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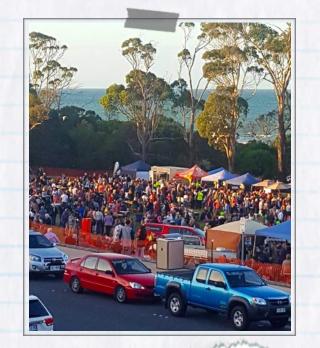
END OF SUMMER CELEBRATIONS

It's been a jam-packed summer season in Bridport with events galore celebrating Christmas, welcoming in another year and enjoying all the wonderful things that make our Village by the Sea a special place for both locals and visitors. We've enjoyed the Lions Club Christmas Carols on the Village Green, Show 'n Shine Car Show, and beach fun with the Surf Life Saving Club on Australia Day. So it only seems fitting that we end the summer with a massive celebration – THE END OF SUMMER PARTY!

The End of Summer Party has been overwhelmingly successful for two years and this has been further highlighted by the committee being presented with The Dorset Council Australia Day Award for Community Event of the Year. How exciting!...And now 2018 and the date is set - 24th February from 4.00pm - 9.30pm.

The event will be showcasing some of Tasmania's best food and beverages alongside some great entertainment. Featured will be Gypsy Rose, The Blackouts, and The Bula Brother Fire Twirler/ dancers. Some of the activities for young and old will be laser tag, face painting and a jumping castle.

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Last year's End of Summer Party - over a thousand people flocked to the Village Green to celebrate.

DON'T FORGET - BRIDPORT CWA MARKETS - SATURDAY 3rd FEBRUARY

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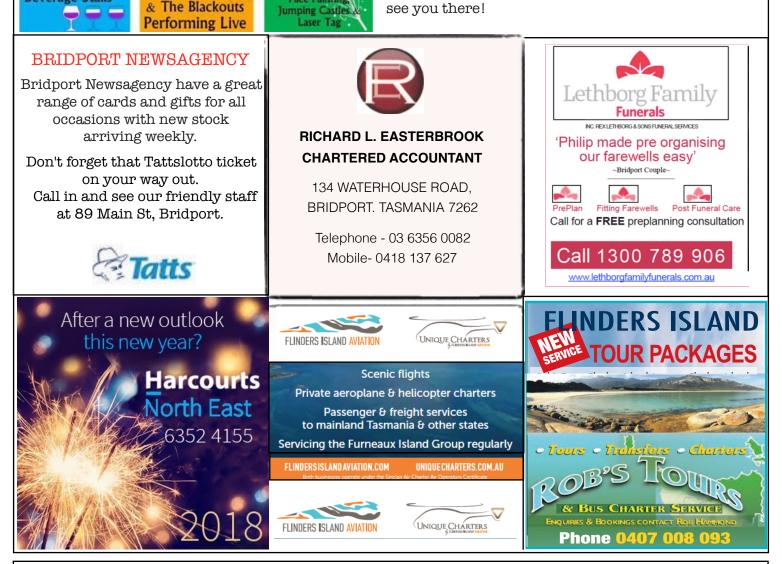
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The committee has endeavoured to ensure a festival atmosphere with a variety of sweet and savoury food choices and a large variety of wines, beers, and hot beverages to quench any thirst. Many local groups, organisations and clubs are taking the opportunity to run these stalls and really value your support.

This year The End of Summer Party welcomes back Chilli FM as the Major Media Partner and they will be broadcasting live from 3.00-7.00pm on the Village Green. Chilli FM will also be advertising for The End of Summer Party throughout February.

The End of Summer Party Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank our very generous sponsors this year. Our major sponsor is CHILLI FM alongside our other valuable sponsors: Dorset Council; Mike Watson at IGA; Commonwealth Bank Scottsdale, and Andrew Arnold at Dorset Transport.

With great anticipation in 2018, The End of Summer Party Committee look forward to a third very successful event. It's the community event of the year not to be missed. So make sure you put it in your diary and tell all of your friends and we'll see you there!





Welcome back to U3A Bridport for 2018

Courses will resume on Thursday $8^{\rm th}$ and Friday $9^{\rm th}$ February at the Bridport Hall.

Yoga with Pamela resumes on Thursday 22nd February 2018: Floor yoga at 11.00am to 12.30pm. Chair yoga at 2.15pm to 3.30pm.

Creative Expression Art with Irene resumes on Fridays at 1pm.

Photography with Roger, Jeff and Ruth resumes on Friday 9th February at 10am.

Computers/Tablets & Smartphones with Gayle resumes on Thursday 8th February at 1pm.

Taoist Studies continues informally, not at a set time and not as a U3A group. Contact Irene for more information.

We look forward to holding one off courses throughout the year.

Watch this space for 'ebay online shopping' with Lis and 'Funeral arrangements' with Leesa. New students are most welcome to any of our courses. Membership fee is \$45 payable by $1^{\rm st}$ June 2018.

New course instructors are welcome at any time! If you have a passion for a topic/subject you would like to hold a course on then please contact either Wendy or Gayle:- <u>bridportu3a@gmail.com</u>

Alternatively, if you would like to see a particular course being held then just ask to see if an instructor can be arranged.

Send us your course suggestions.

Below is an example from another U3A website.

Travel:Travel and Adventure through Italy

NEW

Italy is one of the world's most popular travel destinations as it offers a myriad of experiences including history, food, art and adventure, as well as environmental and cultural diversity. So, if you are a would-be adventurer or a curious tourist this course will help you plan and create your unique itinerary and make your travel plans a reality - whether it's for 3 weeks or 3 months. We will research cities and sites, investigate styles of accommodation, seek out festivals and fiestas, sign up for courses, discover secrets to tourist meccas and uncover unknown destinations. We will spend time booking trains, buses and ferries, as well as hotels. We will explore the cultural significance of local food! There will be options for solo travellers, as well as hints for saving time and money. We will also look at guided tours. This is a hands-on course, and we will use a wide range of Internet resources and websites, and APPS. Helen has extensively explored Italy in the past six years, always as an independent traveller. She is currently planning a new trip to Italy later in 2018 and she will share her travel ideas. The course will also encourage participants to share their own travel stories. This is Helen's fifth travel course for U3A.

Prerequisites: Ability to use a PC or Mac and knowledge of web browsing. Course Materials: Monetary donation for printed handouts. Some ideas on where you'd like to travel, although not essential. Enrolment Cut-off: No enrolments after 22nd February.





BILLYLIDS CLEAN UP BRIDPORT

The kids at Billylids Day Care have been busy learning about "what can we see by the sea?" Recently, one of the groups decided to pick up rubbish along the rock wall at Bridport. It was sad to see how much rubbish people leave in such a small area. The kids saw what impact leaving rubbish by the sea can do to our marine environment and talked about the importance of disposing rubbish properly. The kids are now looking at what the bottles, cans and paper can be recycled into. Any enquiries about Billylids Day Care contact Missy on 04288989.



(From left) Adam Abraham, Maddison Blakely, Tyler Blakely and Alex Abraham sorting through the rubbish they collected along the rock wall.

BRIDPORT PRIMARY SCHOOL IMPORTANT DATES TERM 1

7th February - School starts for 2018
14th February - Bridport swimming carnival
20th February - Welcome back BBQ from 4:30 p.m. this is a free event, everyone is welcome to attend.
27th February - School Association Meeting 6:30 p.m. in staff room – all welcome.
2nd March - NE Swimming carnival
14th March - Athletics carnival
28th March - NE Athletics carnival
30th March - Good Friday
12th April - End of Term 1
13th April - Moderation Day

Bridport Primary's Launching into Learning Program will commence on Thursday 15th February. 9:10 am - Busy Bees (mixture of play, craft, sensory and fine motor) 10:10 am Reading Magic (storytelling, singing and dancing) 11:15-12:30 Baby Talk (informal sessions play and talk with other parents) Kinder Gym fortnightly 9:10 am starting 22nd February 2018

BRIDPORT SLSC JUNIORS OFF TO A GREAT START!

Bridport SLSC Juniors joined around 100 athletes aged 13-16 years at the Shannon Eckstein Ironman Training Clinic in Devonport held in Devonport in January. The clinic was presented by champions Shannon Eckstein, Maddie Dunn and Daniel Norton-Smith who provided training drills, individual feedback and discussion about the athletes training regime and habits for success. A wonderful opportunity for our young up coming surf sports stars.

The Bridport SLSC nippers competed at their first surf sport carnival of the season on the 6th January at the Junior Surf Life Saving Championships in Bicheno. The team really showed the other clubs what Bridport is made of taking home a swag of medals and personal best performances. Congratulations to the team.

Around 50 nippers, old and new and aged between 5 and 13 years, have signed up this season with the Bridport SLSC, giving the beach and water events a go and learning some important water safety skills.

Nippers continues on Sundays from 11:30am - 1:00pm at Bridport SLSC, Gofton's Beach.

Club Championships will be help on Sunday 25th February. Check out our Facebook page for more details.

In the meantime get excited for the up coming Surf Life Saving Tasmania Statewide Carnival being held at Bridport SLSC. The Masters Carnival will be held on Saturday 17th February following by a BBQ dinner and drinks at the club and the Junior and Open Carnival on the Sunday 18th February. We'd love to see you there!



The Bridport SLSC Junior Surf Sports Team at the Statewide Junior Carnival in Bicheno in January.

SPORTS BILLBOARD

FROM THE BRIDPORT NETBALL CLUB

Notice of AGM

Tuesday 6th February 6:30pm at The Bridport Hotel

All past, present and future players welcome to attend.

Enquirers to Karen Milne President - 0419 306 621

Also if you are interested in coaching one or both of our Saturday senior teams, please attend our AGM or alternatively contact Karen Milne 0419 306 21 or Emma Watts 0409 561 680.

Our season kicks off after Easter! We encourage players of all capabilities to join us. We are a super fun club and are looking forward to a fun filled year this year at the Bridport Netball Club!

For the latest news of what's happening at the club or if you're interested in becoming a part of our club please join our Facebook Page Bridport Netball Club.



THE BRIDPORT FOOTBALL CLUB

BRIDPORT U12s IN 2018

As another season nears we have an invite from Lester Rainbow to attend a meeting regarding junior football or any other sports, this Friday 2nd February at 7pm at Winnaleah with representatives throughout the North East attending.

Lester is keen for an open discussion about what can be done to enhance participation across the North East. It would be good to see our U12s have some opposition this year.

If anyone is interested in attending please contact Steve McKillop on 0488091557.

WISHING ALL OUR SCHOOL STUDENTS, TEACHERS AND STAFF THE VERY BEST AS THEY GO BACK TO SCHOOL FOR 2018! HAVE A GREAT YEAR OF LEARNING AND MAKE 2018 THE BEST YEAR YET!

NORTH EAST LITTLE ATHLETICS CENTRE

What a start back at Little Athletics we have had! We started back on 10th January with a twilight meet & had 32 athletes attend which is fantastic during holiday season.

The 17th January saw our centre turn red & white for the Coles round. Everyone was encouraged to wear something 'Coles' related as they are a major sponsor. Plenty of kids attended in Red & White. We even had the cutest carrot you have ever seen!

Sunday 28th January saw 18 athletes from our centre compete at St Helens in Gold Medal Day. A great day enjoyed by all those that attended & in particular Tayla Gofton who brought home 2 gold medals with her! Well done Tayla.

Centre Championships commence 10th February for 3 consecutive weeks. At the end a Track & a Field champion will be announced for each age group.

Next Meets :

 10th February 9am Centre Championships Program 1
 17th February 9am Centre Championships Program 2 + handicap event
 24th February 9am Centre Championships Program 3



The cutest carrot you have ever seen, Tiny Tot Bridget Moore dressed as a carrot for the Coles Round.

BRIDPORT WESTERN ACCESS ROAD	NOTICE BOARD
 Works have commenced on the Bridport Western Access Road. Works are being undertaken on the Bridport Road/ Flinders Highway end of the new access road. Please be aware that there may be minor traffic delays due to machinery accessing the work site. 	COAST CARE UPDATEIn January we concentrated on the removal of weeds and rubbish to the north of Mermaids Pool.The February working bee will be held on Sunday the 18th February. We will be working on the removal of thistles and rubbish in the wetland behind Adams Beach.Meet at Granite Point car park or at the wetland from 9am.
Dorset Suicide Prevention Network Strategic Planning Workshop A community suicide prevention network meeting is being held in Scottsdale on Tuesday 6th February at the Scottsdale LINC from 1 to 3 pm.	 BRIDPORT GROUP OF SING AUSTRALIA Bridport Sing Australia had a very successful Christmas Carol Celebration in December, with a full church and a catch up over afternoon tea. We resume for 2018 on 6th February 1.00 pm at Bridport Uniting Church, Main Street.
Interested community members and organisations are invited to attend. More information can be found on the flyer or by contacting Trisha Stephens on 0417932602.	Everyone is welcome to join us for two weeks at no cost before deciding to become a member Enquiries: Wanda Campbell - Leader - phone 63522 885, or Helen Watts - Assistant Leader - phone 0403 030 584.

BRIDPORT TASMANIA SUNDAY 5 AUGUST 2018



TASSIE SCALLOP FIESTA - SAVE THE DATE!

Locals should be prepared to be shaken out of their winter worries later this year for the inaugural Tassie Scallop Fiesta at Bridport -5th August 2018!

WEATHER STATS FOR JANUARY 2018

Max temp: 32 C on 20/01/18 Min temp: 7.5 C on 14/01/18 Rainfall: 29.3 mm over 4 days

UPDATE FROM THE MEN'S SHED

Holiday season is over, kids are back at school and the men's shed is back in business. I hope you all enjoyed the festive time. It seems the older we get the sooner the next one arrives! The men are back on the job. The garden under Malcolm's guidance has been growing profusely over the break, Peters timber garden setting project is almost complete and Terry has been preparing timber for his bee boxes. Fresh honey sometime?

Meeting day is every 3rd Monday of the month, followed by a lunch. The Shed is open Monday to Friday. If the gate is open somebody is about. Ladies Day is on Thursdays. Any enquiries see George, Denise or Emma.

George 0428949088.



Peter's timber garden setting project is almost complete and looking very good.

DORSET BIKE USERS GROUP (DBUG)

The next DBUG ride will be on **Sunday 4th February 2018.** For those doing the basic ride please meet at the Information Centre car park at Bridport at 10:30 am for 10:45 am start.

The basic ride is along the Waterhouse Road, across the bridge on the Great Forester River, to the turnoff of the gravel road to Lost Farm. Do not go into Lost Farm but return on the same route to Bridport for lunch. Total distance is 18 km. For those wanting a longer ride the sky is the limit. Just be back at Bridport Cafe at 12:00 noon for lunch. This ride is suitable for road bikes.

Paul Rosevear

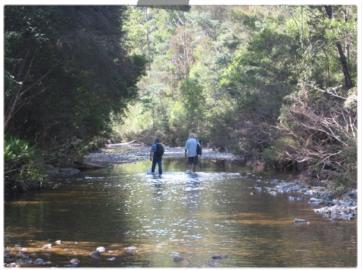
The North East Field Naturalist Club

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

The next outing is on the 10th February 2018.

The next outing on the 10th February is a wade/walk up the Constable Creek behind St. Helens. We will meet at 10am at 190 Argonaut Road, which is out past the Golf Club and the new bridge across the Golden Fleece Rivulet. The property name at the gate is "Casuarina". Strong shoes to walk in water are advised.

The walk will be led by two local members Revel Munro and Adrian Astley.



This month's walk will see the Field Nats walk/wade up Constable Creek behind St Helens.

Those attending for the first time or if more information is required phone Lou Brooker 0417 149 244.



DERBY "MANKIES" FUNDRAISER

The Bridport Visitor Centre is now selling the Derby"mankies" to raise funds for the Derby Mountain Bike Trail maintenance,

These handy little fabric hankies decorated with the map network are sweat resistant and washable. 100% of the \$20 cost goes to help fund trail maintenance.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE LOCAL INDIVIDUALS & GROUPS RECOGNISED FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS AT THE AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

2018 Dorset Citizen of the Year Andrew Bennett

2018 Dorset Young Citizen of the Year Reagan Kettle

2018 Dorset Volunteer of the Year Marcus and Simone Hayward

2018 Dorset Sports Award Scottsdale Womens Football Team

2018 Dorset Community Event of the Year Bridport Events "End of Summer Party"

Certificates of Appreciation 2018

All nominees for Australia Day Awards are considered for a Certificate of Appreciation. Certificates of Appreciation celebrate the rich diversity of our vibrant community. They are awarded to recognise individuals and groups who continuously strive to make our community a better place for those who live, work and visit our special part of the world.

In 2018, the Australia Day Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to:

Bridport 10+ Fun Run

Scottsdale Mechanics Hall Chair Fundraising

Concert

Derek Arnold

Kristy Probert

Mervyn Chilcott

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IF YOU HAVE AN UP COMING EVENT OR SOMETHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE PLEASE CONTACT MELISSA FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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A BIG THANK YOU TO THE INDIVIDUALS, CLUBS, ORGANISATIONS AND BUSINESSES WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THIS MONTH'S ISSUE OF THE BRIDREPORT. HAPPY READING!

A SPLASHING GOOD TIME!

Gofton's Beach was the place to be on Australia Day! The Bridport Splash yet again 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! Thanks to the Bridport SLSC for organising another great Splash!



