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RECORD FIELD RUNS FOR FUN

The addition of a junior run and perfect conditions encouraged a big turn-out to swarm on the Village Green for the 7th annual Bridport 10+ Fun Run.

There were 65 starters for the under 12 two-kilometre dash along the foreshore track, which got underway 10 minutes after a record field of 148 headed out for the main event.

Participation and fun was the aim of the junior event with all runners receiving a medal (gold in colour).

That carried through to the senior run, where, while there were cash prizes for the fastest, thanks to Bridport Innovations, Bridport Electrical Services and A & D Professional Accountants, there was much interest in the random draw for other prizes like scenic flights with Flinders Island Aviation, tours by Kookaburra Ridge Quad Bikes, zip line tickets at Hollybank Treetops Adventure and sessions with Kelty's IGA bike and canoe hire along with vouchers from Sherriff Fitness.

Many of the runners paid compliment to the track and organisation of the event, saying they'd be back with reinforcements next year.

The small organising committee thanked the team of volunteers and committed sponsors necessary to make the event work.

Launceston triathlete and regular Bridport entrant Kate Pedley won the open women's section, Alex Humphrey, of Howrah, was fastest over the journey, winning the men's event in 40 minutes and three seconds. The under 16 winners were Boys Liam Fell and Girls Ruby Slater. The team's prize went to SOC (stupid of course).

Full results and more pictures of the Fun Run are available at www.bridportwalkingtrack.com.au.



Bridport local, Liam Arnold pounds along the walking track on his way to finishing runner up in the under 16 category. Liam was one of 148 runners who headed out on the 10+ fun run.

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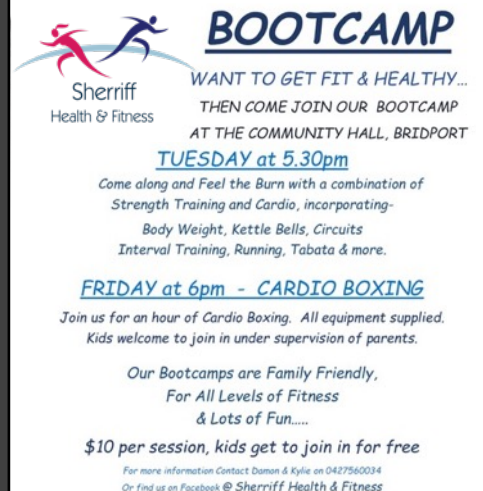


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International award-winning Musician headlines intimate gig in Scottsdale

Irish musician Wallis Bird, and Melbourne Duo, the Twoks shaking things up this November in the North East.

Winner of two Irish Music Awards (Meteor award), Wallis Bird's expressive vocals and driving guitar rhythms have been taking audiences by storm in the UK, Europe, Australia and Japan. Every performance is characterised by a startling passion and presence that frequently leaves Bird breathless and her guitar strings shredded. Her raw honesty, rascal humour, generosity of heart and extraordinary energy will leave you spellbound.

After a whirlwind tour in Oz at the start of the 2017 (including Cygnet Folk Festival), Bird returns in Nov/Dec to perform at Mullum Music Festival plus shows from Queensland to Tasmania.

The Irish Times said of Bird that her sheer visceral energy could "kick-start an entire economy".

Bird will be supported on the night by Melbourne duo, the Twoks, who have recently impressed audiences on the Northwest coast with their unique sound, lively mixture of pop anthems and instrumentals, and their memorable image. Xani Kolac (electric violin / vocals) and Mark Leahy (drums) have been making happy violin and drums dance music for the past four years and are guaranteed to get people moving.

The gig will take place on 26th November, from 6pm, at the recently restored Mechanics' Institute Hall on Kings

Street in Scottsdale, which provides a beautiful backdrop to the music. Little Rivers Brewery will be running the bar on the night.

To make it as easy as possible for people to enjoy this unique musical highlight, there will be a return bus from City Park in Launceston to Scottsdale.

Tickets cost \$32 (full price), \$25 (concession) and \$20.00 (bus tickets) and are available online at www.trybooking.com/RDGD or from Rose's Newsagents on King Street, Scottsdale. Follow the event on Facebook for regular updates.




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NORTH EAST LITTLE ATHLETICS CENTRE

We have had a great start to Little Athletics with already completing 6 weeks of programs - wow time flies when you're having fun!

During this time there have been numerous records broken, PBs made and a whole lot of fun had by all.

We currently have 47 registered members - some old & some new faces. Tiny tots program has been very popular with 11 kids registering. These little guys & gals are having a ball with Amanda Millwood coordinating the program. They are learning the skills needed to develop their throwing & jumping techniques and having some fun on the running track too.

Our next meet is a twilight meet on Friday 10th November at 4pm - New members are still welcome to come along. Family, Fun & Fitness!!

FUN & GAMES WITH THE TASBASH VARIETY CREW

Sirens, music and laughter could be heard from the Bridport Primary School grounds on the 24th October. The School was lucky enough to be visited by the TASBASH Variety Group who were in the region as part of their week long Tasmanian tour. The group donated \$3000 to the school as part of their Schools and Organisation Support Program, for the purchase of a new digital camera, three xylophones and two new tables to be used in for group work sessions. Variety Tasmania is all about empowering children who are sick, disadvantaged or have special needs to live, laugh and learn and believe they deserve the same opportunities in life. If you would like to find out more about this charity or donate go to www.variety.org.au/tas



WORLD-RENOWNED AUTHOR MEM FOX VISITS BRIDPORT



Author Mem fox, signing books at Bridport Primary School.

On Thursday 26th October, world-renowned author Mem Fox presented an information session for parents, families, and community members entitled "Teachers or parents? Who's in charge of literacy learning?" It was an amazing opportunity for community members to be informed and entertained by such an engaging speaker. Everyone was able to learn some of the skills needed to work together to support children on their literacy learning journey.

The evening was organised by Bridport Primary School's LIFT (Learning in Families Together) Working Party. The aim of the LIFT initiative, funded by the state government, is to improve outcomes for children throughout their school years and throughout their life, by putting resources into the early years in our local community, targeting 4-8 year olds and their families. It is informed by the understanding that active, engaged parents have a significant impact on increasing learning and development outcomes for children.

The Bridport LIFT Working Party is made up of staff, parents and community representatives and we are always looking for new faces to volunteer. They meet on the first Thursday of each month and would welcome new volunteers to join them. If you would like to become involved, contact the Working Party coordinator, Maree Grace at the school on 63561226.

Mem Fox is a retired Associate Professor of Literacy Studies (Flinders University, South Australia), and also Australia's most highly regarded picture book author. Her first publication, *Possum Magic*, published thirty four years ago, is the best-selling children's book in Australia.

She has written many other internationally best-selling books for children including *Time for Bed*, *Where is the Green Sheep?* and *Ten Little Fingers and Ten Little Toes*, a copy of which was Australia's official gift to Prince George. Mem has also written several non-fiction books for adults, including her renowned book for parents, *Reading Magic*.

Her books have been translated into nineteen languages. She has received many civic honours and awards, and three honorary doctorates. She lives in Adelaide, but leaps around a bit as an advocate for literacy and literature.

Petrarch's Bookshop set up a display of Mem's books on the night, and the participants were able to purchase some of Mem's titles and have them signed by Mem herself.

SPORTS BILLBOARD

BRIDPORT SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE SEASON

Nipper Season

Sun 26th Nov - Nipper sign-on and Come 'n' Try Day - 11:30am

Sun 7th Jan - 4th Mar - Nipper Training commences 11:30am-1:00pm at Bridport Surf Club, Goftons Beach.

Patrol Season

Dec - Apr - Beach Patrols - 11am - 4pm each Saturday and Sunday at Bridport Surf Club, Goftons Beach.

Bronze Courses

Launceston - Every Tuesday night beginning 31st October over 4 weeks, including Sunday trainings at Bridport SLSC.

Bridport - Every Thursday night at the Bridport SLSC, beginning 2nd November over 4 weeks, including Sunday trainings at Bridport SLSC.

2018 EVENTS

06th Jan - Ocean Swim Series

06th Jan - Bridport Triathlon

26th Jan - Bridport Splash

17th Feb - State Masters Carnival

18th Feb - State Junior/Senior Carnival

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BRIDPORT PRIMARY STUDENT TO REPRESENT TASMANIA IN ADELAIDE



Mariam Hall on the podium, proudly displays her silver medal in the 11 years girls high jump at the All Schools State Athletics Championships in Launceston.

Bridport Primary School student, Mariam Hall, has been selected as a member of the Primary Schools State Team to represent Tasmania at the Pacific School Games 12 & Under Track and Field Championships, to be held in Adelaide from 2nd - 6th December.

Mariam was selected along with 51 other athletes who competed for selection at the All Schools State Athletics Event, at St Leonard's in Launceston at the end of October. At this event, Mariam placed 2nd in the 11 years girls high jump, 4th in shot put, 5th in 100m, 6th in long jump and 6th in 200m, receiving personal best in all her events. Her performance earned her a spot in the team for high jump.

Mariam will travel to Adelaide on the 1st of December where she will spend the week competing alongside some of the best young athletes in the country. We wish her all the best!

TENNIS LESSONS

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BASS STRAIT DRIFTERS MOTORHOME CLUB 15th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

The Bass Strait Drifters Motorhome Club will be celebrating their 15th Birthday on the 17th -19th November on the Bridport Village Green where it was founded.

Any one interested in motorhoming are welcome to come and have a chat with members. The club is part of Auswide which has branches in all states except WA. Rallies are held each month in a different part of the state as well as a National Rally each year, usually on the mainland. However the last one was held in Sheffield in mid October.

Pat Child

Free Publications now available at the Pavilion:

- 2017/18 Your List - East and North Eastern Tasmania list of local and business and community contacts.
- 2017-18 Sea Fishing Guide and Recreational Fish Ruler.

NOTICE BOARD

COAST CARE UPDATE

In October we worked on the removal of agapanthus and rubbish in the Mermaids Pool Area.

For the November working bee will be held on **Sunday the 19th November**. We will be continuing work on weeds and rubbish in the Mermaids Pool area. We will be continuing the removal of agapanthus plants.

Meet at the Mermaids Pool carpark from 9am.

New members are always welcome.

For more information contact John Davey.

John Davey

0419 306 285



BRIDPORT GROUP OF SING AUSTRALIA

On the 10th October, our Bridport Group had the pleasure of welcoming 65 Sing Australia members from all over Australia, who were in Hobart for the annual National Gathering. A different State is chosen each year for this event. These 65 members then toured our State for a week before going back to the mainland. With morning tea and lunch provided for us all at the Bridport Hotel, the walls resounded to 80 voices singing with tremendous joy and enthusiasm. Truly a memorable occasion for us all.

One week later, on the 17th October, Bridport Group hosted the Seniors from the area to celebrate Seniors Week. Much hearty singing was enjoyed by all, and the usual delightful afternoon tea followed with so many friends catching up with one another over a 'cuppa'.

Our group are looking forward to visiting our friends at Aminya on 31st October when we will have yet more singing fun together. We invite anybody to come along and enjoy the music we make and the companionship we have, and to experience the happiness singing together brings. We meet in the Uniting Church, Main St. Bridport each Tuesday from 1pm to 3pm.

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

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WEATHER STATS FOR OCTOBER 2017

Max temp: 25.2 C
on 19/10/17
Min temp: 4 C
on 14/10/17
Rainfall: 37.4 mm

UPDATE FROM THE MEN'S SHED

Only seven weeks until Christmas. Our annual Christmas raffle is on the go again. Members, do you have an hour or two to spare on Thursdays or Saturdays in the coming weeks? 1st prize - \$300 Bridport IGA Voucher. 2nd prize - \$200, 3rd Prize - Timber veggie box, donated by member Malcom Brown.

The fencing project is almost complete at the shed, Peter's boat is nearly ready for the water and the fresh veggies have been great.

A Treasurers course was held in Oatlands by Tasmanian Men's Shed Association for members of sheds holding this position. Congratulations to our own Denise Waters on successfully completing this course.

Denise and George also attended and successfully passed a course for mental health first aiders. This course was organised and run by RAW (Rural Alive and Well). This was a 14 hour course, run over two days in Oatlands... two long days! Once again, congratulations Denise, George (the patient) also passed. Our shed is now very happy to have two accredited mental health first aiders.

Our shed always welcomes new members. Just drop in any Monday morning around 9 or 10am. Ladies meet Thursdays. If the gate is open you will find someone pottering.

George
0428949088.



Denise Waters and George Andrews successfully completed their mental health first aid course run by RAW in Oatlands, recently.

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 11th November 2017.

AN INTERESTING FIND

The North East Field Nats visited Anson's Bay earlier in October. Although it had been very dry, they found ten different species of orchids there and forty five different bird species.

During a wander along the beach at Policeman's Point in the afternoon, an unusual species of red sea algae, called *Sarcothalia radula* was found. As can be seen in the photo below, giant pimply sheets, it's common name, is very descriptive.



Giant Pimply Sheets, found along Policeman's Point.

On the 11th of November, Mike Douglas will lead a walk at the Boobyalla River. Meet at Banca Number 6 Road at 10am.

For detailed instructions, email brooker@vision.net.au or ring 0417 149 244.

DORSET BIKE USERS GROUP (DBGU)

On Sunday 1st October Mike Douglas kindly stood in as leader of the planned ride commencing at the Bay of Fires Winery. Unfortunately Mike and his bike were a lonely sight at the winery car park as no other riders were able to join him. Possibly the day was too windy? Maybe we will try this ride another day?

The next ride is now scheduled for 12th November as the first Sunday in November coincides with the long weekend holiday. Hopefully lunch will be at the Hillwood Strawberry Farm and the later date of the 12th gives more opportunity for the berries to be ready.

This ride is a new one with a very scenic and interesting loop around Windermere on the East Tamar. Please meet at 10:30 for a 10:45 am start at the Car Park for the Windermere Boat Ramp.

There is a 400 metre climb on Los Angeles Road but no pain, no gain, this is followed by a 4 km flowing descent down to Swan Bay. The total distance is only 15 km and it is suitable for road bikes.

Paul Rosevear

UPCOMING BRIDPORT EVENTS

For inclusion on the Bridport Walking Track and Bridport Innovations Facebook pages, all Bridport clubs, organisations, school and business are invited to forward flyers or information about their event - it may be art or craft, music, sport, charity, car shows, markets and festivals.

Enquiries to bridportinnovationsinc@gmail.com or forward your flyer to bridreport@gmail.com



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