable growth, recognising our volunteers and advocating for opportunities that benefit our whole community. Circular Head has a bright future, and I would love the opportunity to continue contributing to that future with honesty, commitment and enthusiasm. Thank you for your support. Together, we can continue building a strong, vibrant and connected Circular Head. *Authorised by Brett Dawes, 193 Nelson Street, Smithton*



Ric Skilton

A Circular Head resident for almost 5 years, locally, I am the immediate past president of the Smithton Bowls Club, secretary of the Circular Head indoor Bowls Association and vice president of the Circular Head Senior Citizens Club. I am currently semi-retired, working part time as a self-employed consultant in the textile industry. 40 years' experience in management in manufacturing and 20 years exposure to high level government officials securing defence contracts put me in a good position to work with all levels of government. I

bring fresh eyes with fresh ideas and a high level of problem-solving skills. I want to become a councillor to give back to the community that has made me so welcome over these past 5 years. I am eager to make a meaningful contribution to local government and am confident I can excel in the role of councillor with the Circular Head Council. *Authorised by Cedric Skilton, 10 Hellyer Street, Smithton*



Shelley Pinner

A trusted local. A strong voice for our community. Born and raised in Circular Head, Shelley is dedicated to making Circular Head a vibrant, exciting and attribute place to work, live and visit. As an accountant, Shelley brings practical financial skills, sound judgement and accountability to Council. A dedicated volunteer with strong community ties, Shelley understands the people, businesses and organisations that make Circular Head such a great place to live. She is committed to listening to the community, making informed

decisions, and working hard to ensure a strong future for everyone. Why vote for Shelley? Experienced accountant with strong financial expertise. Dedicated volunteer who gives back to the community. Deep local connections and a genuine understanding of community needs. Committed to responsible decision-making and transparent leadership. Passionate about keeping Circular Head a great place to live, work and raise a family. *Authorised by Shelley Pinner, 92 Febeys Road, Brittons Swamp*



Elisha Harrison

A trusted local. A strong voice for our community. My name is Elisha Harrison, and I am standing for election to the Circular Head Council because I care deeply about the future of our community. Although I have lived in Circular Head for only a few years, it has quickly become home. Through managing a local charity resale shop, I see our community at street level every day. I hear people's concerns, witness the challenges many families face, and also see the enormous potential, generosity and resourcefulness within our

region. I am passionate about protecting our environment, reducing waste and finding practical ways to make better use of the resources we already have. However, I also believe good decisions come from listening. I am open to new ideas, different opinions and respectful discussion. If elected, I will bring practical experience, compassion and a willingness to work with others to help Circular Head remain a strong, welcoming and sustainable place for everyone. *Authorised by Susan Cross, 1261 Trowatta Rd, Edith Creek*



Matthew Morgan

The next four years will be critical for the Circular Head Council. We have a deficit to get rid of. Our GM and the Councillors have a plan to be implemented. The GM has identified the problems and has plans in place to resolve them. This is extremely important work that needs community support. The them and us feelings, held by a lot of the ratepayers needs to be resolved. I believe I can represent the ratepayers at the Council table and promote teamwork between the community and Council. Then Vision 2050 becomes a reality

that we can all be proud of. I am a patient listener and will fight for the ratepayers concerns. Let me be your Voice. High regards Matthew Morgan
matthewmorganptyltd@gmail.com *Authorised by Matthew Morgan 32 Nutview Court Smithton*



Tony Hine

Over the past five years as a Councillor, I have focused on practical outcomes, responsible decision-making and value for our communities, including advocating for a rates benchmark 0.5% below the average of the six North West municipalities to reduce pressure on ratepayers. I bring curiosity to the Council table, asking questions and challenging the status quo when better outcomes can be achieved. My lived experience in agriculture and extensive board and committee experience, including ten years as President of the

local Agricultural Show Society, provide a practical, grounded understanding of our region. I am again standing for Council and also offering myself as Deputy Mayor. I want to build on this work by supporting small business, investment and innovation, strengthening tourism, and showcasing our municipality's unique scenery and character. My focus remains building a resilient, forward-thinking community where people, businesses and future generations can thrive. *Authorised by A E Hine, 2 Billing Street, Smithton*



Tasmanians urged to get EmergencyRedi before summer

As we move towards summer Tasmanians are being urged to get their households ready for the summer emergency season. Last week a free Get EmergencyRedi session was held in Ulverstone hosted by RACT and the Australian Red Cross, at the Gnomon Pavilion, as part of EmergencyRedi Week. The session gave locals the chance to learn about the risks in their area and practical steps they can take to prepare for bushfires, storms, floods and other emergencies. Information released by the Australian and New Zealand National Council for Fire and Emergency Services (AFAC) this month indicates a heightened risk of fire across many parts of Australia, including the East Coast and North Eastern Tasmania. In an article published by AFAC, CEO Rob Webb urged communities to understand their local conditions and prepare early. RACT General Manager Government Insurance and Resilience Mel Percival echoed the call to prepare ahead of time. "It's easy to put off your emergency planning, but it doesn't need to be complicated. Knowing your local risks and having a plan for what you'll do can make a big difference when time is critical," Ms Percival said. The sessions which are run by the Australian Red Cross are designed to help people prepare and start thinking about how an emergency could affect them. Practical steps households can take, include: Make an emergency plan and discussing it with everyone in the household Understand emergencies that are most likely to affect the local area Know where to find trusted information during an emergency Prepare an emergency kit and keeping important items accessible Consider what would happen if power, phone coverage or other essential services were unavailable Know when and how to leave if an evacuation is required. "We are also encouraging motorists to include their vehicle in their emergency planning, including checking fuel, vehicle condition and alternative routes," Ms Percival said. RACT is supporting the Australian Red Cross to deliver Get EmergencyRedi sessions in various locations throughout September, October and November. With summer approaching, RACT and the Australian Red Cross are encouraging Tasmanians to take simple steps now to prepare. For more information about the sessions visit <https://collections.humanitix.com/ract-red-cross-emergencyredi-workshop>. Further information on the AFAC can be found at <https://www.afac.com.au/public-resources/seasonal-bush-fire-outlook-spring-2026>

Such expressive rocks

Friends of Tracks and Tramways are amazed at the amount of strange rock formations that can be seen along the west Cumberland mountain tramway, here's some of the granite formations. Not only magnificent views of the sea coast and tramway you will also be amazed by some strange rock formations. Here's some of the names that we have given to these granite formations, the granite slice, the breaching whale, the stone fish, Hagar the horrible, drop jaw and the peeping stone. Can you guess which ones have which name that relates to them?



Wyndarra news update



Tasmanian Volunteering Awards 2026 The Tasmanian Volunteering Awards recently celebrated the contribution of volunteers across Tasmania. Wyndarra was incredibly proud that Wyndarra volunteers were recognised as Finalists in the category of Volunteer Impact for Group or Program for 2026. It was an incredible accomplishment to be acknowledged as finalist and to have the dedication, commitment and countless contributions of Wyndarra Volunteers recognised. Our volunteers give so much to the Circular Head community, making a real difference through time, compassion and willingness to help others. Congratulations. We are incredibly grateful for everything our volunteers do. You are truly valued and appreciated. **Update from the Wyndarra Support Services Participants and Staff.** "More Than Art – Our Clients, Our Creativity, Our Community" Over the few months leading up to the Circular Head Arts Festival, participants were given the opportunity to get involved in creating artwork in a variety of ways, including painting, crafting, woodwork, mosaics and other creative projects. Every participant was encouraged to participate in a way that suited their individual interests, abilities and style, with the goal of creating enough artwork to proudly display as part of the CHArts event. What made the exhibition so special

was that it was about so much more than simply creating something to put on a wall. It gave participants a genuine opportunity to express themselves, explore their creativity and have their individual personalities represented through their work. For many, opportunities like this provide a real sense of purpose, achievement and belonging. Seeing something they had created displayed publicly within their own community gave them the opportunity to feel recognised for their contribution and you could genuinely feel the pride in the atmosphere. Everyone contributed something different and that individuality is what made the final exhibition so meaningful. It was wonderful to see participants take pride in their work, encourage one another and see their creations come together as part of something bigger. The CHArts Exhibition, "Through our Eyes" was a wonderful reflection of what can happen when participants are given the time, encouragement and opportunity to create. Their artwork tells a story about who they are, what they enjoy and the unique contribution they make to our community.





CIRCULAR HEAD

Community News

Looking up: Circular Head's Dark Sky initiative

Circular Head has some of the darkest night skies in Tasmania — and a community-led project is exploring how we can protect, celebrate and make the most of them.

The Circular Head Dark Sky initiative is looking at ways to reduce unnecessary light pollution, build community understanding of our night sky, create new astronomy and visitor experiences, and explore a pathway towards International Dark Sky accreditation.

Much of the work so far has been happening behind the scenes through the Dark Sky Coordinating Committee and working groups, but the project is now moving into a more public phase.

One of the first opportunities to get involved is our Dark Sky Sidewalk Astronomy night at Muunatrikar/Stanley on Saturday 17 October from 7.30pm. Come along, look up, ask questions and learn a little more about our night sky. Bring a telescope or binoculars if you have them — but you certainly don't need one.

We're hoping these evenings can become a regular opportunity to come together, share knowledge and celebrate one of Circular Head's extraordinary natural assets.

Find out more about the Circular Head Dark Sky initiative, read the latest update and learn how to get involved on Council's website.

Quick Updates

Stanley Highway — upgrade works are now underway on a 2.8 km section of the Stanley Highway between West Inlet Track and Dovecote Road, with works expected to take around nine months. Allow for up to eight minutes of extra travel time during works. Questions can be directed to: stanleyhighwayupgrade@building.tas.gov.au

Parks & Wildlife Update — Black River Campground is closed until 12 October for road works.

Smithton Rec Ground — the new grass is starting to come through on the Top Oval, but it remains closed while it establishes — please stay off the oval and use the Bottom Oval for activities.

We're hiring - Weeds Management Officer — we're looking for someone to join Council and help manage declared, environmental and priority weeds across Circular Head. View the position and apply on Council's website.

Get involved with the Stanley Town Hall — The Stanley Town Hall Special Committee AGM is on Tuesday 13 October at 7pm. Community members are welcome to attend or nominate for a position on the committee. Find out more and download a nomination form on Council's website.

CTST volunteers wanted — Community Transport Services Tasmania is looking for more volunteers across the North West to help people stay connected and independent. Flexible driving and non driving roles are available. Find out more by calling 1800 781 033.



Find current and upcoming consultations, plus updates on closed ones, on Council's Have Your Say page: www.circularhead.tas.gov.au/yoursay

COMING UP

Church Street outdoor seating trial — Stanley — after the Stanley Bicentenary celebrations, we'll ask the community and local businesses what's working, what isn't and what should happen next.

Dark Sky Lighting Policy — we'll be asking for feedback on a draft policy to guide outdoor lighting on Council owned and Council-managed assets and reduce unnecessary light spill.

Waste Services — we're continuing our work through the Waste Partnership, with a focus on sharing information, building understanding and working together to improve how we manage waste.

RECENTLY CLOSED

Speed Limit Survey — responses are being reviewed and we'll report back on what we heard and what happens next.

Economic Development Strategy — draft strategy expected by November.

Communications & Engagement Strategy — now adopted. See what we heard and what we're changing as a result.

SAVE THE DATE

Seniors Month
October



Council Meeting
Thursday 15 October

Seniors Month Mayor's Morning Tea
Friday 16 October

Dark Sky Event — Sidewalk Astronomy
Saturday 17 October

Seniors Month Bus Tour
Wednesday 21 October

Moo'd at Duck River Pavilions
Saturday 24 October

Stanley Bicentenary 2026
Friday 30 Oct to Mon 2 Nov



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To mark 200 years of European settlement in Stanley, a four-day Bicentenary program will be held from 30 October to 2 November, with events across Stanley and Smithton.

Here are just some of the events planned. Find the full program and booking details at stanleyandtarkine.com.au/stanley-bicentenary/.

Friday 30 October
Film Night — The Light Between Oceans — 7.30pm, Stanley Town Hall.

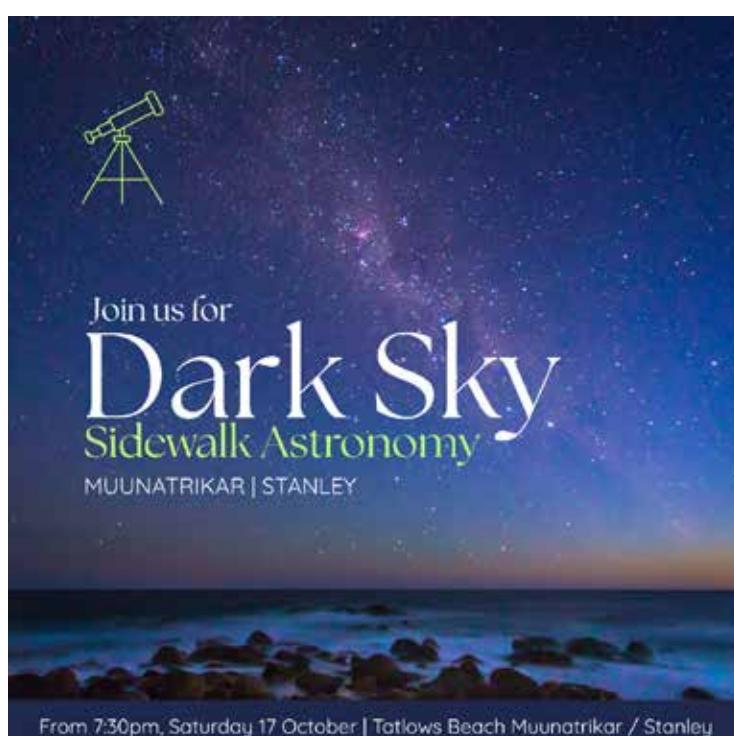
Saturday 31 October
Community Family Day — 10am–4pm, Stanley Recreation Ground. Parade, heritage displays, live entertainment, historic machinery, food and more.
Bicentennial Bush Dance — 7.30pm, Stanley Town Hall.

Sunday 1 November
Free Open Day at Historic Highfield. Stanley Recreation Ground displays and steam engines.
Official opening at St Paul's Church — 2pm.
Pioneer Day — 9am–3pm, Circular Head Heritage Centre, Smithton.

Monday 2 November
Alexander Terrace walk, cemetery walk and Open Mic for Family Tales at St Paul's Church.

All weekend
Julie Burgess bay sailings, Stanley Discovery Museum, St Paul's Church and Lyons Cottage open with Presbyterian and Catholic churches also open for viewing.

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Tales from a Zeehan graveyard

TWO MEN KILLED DURING CONSTRUCTION OF THE NORTH EAST DUNDAS TRAMWAY

The North East Dundas tramway was a narrow 2 foot [60 centimetre] gauge railway built between Zeehan and Williamsford. Construction of the 28.5-kilometre railway began in January 1896 and finished in June 1898. At about 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 23, 1897, two members of a gang of four men working on the line, William Mitchell and Thomas (or Richard) Whamby (or Wharmby or Quamby or Quarmby (neither his christian name nor surname are definitively known)) were killed when a cutting about 2 metres deep that they were working in collapsed on top of them. Some blasting had occurred that morning in the vicinity of the cutting, and there was some thought that this had contributed to the accident. When recovered the bodies were found to be terribly crushed, and their deaths must have been instantaneous. Shortly after their bodies were loaded onto the nearby tram and taken to the Morgue at Zeehan.

Both men were originally from Hobart. Mitchell was about 43 years of age and married with one child. He had only been working on the line about 10 days. Whamby, who had just been married, had only com-

menced work about three weeks previously. His father worked at Mt. Lyell as a carpenter.

An inquest was held at the hospital on the following Monday at 2:00 p.m.

was working right next to Mitchell and Whamby who were picking in the cutting when the whole side came down and buried them and knocked him down. With the exception of Mitchell's head, both men were completely buried. It took about 15 minutes of frantic effort to recover the bodies. He had 10 years' experience at earthworks, and he and everyone else considered the ground perfectly safe. Shots had been fired ahead of the gang just before the accident happened, and he thought they might have loosened the ground. He did not notice anyone checking the area after the shots were fired.

William Perryman, the fourth member of the gang, deposed that he had heard a warning shout and then jumped out of the way. He had inspected the area at 8:00 a.m. that morning, and he thought it was safe then. Three shots had been fired a few yards away, and they could have jarred the

bank. He didn't look at the bank after the shots were fired, as he didn't think the explosions would loosen the bank.

The final witness, James Tennant, stated that he was the supervisor in charge of the gang of four men, and he had 15 years' experience doing that sort of work. He had left the men for

about ten minutes so he could do some other tasks. He had told the men to only pick at the bottom.

The day before he had examined the ground, and he thought it looked safe. It was a regular face of stone. He was present when the shots were fired earlier that day. The only thing he could think of that would cause the accident was that the recent heavy rains had got behind the stone and caused it to collapse. He did not think that shots fired [20 metres] away would make any difference. After the blasting he had stood underneath the wall. He had not examined the rock that morning, but one of his men did. In reply to a question from the coroner, he admitted that the sloping bank was not at its proper slope and needed additional work.

After the Coroner had summed up, without leaving the room the jury returned a verdict that the two deceased came to their deaths by a fall of rock and that no blame was attachable to anyone.

William Mitchell's funeral commenced at 2:30 p.m. on the following Monday (the Coronial Enquiry was still sitting at this time) when his body left the Zeehan Hospital for the Cemetery. Whamby's funeral began half an hour later. The two men were buried next to each other. No physical traces of their graves remain today.

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



The two graves marked by witches hats in the Pioneer Cemetery today.

before Coroner E.L. Hall, and a jury of seven, consisting of Mr A. Morrisby (foreman), F.H. Furner, E.J. Miller, C. Owen, W. Hawkes, W. Duncan, and G.M. McDonald.

After the jury and the witnesses had viewed the bodies, the first witness Frederick Trottman deposed that he

WYNYARD YACHT CLUB

By Michael Hughes

We had the first sail of the season on the 26th of September. It was a very enjoyable time, with winds at about 15 knots (30 km/h). We also had about 30 people come, many of them new, and we had a mix of Pacers (2-person boats) and other boats, including a Hansa, which is an impossible-to-capsize two-person disability boat, an Optimist (a boat generally for beginners with normally 1 person in it), and a Sabot (similar to the Optimist, but a different sail and a generally more advanced boat, as well as other minor differences), as well as the safety boats containing the wonderful people who keep us safe when on the water. It was a great sail of the season, with buoys put out in the river mouth and further inside the river for us to sail around, and the wind was much more consistent further out of the river than in the river, where it was quite gusty. I think that everybody had a great sail, with a fair bit of hiking, which in sail-

ing terms does not mean trekking along trails through the wilderness in thick boots but leaning out of the boat when the wind is so strong that it tips the boat over so that you are in the air, which is great fun. I was out there on the Sabot that me and George co-own, and it was quite a fun sail despite the part at the end where I got stuck in irons (pointing into the wind, you can't move or you move backward), but not only was I stuck in irons, but I was drifting into the shallow, rocky part on the side of the river mouth that you aren't meant to go into with no control of where I was going! Thankfully, the amazing volunteers at the WYC came to my rescue on their RHIB (safety boat) and towed me safely back to shore. There was an amazing amount of people there for a first sail and I really hope that everyone who was there that Saturday comes back as much as they can, and I know that there were some people that would have loved to come or sail but

they couldn't, for example Jack Bishop, one of my best friends who went on the RHIB because he sadly broke his wrist while skiing a while ago and has to have on a cast for a long period of time, and George Atkinson, who unfortunately

couldn't make it. It was overall a fantastic sail with many great new people and fantastic numbers, as well as great conditions for a sail.



North West rallies behind NWRH for its inaugural Giving Day

The North West community is being called on to rally behind the NWRH, with local businesses, community leaders and media partners already throwing their support behind the inaugural North West Regional Hospital Giving Day.

On Thursday, 29 October, the Clifford Craig Health Foundation will hold a 12-hour fundraising campaign dedicated entirely to supporting patients at the NWRH.

The message is simple: money raised on the Coast stays on the Coast.

Every dollar raised will go towards patient care projects, equipment and resources at the NWRH, identified by local healthcare teams as priorities but not covered through normal government funding.

And every donation can go twice as far, with donations doubled dollar-for-dollar while matching funds remain, thanks to matched donor partners including VOS Construction and Joinery.

The North West campaign follows the incredible success of the Launceston General Hospital Giving Day on 23 September, which smashed its \$80,000 target to raise more than \$110,000.

Now it's the North West's turn.

The campaign is already gaining momentum, with 7BU and SeaFM joining as major broadcast media partners, the Advocate as major print media partner Impress Print providing in-kind support, and local Giving Day ambassadors Grant Howe, from Zenith Wealth, Jack Muir Wilson, from the Burnie Health Hub, and Rick Fontyn helping spread the word.

Coffee for a cause

Cafés across the North West are also being asked to get behind their local hospital by donating 50 cents from every coffee sold on Giving Day. It's one simple way local businesses – and their customers – can help make a difference for patients at the NWRH.



From gold to copper in Queenstown

Gold was first discovered near Queenstown, Tasmania, in 1883 at the Iron Blow by prospectors Cornelius Lynch and his team. While initial gold yields generated massive excitement, miners quickly realised the real fortune lay in

the region's vast copper deposits. This pivotal discovery led to the formation of the legendary Mount Lyell Mining and Railway Company, transforming Queenstown into a world-famous mining hub. The rest as they say...



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Draw the map first!

In September, Minister for Business, Industry and Resources Felix Ellis arrived in Queenstown to announce that the Mount Lyell copper mine will be reopening.

This is big news for a small town and big news for the region more broadly.

Now, put a map on the wall and begin marking the projects. A wind development here. A hydropower refurbishment. A mine expansion there, and then another. E-fuels. Devonport Stony Rise Village. Stadium. Mental Health Precinct.

Every pin is a real investment in our future. Now stand back. No single plan holds the map together.

Each project has its own proponent, its own timeline, its own approvals, and its own workforce arriving in the same few towns to compete for the same houses, the same tradespeople and the same stretch of highway.

Each is sound on its own, but nobody has drawn the map that shows them all at once. That map is the difference between a region that captures this opportunity and one that is merely subjected to it.

On 1 August 2025 the Government committed to Stage 1 of Marinus Link. The pipeline of potential it anchors is a genuine opportunity for our region. But an opportunity at this scale is realised through coordination, not left to chance. The benefit is captured when the housing, the healthcare, the transport, the workforce and the infrastructure are planned to meet the combined demand, not each project's demand taken in isolation.

With the State's finances stretched, coordination is not optional. We must ensure limited funding is strategically applied to support multiple projects and deliver benefits across the whole community, not simply one priority at a time.

We have already seen, in Devonport, what happens when an asset arrives before the plan to receive it. Two new Spirit of Tasmania ferries were delivered before the berth that could dock them was built. The State's newest assets sat idle while the cost of that berth climbed to \$493 million. The Tasmanian Government's own Expert Advisory Panel understood the risk.

In its June 2025 report, finding 6 identified the renewable energy pipeline as a key strategic risk to the Northwest and West Coast, placing pressure on housing, training, roads, bridges, ports and health services. The Panel did not say the pipeline should not proceed. It said the region's ability to capture the benefit depends on the enabling investment being planned and sequenced before the projects arrive. It made two recommendations to that end.

First, a Tasmanian Government senior taskforce of Heads of Agencies to sequence the pipeline and coordinate housing, transport and workforce.

Second, a Cumulative Impact Assessment to measure the combined effect



of every project at once, so that enabling investment is sized to the real task rather than to any single development.

That second

recommendation matters more now than when it was written. The Panel assessed the renewable pipeline alone.

The map has since gained more pins, with major mining investment expected across the same region. A Cumulative Impact Assessment is, in effect, the act of reading the whole map at once. Without it, the Government is left to ask whether each initiative taken on its own is adequate. That is the wrong question.

The right one is whether anyone has measured the combined pressure these initiatives are meant to manage.

So, two questions deserve an answer. Has the Government stood up the senior taskforce the Panel recommended, with the authority to sequence the pipeline and coordinate the housing, transport and workforce it will draw on? And has it undertaken a Cumulative Impact Assessment of the full renewable energy, infrastructure development and mining pipeline across the Cradle Coast?

Without that measure, there is no way to know whether the individual initiatives are equal to a combined demand no one has assessed.

Data centres are the newest example of why this work is so important. Interest in sitting data centres here is growing. Like every other investment, we need them to add to the region, and invest for community benefit, not draw down on what our industries and communities have built and relied on for generations.

Minister Ellis has set that standard himself. He said, "Our Government expects companies to maximise benefits for Tasmania, engage genuinely with communities, support our energy system, use water responsibly and comply with our approval processes." That is what the map is for. It is how the region directs investment towards what strengthens it and judges each project against the whole rather than one application at a time.

None of this is an argument against the pipeline, or against any project on the map. It is an argument for capturing what the pipeline offers such as local jobs, homes for the people who fill them, and supporting infrastructure that outlasts any single project.

Minister Ellis noted that the Mount Lyell "... restart will bring new investment, well paid jobs and long-term economic confidence to the region." The projects are coming. The opportunity is real.

What remains is the plan. A region that draws its own map decides how the story goes. One that does not will spend the next decade reacting to a map it never drew.

Veronica Terry, Manager – Regional Development Cradle Coast Authority

Ruth Forrest named 2026 Commonwealth Parliamentarian of the Year

Independent Murchison MLC Ruth Forrest has been named the 2026 Commonwealth Parliamentarian of the Year at the 69th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference Cape Town, South Africa on 13-19 September.

The award recognises outstanding leadership and service to parliamentary democracy across the 56 countries of the Commonwealth and is the first time a Tasmanian parliamentarian has received the honour.

Ms Forrest wasn't able to travel to South Africa to accept the award in person, so her acceptance speech was read to delegates on her behalf.

In it, she said it was a particularly humbling honour to receive as the representative of "a small State, at the bottom of the world."

"Tasmania is one of the smaller jurisdictions in this Commonwealth, in a parliament of only fifteen members in the Upper House," Ms Forrest said.

"As an Independent Member, every position taken, every question asked and every vote cast is mine alone - in full view of the people who put me there. That's been both the hardest and the

most rewarding part of my role for more than twenty years."

First elected in 2005 as the first woman to represent Murchison, Ms Forrest said the recognition reflected the support of many people over the past two decades.

"No parliamentarian does this work alone. This recognition belongs to everyone who has helped me along the way, including committee colleagues and staff, public servants, my electorate officer, and most importantly the people of Murchison who have trusted an independent voice to represent them."

Ms Forrest currently chairs the Tasmanian Parliament's Public Accounts Committee and serves as President of the Tasmanian Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association.

She said the award was also a reminder of the importance of accountability, scrutiny and listening to the voices that are not always easily heard.

"Our role is to be informed, ask the hard questions and explain our decisions to people we represent. That's parliamentary democracy at its best."

Exploring Tassie's islands at the Don

I have no doubt Rees Campbell is still buzzing from the launch of her newest book, 'Islands of the Island State' a couple of weeks ago in The Don at Wynyard. Over 100 people attended and Rees was busy signing books for half the night. Many of the recipes and bush tucker featured in the book were

available to sample with some of them definitely being an 'aquired' taste. The Chitons were ... erm... interesting but the tempura salbush leaves got my vote being rather tasty indeed. The book itself is well worth chasing up and a great read for anyone interested in Tassie's islands



Reward offered for info

Friends of Tracks and Tramways are prepared to pay a reward of \$200. for any information that can lead to the recovery of this trailer, names will remain anonymous. The trailer was stolen from the Granville Tramway Big Pine River section near Zeehan many months ago. It was a very valued and very useful part of our transportation infrastructure and we would like to have it returned. Contact Grant Hodge phone 0429114499 Email grant.hodge 57@yahoo.com.



Rosebery award winners

Kristy Fellows (pictured directly below), was awarded the Rosebery Community Member of the year for all her work in the community.

She volunteers so much in the Rosebery community and works behind the scenes in groups like the Rosebery Toorak Football Club and the Ladies Hockey, Basketball, and Netball.

Lion Wayne Woolley was awarded the Melvin Jones Fellowship (MJF) Award which is the highest form of recognition given by the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) and named in honour of the founder of Lions Clubs International.

Nominees are supported by their club for this honour based on their documented service to their community and their local Lions Club to recognise "continuous dedication to humanitarian service to

the highest degree."

Lion President Sharon Goninon presented Lion Wayne Woolley with his award.

President' Lion of the Year Award went to Lee Woolley who was awarded the Lions Club of the year award by President Sharon Goninon for her continued support of the Club and her work in the community on behalf of the Lions Club.

Hats for the Homeless:

Lion Gail Gittos (pictured directly below) has for the last three years been increasing the amount of hats that she crochets for the Homeless. She is pictured here with some of her massive 1014 hats that she has created this past year. She does this as she cares for her partner who is unwell, to keep herself busy. The Lions Club of Rosebery is so very proud of Gail for her project to help the homeless.



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Tales from Emmerton Park - meet the residents

My Story – Valerie Tuxworth (nee Ferguson)



I was born at the old Smithton Hospital, weighing 8 pounds 3 ounces. I was the sixth of nine children, three boys and six girls. My parents were Ellis and Mureul Ferguson, and we had a farm on Fords Road, Forest. When I was five or six, I was playing around a well near my house with my sister. Unfortunately, my shoe fell off and was floating in the water. I tried to reach it but fell in head-first. I would have drowned that day, but Luckily my sister grabbed me and managed to pull me to safety. My mother often recalled seeing me walking back to our house looking like a drowned rat. In the early days, I remember walking to school in all weather. Winter wasn't much fun, especially when my sister

Alma and I had to milk three cows before school. Eventually, I learnt to ride a bike, which made life a bit easier. I liked going fast, and we would often have races with my brothers and sisters. I remember one particular morning when I was happily pedalling along, and the next minute the chain came off and I went flying over the handlebars. I landed on the gravel road with a badly cut knee. Dad came and collected me, and we went straight to Dr Packham's office in Smithton. I got six stitches in my knee. I didn't even get any anaesthetic, so getting stitched really hurt. I still have that scar today. I used to like making my own pocket money back in the early days. I had six rabbit traps and would go out trapping rabbits. I set them in the evening and collected them in the morning. Some nights I wouldn't catch one or two, and other days they were all full. I would put the unlucky bunnies in a bag, and my brothers would skin them for me. Old Mr Berechree would take them up the coast and sell them for me. I got 10 pence each. I was rich! I enjoyed playing basketball at school and being with my friends. I was quite good at basketball, but we only played for fun. I quite liked school, but I left when I was 14 to help Mum look after my younger brothers and sisters. I continued helping Mum until I got married. I remember the day I met Lloyd Tuxworth at a kitchen tea. He was tall and handsome, and my heart

skipped a beat. Lloyd was quite a bit older than me, so we continued courting until I was almost 18. I married Lloyd in 1953, and we had a perfect wedding. We were married at our local church, the Forest Gospel Hall. I bought my wedding dress from the Winns catalogue. It was made of white satin, with lace on the front and down the train. It cost all of 14 pounds. I had a rainbow wedding with three bridesmaids. They looked lovely in pastel pink, blue and green. Our first farm was at the top of Pea Viner Hill at Forest, where we lived for 33 years. It was there that we started our family and were blessed with four strapping sons: Kerry, weighing 10lb 13oz; Peter, 9½ lbs; Craig, 12lb 13oz; and Garth, 10lb 3oz. The children loved growing up on the red, fertile soil of Forest. Later, we bought another farm past the Forest Area School. We also had a vegie shed at North Forest and grew all sorts of vegetables for McCain Foods in Smithton. We continued living there until we moved to Smithton in 2005. We hardly ever went on holidays, as there were always plenty of jobs to do improving the farm. After our sons were married, Lloyd and I went to visit my cousin in Bort, Victoria. We boarded a TAA plane at Wynyard Aerodrome. We were the only passengers. Lloyd sat in the cockpit with the pilot, and the air hostess sat with me. I had never been on an aeroplane before, and she could probably tell I was ner-

vous. The higher we climbed, the bigger Tasmania became. Bort was a little town in regional Victoria. My cousin had a fair few acres. The soil there was quite sandy, nothing at all like the rich red soil of home. We enjoyed our visit, but we were happy when it was time to go home. We knew Forest and the Northwest Coast was the best places in the world. I enjoyed the flight home, as we got to see again how special the place where we live really is. Lloyd and I moved into Smithton in 2005 to be closer to services and everything we needed, but sadly, Lloyd passed away in 2012. My family rallied around and looked after me until I recently moved into Emmerton Park. I have made some good resident friends here and have reconnected with others. My family and friends visit regularly to see if I'm behaving myself. My sister Nola and brother Cedric visit a few times every week to make sure I am. I am enjoying life and I intend to live it to the fullest, and that's my story!



Do you love Penguins?



(Penguin and chick. Photo courtesy of Perviz Marker)

We are searching for amazing volunteers for the Burnie and Stanley Penguin Colonies.

Friends of Burnie Penguins invite people over the age of 16 to join the group of keen volunteers who deliver nightly interpretive guided viewing at the Burnie Little Penguin Observation Centre.

The two-day training for new penguin guides will be held in Burnie on Saturday September 19th and 20th.

This year we are also looking for volunteers for the Stanley area. The new volunteers will join the Burnie volunteers for a full day of training on the 19th September and a second day will be on site in Stanley at a date TBA.

People interested in learning about Little Penguins and sharing that knowledge with visitors can take part in this once a year annual induction training session. The training covers an introduction to Little Penguins and interacting with visitors, as well as safe guiding guidelines. No previous knowledge of penguins is needed.

Check our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/BurniePenguinObservationCentre/.

Interested people can contact Rhonda 0477 321 958 for further information and to register. Registrations close on Monday September 10th.

Friends of Burnie Penguins Inc.

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No cost for the program. We welcome a small donation towards resources.

The Persistent Pain Self-Management Program is suitable for anyone with long term pain. Supporters and carers are welcome to attend too!



Health Promotion NW

R U OK? Convoy travels through the West Coast

The R U OK? Conversation Convoy travelled through the West Coast of Tasmania last week, visiting communities to build confidence in asking ‘are you OK?’ and reinforcing the importance of connection and belonging.

R U OK? CEO Lachlan Searle joined the Conversation Convoy for the Western leg and said the people we meet always make our trips, and it was great to connect with so many caring and kind people along the West Coast.

“Our public event in the Mainstreet of Queenstown was a great opportunity to meet some of the locals and hear about the struggles, but also successes of the town, of late. The recent footy grand final win on the gravel, and the re-opening of the mine, suggest there’s plenty going on in the ‘capital of the West’ and it was a pleasure to meet all of those who attended the event to learn more about R U OK?, and how to help family friends and colleagues,” said Mr Searle.

With free public events in Queenstown, Strahan, Zeehan, Rosebury and then Smithton before attending the Burnie Show, the yellow and black Convoy provided locals with free resources on how to connect with family and friends to ultimately ask the question ‘are you ok?’.

“In Strahan we set up by the by the port to chat with locals and tourists alike,

before then heading up to Zeehan for a BBQ in the park. In Rosebury we were able to drop in to the local Neighborhood House, and then a big community event in Smithton rounded out a special four days of activity and connection.”

“Checking in with someone isn’t a one-off moment; it’s about building trust and connection over time,” said R U OK? CEO Lach Searle. “That’s why it’s so important that we come back. We want to acknowledge what communities have shared with us in the past, see how they’re going now, and continue to walk alongside them.”

The Conversation Convoy will engage with locals through over 30 public events in Tasmania this year visiting workplaces, schools, community organisations, and regional centres. Creating opportunities for face-to-face conversations and sharing practical guidance on how to support someone who may be struggling.

The R U OK? Conversation Convoy is made possible thanks to the generous support of our partners: CONNOR Clothing, The Audi Foundation, KitKat, Nescafé, CareSuper and AXL+CO.

Further details, including event locations and times and free resources to support local communities, can be found at: ruok.org.au.



Another kind of Abundance

6 Rosebery Seed Library

Annie Venables



Tanya Blake (manager of Rosebery Community House) and Jo Bracken in front of the seed library.

After writing about food resilience and then building myself a greenhouse, I seem to have become slightly obsessed with growing things. So naturally my next question was: where do we get the seeds? I’ve always thought seeds were pretty amazing. Such tiny things, yet they’ve been saved, shared and passed from hand to hand for thousands of years. Give them a bit of soil, water and sunshine and suddenly you’ve got food. There is something rather wonderful about that. A single carrot plant produces thousands of seeds – so one carrot could feed a whole town the following year. Now that is what I call abundance! It also makes me wonder how dependent we’ve become on buying seeds from shops every year. Some commercial varieties are hybrids, so the seed you save from them may not produce the same plant next time. Saving and sharing locally grown seed gives us another option: grow it, save it, plant it again — and pass some on. So when I heard about the Rosebery Seed Library, I thought: what a brilliant idea. And good for Rosebery! The idea came to set it up came from Jo Bracken, after discovering a seed library near where her daughter lived in northern Tasmania. She loved the concept of encouraging people to grow their own food and thought it could work beautifully in Rosebery too. Concerned about the state of the world she felt motivated to help people learn the skills to grow their own food. Now in its second year, the Rosebery Seed Library is run by around six volunteers and is becoming busier as spring and summer approach. And it really is a community effort. People col-

lect seeds from their own gardens, put them into little envelopes and bring them to the library. Volunteers make more envelopes, label and sort the seeds into alphabetically arranged drawers. Then anyone in the community can come along and take what they need. Some people grow extra seedlings at home and bring those in too. The Rosebery Neighbourhood House provides compost and soil, there are pots available, and volunteers organise seed-packing days. And if you don’t have your own garden you can grow plants at the Neighbourhood House community garden. I love this idea because it isn’t just about getting free seeds. It’s about sharing knowledge and making growing food accessible to everyone and bringing the community together. And then there is the joy of growing things. And eating them!!

Joanne told me about her grandchildren who when they come over, love helping themselves to blueberries and strawberries straight from her garden. There is another reason I like the idea of a local seed library. Seeds saved from plants that have successfully grown here have already experienced our particular conditions.

Over time, we can learn which varieties thrive in our climate rather than simply buying whatever happens to be on a supermarket shelf. And perhaps that is the really exciting thing about those little envelopes sitting in the Rosebery Seed Library. They aren’t just seeds. They contain possibility, knowledge and generosity. It is a tiny, simple cycle of abundance.

WESTERN ECHO PUZZLE PAGE

SWAMP



BEYOND THE BLACK STUMP



CLANCY



INSANITY STREAK



AGAINST THE GRAIN



JUMBLE No. 704

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TODAY'S TARGET
25 Words **Good**
32 Words **Very Good**
38 Words **Excellent**
45 Words **Genius**

THE RULES: How many words of 4 letters or more can you make from these 9 letters? In making a word each letter may be used only once, and the centre letter must be included. There must be at least one 9-letter word. No slang, foreign words, plurals, hyphens or apostrophes.

SUDOKU No. 025

2				1		6		
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				6	8		4	
4							1	7
3			2		7	8	6	

CROSSWORD No. 10873

ACROSS

- 3 Happen again
- 8 Key
- 10 Large sea duck
- 11 Neckwear
- 12 Deposit
- 14 Looked after
- 16 Senior in years
- 19 Unsuitable
- 20 Part of the eye
- 21 Casts out
- 23 Sea nymph
- 25 Consumed
- 26 Perfect score
- 28 Small nails
- 30 Length of army front
- 31 Brewing ingredient
- 32 Not concealed
- 33 East
- 35 Fortress
- 38 Tiny island
- 39 Melody
- 40 Incendiarism
- 41 Determine
- 42 Roof's projecting edge

DOWN

- 1 Containers
- 2 Eager
- 3 Softened attitude
- 4 Wears away
- 5 Stagger
- 6 Follower
- 7 Legal documents
- 9 Filled pastry
- 13 Obtains
- 15 Command with authority
- 17 Guides with advice
- 18 Wrongdoing
- 22 Soonest
- 24 Utters repeatedly
- 27 Directed
- 28 Barrier
- 29 Drunkards
- 30 Withdraw from federation
- 31 Ethical
- 34 Numeral
- 36 Appendage
- 37 Cover

CRYPTIC CROSSWORD No. 16524

ACROSS

- 1 Foreign lady is near to breakdown (8)
- 5 A pillow-case to get out of place (4)
- 9 Tree father planted in America (4)
- 10 Sea crew upset about one know-all (8)
- 11 Kind of stick used for witchcraft? (5)
- 12 The art gallery's ventilation system? (7)
- 13 Fails to keep calm and gets axed (5,4,4)
- 18 Company clears wrecked vessels (8)
- 19 The first of the deck-hands who turns the boat (4)
- 20 Racketeer – on the roof? (7)
- 21 Governor of Pennsylvania has changed (5)
- 22 The right current measure for dishonest practice (4)
- 23 Ships that have lost the use of their steering gear? (8)
- 6 Fodder from wet part of Switzerland (7)
- 7 Newspaper boss subjected to coercion (7)
- 8 Intimate shows produce critical articles, we hear (6)
- 13 A match for Satan (7)
- 14 Vassal connected with Portuguese bondage (7)
- 15 Likes cleaving round the first of the crop – using this? (6)
- 16 Connection that's better wet than dry, maybe! (7)
- 17 Different one substituted for a throne (7)

DOWN

- 2 Vigorous grass wrecks the seaport (7)
- 3 The sort of breeze away from the main direction (7)
- 4 Does the empirical approach lead to a miscarriage of justice? (5,3,5)

PREVIOUS ANSWERS

Crossword No. 10872

C	P	U	R	S	E	S	R	A
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Sudoku No. 024

7	9	2	3	8	5	1	6	4
5	1	4	2	9	6	3	7	8
6	3	8	7	4	1	5	9	2
9	2	1	8	6	3	7	4	5
8	4	7	5	1	2	9	3	6
3	5	6	9	7	4	2	8	1
1	6	5	4	3	9	8	2	7
4	7	9	1	2	8	6	5	3
2	8	3	6	5	7	4	1	9

Cryptic No. 16523

Across: 1 Rifles; 4 Bigwig; 9 Stretch a point; 10 Neutral; 11 Seine; 12 Reach; 14 Neigh; 18 Ideal; 19 Hostage; 21 All-in wrestler; 22 Stroll; 23 Flashy.

Down: 1 Rising; 2 Fortune-teller; 3 Enter; 5 Impasse; 6 Writing-tables; 7 Gutted; 8 Whole; 13 Colonel; 15 Divans; 16 Sharp; 17 Nearly; 20 Sisal.

Cat Management Areas declared across King Island

King Island Council is taking decisive action in managing cats by declaring staged Cat Management Areas across the island in a landmark decision aimed at reducing the impact of cats on native wildlife.

The declaration will help protect King Island's unique native animals, including two critically endangered birds found nowhere else on the planet, the King Island Brown Thornbill and the King Island Scrubtit.

A cat management area is an area declared by King Island Council under the Cat Management Act 2009 where approved cat management activities may be undertaken to protect wildlife and other important community values. Each declaration specifies the location of the area, how long it will apply and the activities that may occur.

Cats can still be owned within the declared areas. However, cat owners should be aware that increased cat management activities will occur in the area and should take advantage of the free desexing and microchipping programs made available in conjunction with this declaration.

Owners must take steps to ensure their pets can be easily identified and remain safe in or near the home using Catios.

Whilst every reasonable effort will be made to identify and return domestic cats, the onus to secure pet cats in these areas remains with the owners.

This landmark decision has been made successful through strong partnerships between Cradle Coast NRM, King Island Landcare, The King Island Council and via overwhelming support from the King Island community.

King Island Councillor Ian Allen said responsible cat ownership would be central to the success of the new management areas. "King Island has some incredibly important and vulnerable wildlife, and protecting it is a responsibility that extends beyond just our local community.

It was great to see Council working hand in hand with Cradle Coast NRM and Landcare on this issue. While much of Landcare's work is focused on feral cats, Council has an important role to play in the responsible management of domestic cats.

The declaration of these cat management areas is a very positive first step and demonstrates what can be achieved when Council and our environmental organisations work together to protect

King Island's unique wildlife." Cradle Coast NRM Biodiversity Manager Sean Willmore said the declaration would complement broader conservation efforts underway across the Island. "King Island is home to some wonderful wildlife found nowhere else in the world, but some are at serious risk of disappearing altogether. These Cat Management Areas are a significant step towards reducing predation

while encouraging practical and responsible cat ownership,"

Mr Wilmore said. "Protecting these species will require a shared effort, especially in light of immediate threats including bird flu and the upcoming El

ly hopeful for the future of wildlife on King Island."

The declaration coincides with a broader effort by King Island Council, Cradle Coast NRM and the community to celebrate the Island's natural environment

King Island District High School students from Kinder to Grade 10, will help guide the project and share their knowledge and perspectives when working with Alison and her creative team, during her planned visit in March 2027.

The book will provide a new way for young people, families and visitors to learn about King Island's distinctive environment and the species that call it home. There will also be an artist come to the island to create amazing murals around the island in collaboration with local school students.

The declaration of cat management areas forms part of a broader, holistic approach to cat management on King Island, alongside more sustained efforts to help encourage people to keep their cats safe.

This has included a catio workshop run by James Edwards, where people could come to design a catio, as keeping cats contained helps protect King Island's critically endangered birds and other native wildlife from predation. I

It also benefits domestic cats, which are less likely to become injured or lost or be exposed to pathogenic illness or disease.

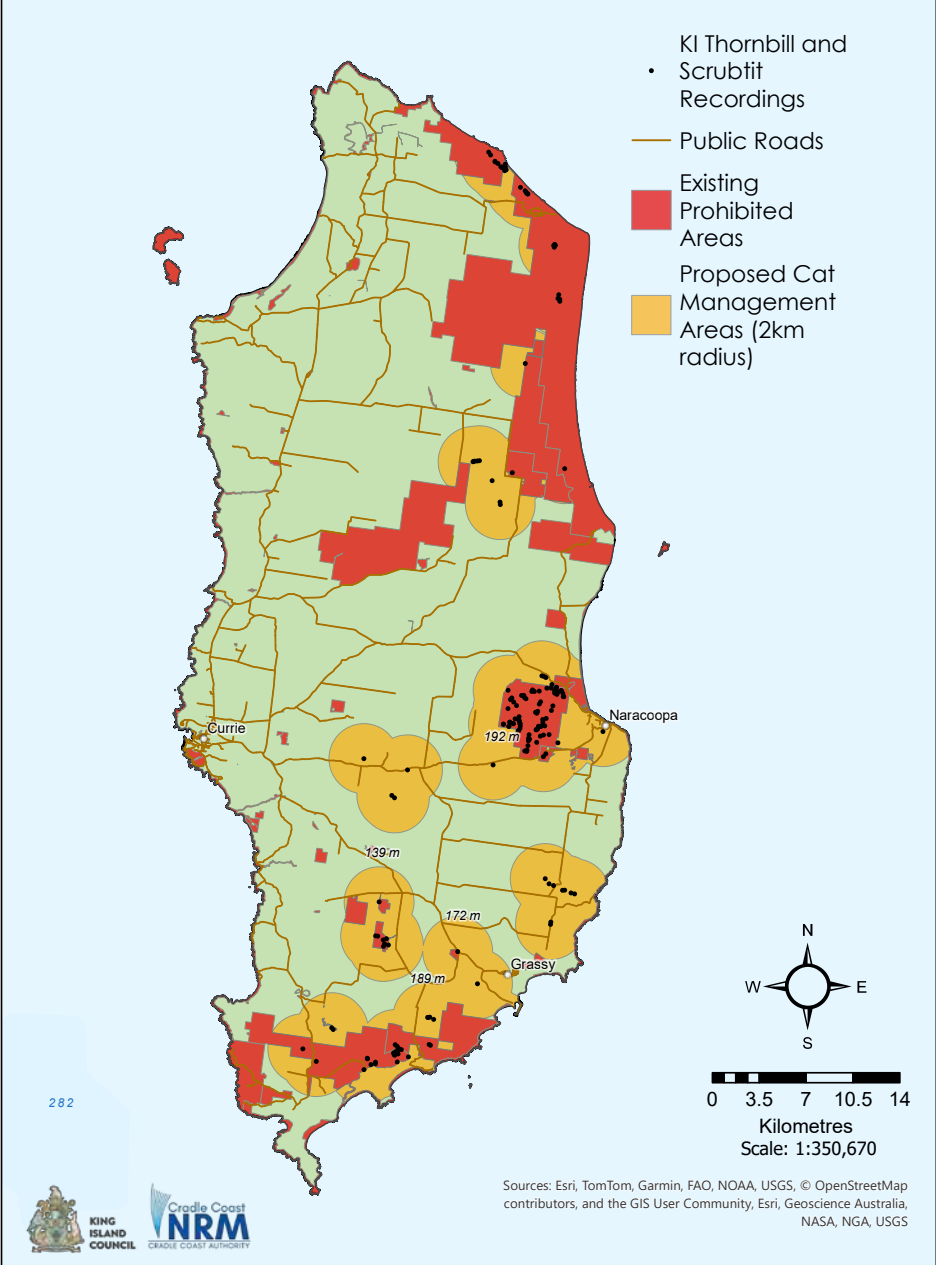
The subsidised desexing and microchipping program, jointly funded by Cradle Coast NRM and King Island Council is also being delivered through both King Island veterinary clinics, with costs fully covered for an initial allocation of cats and further discounts available. To date, 18 cats have been desexed and microchipped through the program.

Further information about the declared Cat Management Areas including a detailed map has been distributed by brochure and available across the island.

The declaration is a significant step forward for King Island's wildlife protection and reflects the strength of collaboration between King Island Council, King Island Landcare, Cradle Coast NRM and the local community.

By working together, the Island can support responsible cat ownership while helping protect its critically endangered and threatened wildlife for future generations.

Proposed Cat Management Areas on King Island



Nino predicted. King Island Council, landholders, cat owners, community members and King Island Landcare all have a role to play in ensuring King Island's wildlife can survive and recover. Together with all the other amazing work being done on the island I'm real-

and build awareness of the importance of protecting its native flora and fauna.

This includes the development of a children's book about King Island's natural environment with acclaimed Australian author and illustrator Alison Lester.



Cradle Coast NRM team with King Island Council after the Cat Management Areas were declared.

WE ENJOY - 2026 BURNIE SHOW

Photos by Alan Jennison

While rural events across Australia have historically faced dwindling numbers, the Burnie Show & Agri-Expo shattered expectations last weekend, drawing thousands of eager patrons to the Agriplex in Romaine for its spectacular two-day run.

The annual celebration of community spirit and agricultural excellence, which kicked off on Friday, October 2, saw families, farmers, and thrill-seekers pack the arena.

From massive tractors gleaming in the afternoon sun to the expertly trained sheepdogs working the pens, the agricultural spirit of Tasmania's North-West was on proud display. For the younger generation—and the young at heart—Sideshow Alley provided the

usual high-octane thrills. Despite light-hearted grumblings from some parents about the modern cost of show bags and carnival rides, the squeals of delight echoing from the “Gee Whizzer” proved that the classic country show experience remains as priceless as ever.

The main stage kept crowds thoroughly entertained across both days. Friday features included the thunderous melodies of the City of Burnie Brass Band, the glitz of the ‘Fashions in the Paddock’ competition, and the intensely competitive Dagwood Dog Eating Competition.

On Saturday, the venue transformed into a rock haven for the highly anticipated Battle of the Bands, running well into the late afternoon.



WE ENJOY - 2026 BURNIE SHOW

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE WEST



WEST COAST HERITAGE & MINERALS FAIR 2026
SATURDAY 7TH NOVEMBER
10AM TILL 4PM

Event Itinerary

- WCHC Open Day
- Gem Stalls
- Black Smiths Demonstration
- Arts & Crafts Exhibition
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Please contact our Committee Members:

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE NORTHWEST

The Wynyard RSL Sub-Branch is holding a cocktail party on Friday 9 October as our major fundraiser for the year. Kitty and The Rockets will be playing, we'll have alcoholic and non-alcoholic cocktails, canapes, a dance hall and a lounge bar. It's 18+ but apart from that, everyone is welcome. This will be a great night, people from all over come along to kick up their heels, celebrate the arrival of spring, the Tulip Festival and hopefully it will be a successful fundraiser for us. The link for tickets is: www.events.humanitix.com/tulip-festival-cocktail-party/tickets. Just scan the QR code at right



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NOV 29	15 MINUTES	DEVONPORT
DEC 20	15 MINUTES	ST HELENS

PUBLIC NOTICES



The Annual General Meeting of the Circular Head Tourism Association Inc.

will be held at the Stanley Town Hall,
Stanley on Monday November 16, 2026
commencing at 5.30pm

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Confirmation of previous AGM minutes
3. Business Arising from previous AGM minutes
4. Presentation of Annual Report
 - President's Report
 - Treasurer's Report
5. Election of Office Bearers
 - President
 - Vice President
 - Treasurer
 - Secretary/Public Officer
 - One ordinary Committee members for a term of two (2) years
 - Two ordinary Committee members for a term of one (1) year
6. Membership fees 2026/27
7. General Business/Any notice of motion

Nomination forms and a copy of the Constitution are available from the Circular Head Tourism Association Inc. by emailing president@stanleyandtarkine.com.au or hello@shipinnstanley.com.au

Signed: Valentino Surjan
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Tuesday, 10th November 2026 7pm

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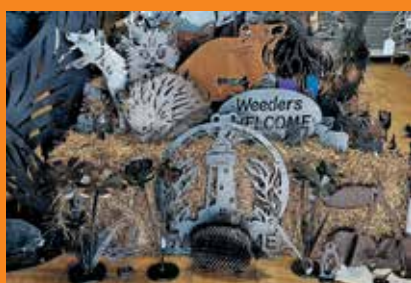


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WE PLAY - SOMERSET SURF ENDURO

Photos by Alan Jennison

The Somerset Surf Enduro is an annual surf lifesaving endurance event hosted by the Somerset Surf Life Saving Club (SLSC) in Northwest Tasmania.

Serving as Event #2 of the Surf Life Saving Tasmania Endurance Series, it brings together competitors from across the state for competitive surf ski, board, and surf boat racing.

It was a great days entertainment for those watching and cheering from shore with the distance of twelve kilometres being covered by the fastest surf ski competitors in under an hour with most of the course being downwind.



BORN TO RACE. TRAINED TO SAVE. BURNIE PROUD.

CONGRATULATIONS

SOMERSET ENDURO 13 OCT 2026

Surf Boats:

- 1st Open Female: Burnie Breeze

Board Race:

- 1st U13 Female: Jaye Lambie
- 2nd U13 Female: Willa Munday
- 3rd U13 Male: Huon Murfet
- 1st U15 Female: Lily O'Garey
- 2nd U15 Male: Noah St Clair
- 3rd U15 Male: Parker Dennis
- 4th U15 Male: Cameron Clarke

Ski Race:

- 1st U17 Male: Archie Munday
- 2nd Open Female: India Gregson
- 3rd Open Female: Melissa Askew
- 2nd Open Male: Jackson Lawson
- 1st +50 Female: Melissa Askew
- 1st +50 Male: Stuart Paine

CONGRATULATIONS!

Tie a fly and cast a line

The North West Fly Fishers Club of Tasmania is hosting its annual 2026 Fly Fishing Expo on Sunday 25 October 2026. The community event runs from 10 am to 3 pm and is held at Pet Dam in Ridgley, with access via Circular Road on the eastern side of the dam. Entry is completely free.

NORTH WEST FLY FISHERS CLUB EXPO

SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER 2026 10:00 - 3:00 PM

ADMISSION FREE

- LEARN TO CAST A FLY
- FLY TYING DEMONSTRATIONS
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Roulettes over Wynyard

The Air Force Roulettes performed a special synchronised display over Wynyard, Tasmania on September 12, 2026, to commemorate the 86th anniversary of the Battle of Britain. These are a couple of my favourite shots. *Alan/Ed*



WE PLAY - FROM WYNYARD TO SPAIN



Three Wynyard Yacht Club Paddling members are heading to the 2026 ICF Canoe Ocean racing paddling world Championships in C.N. La Vila Joiosa, Spain as a result of qualifying to represent Australia at the Australian Ocean Racing Championships held at Wynyard in April 2026. <https://www.icfcanoe-oceanracingspain.com/>

The three WYC Paddlers attending are; Mitchell Scott (Open Category) Ethan Mott (Under 19 Category) Jeremy Norton (65-69 year age category) *Jeremy has left already.* Photos above are Mitchell, Jeremy (both closest to camera) and Ethan at right.



Keep an eagle eye out



Eagle Watch is a community conservation project founded in 2024. We work in partnership with rural, regional and remote communities to record and map local Tasmanian Wedge-tailed eagle populations. The aims of Eagle Watch are:

- 1) To protect Tasmanian Wedge-tailed eagles from extinction
- 2) To promote and educate people about our Wedge-tailed eagles

Knowledge of local Wedge-tailed eagle populations is critical to protecting our eagles. To date there has been no long-term recording of eagle populations in Tasmania and therefore no baseline populations numbers at either local, regional or statewide level. This is why Eagle Watch is so important. We can only protect our eagles if we know how many we have, where they live and how healthy they are.

We have recorded Wedge-tailed eagle populations in and around the Waratah area. We also have quite a few records for Yolla, Ridgley, Highclere, Natone, and Stowport area. However, all sightings are greatly appreciated. Also new sightings for the West coast and Circular Head area would be great!

So, if you have seen any Wedge-tailed eagles we'd love to hear from you! We would really appreciate it if you could tell us the location and time of your sighting or if you have more details please contact me for a chat.

For more information or to report a sighting please contact Lisa on 0477866242 or email saveoureaglestas@proton.me.

Thanks everyone!



Nine amazing prizes up for grabs

We've been absolutely blown away by the generosity of the businesses supporting Heartwood. Our fundraising raffle now includes nine fantastic prizes worth well into the thousands!

1st Prize: Gordon River Cruises — Premier Upper Deck experience for 4 guests — \$1,420 value

2nd Prize: Pennicott Wilderness Journeys — cruise experience for 2 adults — \$380 value

3rd Prize: West Coast Wilderness Railway — Standard Carriage journey for 2 adults + 2 children — approx. \$350 value

4th Prize: World Heritage Cruises — Main Deck Centre cruise for 2 adults — \$320 value

5th Prize: Tassal Seafood — \$200 voucher

6th Prize: House of Anvers, Latrobe — Medium Cello Hamper

7th Prize: Tassal — \$100 voucher + \$50 Wine & Treat Hamper

8th Prize: Tassal — \$100 voucher

9th Prize: Wine & Treat Hamper courtesy of Shields Events & Entertainment And there may still be more surprises to come!

TICKETS 1 for \$2 | 3 for \$5 | 7 for \$10 **BUY IN PERSON** Ticket boxes are available at: Rosebery Neighbourhood House GA Rosebery Or purchase directly from Heartwood, 2 Morrisby Street, Rosebery — please call ahead on 0400 995 546.

VIRTUAL TICKETS / REMOTE PAYMENT You don't need to be local to enter! Send the Heartwood Facebook page a PM with how many tickets you would like and Bella can send you a personal Square payment link. Once payment is received, we'll complete your tickets, enter them into the draw and send you a photo of your tickets for your records. We can also take Square payments over the phone during business hours: Bella — 0448 195 492

Winners announced LIVE and contacted on 31 October.

WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO?

Heartwood is a self-funded community initiative, and money raised through this raffle goes straight back into helping us provide free community workshops, activities, materials, equipment and projects where neighbours can connect, learn skills, help one another and create something positive in our community.

A massive thank you to Gordon River Cruises, Pennicott Wilderness Journeys, West Coast Wilderness Railway, World Heritage Cruises, Tassal Seafood, House of Anvers Latrobe and Shields Events & Entertainment for making this raffle possible.

Please share, tag your friends and grab a few tickets!

Every ticket helps Heartwood continue growing.

Neighbours supporting neighbours.



HEARTWOOD FUNDRAISING RAFFLE

Together we put the heart in Heartwood

1 st Prize	— Gordon River Cruises — Premier Upper Deck experience for 4 guests, valued at \$1,420 (\$355 pp).
2 nd Prize	— Pennicott Wilderness Journeys — voucher for 2 adults, choice of eligible Pennicott cruise experiences — \$380 value.
3 rd Prize	— West Coast Wilderness Railway — Gift Voucher for 2 Adults and 2 Children to travel in Standard Carriage on any journey — approx. \$350 value.
4 th Prize	— World Heritage Cruises — voucher for 2 adults in Main Deck Centre seating — \$320 value.
5 th Prize	— Tassal — voucher worth \$200.
6 th Prize	— House of Anvers — 1 x Medium Cello Hamper in a chill bag, to be collected from their Tasting Centre.
7 th Prize	— Tassal — voucher worth \$100 plus wine and treat hamper \$50.
8 th Prize	— Tassal — voucher worth \$100.
9 th Prize	— Wine and treat hamper courtesy of The Shields Events & Entertainment.

TICKETS: 1-\$2, 3-\$5, 7-\$10.

Tickets can be purchased through Heartwood, 2 Morrisby Street Rosebery, text/call 0448195492 or PM us to arrange. You might also find ticket boxes around town in the coming weeks, so keep an eye out.

WINNERS ANNOUNCED LIVE AND CONTACTED OCTOBER 31ST.



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