

MT ROUSE NEWS & VIEWS



A Project of the Peshurst Mens Shed Inc

VDC GETS BRIGHTER FRONTAGE

The outside of the Volcanoes Discovery Centre has been given a visual boost with the installation of four new banners.

The four double sided banners feature two images - a blue sky with a grey eruption cloud, and the black and red flow of lava down the slopes of a volcano.

The new banners have been much delayed since it became apparent they would need to be replaced when the one of the four original banners was ripped to pieces.

Then the VDC closed for nine months last year because of the COVID-19 pandemic, causing further delays.

"The management committee plugged away at a number of projects over that long period," VDC committee member, Brian O'Brien said.

"Because it was hard to know at first how long we would be closed, it would have been easy to just give up and wait till the pandemic eased or faded away.

"However, after getting a grant of nearly \$2000 from the shire, we decided to press ahead and select the design and get them made so we would be ready for when we re-opened," Mr O'Brien said.



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STEP UP TO CLEAN UP

JOIN OUR CLEAN UP EVENT!

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PENNANT BOWLS ACTION

Quite a lot excitement has happened in our club this year. With the uncertainty of a season due to Covid, we decided to field 3 teams of Pennant: Division 2 Midweek, Division 1 & 4 Saturday.

Div 2 Midweek played off in the Grand Final on Friday 5th March, after ending up on top of the ladder, and won that match against Grangeburn.

Div 1 Saturday did not make the four, but Div 4 are top of the ladder and were scheduled to play on Feb 13th, this however had to be postpone due to the latest lockdown due to Covid.

Good Luck guys for when you can get back on the green.

Our club has been well represented in Association events too:

Our champions Brenda Uebergang & Trevor Landwehr ,played off in the Champion of Champions, with Brenda reaching the semi finals.

Ann Rentsch won the Over 60's Singles and will play off in the Region event later in Feb.

Mick Ross & Alaister Rentsch are in the Division final of the Men's State pairs, which has been re-scheduled.

Brenda Uebergang & Ann Rentsch were runner up in the Division Over 60 Sate Pairs.

Ann was also Runner up in the division State Singles.

Ann is also part of the team which has won the division & Region State fours. Final to be played in Bendigo in May.

We would like to welcome some new members to our club, Sharon, Patti, Carmen, Rachel & James, Cameron & Joe we hope that you enjoy playing bowls. If we can keep getting new players it makes the life of the club assured.

Unfortunately we were not able to run the Corporate Cup due to the Covid threat. Other club events are being planned once we get the all clear to bowl again, hopefully that will be sooner rather than later.

We look forward to supporting other Division clubs when & if they can hold their tournaments.

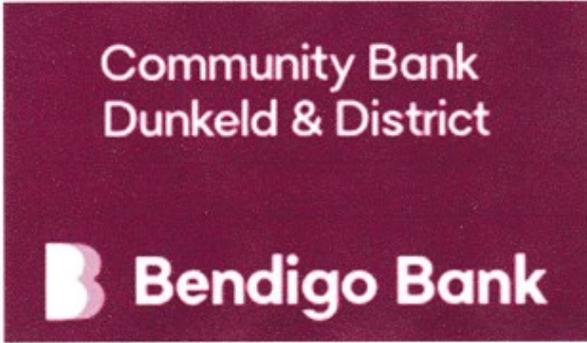
After avoiding Lockdown for the second time and the threat of the heat Rule (all play shall cease once the temperature reach's 34) we had a successful Ladies Tournament on the 10th March. The temperature sat on 32.8 !!

We hosted teams from: Dartmoor, Balmoral, Heywood, Macarthur (3), Portland, Port Fairy, Casterton, Coleraine, Grangeburn & Hamilton



Division 2 pennant winners. L to R Sharon Linke, Brenda Uebergang, Jenni Kinnealy, Mary Underwood Donald Adamson, Ann Rentsch and Chris Laurence.

Dunkeld & District Community Bank Branch



Chairman’s message

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to congratulate the Staff, Shareholders and Customers on achieving 10 years of banking and community service at the Dunkeld & District Community Bank. As a Board we are very proud of our staff, past and present. Our Branch Manager Anna Watson achieved 10 years of service last November and her “right hand woman” Susan Tully achieved 10 years in January. Carly Behncke has also been on the journey for 10 years, firstly as a Board member and more recently as an employee. Louise Field has been with us for 5 years, Robyn Lang joined us in January and I would like to thank past employee’s Angela Linke, Rebecca Howell, Pedita Van Hees, Kaitlin Lewis & Jahra Taylor (Horsten) for their excellent service to the Branch and Community.



area’s – as highlighted by the closure of the NAB in Balmoral.

I encourage all individuals and businesses in our region to move their banking to one of the local Community Banks – in order to receive better banking service, and also build financial resilience and independence in our region.

I would like to thank our current Board:- Brendan Kelly, Anthony Page, Jodie Young, Helen Nielson, Sue Morse, Chris Murphy, Sherryn Jennings & Simon Macgugan. I’d like to also make mention of past Directors, in particular Gary Simpson, Founding Chairman, James Schofield and David McLeod. Other past Directors who have made a significant contribution to the Board include:- Glenn Darroch, Angela Field, Dee-Ann Gerring, Tim Sanders, Carly Behncke, Pamela Coates, Scott Olsen, Jillian Lewis, Penny Fraser & Christy Lazzari.

Chair Oliver, Chairman Grampians Regional Community Enterprises



As a Board, we are very pleased to have delivered on the 3 aims of our initial Prospectus to the Dunkeld, Peshurst & Cavendish communities– to “deliver social and economic benefits to our region, as well as the prospect of positive returns to shareholders” – over the last 10 years we have provided more than \$250,000 in grants to the Dunkeld, Peshurst, Cavendish and surrounding communities, provided a full-service bank to the region and paid 3 dividends to shareholders.



Pictured: Board Chairman Craig Oliver with Branch Manager Anna Watson and Company Secretary Helen Neilson.



This highlights the benefits of the Community Banking model to Rural areas, in comparison with the Corporate model of the big 4 banks who reduce service to rural

VDC GETS BRIGHTER FRONTAGE (continued from page 1)

"We took the design to Ivory Print and were delighted how receptive they were to our ideas, and how quickly they made them.

"We decided on just two designs to give continuity and we choose what most people think of



when they think volcanoes - violent eruptions and red lava running down a volcano's flanks. "We think the new banners are much more striking than the rather bland older version."

Mr O'Brien said the addition of a new footpath display board and a huge banner near the road would add to visual attraction of the centre and be more noticeable to motorists.

PENNANT BOWLS ACTION

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Results of the day :

Spider Roll; Shirley Rogers (Portland)

Roll to ditch; Geraldine McDonald (Hamilton)

Leaning Toucher; Cynthia Holmes (Grangeburn)

Phantom team; Lead Cynthia Holmes, (GB), Second; Anne Moore (Macarthur), Lead; Carol Uebergang (Mac)

Winners for the day with 4 wins +16 shots up; Hamilton: Glenda Hawker, Miriam Tonnisen & Lesley Toohey.

Runner-up with 4 wins +15 shots up; Coleraine: Lesley Beaton, Aileen McKenery & Therese Nolte

Raffle: Wendy Kosch (GB) Shirley Rogers (Port).

Special Thanks to our local team who were on standby to play & then filled in when it got too hot for some players.



PENSHURST Bowls Club mid week team won Div 2 Grand Final held at Dunkeld recently. They defeated Grangeburn by 17 shots.

"Kitty n Jack"



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John, Judith, and Nicole

Penshurst Progress Association

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Committee of Management:

Ama Cooke – President 0402 870 738

Mark Dalla Costa – Secretary Don Adamson

Tom Cooke - Vice President Gillian Jacobs

Josh Hewitt - Treasurer Judy Brennan

Mary Stewart Amanda Cameron

Next Meeting: 24th March 2021 7.30pm in the Supper Room, Penshurst Hall.

Good afternoon everyone,

Further to last fortnight's report, or should I call it commentary? No need to answer. I asked the Council questions from our meeting, and actually received some brief answers, that have led to more questions.

First, though - we've had contact from a number of people about the water quality and will be approaching Wannon Water about the problem. There is still time to have your say.

I was delighted to read that the Council is finally using Brian O'Brien's footpath assessment, from last year, to make some repairs around town. We'll be keeping on eye on that, and everything else.

The new signs in the Gardens have had their text 'signed off' and the Council is expecting a date for installation in the next few weeks.

When asked about the new building for the bbq area, we were advised that, as the Council has no funding for it, there is no idea for a design, and they won't be looking at the problem until funding becomes available. This gives us time to consider a design for ourselves? What sort of building should we have? Given the lack of cover I prefer the idea of a space that people can both cook and sit to eat? What do you think? We are going to have to make a case to Council if we want it anytime in the next budget, so we need to discuss this now.

For years we have talked about expanding the number of camping/caravan sites in the Gardens. I rang the EPA and then the Council. The Council advised, "The Penshurst Caravan Park Residential Tenancies Act 1997 Registration permits 8 caravan/camp sites. The Park amenities block has

the capacity of up to 20 caravan park guests without private facilities to meet caravan park regulatory requirement of 1 toilet, 1 shower, 1 hand wash basin for every 10 persons." We have the 8. Next step, more powered sites.

I asked about an improvement in town maintenance and was told it was a staffing problem (which we already know), and that Hamilton based staff are now helping with the workload. I have noticed the mowing has increased.

We've been advised that maintenance of the gravel roads resume 'in the next few weeks'. The roads with the yellow dust are being 'monitored'. Personally, I take photos of the dust that rises on windy days and blows across my front yard. Having been told it would never break up, the garbage truck is good at digging holes when it does a U-turn on the corner of Scales and Watton Streets.

The town bins are emptied Monday (Tuesdays on RDO's) and Friday. The Council advises that there was a small window when bins were missed but they are now back to the normal routine.

Mt Rouse Management Plan - Council will be doing a Council-wide environment and natural asset strategy. After completion of that in late 2021 there will be a 'prioritisation of Reserve Management plans'. The Mt Rouse sign is part of that problem and our desire to repaint the kiosk on the Mount has to 'be in keeping with recommendations from the Volcanics project'. I have a number of email addresses to discuss it with. More next time.

Have great fortnight and be safe, Ama Cooke



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Ambulance Victoria

Penshurst Branch

2020 in review

2020 was a busy year for the Penshurst branch. Our services were requested over 180 times, 40+ more requests than during 2019.

Unfortunately we were unable to attend all of these requests due to limited personnel resources. Our ability to respond depends on the number of Ambulance Community Officers (ACOs) we have available.

This table shows the average weekly coverage we have been able to provide, depending on how many ACOs we had available. As you can see, the more ACOs we have, the more coverage we are able to provide.

No. ACOs	Average coverage over last 4 years
2	27%
3	46%
4	58%
5	64%

If you are interested in becoming an ACO or would just like some additional information about what is involved, please get in contact penshurst.teamleader@ambulance.vic.gov.au, we would appreciate hearing from you.

COVID-19 added additional burdens for us in Ambulance Victoria (AV) as it did for everyone. As you can imagine AVs procedures and protocols were and still are being updated and changed as required. This has definitely kept us on our toes trying to keep on top of all the changes but it is important to ensure that we keep our patients, our community, our families and ourselves safe.

This picture shows two Penshurst ACOs kitted out ready for decontamination of self and ambulance after transporting a 'potential' COVID-19 patient.



Congratulations

It is a pleasure to let the Penshurst community know that three Penshurst ACOs received commendations from AV during 2020. Two of these commendations were from a Peer who wrote that "You both did such an outstanding job on that difficult case and your efforts were not to go unnoticed". The other commendation was from a patient expressing their gratitude for the professional and caring approach they received.

Penshurst Hair Design



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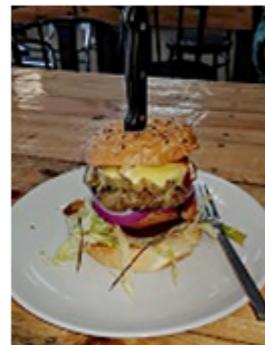
Specials -

\$9 Past of the Day/Fried Rice

\$10 Fish, Chips & Salad

\$12 Lasagna, Chips & Salad

\$14 Chicken Parmi, Chips & Salad



Opening hours

Monday 6 am - 7 pm Tuesday 6 am - 5 pm

Wednesday & Thursday 6 am - 7 pm

Friday & Saturday 7 am - 8pm Sunday 8 am - 7 pm

Please phone late orders 15 minutes prior to closing, thank you



World Day of Prayer

Media Release

Date: 5th March 2021

BUILD ON A STRONG FOUNDATION



The local World Day of Prayer service will be held in the Sheppard Centre of the Penshurst Hospital at 10 am. The Anglican church is hosting this year's event with the Uniting, Catholic and Lutheran Churches all taking part.

Fr. David Oulton, from the Anglican Church, will be sending a short message to be read at the service.

All members of the community are invited to attend. Morning tea will be served with tongs for serving of the food to meet COVID protocols.

For further information, contact the local WDOP coordinator

Janet Shalders 0437 998 313

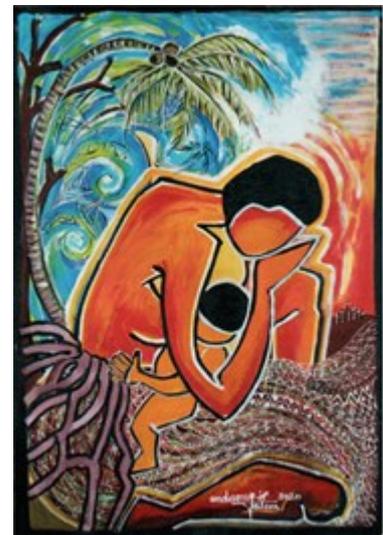
Since 1887, on or near the first Friday in March every year, millions of Christians have gathered worldwide to pray for the issues of family violence, child abuse, human trafficking, and other forms of injustice.

Women of the Republic of Vanuatu (located in the South Pacific Ocean) have prepared this year's service. The black and white sandy beaches, coral reefs with coloured fishes, lovely birds, fruits and nuts in the forest, all make the islands a pristine environment but they are vulnerable to frequent tropical storms, earthquakes, cyclones, tsunamis and active volcanoes. Women, men and children of all ages are called to 'Build on a strong foundation' and live in unity, love and peace in the context of ethnic and cultural diversity like Vanuatu and so many other places around the world.

World Day of Prayer is an international, inter-church organisation which enables us to hear the thoughts of women from all parts of the world; their hopes, concerns and prayers. The preparation for the day is vast. An international committee is based in New York and there are national committees in each participating country. Regional conferences meet to consider the service and then local groups make their plans. Finally, at a church near you, on Friday 5 March 2021 people will gather to celebrate the service prepared by the women of Vanuatu.

The Day of Prayer is celebrated in 170 countries. It begins in Samoa, and prayer in native languages travels throughout the world - Asia, Africa, the Middle East, Europe and the Americas before finishing in American Samoa some 39 hours later.

Vanuatu



Community Meetings

Caramut & District Garden Club

- 2nd Tuesday monthly at 10 am. See Garden Notes for venue.

Penshurst Hospital

- Combined Churches service 3rd Tuesday every month in W.J. Lewis wing at 11 am.
- Penshurst Hospital Ladies Auxiliary, 3rd Tuesday each month, Sheppard Room 1.30 pm.
- Residents, Relatives & Carers group, Tuesday bi-monthly, 1:30 pm.

Mt Rouse & District Historical Society

- Courthouse open 1st Saturday each month 9.30 am to 12.30 pm.
- Meeting 4th Sunday in January, March, May, July, September and November, 2pm at the Court House. Phone 557 12145.

Friends Yatmerone Reserve

- Meeting 2nd Tuesday every second month, commencing February 2021 at Volcano Centre 7.30 pm. New members welcome.

Lions Club of Penshurst & District

- 1st & 3rd Tuesday each month at 8 pm at RSL Hall, Ritchie Street.
penshurstlions@gmail.com

Penshurst Bowls Club

- Pennant Season (October - February) meets 1st Thursday at 7.30pm Alaister 0427 555 973
- Off Season 1st Tuesday at 7.30pm.

Penshurst Pony Club Rally

- 1st Sunday each month. Phone Jenni 0409 962 969

Penshurst Senior Citizens

- meet last Tuesday monthly, 4 pm at club rooms in Bell Street.
- Novelty Bingo, last Tuesday of month Feb -



AmbulanceVictoria

The Penshurst Branch is staffed by local Ambulance Community Officers (ACOs).

Ambulance Victoria is regularly looking for local ACOs. If you are interested in becoming an ACO or would like further information, please email penshurst.teamleader@ambulance.vic.gov.au

Nov at 2.15 pm.

- Cards & social afternoon, 2nd Wednesday monthly at 2pm
- Book Club, 2nd Tuesday each month at Senior Citizen club rooms. 2.00pm

Penshurst Urban Fire Brigade

- 2nd Monday monthly at fire station.

RSL Penshurst

- meets 1st Thursday of February, April, July & October at 6.30 pm at RSL Hall, Ritchie Street.

Penshurst Church Services

Bethlehem Lutheran Church Tabor

Service every Sunday 10.00am

Penshurst Anglican Church

5pm Mass 4th Sunday each month

For further details contact Janet Kelly
on 5576 5247

St Andrew's Uniting Church Penshurst

2nd & 4th Sunday

11am Service

St Joseph's Catholic Church Penshurst

1st Sunday No Service

2nd Sunday Mass 8.30am

3rd Sunday Lay Service 8.30am

4th Sunday Mass 8.30am

5th Sunday Mass 8.30am

A PAGE TO SHARE RECIPES

Fast and easy dinner with the great taste of Italy

Super-easy chicken cacciatore

Prep Time 5 mins - Cooking Time 40 mins

INGREDIENTS - 4 servings

1 tablespoon olive oil	575g jar napolitana pasta sauce
1.5kg mixed chicken pieces, trimmed	1/2 cup pitted kalamata olives, halved
1 brown onion, roughly chopped	1/2 cup small fresh basil leaves
1 red capsicum, chopped	Cooked fusilli (spiral) pasta, to serve
200g cup mushrooms, sliced	

METHOD

Step 1 Heat oil in a large, non-stick saucepan over medium-high heat. Cook chicken in batches, turning, for 5 minutes or until browned. Transfer to a plate. Add onion, capsicum and mushroom to pan. Cook, stirring, for 3 minutes or until softened.

Step 2 Return chicken to pan. Add sauce. Cover. Bring to the boil. Reduce heat to low. Simmer for 25 to 30 minutes or until chicken is cooked through. Stir in olives. Season with salt and pepper. Top with basil. Serve with pasta.



Notes:

- Timesaver shortcut: Using a jar of pasta sauce adds more flavour, so you can use fewer ingredients
- We used a combination of chicken drumsticks, wings and chicken thigh cutlets with the skin on. They're available from the supermarket deli or the fresh meat and poultry section.
- Cacciatore means *hunter* in Italian, and *alla cacciatora* translates to a 'hunter-style' meal with chicken (or rabbit), onions, tomatoes, herbs, vegetables, and usually wine or vinegar.
- Wine pairing: Chianti, Pinot Noir or Lambrusco

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Answers to Riddles: 1. NOON, 2. February,
3. a black panther, 4. a fraction, 5. teeth,
6. a robot, 7. water.

MEDIA RELEASE

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE COUNCIL



Southern Grampians
SHIRE COUNCIL

11 FEBRUARY 2021

BE CONNECTED WITH THE GREATER HAMILTON LIBRARY

The Greater Hamilton Library is proud to partner with 'Be Connected', an Australia-wide government initiative empowering all Australians over 50 to thrive in a digital world. Being part of the Be Connected Network, the library can support you to develop your digital skills and confidence with its 'Launch Pad' program.

Older Australians who have less experience with using the internet can often feel isolated from their community and family at a time in their lives when feeling connected is increasingly important.

Through the Greater Hamilton Library's "Launch Pad" program, eligible participants will have access to library iPads and be guided through courses and activities including:

- The basics of using an iPad device
- Creating and using an email account
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- Using the Internet
- Downloading and using Apps
- Connecting with family and friends
- Video calling
- Introduction to social media

In addition to these classes, participants will have access a wide selection of online courses and activities on a range of topics through the Be Connected website.

The library will begin the "Launch Pad" program on Friday 19 February and classes will run from 1:30-3:30pm on Friday afternoons. Additional classes may be included if there is sufficient interest. Courses will take a month to complete with classes.

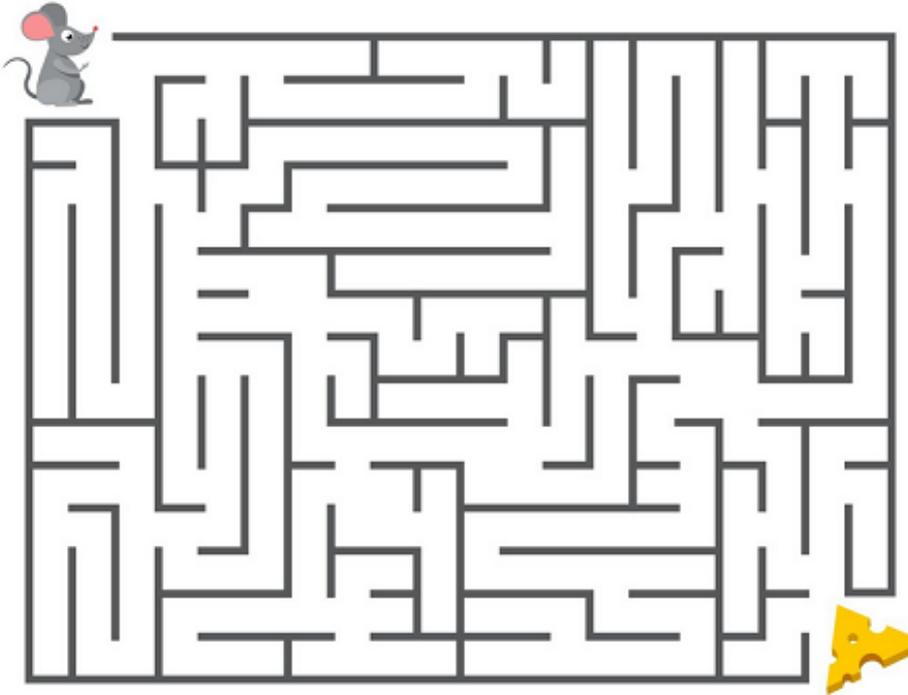
For full details of the program or to register your interest to attend, please contact the Greater Hamilton Library 5573 0470 or email library@sthgrampians.vic.gov.au.

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"The way a team plays as a whole determines its success. You may have the greatest bunch of individual stars in the world, but if they don't play together, the club won't be worth a dime." **Babe Ruth**

A Page for the Children to enjoy



Mouse Jokes

What is small, furry and brilliant with a sword?

A mouseketeer.

What kind of cheese do mice like?

Mouserella

Why was the mouse afraid of swimming?

Catfish

What goes dot, dot, dash, squeak?

Mouse code.

More Mouse Jokes

Why do mice need oiling?

Because they squeak.

When do mice stay indoors?

When its raining cats and dogs.

What's a mouses favourite game?

Hide and squeak.

How do you get a mouse to smile?

Say Cheese.

Can you make up a mouse joke to share with your friends?





"Did you remember to water the lawn?"



"You said we could bring a friend!"

Around the Churches

Rights vs Responsibilities

For a little while I was a school chaplain. It was a stimulating time and I learnt far more than the students. One of the few lessons that 'worked' was the lesson about when and where it is safe to smoke. This was obviously a long time ago.

Is it OK to smoke alone in a cardboard box on a beach where no one is around for 5 kilometres? Alright, well how about we ditch the cardboard box... still OK...? Now what if there was someone else on the beach who was 50 metres away... still OK?

Always there was someone who came up with the real aim of the lesson and would quip ... "Yes, but if I choose to smoke, if I choose to put gunk into my lungs, if I choose to pay eye-wateringly high amounts of tax for these addictive drugs, then that's my right. It is my right to do A, B, C and 3.5 as often as I like and where I like". Or the flip side "It's my right *not* to do Q.2 and by-law z if I don't feel like it". And that's when the real discussion began. Responsibilities versus my rights. 'Responsibilities' always look outwards to others, while 'rights' look inward to oneself.

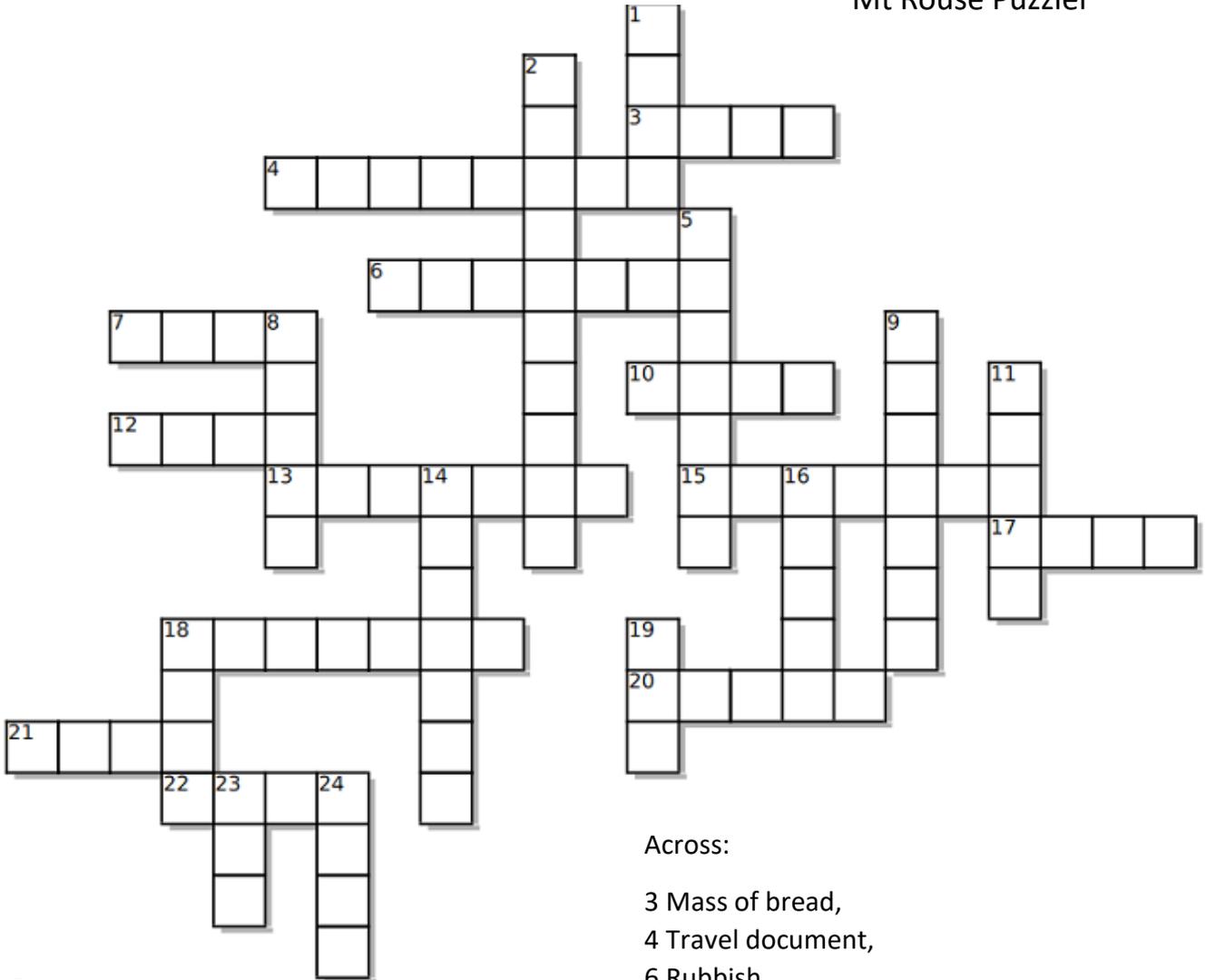
The awkwardness of this COVID age is that it is so heinously easy to be consumed with my rights and what I want, that my responsibilities to others evaporates.

A classic example is when I take communion to our shut-ins. It isn't my right to do this, it is my responsibility. And when my focus is right, this little task along with all my other responsibilities are continuously suffused with joy. Let's have the patience and foresight to think about what are our responsibilities to others. This is always our primary mission.

Fr. David Oulton - droulton72@gmail.com

We welcome contributions from the churches that include Penshurst in their parishes.

Mt Rouse Puzzler



Down:

- 1 One of four seasonings,
- 2 Escalate,
- 5 Not one or the other,
- 8 Measuring device,
- 9 Tell a story,
- 11 Search for underground water,
- 14 Forsake,
- 16 Go in,
- 18 Panorama,
- 19 Secret agent,
- 23 Decay,
- 24 Long and arduous journey.

Across:

- 3 Mass of bread,
- 4 Travel document,
- 6 Rubbish,
- 7 Always,
- 10 Tickling sensation of the skin,
- 12 Part of a shoe,
- 13 Got away,
- 15 Ridge above visual orb,
- 17 Halt,
- 18 Feature like Vesuvius,
- 20 Marine gem,
- 21 Donate,
- 22 Legal document.

Across: 3 elevate, 6 trip, 9 sauce, 10 gherkin, 11 foot, 14 prolong, 15 adroit, 17 twenty, 20 broach, 21 awaken, 23 peal, 24 ring. Down: 1 *beserk, 2 lense, 4 evident, 5 wreck, 7 outline, 8 liberate, 11 foil, 12 blister, 13 ode, 16 native, 18 moat, 19 vault, 22 nun. (*Spellchecker on holidays, sorry)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

In this section we welcome your comments and views. If you have good news or a burning issue please send a letter to the Editor at :

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The Editor reserves the right to decide on which letters will be published and whether to precis longer submissions.



AmbulanceVictoria

The Peshurst Branch is staffed by local Ambulance Community Officers (ACOs).

Ambulance Victoria is regularly looking for local ACOs. If you are interested in becoming an ACO or would like further information, please email peshurst.teamleader@ambulance.vic.gov.au

Dear Editor,

We are so lucky in Peshurst to have the friendly faces of our local Ambulance team to rely on in the times of medical emergencies. When my husband needed medical treatment recently people we count as friends and neighbours were the first to respond to our emergency call. Having familiar faces assist us at such times is such a blessing. The roles Lorraine, Lily and Rod play in this community is much appreciated and we hope that more local people join them in this valuable role.

Shirley Hewitt 19/2/2021



DAN TEHAN MP
FEDERAL MEMBER FOR **WANNON**

As your representative in the Federal Parliament, listening to your views about our local area is my priority.

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PENSHURST MENS SHED

Update

While the Men's Shed is closed during the COVID-19 pandemic, there has been a little movement on the build project.

The external building has been completed and now the internal work must be done. Have patience, we will be open again very soon.

Newsletter: If you have any stories you would like to share events, stories and ideas, please contact Mark or Ama by phone or email.

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Penshurst's Website

Have you visited the Penshurst website yet?

Not only is the site full of valuable information, but there are links to many of the important organisations within our town.

Would you like to add a link to your website? Email president@penshurstprogress.org.au

Visit our site

**www.penshurstvictoria.com.au
and let us know if you have
any comments.**

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Early Notice—would you be interested in being on the Hall's
Committee of Management?

Penshurst Memorial Hall, 21 Martin Street.

Notice is given of a PUBLIC MEETING to be held at the Hall in early May (date to be advised) commencing at 2.00pm.

The purpose of the meeting is to nominate no less than three (3) or more than nine (9) persons as the

Committee of Management for the Penshurst Memorial

Hall for a term of three years. The current committee's term will expire on 25th May 2021. All positions will be declared open and nominations will be accepted prior to or on the night.

Nominations from women, Aboriginal people, people with disabilities, young people and people from culturally diverse backgrounds are encouraged. Further information, nomination forms and nominee declaration forms may be obtained by contacting your local Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning office or at the meeting. For further enquiries please contact the Secretary, Ama Cooke on 0402 870 738.



*In the world's audience hall, the simple blade of grass sits on the same carpet
with the sunbeams, and the stars of midnight.*

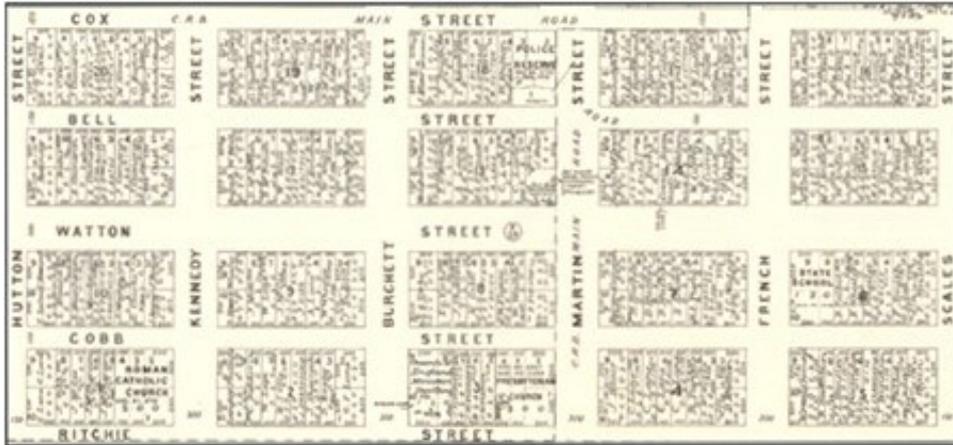
Rabindranath Tagore

Riddles

1. What 4-letter word can be written forward, backward or upside down, and can still be read from left to right?
2. I have 11 friends and I am the shortest out of all of them. What am I?
3. The king of the jungle, rare as gold, black as night, in light not there and night not seen. Goes in water, goes on trees, goes in caves, goes on the ground. Claws of knives, teeth of swords, roar of death but silent as a mouse. What is it?
- 4 The more you cut and the less you take, The bigger and smaller I get. What am I?
5. You don't have me when you're born, but you have me after. But a few years later, I leave again, and you don't have me anymore. But I don't stay away permanently, and I come back in different form. What am I?
6. I look like a human, but have no feelings, no heart, soul, skin, or bones. I can walk and talk. I can easily be controlled by people. What am I?
7. What do you swallow that swallows you?

Thanks to the author, Philip Doherty, of the Mt Rouse and District Historical Society for providing this article. We hope the many new residents to Peshurst enjoy learning about their adopted town's history.

Naming Peshurst's Original Streets, 1851. (Part 2)



2. BURCHETT STREET:

The Burchett Bros arrived in Port Philip in August 1839. By December they had squatted on what was to be The Gums run near Mt Rouse. The three brothers, Henry (1820-1877), Charles Gowland (1817-1856) and Frederick (1824-1861) held opposing views on the best stock for the run to carry.

In 1843 Charles started a business in Melbourne and sold his share to his brothers who retained ownership of The Gums until 1849.

Although Henry had held an equal share in the property (1843-49), he relocated all his stock to "Coree", Port Fairy. The Gums was eventually sold to Henry Gottereux.

3. COX STREET

John Cox was born at Clarendon, Van Diemens Land in 1813. Cox was involved in whaling and store-keeping at Port Fairy. He took up the "Mt. Rouse" run which was centred on the abundant fresh water spring in late 1839.

In April 1842 he was ejected from the run so the government could integrate it into the Mt Rouse Aboriginal Protectorate Station. Cox then took up the "Weerangourt" run. By 1847 Cox was a local magistrate. He died in 1853, at sea, on a trip to England.

4. COBB STREET

Patrick Codd. There seems to be a spelling error in the name as C.C. Horrell, who surveyed the township of Peshurst in 1851, marked Patrick Codd's grave as Cobb's grave.

In December 1839 Codd was acting superintendent for the Wedges run at the Grange Burn when he shot and killed the much celebrated leader of the Kolor tribe, Tunrap- Warneen. In early 1840 Codd was working as Cox's overseer at Mt Rouse and was himself killed by Figara Alkepurata (aka Roger) in retaliation.

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