

# BRID RE PORT

YOUR COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER KEEPING YOU UP-TO-DATE WITH THE LATEST EVENTS IN BRIDPORT



Here we are in December! Wow that went by quickly! What a year it's been for our beautiful village by the sea...well it's not over just yet!

Summer is here and Christmas is around the corner. School is wrapping up, businesses are preparing for the festive season and families are looking forward to the holidays.

Summer and Christmas, are two of our favourite things here at the BridREport! It means long days at the beach, carols under the stars and spending time with family and friends. There's lots to do in December. Check out this edition to see how Bridport is celebrating Christmas and the start of Summer!

Start off your Christmas celebrations with a visit to the Bridport CWA Markets on the 2nd then head to Scottsdale for the Rotary Dorset Christmas Celebrations and Parade at the Scottsdale Recreation Grounds on the 3rd, enjoy the Bridport Lions Club Community Christmas Carols on the Village Green on the 16th and join the Bridport Primary School students for their Christmas Assembly on the 19th. Be sure to purchase some tickets in the Lions Club, Men's Shed and Bridport Primary school Christmas raffles and don't forget to grab a couple of the Lions Christmas Cakes. It's not Christmas without one! Enjoy the warmer weather and get to the Scottsdale Pool (now free entry) or head to the beach for a dip where our local lifesavers are diligently patrolling from the 2nd December. Support our local businesses and pop in to grab that perfect gift for that someone special. Our major sponsor Flinders Island Aviation have flight vouchers, scenic flights and helicopter charters... what great gift ideas!

And amongst all of this let's not forget the real reason for the season! From all of us at the BridREport, we would like to wish you and your family a happy, holy, safe, warm and sunny Christmas. See you in 2018!

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## LIONS CHRISTMAS CAKES ON SALE

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**DON'T FORGET - BRIDPORT CWA MARKETS - SATURDAY 2nd DECEMBER**



It's *beginning*  
to look  
a lot like  
*Christmas!*



### CHRISTMAS RAFFLES

**Lions Club of Bridport**  
**Christmas Stocking Raffle**  
(pictured). Tickets available  
from Inspirations at \$2 per  
ticket. Drawn Saturday 16th  
December at the Carols.

**Bridport Primary School**  
**Christmas Crayfish Raffle**  
Tickets available from the  
School at \$2 per ticket - 1st  
Crayfish, 2nd Christmas  
Hamper, 3rd Christmas  
chocolate. Drawn Tuesday  
19th December.

## Bridport Lions Club presents **Community Christmas Carols**



On the Village Green

**Saturday December 16th**  
**6:00 pm for 7:30 pm**

Bring picnic blankets and chairs  
Merry-go-round  
Visit from Santa  
Lions BBQ and other food stalls  
Children to dress in Christmas Theme

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## The Rotary Dorset Christmas Celebration

3<sup>rd</sup> December 2017  
What's on

FMT  
Grand Parade  
at 2pm



### The Elders Entertainment Stage:

- \*11am Welcome & 30<sup>th</sup> Celebration \*
- \*11am Fijian Dancers \*
- \*11.30 Lexi Oliver \*
- \*11.45 Jade Howard & Family \*
- \*12.00 7SD Decorated Bike Parade & judging \*
- \*12.30 Tapestry Dance \*
- \*1pm Christmas Story \*
- \*1.15pm Santa arrives

### Commonwealth Bank Community Activities:

- \*1.15pm Santa photos\*
- \*Jumping Castle \* Face Painting \* Merry-go-round\*
- \*Inflatable slide \* Mini Jeeps \* Toys & Games \*
- \*Mechanical Surf Board \* Gladiator ring \*

### Something to eat:

- \* Rotary Barbeque \* Hot potatoes \* Roast Rolls \*
- \* Toasted sandwiches \* Fruit Salad \* Donuts \*
- \* Ice-cream \* Cheesecake Baculo \* Coffee van\* Slushies\*



## 7sd Decorated Bike/Scooter Competition

At the

## The Rotary Dorset Christmas Celebration

3<sup>rd</sup> December 2017

- \*Decorate your bike or scooter in fantastic festive theme \*
- \*Assemble at the Elders Entertainment Stage \*
- \* Bike parade and judging at 12pm \*
- \* Free Entry \*
- \* Great prizes \*



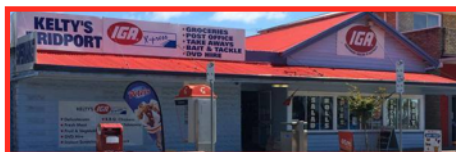
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**Deadlines** for articles or up coming events are on the 29th of each month. For a digital version checkout the Bridport Walking Track Website at:

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# ★ KIDS SPOT ★

## 2018 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENT

There will be a Kindergarten 2018 enrolment session on **Tuesday 5th December** from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. in the Bridport Primary School's Discovery Centre with Principal, Mrs Carol Stingel. Parents will need to bring the birth certificate and immunisation details for their child. They will also need to bring evidence of their own identity (i.e. birth certificate, passport, driver's licence) as well as proof of their residential address e.g. driver's license or a bill. The children will have their Pre-Kinder session in the Kindergarten room with Kindergarten teacher, Mrs Maree Grace as usual.

There will be items available to try on from the School Uniform Shop during the session.

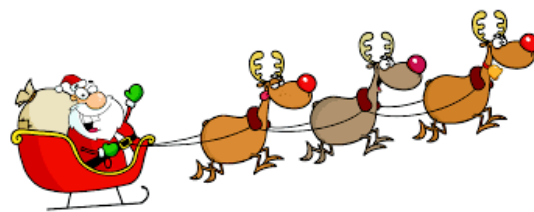
The Commonwealth Bank School Banking Coordinator will also be in attendance.

If you are unable to attend this session, please contact the school office on 63561226 to make an alternative time to enrol your child.



## Bridport Primary Christmas Concert

The Bridport Community are welcome to attend Bridport Primary School's Christmas Assembly on **Tuesday 19th December at 9:30 a.m.** in the School Hall.



## Queensland Variety 4WD Breakfast

Bridport Primary School Association hosted a breakfast for Queensland Variety 4WD group on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November consisting of 102 people.

Over 46 4WD vehicles filled the school grounds and streets as the group enjoyed a beautiful breakfast. This breakfast was only made possible with thanks to our generous donations of pancakes and fruit from parents and of course the wonderful volunteers, Sue Etchells, Stacey Abraham., Lauren Smylie and Yvonne Gerke. Fantastic work ladies!

Queensland Variety 4WD group spent 10 days traveling around Tasmania visiting different schools and organisations. The group raised an incredible \$290,000 whilst visiting Tasmania to help give more Aussie kids a fair go!



The Bridport Primary School end of year Presentation Assembly will be held on **Thursday 14th December 2016 at 1:30pm** in the School Hall. All welcome to attend.



## SPORTS BILLBOARD

### OVER 30 KIDS COME 'N' TRY WHAT IT'S LIKE TO BE A NIPPER AT THE BRIDPORT SLSC

The rain didn't stop over 30 nippers, old and new, from having a go and experiencing what Nippers is all about at the Bridport SLSC Nippers Come 'n' Try Day held recently.

The kids enjoyed both beach and water activities having a go at the beach flags, beach sprints, tug o war, wade relays and board riding.

Thank you to all the families who came along and supported the day, to the parents who helped out, the canteen crew and to our volunteer coaches, age managers and lifesavers who ran a fun-filled session! We look forward to seeing you all on Sunday the 7th of January 2018 as we kick off the official nipper season!

Until then, those nippers interested in competing are welcome to join in Surf Sports training every Sunday at 11am through December. Contact Surf Sports Manager, James Fell on 0417613509 for more information.



The start of December, is the start of Summer and also means it's the start of the beach patrol season! Bridport Surf Lifesavers will start patrolling the beach from Saturday 2nd December. Keep an eye out for times as this may vary over the season. A reminder to all active members that proficiencies will be held on the 16th and 30th December. Contact Patrol Officer, Travis Dawe on 0417580232 for more information.

Bridport SLSC would like to wish you all a happy, healthy and safe Christmas. We hope to see you on the beach enjoying the warm weather and remember - **SWIM BETWEEN THE RED AND YELLOW FLAGS!**

### NORTH EAST LITTLE ATHLETICS CENTRE

We have had a busy month at North East Little Athletics -

On the 4th November, 9 athletes travelled to Penguin to compete in Northern Centre Challenge Day & although the North East team didn't come away with the shield they all had a fantastic day.

Brett Gillow & Wim Vaessen from Little Athletics Tasmania came to give the kids some coaching advice during a meet at various events. I think all the kids took something away with them that day. It was a great opportunity.

Our major fundraising raffle was drawn - thanks to all our sponsors for their prize contributions. Winners were published on our Facebook page. Please note the Dorset Council substituted the Pool Pass Vouchers with Good Sports Vouchers - Thanks Dorset Council.

Our own Mariam Hall is off to represent Tasmania in the Pacific School Games in Adelaide on the 2nd-6th December. Well done Mariam and good luck in your High Jump event! Great achievement.

We have had our Long Jump Run Up resurfaced recently and held an opening with Scottsdale Rotary President Glenn Moore (pictured below) cutting the ribbon at the opening. Scottsdale Rotary Club assisted North East Little Athletics in helping fund the project. What a difference the new surface has made - Thanks Scottsdale Rotary Club.

Our next meets before Christmas will be -  
Saturday 2nd December 9am Program 1  
Saturday 9th December 9am Program 2 - PB day  
Saturday 16th December Northern All State - St Leonards.

**We would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year.**



## SCOTTSDALE SHOW

NEA & P Society wish to thank all participants, sponsors and exhibitors for a successful show and look forward to seeing you all again next year.

Any ideas for new or additional events for next years show to be bigger and better are open for discussion.

Congratulations to Bridport's Grace Cornish, a very popular Show Ambassador for 2017.

## NOTICE BOARD

### COAST CARE UPDATE

In November we continued working on the removal of agapanthus and rubbish in the Mermaids Pool Area.

The December working bee will be held on **Sunday 17th December**. We will be continuing work on weeds and rubbish in the Mermaids Pool area and working on the removal of thistles.

Hoes and similar devices would be useful for this work.

The working bee will be followed by a BYO lunch for volunteers.

Meet at the Mermaids Pool carpark from 9am.

New members are always welcome.

For more information contact:

John Davey  
0419 306 285



## COMMUNITY SWAP MEET

The Community Exchange Swap Meet serves the Dorset and West Coast areas for those doing it tough and are in need of all items we take for granted. We are now collecting all your garage sale and Estate items you don't want.

We will happily come and collect all donations free and save you the trip to the tip over Christmas. Sorry we can not collect furniture or bedding, but all other shed and house hold items are in need.

Our next Community Exchange Day will be on the 9th December from 10am to 1pm at the George Town Community House, Agnes Street. All welcome. Santa arrives at 12pm and we have a free Rotary BBQ and drinks.

For collection or further details please call Steve on 0439204138.

## BRIDPORT GROUP OF SING AUSTRALIA

Sing Australia Bridport Group are preparing for our Christmas Celebrations for 2017. We invite all our Dorset friends and visitors to join with us on 12th December from 1 - 3pm at our usual venue, the Uniting Church, Main Street, Bridport,

This year we would appreciate a gold coin donation to assist us in purchasing music etc.

Our program will be very varied, with lots of community carol singing, solos, vocal duets, and a piano duet from our accompanists, Margaret Viney, and Bob Richman, and much more.

After the entertainment, Sing Australia members will, as always, provide a really scrumptious afternoon tea, so do come along for a really enjoyable couple of hours to get your Festive Season off to a good start.

From all of us at Bridport Sing Australia, have a wonderful Christmas. Be well, be safe, and be happy.

Enquiries: Wanda Campbell - Leader - phone 63522 885, or Helen Watts - Assistant Leader - phone 0403 030 584.

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Contact irenemacfarlane123@gmail.com **04 1772 1840**

### WEATHER STATS FOR NOVEMBER 2017

Max temp: 26 C  
on 27/11/17

Min temp: 2 C  
on 4/11/17

Rainfall: 20.9 mm  
over 3 days



## UPDATE FROM THE MEN'S SHED

2017 has been a very busy year for the Men's Shed with lots of jobs on the go with saw milling, the new steelwork shed (donated) erected, seats built for the netball club, Christmas street decorations cut out, Petes boat rebuilt, Malcoms garden flourishing, concrete work area completed and iron fence mostly done.

Recently we have had some Cedar logs donated by Launceston Council Gardens Branch, per Joe and Daniel Soccol and Paul Laird. A big thank you to them.

The Lady Sheddors are up and running with their own projects. Always room for more, so ladies come along and join them on Thursdays at 10a.m. One male by invitation to advise and assist if necessary and to show how to use machinery etc. Lots of good chat and good company.

Emma, with the help of her Father, Bob Child, built a play house for her girls, and at Nan's (Pat Child) suggestion, 10 year old granddaughter Tahlia scrounged a piece of timber, discarded from our woodlathe area, and designed a marble solitaire game. Holes were drilled by Pop then painted by Tahlia. Believe another one is needed for Mum.

A first aid course has been mooted for next year, which may possibly be open to the public. Please indicate interest.

Our Christmas raffle is going well. Not long to go before it's drawn. Great prizes: \$300, \$200, vouchers from Mikes IGA and a timber veggie box made and donated by Malcom Brown. Three weeks to go. Phew!

Members and guests are invited to a roast Christmas lunch on Monday 18th December at The Shed, Get together and have a cuppa from 10 a.m. Please RSVP by 11th December for catering purposes.

To all, have a happy and safe Christmas and New Year.

George  
0428949088.



*The perfect Play House - One of the many projects the men and lady shedders put their hands to.*

## The North East Field Naturalist Club

The North East Tasmanian Field Naturalists Club Inc. offer a program of outings for members.

**The next outing is on the 9th December 2017.**

Parts of the Boobyalla River explored by the North East Field Naturalists on their last outing, were once a prospective dam site. The area has important tracts of *Eucalyptus ovata*, or swamp gum, that are reserved now in the Martins Hill Forest Reserve.

The group was offered a shorter and a longer walk option, but both groups reported seeing the blue spotted sun orchids, *Thelymitra* sp. and *Kunzea ambigua*, white *kunzea*, which was in full bloom.

On the 9th December, Field Nats will be at Big Waterhouse Lake to learn about the birds and what lives in the water there.

**Contact Lou Brooker at [brooker@vision.net.au](mailto:brooker@vision.net.au) or phone 0417 149 244 for more details.**



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## QUILT & CRAFT SHOW

**JAN 12—14**

**10 am — 3pm**

**Demonstrations & Items for Purchase**

**BRIDPORT HALL**

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## DORSET BIKE USERS GROUP (DBG)

Six riders enjoyed the 15 km loop around Windermere and Swan Bay on a beautiful sunny day. The steep hill was conquered and Tony Scott took the King of The Mountains Jersey. He only held it briefly as John Davey resolved his gear problems to lead us to the top of a surprise second hill which, though shorter, proved steeper than the first. We were joined by three partners and friends for lunch at the Hillwood Strawberry Farm where the strawberries were excellent whilst the staff were overwhelmed by the sheer number of eager customers.

The next ride on Sunday 3rd December is a familiar one, beginning at Bridport, then east along the Waterhouse Road. The basic ride is to the turnoff to Lost Farm, then on the internal road back to the Barnbougle Golf Club for lunch, then back to Bridport. This distance is 18 km with a short section of gravel. Those wanting a shorter ride could turn directly into Barnbougle. For those wanting a longer ride the sky is the limit. Just be at Barnbougle at 12:00 Noon for lunch.

For those doing the basic ride please meet at the Information Centre car park at Bridport at the slightly later time of 10:45 am for 11:00 am start.

As usual there will not be a ride in January. The next ride will be on Sunday 4th February 2018.

Paul Rosevear



*A small group of disciples joined ride coordinator Paul Rosevear on a pilgrimage to pay homage to ancestors in St Mathias graveyard, with the original family pile (mansion) just across the river.*



## U3A - Seniors On The Go!

The U3A - University of the Third Age has had a very successful first 6 months of getting the organisation up and running.

It is hoped that we can discuss with enthusiasm what courses we can run next year. We are always on the look out for instructors/team leaders.

Do you know someone with a passion, hobby that would like to lead a group?

Line/dances, travel, music appreciation, art(s), astronomy, book club? Just about anything you can think of.

Our Christmas gathering is on the 7th December at the Bridport Hotel.

If you are already prioritising your Christmas lunch attendances, then just join us for a drink/coffee, so we can get together and pool our ideas.

Looking forward to seeing you at our gathering.

Cheers

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