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Hello Everyone!

We love the August / September edition. It's a time of transition from the cold to the warmer months, a time to look forward to the newness that life can bring.

The Bridge always welcomes new energy, and we're really pleased to have new contributors and new readers subscribing to The Bridge.

If you'd like to receive a digital copy of the Bridge when it comes out via email, please see all the details on the next page.

New contributors are always welcome so if you have a talent for reporting, artwork, story telling, photography or poetry, we'd love to hear from you.

Jen and Ali xx

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of this land, the Boon Wurrung and Bunurong language groups of the Kulin Nation. We would like to pay our respects to their elders, past, present and future.

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Happy Birthday!



August

4th Angie Roach
9th Georgia Murphy
11th Tash Miller
16th Rupert Steiner
18th Steve Weller
20th Bernie Dobson
24th Kurtis Murphy
27th Simone Fennell
30th Ava Cooke
30th Eva Haylock
30th Connie Smith
31st Jai Seales

September

1st Amber Haslem
3rd Stuart Pryde
4th Monica Colic
9th Marty Williams
13th Peter Allsop;
Richard Hepworth
20th Bree Lovell
21st Kate Wilson;
Anna Rose McLean
22nd Minnie Trigger
24th Sarah Park
28th Sarah D'Astoli
29th Shane Miller;
Melanie Wigg;
Reade Smith
30th Pip Ransome

August and September Inspirational Angel Cards for the Community

Intuition

Play

How can you weave these things into your
day to uplift and relax you?

Source: Newly published Inspirational Angel Cards, by
Simon Bunyevich, Somers.

Who do you appreciate in our community and why?

**Email submissions of appreciation, & birthdays in our community,
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Young Leader Award: Indie Mullan

Seven year old Indie put a call out to her peers at Balnarring Primary School for donations of jackets to help people without homes keep warm this winter. She had a huge response, then bundled up everyone's donations and took over 60 jackets and new socks down to Community Support Frankston. The coats were then placed on a rack referred to as the "wall of kindness" and are available for people in need to collect at no cost.

Amazing work Indie, a seemingly small act but making a huge difference!

Greg Hood
Branch Manager
September/August 2019



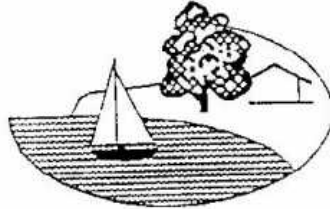
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Red Hill Ward Cr David Gill –
Mayor of the Mornington Peninsula Shire Council
Demystifying the Peninsula

The Mornington Peninsula Shire has 192kms of wonderful coastline surrounding the 70% that is Green Wedge and has 42 townships. There are 164,000 residents and also those that own property but live in other areas.

We have a \$7.4 billion economy, including a \$1.2 billion food bowl, mainly feeding Melbourne.

We have 7 million annual visitors and are known for our picturesque and wealthy areas.

But all is not as it seems.

We have an older population with a higher proportion of people over 65 (24%) than anywhere else in greater Melbourne. Many are low income pensioners. Many have disabilities.

Some of our areas are above the state average for unemployment with youth unemployment as high as 13% - the national average is 9.6%.

Average family weekly income is much lower than the rest of the country resulting in severe socio economic disadvantage, with some townships in the lowest percentile in Australia.

We have shockingly poor public transport. 83% of the Peninsula has no public transport, resulting in only 3% of residents using the few available bus routes.

If you are disabled, young, elderly or without a car your opportunities are limited in getting to school, shopping centres, sport, work or medical centres.

Isolation is common and high levels of depression the result.

We have almost no light industrial land available to create jobs yet 3,500 hectares of special use industrial zoned land has sat idle for 50 years near Hastings. The Council is advocating for some of this land to be used for a job creating marine light industrial precinct.

Many of our underlying problems haven't been addressed as politicians have had the luxury of safe seats on the Mornington Peninsula.

Political commitments and election promises have largely by-passed the Mornington Peninsula until now. What a difference close elections can make.

Perhaps now we will be in a realistic position to resolve these problems so that more of our residents can fully enjoy living on the Mornington Peninsula.

David.

Save Westernport

“AGL CEO Meets Save Westernport - Gas Project Is Delayed”

After the huge turnout for the MayDay SOS Westernport public meeting in Balnarring, Save Westernport continues to put pressure on AGL to withdraw its proposal to import liquified natural gas (LNG) at Crib Point jetty.

On 12th June 2019, Save Westernport supporters travelled by bus to Melbourne to meet AGL CEO Brett Redman in person. Brett Redman was a guest presenter at the 2019 Australian Energy Week Conference 11-14 June at the Melbourne Conference and Exhibition Centre.

Save Westernport President Louise Page and Environment Victoria CEO Jono La Nauze met with Brett Redman and reminded him that our communities on the Mornington Peninsula are overwhelmingly opposed to the AGL gas project and 56km pipeline to Pakenham. A letter from 10-year-old Dashi Roller was presented to Mr. Redman along with a signed letter from Federal Member for Flinders Greg Hunt MP to express the concerns and disappointment felt by local residents about the proposed AGL gas project.

Outside the meeting, Save Westernport and Environment Victoria supporters marched towards the conference carrying large banners and chanting to draw attention to our fight to oppose AGL's plans.



Photo: Don Juniper

Arriving at the Energy Week Conference, the Save Westernport supporters were hoping to meet AGL CEO Brett Redman in person, but this did not eventuate. Instead, Louise Page presented a “Brett Redman” stand-in with a large petition of over 17,000 signatures with each person’s name written in small text on the banner. Many thanks to the local residents who awoke early and travelled on a cold day to Melbourne – your support of Save Westernport is always very much appreciated!



Photo: Don Juniper

On Friday 28th June 2019, AGL provided an update to the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX) stating that the Crib Point gas project would be delayed and another FSRU vessel (Hoegh Esperanza) had been selected in order to meet operational requirements arising from the Environment Effects Statement (EES) process.

This announcement by AGL confirmed that the original plan to import LNG (using an “open-loop system” that would require up to 450 million litres per day of fresh seawater and then discharge chilled, chlorinated, sterile water back into Westernport Bay) was a flawed proposal and would fail to meet strict environmental regulations.

Save Westernport has always stated that AGL’s gas import project was not viable and would pollute Westernport Bay, harm marine life, create air quality and noise issues, fire and

safety issues and have negative social impacts on local residents of Crib Point and visitors to Westernport Bay.

The Herald-Sun newspaper, The Age, Western Port News and other media outlets reported on AGL's delay announcement - some featuring large photos of Save Westernport supporters standing firm against AGL.

Save Westernport will be meeting local, State and Federal politicians over coming weeks to voice our concerns about AGL's project, ensure the EES process is thorough and fully scrutinises each component of this gas import terminal project and highlight the growing community opposition to AGL's project. We will also be meeting with more local community groups to spread our message and have begun plans to ramp up our campaign with more events coming soon!

Regarding the dysfunctional Australian gas market, more people are finally realising that importing gas will actually lead to higher gas prices. Here is a recent report from The Age:

Bruce Robertson, an investment analyst with the Institute for Energy Economics and Financial Analysis, argued the project was unjustifiable both on economic and environmental grounds.

"It is extremely expensive and energy intensive to liquefy gas, and if you have one environmental bone in your body it's an abomination," Mr Robertson said. *The process of liquefying natural gas emits significantly more greenhouse gases than piping it conventionally. Mr Robertson also argued it made no economic sense for Australia to import gas, given it exports almost twice as much natural gas as it consumes domestically. "Importing gas is possibly the most wasteful thing you could do in terms of energy – it's just pure wasted energy on a massive scale,"* Mr Robertson said.

The AGE June 28 2019

Another recent issue in Westernport Bay was the arrival of the 21,000-tonne gas drilling rig Ocean Monarch. Anchored offshore from Cowes and visible from all directions, the large drill rig required maintenance work to lower hull tanks in the shallow waters off Phillip Island.

The Ocean Monarch had travelled from Hobart's Derwent River where its owners refused to allow inspections for marine pests. The Tasmanian Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) issued an Environmental Protection Notice on "... the basis that the oil rig activity may cause serious or material environmental harm or environmental nuisance."

Salmon company Tassal expressed concerns with the EPA about potential biosecurity risks from the Ocean Monarch such as marine pests.

Save Westernport's Louise Page wrote to local Member for Flinders Greg Hunt MP to seek assurances that the Ocean Monarch would not introduce marine pests into Westernport Bay. A letter from Victorian Minister for Agriculture Jaclyn Symes MP was received that confirmed the Ocean Monarch had been inspected before leaving Tasmania and that "... the inspections did not detect any marine pests and the rig was deemed not to have an unacceptable biosecurity risk." We hope that remains the case.



Photo: ABC News

To find out more about the campaign to STOP AGL at Crib Point, or to get involved in Save Westernport's activities, look for us on Facebook or log on to savewesternport.org

You can also add your details to receive our regular Newsletter for updates on what's going on around the bay.

Westernport Sightings

Seal at Somers Beach Nth, July 2019. Photo: Celeste Marie

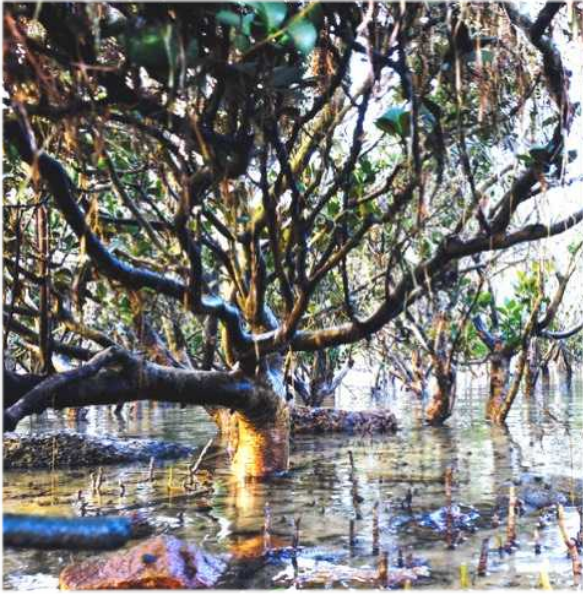


Humpback Whale near Crib Point, submarine in background. July 2019. Photo: unknown.



Kid's Pages

Why kids love Westernport Bay



What I love about Westernport Bay is it's mangrove forests, which store blue carbon. Westernport Bay is one of the most important blue carbon sinks in the world.

Liam Black, grade 5

These teeny fungi were at Merricks foreshore. They lit up like tiny fairy lights! We need to preserve all the wonderful natural treasures of our bay.

Millie Beeston, grade 5



This photo is of the beautiful black swan (*cygnus atratus*) in the mangroves at Hastings. The swans rely on the permanent wetlands for food and shelter. They feed on algae and weeds.

Lilly Cooke, grade 6

Here are some thoughts and photos from kids at Balnarring Primary School, who want to shed some light on the wonders of the Bay, with it's flourishing mangroves, migratory birds and diverse marine species. In recent times, you have probably become aware of AGL's proposed plan to build a re-gasification plant at Crib Point. This plan has a very real potential to have catastrophic effects on the bay's delicate ecosystems, which will in turn destroy the natural habitat of so many marine creatures. Imagine the effects of chlorinated water that is 7 degrees colder being pumped into the Bay 24 hours a day, 7 days a week over decades! We all need to protect this amazing place for the good of the planet and future generations. **Moscow Roller, grade 6**



I love Westernport Bay because it provides beautiful beaches and habitats for many creatures.
William Anderson, grade 2

Westernport Bay has beautiful peaceful beaches and the stunning marine life like the dolphins we see regularly.
Ollie Black, grade 5





I love Westernport Bay because it has it all. You can surf at Point Leo, adventure The Pines or spend time exploring the wonders of Flinders with your family. Westernport Bay is my home and the home of those I love, this is why it is such a special place. - **Indigo Daly, grade 6**



'Westernport Bay is a place for everyone to share. From Beach combing, looking at sea life in the rock pools, walking on the sand, activities like tackers sailing, surfing or swimming in clear waters. It's a place to enjoy nature at her best.'

Sebastian Lemire-Guevin, grade 5



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HART (Helping Achieve Reconciliation Together)

Awards recognition (extract from press release) Friday 31st May

More than 100 guests including the Minister for Local Government Adem Somyurek, local government representatives, Traditional Owners and Elders - attended the ceremony, held at Richmond's Korin Gamadji Institute.

The HART Awards, supported by Bank Australia and Local Government Victoria, recognise local governments and community organisations that are Helping Achieve Reconciliation Together - Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people working together to build relationships, respect and understanding, and demonstrating a commitment to Aboriginal self-determination.

This year's seventeen finalists showcased the diversity and strength of reconciliation activities across the state – including education initiatives, cultural markers, forums, cultural events and resource development.

Reconciliation Victoria CEO Diana David said:

"Today has been a celebration of the exciting work being driven by passionate people within our communities to make Victoria a better and more equitable state for everybody who calls it home. They show us what is possible when we all work together towards a stronger, more just and cohesive society. We applaud each of these initiatives for the exciting grassroots change they are creating and hope they inspire others to get involved – because reconciliation is everybody's business."

Community Award

HIGHLY COMMENDED: Bundjil Nest Project - Balnarring Pre-School for their Womin djeka Balnarring Ngargee Festival including Book Launch.



Congratulations to the festival team, Balnarring preschool team and Bundjil Nest team.

Left: Festival Committee representatives: Fiona, Kelly, Ann and Kate

Coming events: Details are being finalised to hold the following events in September and October. keep up to date on the facebook page and website.

1/ An evening with Joe Williams (Former NRL player, professional boxer, turned mental health advocate). Are You OKAY ambassador.

2/ Cultural workshops – making a marngrook and a fishing net. To be held on Civic Reserve. Bookings will be essential.

3/ Musical performance at Coolart in the theatre – October/November.

**If you are interested in being part of the festival organisation please contact us
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- There is a blue reflective road marker;
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It is an offence for any person to remove or damage a marker post or hydrant.

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For more details contact the Balnarring Fire Brigade on 5983 5379 or
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IN HONOUR OF . . .

When the First World War dragged to a close and the 'Anzacs' came home, most communities throughout Australia honoured the young soldiers from their area by having a display board made on which their names were listed. Balnarring was no different. The Progress Association nominated a special committee that organised the Welcome Homes for each soldier. The soldier received a gold medal and a framed, hand-lettered "Address of Welcome Home" at a special function attended by the whole community. The money raised went towards the cost of an Honour Board and the remainder was raised by public subscription. A design was chosen, names tendered. The first preference for the board (chosen from a catalogue of designs) was not suitable as there were too few names and an alternate design was accepted. The cost was £30 including packaging and delivery to the station. The Board was unveiled by Major Balmain at a special function held in the (old) Balnarring Hall in November 26th 1920. The Honour Board now hangs in the foyer of the present hall. Of the twenty-seven names listed, several bear an asterisk. These men gave their lives.

Fast forward almost a century. At the Villers-Bretonneux Military Cemetery in Northern France, adjacent to the Australian National Memorial, is the newly opened Sir John Monash Centre. This is an interpretative, interactive centre where visitors can be immersed in the battlefields and in the lives of ordinary Australians who were caught up in the fighting. On display is an Honour Board representative of those that small communities throughout Australia raised as a tribute to their young soldiers. This Board is 'our' Board, the Balnarring Board or rather a replica of it. It was chosen partly because of its size and shape but also because the maker, Robert Prenzel of Sth Yarra, used Australian timber in its construction and Australian iconography in its design. It has gum leaves, nuts and blossom as decorative features on the wooden frame.

The next time you are in the Hall, stop to admire the craftsmanship and pause to think that, in Villers-Bretonneux, some visitor there is looking at the exact same thing.

Ilma Hackett (Balnarring & District Historical Society)

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Bundjil Nest Project (reconciliation in action) Update

The Bundjil Nest project involves Balnarring preschool, primary school and early learning centre, as well as St Joseph's primary school, Capel Sounds Early learning centre and kindercare family day care. Together we develop projects and learning that brings First Peoples perspectives to the educational programs.

This year we are focusing on the water ways, in particular how rubbish dropped on land ends up in the water ways. Boon Wurrung Elders Carolyn Briggs and Fay Stewart-Muir taught us that in Boon Wurrung stories, waang (black raven) protects the water ways.

We have been teaching the children about the impact of plastics on the water ways which has involved collecting flexible plastics both from our homes and during a Balnarring Beach and Bush clean-up day.



In June a small group (50) of community members gathered on Civic Reserve to hear Sea Shepherd representatives – Demmi and Nikki Noordennen and REPLAS representative Kelvin Agg- speak on the importance of caring for the environment and sustainable options for flexible plastics.

We then went off in groups to collect rubbish from the beach and the area around the preschool and skate park. In forty-five minutes we collected 110kg of rubbish!!!! Some of the items collected were: vacuum head, leaf blower, bricks, bike, 80 glass bottles, 75 aluminium cans, 20 pieces of clothing, 50 straws, 3 metres of fishing line, and seven kilos of flexible plastic.

Thank you to all for your effort.

The flexible plastics we collected have been taken to REPLAS to be made into planks of hard recycled plastic. In August the children are working with artist, Emma Davis, to create their own waangs. Emma will then use the inspirations from the children to create several waang sculptures from the planks. The waangs will be placed around Bundjil's Nest in Robertson Park, Balnarring Beach.

A community event will be held on Friday 25th October when dancers will perform and the sculptures will be revealed.



Sorting the rubbish collected on the clean-up day

Our discussions are now focused on how are we reducing plastic in our homes? Some thoughts are: Take re-useable bags to all places you shop; Use nude for lunch boxes and snacks not processed pre-packaged goods; buy loose vegetables and fruit not pre-packaged; take flexible plastics to collection places; say no to straws; use bubbles instead of balloons; take own containers when buying take away. Do you have another idea?????????

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Trust for Nature is delighted at the MP Councils move to permanently protect 2 of the most important sites on the Mornington Peninsula with Trust for Nature covenants. Mornington Peninsula Shire owns portions of Warrigine Park and the whole of 92 Elizabeth Ave, Capel Sound (the latter is part of Tootgarook Swamp). These efforts by the council means that over 130 hectares of some of the Peninsula's most engendered species and communities will be protected forever. Species such as the Australasian Bittern, Swamp Skink, White-footed Dunnart, Lewins Rail and Leafy Twig-sedge are now protected forever. In addition to these species wetlands of both Tootgarook and Westernport Bay will be protected and buffered from future climate impacts. The Mornington Peninsula Shire has been leading the way in conservation actions by permanently preserving some of the Peninsulas most unique and diverse habitats and has indicated they plan to complete more efforts to ensure a healthy and sustainable Mornington Peninsula. I would describe this as a great outcome for conservation. Trust for Nature has received funding from the Limb Foundation through the Bays and Islands project and the State Government to be able to place the covenants on title. TFN are looking for more private landholders who have conservation values are interested in protecting their properties in perpetuity, the MP Shire Council has set a great example for people to get involved. If anyone is interested please contact Ben Cullen from Trust for Nature on benc@tfn.org.au or 0407044821

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Balnarring Men's Probus Club

Members of our club meet at Balnarring Community Hall on the last Friday of each month (excluding December) commencing at 9:30 am.

Our meetings provide an opportunity for retired and semi-retired local men to engage in a variety of activities in a congenial environment which encourages fellowship and fun.

Regular features include photographic exhibitions, musical interludes and guest speakers who are invariably a source of information and entertainment.

Recent speakers have included the current mayor of the Mornington Peninsula Shire, Dr David Gill and Greg Hunt, Executive Officer, Western Port Biosphere Foundation.

In July two of our members will address the club on topics as diverse as the introduction of electric cars into Australia, Quaker Services and aspects of life in Cambodia.

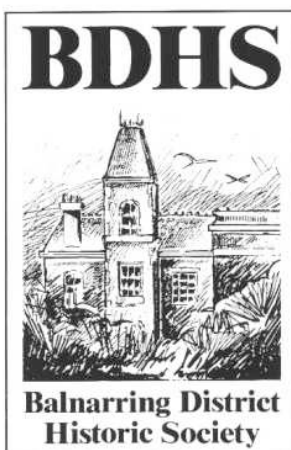
Day trips have been organised to the Walter & Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research, Hart Marine in Mornington and the RAAF Museum at Point Cook.

These are always popular and well attended.

Our club also hosts a variety of activities including book groups, photography, cycling, chess, wine appreciation, cinema, outings, dine outs and a renowned choir.

New members and visitors are always welcomed.

For further information please contact Roger James on 0400 837 884 or check out our website <http://probussouthpacific.org.microsites/balnarring/home>



Interested in the history of the Balnarring Area?

Have you local or family memories or mementos?

The History Room at the Balnarring Hall is open most Monday mornings from 10am to mid-day.

Drop in to look at our collection or for a chat.

Welcome to our next meeting 3pm on 13th June.

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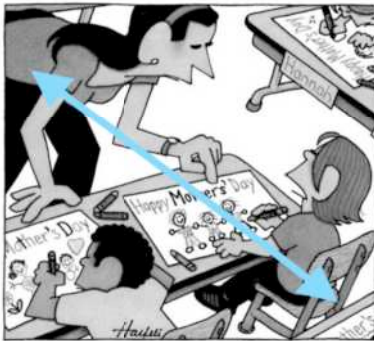

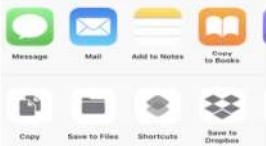
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Pat The Mac tips: Printing to PDF on iOS.

If the title does not mean anything to you, it is probably not necessary for you to read this article. However, if you are intrigued by it, just read further how to use one of most useful and hidden tricks in iOS. This function has become available since iOS 10.

If you wish to convert a document to a PDF document, the trick is to use the share key... I'll assume that we want to create a copy of a photo to PDF... Open your Photo app and choose the picture:

Picture	Explanation
	1) Find the share icon... Depending on the app, it may be in any of the four corners (that's Apple lack of interface consistency for you)
	2) On the bottom line of grey icons, look for the Print icon and touch it...
 <i>"I have two mommies. I know where the apostrophe goes."</i>	3) When the picture appears, touch it with two fingers and gesture as if you wanted to extend the picture... (look at the arrows on the left picture) (and read the punch line, I find it rather funny!)
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I hope this nifty little trick will help you in streamlining your operation. PDF are extremely useful for sharing unadulterated copies of documents.

If you have any question, contact
Pat The Mac on 0419 330 497 or by email via pat@patthemacs.com

Friends of Daangean



Some of the May weeding team who were able to stay on for a cuppa

Due to the Volunteer Appreciation Day at Healesville Sanctuary on May 25th the bush maintenance team toiled in Woodland Break on Sunday May 26th instead. Six of us did a good job in removing more of the seemingly never-ending forest of pittosporum, a large number bearing fruit.

Two young visitors who accompanied their grandparents had a lovely time creating cubbies in the fallen pitto trees. The weather was most pleasant even though rain had been forecast that day. Rain from previous days made pitto pulling relatively easy; however, we began moving into larger trees that needed more vigorous hand-saw work. In the future some will be left for Parks to tackle with a chainsaw.

Gorse (*Ulex europaeus*) was becoming evident as the team pushed northward. Some of the gorse, taller than our heads, took some dealing with, though not before spreading seeds from which sprang new plants. Seed bearing boneseed (*Chrysanthemoides monilifera*) was becoming evident too in this area, and something else to be considered.

Saturday June 29th was to be the next bush working bee but due to rain the day was called off at the last minute with many of the team breathing a sigh of relief. They were then able to direct their activities to drier conditions.

As seems to be the norm on the roads surrounding Devilbend more rubbish had been dumped on Hodgins Rd. It's such a shame that such a lovely area is so mistreated. Our shire has put some effort into repairing vehicle damage on the corner of Graydens and Derril Roads and hopefully it remains repaired. This particular corner which once had a vast array of native vegetation had it destroyed by vehicle abuse.

A small success on the turtle front was the hatching of two live babies. One dead and one partially hatched, but dead, were at a nest that had been trodden on by a deer, judging by the hoof print. My, they are tiny things, which is to be expected considering the size of the egg!

Waterwatch was postponed in May due to lack of water or at least accessible water without becoming bogged when attempting to collect samples for testing.

The conductivity changed during the dry period and we used our test meter to measure the conductivity, or salt content, of the water.

Normally the conductivity at Bittern would be about 1080uS/cm (microsiemens).

The level of water dropped and the conductivity rose to 4800uS/cm and after the rainfall conductivity dropped to 4100uS/cm. Therefore rapid changes occur after rain. Extended periods of high salt content would likely have an effect on the aquatic life and plants. After sufficient rain it should eventually return to normal. The monthly monitoring records any unusual readings and is passed on to Melbourne Water and Parks Vic for their database.



The baby turtle in Hansi's hand shows how small it is - a Devilbend nest partial success. Image: Hansi Wegner



Michael at Site 2, Devilbend.

The June Waterwatch was on the 19th in on and off drizzle. Four of us braved the conditions and collected water from each site. A bonus sighting was a casual koala in a tree near WW site 2 at Devilbend. The catch drain had water in it at both reservoirs; a vast change from April. However, not enough rain had fallen for Devilbend Creek to show any sign of activity at our end. Eastern Common Froglets (*Crinia signifera*) along the catch drain and shorelines called happily with the increased water levels in their habitat.

Marnie Fitzsimons

FoD co-ordinator, marniefitz1@gmail.com





Peninsula Chamber Musicians wish to thank all of you who attended our last performance on June 16 at the Village Church Mt. Eliza. We were thrilled with attendance. Our next performance at Beleura House and Garden Mornington has limited seating.; follow us on social media or visit our website for further details.  



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July 2019

THANK YOU

Our Biggest Morning Tea at the May Market was a great success, raising \$544. for the Cancer Council of Victoria. Thank you to all our volunteers, Greg Hunt & his staff for running the BBQ, the stall holders for their donations and of course our market goers for joining in and helping us raise this great amount.

AUGUST ART ATTACK

Calling all local artists. Entries are now open for paintings & sculptures for our inaugural Art Exhibition of contemporary art & sculpture. Entries close Friday 16th August. Call into the Community House to pick up an entry form or email, info@cpch.org.au. The Show is on Saturday 24th August, 10am to 4pm. Opening night is Friday 23rd August 3-7pm. Don't miss this great show. Devonshire tea also available. Volunteers will be needed on the day, so if you have some time to spare to help, please give us a call.

From the Co-ordinator's desk

Where has the year gone? It's term 3 already and, yes, I'm afraid to say, 'Christmas will be upon us before we know it'. Sorry about that.

Sue and I have been working on a new website, so hopefully we'll have it live sometime this term.

The program has the usual classes and some new ones as well. Check the website, cpch.org.au

We've been doing lots of charity work this past term and are continuing. Our craft girls have been busy making purple beanies for the Alannah & Madeline Foundation's Beanies not Meanies.

The patchwork & craft ladies have made laundry bags for Defence Personnel who are deployed over seas.

We are collecting plastic bottle tops to be made in prosthesis for children. We're also collecting non perishable food for Victorian farmers as well as making Beanies and scarves.

If you'd like to help us with these collections please drop the items into the Community House.

We had our first Café Chat at Balnarring and at Red Hill we were joined by Dromana Community House. We will be continuing this term with one in Bittern as well. Keep an eye on our Facebook page and website for dates and times. Of course our Café Chat at Café 202 will resume on Monday 22nd July. Please join us and as always, the coffee/tea is on us.

MARKET NEWS

Market dates this term are 13th July, 10th August & 14th September. The August market theme will be Father's Day. Great chance to shop early and get Dad a great present.

We are always in need of a group to run the BBQ so if you know any not for profit group that needs to do some fundraising, tell them to contact us about having the sausage at our Market.

Email: market@cpch.org.au

SENIOR'S HIGH TEA

We will be celebrating Senior's month again with a High Tea, generously sponsored by the Hastings & District Bendigo Bank. The Senior's High Tea will be on Thursday 24th October at 10:30am at the Community House. It's sure to be lots of fun day with delicious food and new friends to meet.

Bookings open on MONDAY 5th Aug.

BUS TRIPS

OP SHOP: Friday 2nd August 9am -4pm
Cost: \$20 bus, Lunch extra. Peninsula Op shops & maybe a stop off at Sunny Ridge.

MORNING MELODIES:
WEDNESDAY 4th Sept 9am - 4pm, Cost: \$20.
Free show at Milanos Brighton, lunch extra.
Senior's menu available.

MARKET DATES This term
2nd Saturday of the month 9am-1pm
13th July, 10th August, 14th September



VOLUNTEERING

As a volunteer my job is to tell people where to go.
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Crib Point Community House Presents the First Annual

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Opening Night 23 August 2019

Time: 7pm to 9pm

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Exhibition Date 24 August 2019

Time: 10am to 4pm

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Crib Point Community House... SHOWING WE CARE

We've been doing lots of charity work this past term and are continuing. Our Craft and Knitters & Hookers groups have been busy making purple beanies for the Alannah & Madeline Foundation's Beanies not Meanies. So far they have made about 20 beanies for kids who have been bullied.

The patchwork and craft ladies had an Aussie Hero Day to make laundry bags for our Defence personnel who are deployed overseas. Thirty bags were made on the day and more have been taken home to finish. The ladies are only too happy to make these every year to show our Service men and women that we appreciate all they do. We've had some great feedback from the recipients as to how much they appreciate the laundry bags and to know that there are people back home that care so much.

We are also collecting plastic bottle tops which will be made into prosthesis for children. Phone us on 59839888 for more information about the sizes. Please start collecting and drop them into the Community House.

We are joining with Somerville, Benton Square & Mt Eliza Community Houses to support the Pyalong Neighbourhood House who are providing hampers to farming families who have been devastated by drought and flood. Donations of wool, materials and non-perishable food items gratefully accepted. Drop items off at the Community House, Monday to Thursday from 9.00-3.00pm, Friday 9.00-12.00. We'll also be making beanies and scarves for them.



Celebrate National Science Week! Science in the Park 2019 Sunday 11th August

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FREE science activities for all ages at Coolart Wetlands and Homestead in Somers.

JOIN US for a day of science presentations, eco-tours, science displays and hands-on activities, and wildlife monitoring in wetland environments.

Meet NASA Scientist Dr Darlene Lim to learn about life in extreme Earth habitats and beyond!

DON'T MISS the art-science exhibition "MISSION CONTROL: An art exhibition inspired by the Apollo 11 Moon Landing and the Space Beyond" to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Lunar Landing.



 **national science week 2019**

More information

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Working Bee at Balnarring Beach: All Welcome!

A dedicated group of Balnarring Beach ratepayers and members of the Foreshore Committee are inviting anyone with a heart for the environment to take part in our monthly working bee.

Our hard-working group meets on the last Sunday of the month at 10 am at the rotunda next to the beach store at Balnarring Beach.

The next 2 working bees are on Sundays,
August 25th and September 29th at 10am.

We usually work till 12 noon and enjoy a free cup of coffee or a drink afterwards at the Balnarring Beach shop.

It is always a great opportunity to have a chat.

Paul, our Ranger always has some important work for us to do, be that weeding or planting freshly cleared terrain with new plants. Some of these plants are propagated and raised over many months in our nursery.

If you can make it please bring **gloves** and wear **sturdy footwear**.

We hope to see many of you there.

Cheerio and many thanks to all who attend.

Rupert Steiner, for the Balnarring Beach Foreshore Committee working bee.

Balnarring Musos Open Mike Nights in Aug and Sept 2019



Wednesdays
Aug 14th and 28th
Sept 11th and 25th

at Balnarring Hall

Doors open at 7pm; music starts at 8pm and ends at 11pm.
Tea and coffee available, or (over18s) bring a bevvie to enjoy.

Come along and have a ball!!!

***A huge thank you to all who continue to donate
at the door to help us to pay our way
and support musical endeavour within our community.***

Thank you to all who help set up and pack up.

It's a big job and the help is appreciated.

Balnarring Preschool

On-time **2020 Kindergarten registrations** for the Mornington Peninsula Shire have now closed and late registrations are still being accepted. Please expect first round offers in July 2019 – refer to the Mornington Peninsula Shire website at www.mornpen.vic.gov.au/Community-Services/Children-Family/Kindergarten for further details on how to register for a kindergarten in the region or accept an existing offer.

Please note there are specific due dates by which to accept your offer so do contact the Shire if you are unsure about the process so you don't miss out on a place.

You are welcome to contact the Preschool either via email at balnarring.kin@kindergarten.vic.gov.au or by phone 5983 5803. However, please do note that initial allocation of kindergarten places is managed exclusively by the council.

We are extremely grateful for the continued support of **Balnarring & District Community Bank**. When the Preschool needed some new waterproof wet weather overalls this winter, they responded immediately with a generous donation of \$1,500, enabling us to purchase a full class set of warm fleece-lined waterproof overalls and some hats for the children. The new overalls and hats have already been tested and have received a big thumbs-up from the children and parents – keeping them warm and dry during their beach and bush kinder **Living and Learning with Nature program**.

The preservation of natural spaces is a fundamental value for students and teachers at Balnarring Kindergarten. As part of our program of events this year we were involved in organising the **Clean-Up Balnarring Day** on 24 June 2019. Our families joined members of the local community to rid our beaches of plastics and other rubbish.

Sea Shepherd and **AWARE** were in attendance to further inspire and educate our community on the importance of caring for our natural ecosystems and how local activity links up globally to provide habitat that nourishes and promotes wildlife.

All soft plastics were forwarded to **Replas**, who will be using the waste to contribute to cultural statement projects that position Indigenous and First Nations individuals as custodians of the land. More information on this day can be viewed at <https://www.replas.com.au/balnarring-pre-school-and-sea-shepherd-community-clean-up-day/>.



To carry on their important work, **AWARE** will be conducting further exploratory sessions with the kindergarten students and their families in July. AWARE is a 100% volunteer wildlife rescue and rehabilitation organisation operating in Frankston and surrounding suburbs.

For wildlife emergencies please call their 24-hour hotline 0412 433 727.

To learn how you can engage this organisation in your community, or get involved yourself, visit <https://www.awarewildlife.org.au/>.

We look forward to longer and warmer days ahead!

In health and happiness,

Balnarring Kindergarten





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PROGRAM FOR TERM 3 2019

BOOKINGS BEGIN ON Monday 15th July

OFFICE HOURS MON to THURS 9AM - 3PM, FRI 9AM - 12 NOON

MARKET - 2nd Sat of month

email - market@cpch.org.au

MONDAY

Yoga, Café Chat, Supported
Playgroup, Judy's Craft,



Car Maintenance,

Ladies Woodwork,



Meditation,

WEDNESDAY

Material Girls, Square
Dancing, Family Tree Circle,
Kid's Dancing, Self Inspired
Portrait, Learn to Meditate



FRIDAY

Stitchin' Sisters Patchwork,
Op Shop Trip



TUESDAY

Easy Walking, Jivin' Joeys,

Basic Computers,

Massage Oils, Aromatherapy,

Sheer Art Attack

THURSDAY

Cackle n Craft,

Knitters 'n' Hookers,

Afternoon Delights,

Sewing for Beginners,

Yoga, Stress Workshop



SATURDAY

Photo Scrapbooking,

Knots 'n' Natters,

Overlocker Maintenance,

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Somers Ladies Probus Club

With the coming of the colder weather Somers Ladies Probus Club thoughts turn to warm and cosy projects and our regular activities to keep our members busy. As several members head for warmer climes we wish them safe travels.

Probus is all about Friendship, Fellowship and Fun in retirement and our committee is busy organising activities, outings, speakers and lunches to fulfil those aims. In September we will be travelling north with the main attraction the **Silo Art Trail**, Australia's largest outdoor gallery. It is a collection of decommissioned wheat silos in rural Victoria transformed by international street artists. We also include **Swan Hill, Horsham, Echuca and Bendigo**, visiting several attractions including: **a Murray River Lunch Cruise, gardens and Piccoli's Spanner Sculptures.**

Retired and semi-retired ladies are very welcome to join us at our monthly meetings at the Stone Pavilion, Somers at 10am on the first Friday of each month.

Contact Veronica on 5983 2952 or June on 5983 5321 for more information.

Combined Probus Club of Balnarring

New members are very welcome.

We meet at the Balnarring Community Hall, Frankston/Flinders Rd.
Balnarring, on the 3rd Friday of the month at 10.00am.

Meetings consist of short general business, morning tea and speaker or other organised activity.

Interest groups include gardening, walking, book club, cinema, film discussion, photography, singing for fun, cards, scrabble, backgammon, dine out, travel.

We arrange interesting outings, also spring and autumn trips away.

Please contact Patsy Wilson on: 5983 9949

or Email: grapatwilson@bigpond.com

BALNARRING LADIES PROBUS

If you are a retired or semi-retired lady looking for good company and interesting activities, come along to Balnarring Ladies Probus.

We have Stimulating Speakers, Book Group, Scrabble, Café Group, Craft Group, Films, Walking Group, Convivial Luncheons, Outings and Shopping Trips, as well as a regular monthly Newsletter to keep you up to date with events.

Join us as our guest for any meeting at:
Balnarring Hall No. 2 (opposite the shops)
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Just come along or get further information from:
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January 10th (February/March issue)

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May 10th (June/July issue)

July 10th (August/September issue)

September 10th (October/November issue)

November 10th (December/January issue)

Our number of pages is limited so "first come, first served". Submissions for multiple issues must be made each issue unless otherwise agreed. Acronyms to be written in full at first mention followed by the acronym in brackets, e.g. "Community Centre (C.C.)".

The primary focus of The Bridge is to promote free community events. Volunteer organisations are encouraged to submit up to one page per month and will not be charged. All entries that create income, including employment and housing, count as adverts. **"What's On" entries are Free with a paid advert, or a small fee applies for income-creating entries otherwise.** Personal words from individuals are also free to enter. Businesses holding events, workshops, etc. in the coming months are encouraged to contribute.

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WHAT'S ON August and September 2019

Date	Time	What	Where
August 2019			
Fri 2 nd	10am ----	Somers Ladies Probus Grand Live: Queen Forever	Stone Pavillion Grand Hotel M'ton
Fri 9 th	----	Grand Live Comedy: Bad Barbie and Crummy Mummy	Grand Hotel M'ton
Sat 10 th	9am-1pm	Crib Point Community Market	CP Comm House
Sun 11 th	----	Celebrate National Science Week: Science in the Park at Coolart Wetlands and Homestead	Somers
Wed 14 th	8-11pm	Balnarring Musos Open Mike Night	Balnarring Hall
Fri 16 th	10am	Combined Probus Club of Balnarring	Balnarring Hall
Fri 23 rd	7-9pm	Opening Night August Art Attack	Crib Pt Comm House
Sat 24 th	10am-4pm	August Art Attack Exhibition	CP Comm House
Sun 25 th	2-5pm	Peninsula SongRiders: Mark Lang & Tim Stout	WP Yacht Club
Wed 28 th	10am	Balnarring Women's Probus Club meeting	Balnarring Hall
	8-11pm	Balnarring Musos Open Mike Night	Balnarring Hall
Fri 30 th	9.30am	Balnarring Men's Probus Club meeting	Balnarring Hall
Fri 30 th	----	Grand Live: Cool Change Little River Band Tribute	Grand Hotel M'ton
Sun 25 th	10am	Balnarring Beach Working Bee	Rotunda
September 2019			
Fri 6 th	10am	Somers Ladies Probus Club meeting	Stone Pavillion
Wed 11 th	8-11pm	Balnarring Musos Open Mike Night	Balnarring Hall
Sat 14 th	9am-1pm	Crib Point Community Market	CP Comm House
Fri 20 th	10am	Combined Probus Club of Balnarring	Balnarring Hall
Sun 22 nd	2-5pm	Peninsula SongRiders: Cousin Leonard	WP Yacht Club
Wed 25 th	10am	Balnarring Ladies Probus Club meeting	Balnarring Hall
	8-11pm	Balnarring Musos Open Mike Night	Balnarring Hall
Fri 27 th	9.30am	Balnarring Men's Probus Club meeting	Balnarring Hall
Sun 29 th	10am	Balnarring Beach Working Bee	Rotunda