

# MT ROUSE NEWS & VIEWS



A Project of the Penshurst Mens Shed Inc

## Join With Our Senior Citizens



On Sunday the 11th April the Senior Citizens held a successful lunch and games afternoon, with very enthusiastic contestants showing skills in ten pin bowling, darts, hooky and quoits.

Shirley Holmes (left) was the overall winner with an envious dart score, runner up was Brenda Uebergang (right), and Peter Brown (centre) a close third.

Thank you to everyone who braved the cold weather to come along and make it a fun time.

Pictured: (left to right) Shirley Holmes, Margie Eales, Peter Brown, Don Adamson, Janet Kelly, Helen Brown, Judy Drane, Gwen Rentsch and Scotty Kelly.



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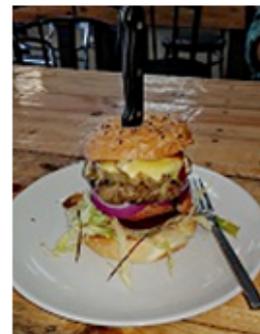
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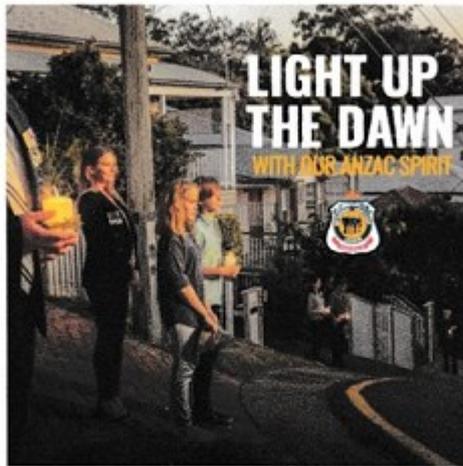
Friday & Saturday 7 am - 8pm Sunday 8 am - 7 pm

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

## ANZAC DAY 2021

Unfortunately, the Penshurst RSL Sub branch will not be conducting a community service this year.

This ANZAC Day, RSL invites all Australians to unite safely, and honour and pay respect to our veteran and serving members.



### LIGHT UP THE DAWN

On Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 6am

Light a candle, stand in your driveway or garden and reflect on their sacrifice as the sun comes up.

Members of the public are invited to lay a wreath at the cenotaph if they wish to do so.

Alternatively, you can tune in via radio, social media or television and take a moment to reflect on the service and sacrifice of our veterans and those who are still serving today.

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**Emergency life support training**



Mooralla Golf Club requested funding to cover a certified course in CPR and Emergency Life Support. For its members and surrounding community. Conducted by Grampians First Aid, the day was invaluable to those participating, with 15 applicants successfully completing the course. We contributed \$2,175 to support the day, with those in attendance declaring it a great success.



**Penshurst Creative Arts Inc Art & Photography Exhibition**

A very successful Penshurst Art and Photography Exhibition was held last month, with entries received from all over the region. We were pleased to again support the event with sponsorship of \$500 towards the 'Best in Show' category. This was won by local artist, Julie Reason, with her artwork - 'White Faced Heron.' This was our 5th year supporting this event, bringing our total investment to \$2860! Exhibition organiser Ama Cooke, pictured with the winning artwork & Branch Manager Anna Watson who also attended the event.

**Hitting the bullseye with a \$300 donation**

The annual Hamilton & District Darts Association tournament saw competitors travel from all over Victoria as well as some teams from South Australia and New South Wales. This was our first year supporting the tournament which saw 24 teams competing. Louise thoroughly enjoyed the high level of competition. Customer Service Officer Louise attended the final day and presented the cheque to Club President Cassie Milton. We hope to support the Club in their future ventures and congratulate them on an excellent, well organised weekend.



**Congratulations**

It was a beautiful sunny grand final day for the Hamilton District Cricket Association. In the A grade competition, Grampians Cricket Club were the victors in a fantastic, closely fought final, defeating Hamilton Cricket Club. We have sponsored Grampians Cricket Club since 2010, contributing a total of \$10,575 to their various ventures. Victorious Captain Lachie Field proudly displayed the winning cup and our logo, worn on all club shirts.



## PENSHURST MEMORIAL HALL - Notice is given of a PUBLIC MEETING

- to be held in the Supper Room on Thursday 22nd APRIL 2021 commencing at 7.30pm.

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 or email [penshurstmemorialhall@gmail.com](mailto:penshurstmemorialhall@gmail.com).

## Penshurst Bowls Club News

The Penshurst bowls club is gradually ticking off the club events, in some lovely autumn weather. The Men's President's Singles (21 up) saw a win to Basil Eales, who defeated David Cook ... 21-19. Well done Baz, first club event for you.

The ladies 21up saw a win to Brenda Uebergang who defeated Ann Rentsch, 21-18; the Novice winner was Sharon Linke (who will have an appointment with the handicapper at this rate!!) Sharon defeated Carmen Bryant .. 21-14. Well done girls. The ladies pairs

event was won by Ann Rentsch & Carmen Bryant. This round robin event was close in shots up, 18 followed by Brenda & Rachel 15 shots, and Mary & Anne 14 shots, however Ann & Carmen won both games, so the competition was very close. Great to see the improvement of our new players. The ladies only have to play their 100up event. We have also represented the club at many tournaments with some good results.

A reminder to the general public to come & have a game, while the season is almost over, we will continue with Wednesday Social bowls while the weather is still good, just turn up down at the green around 9:15 am. May all bowlers continue to have fun.

Good bowls everyone.

"Kitty & Jack "



## Riddles

1. What do you always keep after giving it to someone?
2. It is dirty when it is white and clean when it is black. What is it?
3. What word begins and ends with an E but only contains one letter?
4. How many times can you subtract the number 5 from 25?
5. What can fill an entire room without taking up any space?
6. How can you take two from five and leave four?
7. I am something people both love and hate. I change people's appearance and thoughts. If someone takes care of themselves I will go up even higher. To some people I will fool them and to others I am a mystery. Some people want to try and hide me but I always show through eventually. No matter how hard people try I will never go down. What am I?



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## Penshurst Progress Association

ABN 35 622 662 815

*COVID rules apply*

Committee of Management:

Ama Cooke – Chairperson 0402 870 738

Mark Dalla Costa – Secretary Don Adamson

Tom Cooke - Vice President Judy Brennan

Josh Hewitt - Treasurer Amanda Cameron

Mary Stewart

***Next Meeting: 28th April 2021 7.30pm in the Supper Room, Penshurst Hall.***

Good evening,

Shall I change the subject? In the past two weeks a lot has changed, some of it the weather .. which is always changeable, but right now I'm thinking wood fires and electric heaters and sitting with a blanket wrapped around my legs.

The day before the last newsletter came out, after it was printed, I had a phone call from the Council to give us some unexpected good news. I've told you that the Progress Association applied to the State government for a grant to replace, and expand, the number of historical plaques around the town - part of that grant application was a letter of support from SGSC, so they knew what we are planning. The phone call was to advise us that they had decided to give us some help with the project, to the value of \$3,000. I said 'yes, thank you'. The money will have to sit in the bank account until we find out about the other grant 'later in the year', but we have it and can use it to at least replace the plaques we already have, one way or another.

Speaking of plaques and signs, have you noticed that the Council has finally installed the Information Signs in the Botanic Gardens? (See page 20) I saw them this week. It would have been nice if they had advised us they were there. The same can be said for the new bins we are expecting around the town. I get told when they aren't coming, but not yet when they are. I shall enquire before you read this message, but might not be able to comment until the next newsletter.

Going back to receiving grants. We had two lovely emails last Thursday. The first was for the PCAi (who host the town Art Exhibition). Here's me 'changing hat' - if you don't know, which is unlikely, Tom and I created the Art Exhibition 6 years ago - so, we applied for a grant to start a new town event.

It is to include a Photography competition (that doesn't have a name yet). The grant is to build stands and adapt some of those that Tom has built for the Art Exhibition over the years. The event is booked into September 18-19, and will include a barbecue on Saturday afternoon, provided by the Lion's Club and Progress Association, that is intended to be a Welcome to all New Residents gathering, and we are also talking about a market or car boot sale on the Sunday - all at the Hall. Can I interest you in helping with any of it? Ring me. The other grant was a big one, in the sense that it's a large-ish project, and involves Planning permission. The SGSC has provided the rest of the funds needed to remove the large windows in the Supper Room at the Hall, and replace them with whole new frames and glass, within Heritage guidelines. In the meantime, the new heaters for the Supper Room are in the boxes on the tables in the Hall awaiting installation. We will not freeze at meetings there this year.

Once the planning for those windows, and two others for the storage room on the other side of the building, is complete - a plan that will include replacing the ceiling in the south side of the Hall, and the windows along that wall, we'll start to focus on other repairs the building needs. Cleaning the outside is overdue, and it all costs time and money, or both. For those who read this newsletter on Wednesday, there's a changeover Committee meeting at the Hall that night (22nd), and you are all invited.

Have great fortnight and be safe,  
Ama Cooke Chairperson,  
PPA 0402 870 738



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## Can you identify the person in this photo?



We have had a request to try and identify this person. The lady who found the photo has very little information.

She writes:

“My late mother in law lived most of her married life in Penshurst.

I have been sorting through some old photos of hers and found one without a name (which was common in those days) who I believe is a young person from the Penshurst area.

I thought you may be able to assist me to place it in the Mt Rouse Newsletter in the hope that someone may be able to identify the subject.

If you could assist with this I would be most appreciative.”

If anyone knows who he is would they contact me please, and I will pass on the information. Ama 0402 870 738



**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.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of assistance:

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## A PAGE TO SHARE RECIPES

A traditional autumn warmer

# Lamb and Potato Curry

Prep Time 20mins - Cooking Time 75 mins

INGREDIENTS - 6 servings

1/2 cup plain flour

1 tsp salt

1 tsp pepper

1 kg diced lamb

2 tbs oil

1 onion thinly sliced

1 granny smith apple grated peeled

2 tbs curry powder

2 cups chicken stock

3 potatoes chopped into pieces

## METHOD

**Step 1** Shake lamb in a plastic bag with flour, salt and pepper until well coated. Brown lamb in heated oil in a large saucepan. Transfer to plate.

**Step 2** Add remaining oil to saucepan and cook onion until tender.

**Step 3** Add apple and curry powder and cook for 1-2 minutes or until aromatic.

**Step 4** Add stock and lamb, stir to combine. Bring to the boil.

**Step 5** Add potatoes and reduce heat to simmer for 1½ hours.

**Step 6** Serve with steamed rice.

**Notes:** Add carrots, peas and celery for a more traditional flavour and texture. Add Cayenne pepper to taste if you prefer a warmer curry.



“A house is not a home unless it contains food and fire for the mind as well as the body. “

**Margaret Fuller**

“All I ever wanted to do was to make food accessible to everyone; to show that you can make mistakes — I do all the time — but it doesn't matter.”

**Jamie Oliver**

## 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.



### 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](mailto:penshurst.teamleader@ambulance.vic.gov.au)

- Novelty Bingo, last Tuesday of month Feb - 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

### 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

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Thanks to Pam Winn (See Matthew 4:6)

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**THINGS EASED UP ON GUARDIAN ANGELS AFTER  
AIR BAGS WERE INVENTED**

## Around the Churches

### Magnificent in Your Brokenness

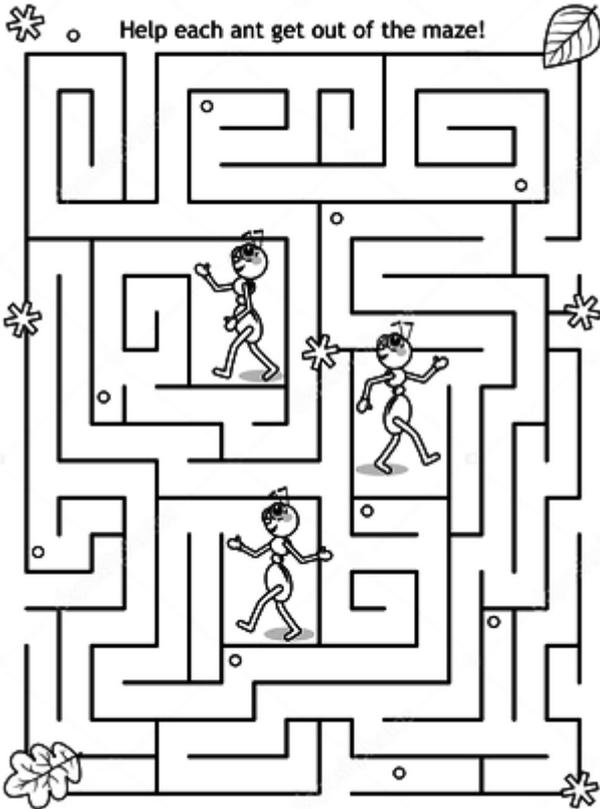
I'll call her Florence. Florence is no one and yet she is everyone. She is not one living person or departed, but a collage of people who I have tried to minister to over the years. Tried, floundered, failed, but tried again that very same hour. Florence was badly crippled with arthritis; had a hammy leg and the chemo she was on made her glorious hair fall out. The nausea was unrelenting and violent. Florence had 'not always done the right thing' and that is Fr. David trying to be nice and understating it. Trouble was she knew it, was quite candid about it and ashamed. She had tried very hard to put the pieces back together as best she could, but there were some parts that were too demolished. She also knew that she was dying and was relieved to give up the drips, the vomit and the chemo. As we chatted, I did not see a broken, tearful and humbled soul who had been ravaged brutally by cancer complete with the swollen belly and sunken eyes. Rather I gazed upon someone else who was magnificent in their brokenness and glorious in their simple, indisputable, unshakable faith. How? Perhaps, dear readers, part of the answer lies in two quotes that I have unashamedly stolen. The first is from a poet called Gerard Manley Hopkins. The second is something I gleefully nicked from Dr. Who.

"In a flash, at a trumpet crash,  
I am all at once what Christ is, since he was  
what I am, and  
This Jack, joke, poor potsherd, patch,  
matchwood, immortal diamond,  
Is immortal diamond".

"What if... what if just for one moment... just one, shining moment, you can believe that you are the most important person in the whole world?"

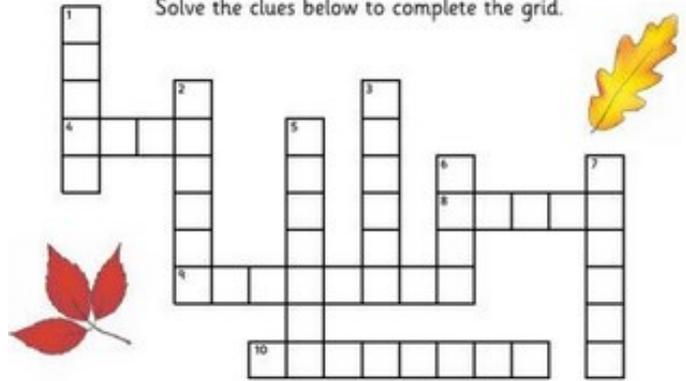
**Fr. David Oulton - droulton72@gmail.com**

A Page for the Children to enjoy



**Autumn Crossword**

Solve the clues below to complete the grid.



**Across**

- 4. Use one of these to tidy up fallen leaves.
- 8. Orchard fruit.
- 9. Furry animal with a bushy tail.
- 10. Spiky animal who can roll into a prickly ball.

**Down**

- 1. The seeds of oak trees.
- 2. They fall from the trees in autumn.
- 3. They fall from horse chestnut trees and are fun for games.
- 5. You might light one of these to burn leaves and twigs.
- 6. Another name for autumn.
- 7. One of the colours you might see autumn leaves change to.



**AUTUMN MEANS HARVEST**

by Lenore Hetrick

Autumn means harvest,  
 And grain in the bin.  
 Autumn means farmers  
 Are bringing fruit in.  
 It means summer's blooming  
 Has given its yield.  
 Autumn means high tide  
 In orchard and field.

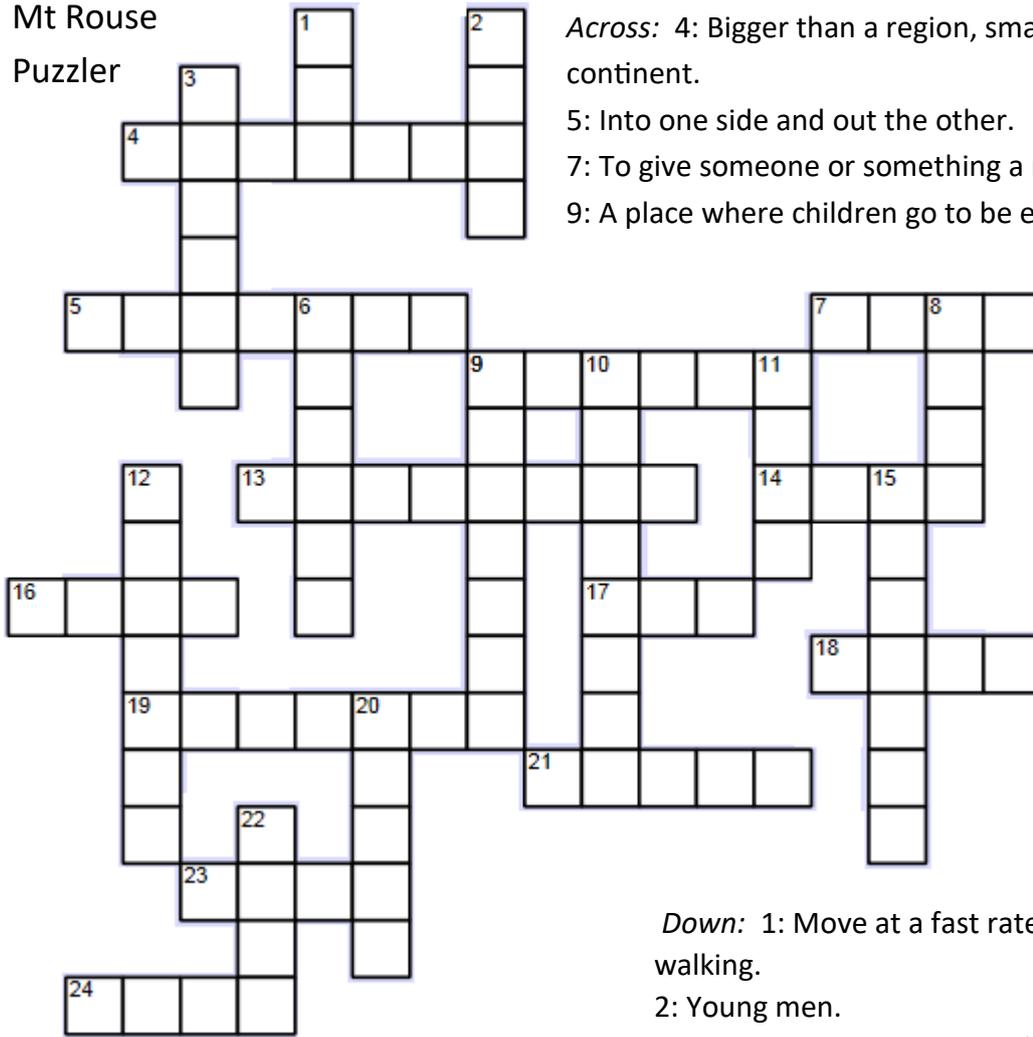


Can you write an  
 Autumn poem?

It doesn't have to rhyme. What are your three favourite things about Autumn?

*I love the crunch of the leaves,  
 Wind whipped and floating down,  
 The bright coloured pumpkins,  
 Ripe tomatoes all around,  
 And drowning in zucchinis,  
 Stacked high on cupboard shelves.  
 What do you love?*

Mt Rouse  
Puzzler



Across: 4: Bigger than a region, smaller than a continent.

5: Into one side and out the other.

7: To give someone or something a name.

9: A place where children go to be educated.

Down: 1: Move at a fast rate of speed than walking.

2: Young men.

3: A partner in a romantic relationship.

6: Difficult to control.

8: Deep feeling of affection.

9: The periods of the year that govern changes of clothing.

10: A person (especially a man) who hunts wild animals.

11: Near the end of a day, week, year, or other period of time.

12: A glassed opening in a building.

15: An act or process of moving.

20: A formal legal meeting in which evidence about crimes, disagreements, etc., is presented to a judge and/or jury.

22: A person who lacks good sense or judgment.

13: A piece of cloth that hangs down from above a window.

14: The thing that is measured as seconds, minutes, hours, days, years, etc.

16: A male ruler.

17: The solar body.

18: To sit on something such as a bicycle, motorbike, or horse.

19: A business place.

21: Apprehends clearly and with certainty.

23: Having an acid taste that is like the taste of a lemon.

24: A legal document or free choice.

Across: 1 master, 6 thousand, 9 static, 10 narrows, 11 polar, 12 feel, 13 burrow, 14 plateau, 15 tumblers, 19 nebula, 20 numeral, 21 chase. Down: 2 entrance, 3 modern, 4 nominee, 5 participate, 7 spree, 8 design, 9 shrimp, 11 perch, 13 beat, 15 tang, 16 silence, 17 observe, 18 explore.

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**Answers to Riddles:** 1. your name, 2. a chalk board, 3. envelope, 4. once, 5. light, 6. remove the 'r' and 'e' to leave 'iv',

## 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.

Mark Dalla Costa

[mtrousenewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:mtrousenewsletter@gmail.com)

Ama Cooke 0402 870 738

### 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](mailto:president@penshurstprogress.org.au)

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any comments.**

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SOUTHERN GRAMPAINS SHIRE COUNCIL

**12 April 2021      CCTV Rollout Commences in Southern Grampians**

Southern Grampians Shire Council is ramping-up security and safety for locals, with 14 new CCTV camera units being rolled-out around the region in April.

The camera rollout, a joint initiative of the Council and Victoria Police, is phase one of the project outlined in Council's Smart Community Framework and roadmap. The cameras aim to create a 'safer place' for our community members, while also providing access to data on movement and usage of public spaces.

Southern Grampians Shire Council Mayor Bruach Colliton said Council have worked with Hamilton Police to determine the most strategic locations in the Hamilton CBD, Dunkeld and Coleraine. "Council takes a very strong stance on public safety. These cameras will give Police greater flexibility to respond quickly to issues of security, vandalism, criminal activity and community requests. "These new cameras will be placed in areas we know are currently challenging to monitor. They'll not only help police record the evidence needed to apprehend offenders, but will also provide Council with advice around usage of public places and vehicle movement," he said.

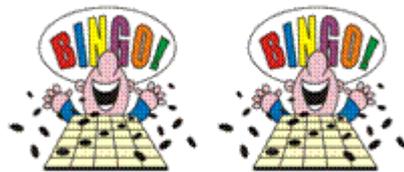
Senior Sergeant Gerard Kelly said these devices are a vital resource which will help police solve crime and keep our community safe. "CCTV cameras give local police more tools to prevent and respond to crime, and prosecute offenders," he said. "In fact, CCTV camera presence can even deter crime and this is what we're hopeful of here in the Southern Grampians Shire. We're placing

the camera in known hotspots and places where we've previously had difficulty accessing footage of, so we're confident that these cameras will allow for greater flexibility to prevent and investigate crime," Senior Sergeant Kelly said.

The privacy of residents and visitors has been carefully considered as part of this rollout. The new cameras and Council's overall CCTV network complies with the Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014, Southern Grampians Shire Council's Privacy Policy, and the Local Government Act 2020.

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**Penshurst Senior  
Citizens**

**Tuesday April 27th 2pm**  
**Eyes Down 2.15pm**

**Afternoon Tea**  
**At clubrooms Bell street**

## Continuing with the history of our town and Region

With 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 Penshurst enjoy learning about their adopted town's history.

### MOUNT ROUSE AND LAKE LINLITHGOW **THE FIRST FIVE YEARS**

We will never know who first laid eyes upon Mount Rouse and nearby Lake Linlithgow. However, rest assured their descendants resided around the base of the mount and the shores of the lake for hundreds if not thousands of years.

Nineteenth century pioneer James Dawson documented the lives of south west Victorian Aborigines and described the tribe who lived in the area around Mt Rouse as the Kolor clan. According to Dawson Kolor (Kuulor) meant lava; the locality name for Mount Rouse. Col lor rer was the lava stone which the natives used for rubbing the ochre (sic) stone. Historian Ian Clarke noted the clan lived mainly around Lake Linlithgow, Lake Kennedy and Buckley Swamp.

The clan frequently used the spring, located at the foot of the Mount. The spring was known as Mortom, meaning round. They also used the water and shelter provided by Hutton's Cave, which was known by the tribe as Yatt-mirng, translating to white-eye. There was a third spring of fine water located southeast of the Mount on Spring Creek. This was known as Lurtpii and celebrated for its spirits.

We do however have written records of the first Europeans to discover the landmarks. Major Thomas Mitchell, on his Australia Felix Expedition, wrote in his diary dated 9 September 1836:

*Soon as I ascended the hill (Mt. Napier), rain clouds gathered in the southwest, and obscured the horizon on all sides. I could only see some points at intervals, but I took as many readings as I could, after the men had cleared a station for the Theodolite. I perceived two very extensive lakes in the low country between Mt Napier and the south eastern portion of the Grampians range which terminated in the hill I previously named Mt Abrupt. Between the largest of these waters (called by me Lake Linlithgow) and the mountains, there appeared an extensive tract of open grassy land. To the eastward, at the distance of twelve miles, I perceived a solitary hill, somewhat resembling Mount Napier, and named it Mount Rouse.*

Mitchell was accompanied to the summit of Mt. Napier by his second in command Stapylton and a number of axe men. Stapylton kept the expedition field book until the Lake Repose camp on the 16 Nov. It shows Stapylton's (journal) sightlines shoot out to two forested hills and a Mount Shawe. Mitchell later named the two hills Dundas & Pierrepoint and renamed Mount Shawe to Mount Rouse. As Mitchell was the leader of the expedition, he was credited with discovering the landmarks and subsequently given the naming rights.

To be continued in our next newsletter ...



Many small improvements  
in the Penshurst Botanic Gardens

Above - at the barbecue area,  
And below at the gazebo pond.

With a signpost to clearly show the way.  
Thank you to the SGSC with input from the  
Mt Rouse & District Historical Society.

