

BRID RE PORT

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



AGM NOTICE BRIDPORT INNOVATIONS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Sunday 21st February 2016

2:00 pm

Platypus Park Retreat, Ada Street, Bridport

Nominations for all Offices will be received at the meeting.

All new and existing members welcome

Please come along and support a strong community voice for Bridport.

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GREAT START TO THE YEAR FOR BRIDPORT!

What a start to the year with four events in January; music, cocktail party, photographic exhibition and dancing. Firstly, thank you for supporting the Eve on the Green concert in Bridport, it was a great success. Everyone seemed to be enjoying the variety of entertainment provided by Gary, Shanae, Terry, Connor, Sing Australia, Shanti Dreads and The Beat Surrender.

Feed back: "Well done for the organisation of this event, was great weather and great entertainment, loved sitting back with my family and friends watching this event ."

"Great night catching up with friends and listening to music on the village green ... Thanks to all the organisers for a fantastic community event ."

"All our community organisations are to be congratulated for putting on so many spectacular events over this summer and we still have the Life Saving Club state event to come and our street party during February. Bridport has rocked, is the place to be seen, a destination village this summer."

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Getting the thumbs up for the event! Great local support for the Eve on the Green Concert held on the Village Green on the 2nd January.

DON'T FORGET - BRIDPORT CWA MARKETS - SATURDAY 6th FEBRUARY

From page 1 - Great Start to the year for Bridport

A huge THANK YOU to all the sponsors of the Concert on the Village Green. Harcourts, for The Beat Surrender; Platypus Park Country Retreat, Edwina Powell, Kate Cliff, Owen Powell and Frank Jewson for the Shanti Dreads. Bridport Hotel for the Ukelele group. Dorset Council for preparing the ground, ensuring everything was ready to roll, and providing the seed funding and the PA system.

Thanks to the following Bridport Businesses who supplied the giveaway vouchers: Congratulations to all those who shared in the winnings, over \$700 worth. Sugar and Spice Bakery, Sublime Beauty and Hairdressing, Inspirations, Dockside Take away, Bridport Cafe, Bridport Take Away, Bunker Bar Cafe, Teena Petterwood Massage and Beauty, Bridport Newsagency, D&Me Bridport, Bridport Innovations. The mobile phone give away was donated by Leading Appliances in Scottsdale, congratulations to the winner. The perfect stage was donated by John Lette of Jondi Farms. Fencing borrowed from North East Rivers Festival.

Community events don't run themselves, it takes a band of volunteers to bring you the entertainment. Thank you to all the volunteers for assistance on the day to set up and take down the Eve on the Green: Lawrence Archer, Rob Booth, Tony Scott, Derek Smythe, Jason and YoYo, Owen Powell, Grace, and Banjo Bennseman. Chief organisers from Arts on Track and Bridport Innovations: Edwina Powell, Gina Scott, Chris Bush, Jill VandenBosch, Barbara Burr, Frank Jewson and Kate Cliff. Thank you Jenny Whenn for assistance and ticket selling. Thank you to Tas Regional Arts for underwriting the event.

AND a music concert does not run without the performers and the sound technicians. We can't thank Chris Ball and Ian Edwards enough for their expertise in setting up the fantastic sound quality for

the day, and all the performers who supplied extra gear and were willing to share on the day. MC Peter Bourne and Stage manager Simon Hirst did a fantastic job ensuring the event ran in order and almost to time - well done.

Thank you also to the Bridport SLSC and Scottsdale Lions, you did an excellent job with your scallops, hamburgers, sausages and drinks.

Sunday saw the cocktail party at the Bunker Club Bistro with Dr Troy Ruffels from UTAS opening the Kaleidoscope Exhibition, a collection of local photographic work including Ruth Cuff, Jay Wilson and Saffron Meisop. A huge thank you to the sponsors for the Gypsy Circle Band. Dockside Take Away, Bridport Villas, Galloways Pharmacy, Terry Aulich, Tanya Rattray, Michael Powell.

If you would like this event next year please feel free to give us your feed back at the Pavilion in Bridport. A collaboration between Bridport Innovations and Arts on Track.



Edwin Powell, Barbara Burr and Troy Ruffles enjoying the Fun in the Sun Cocktail Party and opening of the Kaleidoscope Exhibition at the Bunker Club.



Open 7 days from 6am to 8pm
until end of day light savings
(Hours will then return from
6am to 7pm.)

GET YOUR EVENT IN THE BRIDREPORT

If your organisation or group has an event coming up or news to share please let us know. Contact us at bridreport@gmail.com. **Deadlines** for articles or upcoming events are as follows:

March issue	28th February
April issue	27th March
May issue	26th April



B R I D Last chance to celebrate summer!

26th FEB
5-9PM
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ACHIEVEMENTS AT THE
AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS**

Community Event of the Year:

Scottsdale RSL Military
Museum Opening

Volunteer of the Year:

North-East Cattle Handlers

Community Service Award:

Yvonne Thorne

Young Citizen of the Year:

Callum Bensemann

Citizen of the Year:

Wayne Harper

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Catherine Dodds, Steve Carles,
North-Eastern Raft, Run Ride,
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The Bunker Bar 63561146

BRIDPORT NEWSAGENCY

Valentine's Day on Sun 14th Feb! Come in and get your Valentine a card or gift. On Sat 13th Feb Tattsлото Superdraw \$20 million - grab a lotto ticket for you loved one. We have filled the toy section again! Great new toy range. We will be opened until 8pm on Fri 26th Feb for Bridport Street Party!



★ KIDS SPOT ★

WISHING ALL OUR SCHOOL STUDENTS
ALL THE BEST AS THEY GO BACK TO
SCHOOL FOR 2016!

BRIDPORT PLAY CENTRE TO CONTINUE IN 2016



The Bridport Play Centre will operate at 1 Joseph Street, Bridport, on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9am-noon this year. There will be two 'Come and Try' days on the 24th and 25th February. Bring your children along to see what is on offer and meet the Supervisors.

**Sessions for the term will commence on
2nd March for 6 weeks.**

For further information contact the
Supervisor Lou Cashion 0437784394.

Term dates for this year are as follows:

- 1st term 2/3/16-7/4/16
- 2nd term 27/4-30/6
- 3rd term 20/7-22/9
- 4th term 12/10-14/12

LAUNCHING INTO LEARNING

Launching into Learning is a school based program for families with children aged from birth to 5 years. The program is free and offers the opportunity to learn through play in a fun, safe and relaxing atmosphere.

Bridport Primary School will offer programs on a Tuesday morning this year that allow children to explore their senses, improve their fine and gross motor skills and build on their ever-growing literacy and numeracy knowledge.

More importantly though, they have the chance to have fun, develop friendships and PLAY! Starting date yet to be confirmed. Stay tuned! We look forward to seeing you this year!



JETSONVILLE & BRIDPORT PLAYGROUPS



COMMENCE FEBRUARY 9th 2016

NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS WELCOME!

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BRIDPORT PLAYGROUP
9AM – 11AM FRIDAYS
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SCHOOL TERM DATES 2016

TERM 1

Starts - Wed 3rd Feb -

Finishes - Fri 8th April

TERM 2

Starts - Tue 26th April

Finishes - Fri 1st July

TERM 3

Starts - Mon 18th July

Finishes - Fri 23rd Sep

TERM 4

Starts - Mon 10th Oct

Finishes - Wed 21st Dec

BRIDPORT SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB TO HOST MASTERS CARNIVAL

The Bridport Surf Life Saving Club will again be host to the 2016 Statewide Masters Surf Life Saving Championships on Saturday 13th February.

Traditionally this carnival has run over 2 days and also included the Junior Championships. This year will see it change to one day and include only the Seniors.

Surf Clubs from all over the state will converge on Gofton's Beach to compete in a variety of surf sports events both in the water and on the beach.

The Tasmanian Ocean Swim Series will also take place from 2pm. This event is open to the public.

The day will end with a BBQ dinner and drinks at the club. Dinner \$10 (Kids \$5). Everyone is welcome to come along.

Visiting families are welcome to join the Bridport Nippers Program at 11 am Sunday 14th February for some fun!

See our Facebook page for more event details. We hope to see you there.

SPORTS BILLBOARD

FROM THE BRIDPORT NETBALL CLUB

Open Day

When: Sunday, March, 2016 (date TBC) - watch our Facebook page for updates.

What: Working bee @10am, Grading of divisions @ 11:30, BBQ @ 12:30, and Game day @1pm.

Who: Enter a team or rock up and play a game. Parents V kids, boys V girls and mixed teams.

Where: Bridport Netball Courts.

How much: \$5 entry and BBQ and canteen facilities.

Street Party Stall

When: Fri 26th Feb, 5-9pm

What: sweets - toffee apples, frog in a pond, fruit salad, slices, etc.

Who: BNC

Where: Bridport Main Street



BRIDPORT SWAP MEET

Swap Meet wants to thank all people who kindly donated items from their household and shed clean outs over Christmas.

Don't forget we take all items that you no longer want or need and no money is involved in swapping items with others. We take just about anything you don't want apart from electrical items and furniture, so give me a call. Don't waste your fuel and time taking it to the tip.

Our first Swap Meet for the year will also be a huge celebration as we turn one! Join us on the 9th February 2pm to 4pm at the Scottsdale Linc Library rooms. Bring down all your old odds and sodds and join in and have a cuppa and afternoon tea with us also.

Goods for donation? Please call Steve 0439204138.

LEGERWOOD CATERING GROUP

Legerwood catering group is holding an old fashioned Sunday afternoon "High Tea" and entertainment at the Legerwood Hall in March.

There will be a prize for the best dressed male and female, fancy tea hat etc and a raffle and lucky door prizes.

Cost will be just \$5 for a lovely yummy tea and we are taking group bookings now so ring ahead and book your table early to avoid disappointment. For more information contact Steve on



NOTICE BOARD

COAST CARE UPDATE

Bridport Coastcare will be participating in a bird count for the working bee this month. We will be working with Liz Znidersic from St Helens.

Meet at the pavilion car park at 10 am. on **Sunday 28th February**.

All interested people are welcome.

For further information contact John Davey.

Ph. 0419 306 285



BRIDPORT GROUP OF SING AUSTRALIA

Sing Australia/Bridport Group commenced their Thursday- 1pm to 3pm. group singing on 28th January, 2016 at the Uniting Church, Main Road, Bridport.

Our Group participated in the Festival on the Green at Bridport on 2nd January, 2016, which was a lot of fun, and with a whole year in front of us, we would take this opportunity to invite ladies and gentlemen from around our area, to come along and experience the joy of all sorts of music (3 visits for a free trial- no expectations or pressure).

We hope to have some new faces join with us on Thursday 4th February. **Wishing one and all a Healthy, Prosperous, and Very Happy 2016.**

Volunteers Wanted - For the Tassie Trail Fest

This exciting new trail running event is being held over three days from the 12-14th March in Derby and Weldborough – and the event organisers need some help to tame the tigers! Volunteers can assist with things like water stations and course marshalling, during shifts of 1-3 hours – no experience required!

Although a smiley attitude is a must! And you can also earn a FREE ENTRY to the 2017 event! Contact Dion Milne on 0408 207 196 or

trailloveglobal@gmail.com.

Bridport Community Reference Group

The Bridport Community Reference Group focuses on economic investment, planning and priorities for Bridport, and provides recommendations to Dorset Councillors based on their understanding of community needs and desires.

*The next group meeting is scheduled for **March 2016**. Date to be advised.*

WEATHER STATS FOR JANUARY 2016

Min temp 7.1 C
on 15/01/16

Max temp 27.4 C
on 1/01/16

Rain 105.5 over 7 days

UPDATE FROM THE MEN'S SHED

The pace barely slackens in Maxwell Street, despite the holiday atmosphere. Extensions to the original shed are now complete to house the shiny new dust extractor, courtesy of the Department of Premier and Cabinet.

A separate metal-workshop has long been proposed, ideally to be connected to the main building by means of a covered walkway. That will entail the construction of some concrete pathways, and talk is that The Men might be able to tackle this themselves, as one of our first team-projects. President George Andrews likes to talk about the members' fingerprints being all over The Shed, so this could be your chance to immortalise yourself in 'mud' (fingers and feet only, gentlemen!)

Towards the end of February we will be hosting Scottsdale Shed and wives and partners to a barbecue. No doubt there will be lots of comparing and contrasting, and possibly a forgivable lack of humility exhibited in pointing out (again and again) the spectacular backdrop of Anderson Bay with which Our Shed is blessed. It will be a good opportunity, also, to find out first-hand about how the older

Shed have established themselves in their community, and what we might take from their experiences.

The address, as always, is Maxwell Street, and you are always welcome. Monday is members' day, but drop in at anytime to say good'ay.

Neil Stevens



A photo from the archives - From humble beginnings - Drop by and see the Shed now! It's come a long way!

The Water Race Walk

By Mike Douglas

George Renison Bell found tin on a tributary of the Boobyalla River in 1874, a discovery that set off a tin-mining era in the Mt Cameron area that lasted for 100 years.

The town of Gladstone soon sprung up out of nowhere to service the 120 European and 100 Chinese miners working the local tin and gold fields in the 1880s and 1890s.

The celebrated Mt Cameron Water Race, begun in 1881 and now redundant brought water for sluicing from the Great Musselroe River and by

the 1930s it comprised a network of 96 kilometres of channels.

The Water Race Walk is an easy five kilometre circuit, beneath the Mt Cameron Range, which incorporates a remnant of the Western Deviation, the longest side branch of the system and several earlier races, some Chinese, dating back to about 1875.

A new edition of the publication 'The Water Race Walk' is now available at the Pavilion and the Scottsdale Art Gallery Cafe, price \$12.00.

It includes maps, illustrations, history notes and route guides - including the scenic Wedgetail Peak Walk.

Important Notice - Water Restrictions in Bridport: Bridport is currently on Stage 2 water restrictions until April 2016. These restrictions apply to EVERYONE in Bridport unless an exemption is provided by TasWater. See here for more information:

<http://www.taswater.com.au/News/Outages---Alerts/Water-Restrictions/Water-Restrictions>



HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY - SUNDAY 14th FEBRUARY



DORSET BIKE USERS GROUP (DBUG)

The Dorset Bicycle Users Group next ride will be held on Sunday 7th February. It will be part of program of rides developed around Tasmania as part of Bike Week 2016, which runs from 30 Jan to 7 Feb 2016.

The ride will be one-way down the Rail Trail from the top of the Billycock Hill to the old Railway Station at Scottsdale, a distance of 26 km. The first 18 km of the ride will be downhill with the remainder a gentle climb from the new bridge on the Great Forester River back to Scottsdale. Mountain bikes are recommended. Please meet at the old Scottsdale Railway Station at 10:00 am.

In order to achieve the one-way ride we will need to be organised with transport. We will need to pack all bikes and riders into sufficient vehicles to carry everyone to the parking area at the top of the Billycock to begin the ride. We will need to leave a few vehicles at the Scottsdale Railway Station to return all the drivers of the vehicles left at the Billycock so they can drive back to Scottsdale. Those not required for that return journey will need to remain at the Railway Station to look after the bikes left there by the drivers.

This is the first time that we have attempted a one-way ride. Can we do it? If we can this might open other options for new one-way rides?

Those looking for a longer ride could ride up the Trail from Scottsdale and meet us at the Billycock at about 10:30 am for the return journey? Alternatively ride 18 km on the Highway from Scottsdale to the Billycock and return on the Trail.

After the ride, when all vehicles and riders have been safely reunited, we will head to the Scottsdale Art Gallery for a well-earned coffee.

New riders always welcome.

Paul Rosevear

A SPLASHING GOOD TIME!

Gofton's Beach was the place to be on Australia Day! The Bridport Splash proved very successful with the community coming together to celebrate Australian culture and what better way then families getting together on the beach to enjoy each others company in the sun, sand and sea! We had to share some of the excitement of the day! Congratulations to the Bridport SLSC who took over the running of the event this year! I think everyone would agree it was a great day!



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IF YOU HAVE AN UP COMING
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