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



Is this the most photographed tree in Bridport this year? Many people have stopped to take a photo. From walkers and cyclist to visitors in motor homes. One lady even brought her secateurs and took a bunch home...

EASTER 2018 commences with Good Friday on the 30th March! Look out for the Easter Bunny & all Easter activities happening in & around Bridport! Bridport Innovations & the team at the BridREport would like to wish you & your family a Happy Easter. May this season bring with it new beginnings, new hopes & new joys.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS SUNDAY 1st APRIL 2018

As we say goodbye to Summer with it's long warm sunny days and the cooler shorter days approach we also say goodbye to daylight savings. Don't forget on the 1st April 2018 Daylight Saving Time (DST) ends.

When local daylight time is about to reach Sunday 1st April 2018, **3:00am** clocks are turned **backward** 1 hour to Sunday 1st April 2018, **2:00am** local standard time instead.

Sunrise and sunset will be about 1 hour earlier on 1 Apr 2018 than the day before. There will be more light in the morning.

Daylight Saving Time will start again on the 7th October 2018! And we do it all again!

Did you know that on the 2nd October, 1916, during World War I, Tasmania became the 1st state in Australia to use DST. The rest is history!

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International Women's Day

8th March

International Women's Day is celebrated every year. It commemorates the movement for women's rights.

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

END OF AN ERA - BOM WEATHER STATION

For 22 years now and twice a day, dedicated volunteers have taken the observations at the Bureau of Meteorology's weather station, currently situated at Seaview Village. These observations of not only temperature and rainfall, but wind direction and speed, clouds and humidity would be phoned through to the Bureau, building up an important record of Bridport's weather systems over two decades.

Unfortunately, the difficult decision has been made to cease this valuable service on March 1st as it has been increasingly difficult to recruit volunteers and the dwindling group can no longer cover all the shifts.

Approaches to the BOM to move the station, possibly to Flinders Island Aviation, where Pete Barron has offered that his staff continue the observations, have not met with a satisfactory answer; we can only hope that a solution can be found that sees the service reinstated.

A huge thank you to Margie Milne who has been involved for the whole 22 years, to Lis Booth and Maureen Gatenby who have been more recent co-ordinators and to the many volunteers who did the required training and took the observations over that time, probably unbeknown to most of us. A wonderful contribution to our community!

BRIDPORT PRIMARY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION PRESENTS
LADIES NIGHT
Back by popular demand, get your friends together and come enjoy a night full of laughs.
MOVIE: Bad Moms 2 (MA)
 18+ BYO event
 Platters will be available to purchase
 Friday 23rd march - 7pm
 Bridport School Hall
COST: \$10 per person
 Includes: Entry, raffle ticket & free glass of wine

BAD MOMS 2 - BRIDPORT SCHOOL HALL - 7PM

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THOUSANDS ENJOY BRIDPORT'S END OF SUMMER PARTY

The third End of Summer Party was once again a huge success. After a wet morning the sun came out and drew a record crowd for the event.

With 30 food and wine stalls, lots of free fun activities for the kids and great music from local band The Blackouts and party band Gypsy Rose, the event was enjoyed by many locals, holiday makers and tourists.

The Events group would like to thank all for attending and making it such a success. Special thanks to Mike Watson from Bridport IGA, Dorset Transport, CBA Bank, Chilli FM, Dorset Council and Peter & Ben Abraham from Bridport Electrical. Without the help from these individuals and businesses, we would not be able to make the night happen.

The Events group is made up of seven ladies who love doing what we do for the community but we also must give thanks to our ever helping husbands for their tireless efforts.

It's great to see people enjoy a fun family night out and we look forward to The End of Summer Party in 2019.



The sun shone on yet another successful End of Summer Party

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www.bridportwalkingtrack.com

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★ KIDS SPOT ★

FROM THE BRIDPORT GIRL GUIDES



Bridport Girl Guides are very excited to announce that they have been successful in gaining a Tasmanian Community Fund Grant of \$17,000 for a storage shed & shelter to be built at their Guide House site in Joseph St. (ex Playcentre). It is hoped its construction will commence soon.

Thank you to Jim Wilson for the grant application and the Dorset Council, Jill van den Bosch on behalf of Innovations and Maureen Gatenby for their support letters.

Guide leader Katrina Barnett & youth members Amelia Barnett and Jemima Carins were part of the contingent representing Australia at a Ranger Guide camp for older girls in New Zealand over the summer holidays. They had a wonderful time with some great experiences. They have come back with lots of new activities to share.

Lyn Commene Dorset District Manager, GGT

Nippers end a great season with Club Championships

The end of Summer saw the close of the nipper season at the Bridport SLSC with the annual club championships and presentation day.

Bridport turned on a stunning day for the championships as nippers showed off all their beach and water skills learnt throughout nipper training this Summer.

Kids participated in beach flags, beach sprints, surf swim/wade and board races. Age champions as well as participants were awarded medals for their efforts.

Each child successfully gained their age appropriate surf education award after working really hard during the season participating in valuable surf safety and awareness lessons and completing their skills assessments. A big achievement for all the nippers. Congratulations kids!

A big thank you to the nipper parents, club members, beach patrol teams, age managers, coaches and junior activities coordinators for making the 2017/18 nippers program a great one!

The Junior Surf Sports Team is now gearing up for the Tasmanian Junior Surf Life Saving Championships to be held in Burnie on the 3rd and 4th of March. We wish them all the best.

If you are interested in becoming a nipper next season and would like to find out more contact our Junior Activities Coordinator, Sue on 0407138212.



SPORTS BILLBOARD

Bridport Football Club Presents

SEASON LAUNCH
COCKTAIL PARTY

LIVE BAND, CANAPE'S & ENTERTAINMENT
@ THE BUNKER BAR BRIDPORT
Saturday March 3rd 7pm till late
\$30 per person or \$50 per couple
Some door sales available

Dress: cocktail
Bookings are limited so to reserve your spot contact
launceston@middys.com.au or 0417 163 426 RSVP by March 1st

BRIDPORT FOOTBALL CLUB JUNIORS 2018

This year our focus will be a little different, as we have decided to up the challenge for the kids and compete against other local clubs.

Depending on our numbers and those of the other teams, we anticipate that we will side an under 9s and under 12s team, and competing against the following teams, Scottsdale Crows, Winnaleah/Ringarooma.

Bridport Football Club's NTFA roster starts Saturday 24th March with a home game, we would like all children who wish to play for Bridport to come along and have a practice match between ourselves, as the other North East Junior teams will not have had their teams determined by this date.

We will begin training Thursday 22nd March starting at 4pm, with the practice match on the Saturday 24th March, starting at 10am.

We look forward to a positive 2018 season.

Chris Burke

FROM THE BRIDPORT NETBALL CLUB

Following our AGM our committee and coaches have been finalised and we are raring to go for season 2018 which starts on the 7th April.

Committee:

President-Karen Milne

Vice President-Jaculyn Williams

Secretary-Leanne Martello

Treasurer-Kristen Moore

Roster Convenor-Emma Watts

Public Officer-Carol Stingel

Coaches:

B Grade - Celeste Abraham

C Grade - Emma Watts

U/16 - Carol Stingel

U/12 - Rebecca Bishop

Training for B and C Grade and U/16 will commence on Thursday 1st March at 6:00pm at the netball courts, We invite all interested persons to attend.

Training for U/12 will commence on Wed 7th March at 3:15 at the netball courts.

This year the divisions have had a change around. Replacing the old number division system, we have gone back to Letter divisions.

Divisions are:

A Grade - played on a Tuesday night at Scottsdale ,
Bridport does not have a team in this Grade.

B Grade - Saturdays @ 1:30pm

C Grade - Saturdays @ 12:15pm

U/16 - Saturdays @ 11:00am

U/12 - Saturdays @ 10:00am

If you are interested in playing and need further information please phone Karen Milne on 0419306621.

We had great fun at the End Of Summer Party! A big thank you to all our helpers and those who supported our stall. We hope you enjoyed.



MAIN STREET, BRIDPORT PROPOSED SPEED LIMIT CHANGE

Council intends to reduce the speed zone in Main Street, Bridport in preparation for the expected increase in traffic flows associated with the new western access.

The existing 50 km/hr zone will be extended from South Street to west of Maxwell Street, and will generally improve the safety for residents and pedestrians particularly in the area between the Bridport Golf Club entrance and Walter Street.

A plan of the extension is shown below or a PDF version can be downloaded from our website <https://www.dorset.tas.gov.au/news/2018/02/17/main-street-bridport-proposed-speed-zone-change/>



Bridport Primary School Association Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 27th March 2018, start 6:00pm
To be held in the Staff Room
Bridport Primary School,
Phone 63561226

All are welcome!
Followed by committee meeting

NOTICE BOARD

COAST CARE UPDATE

In February we worked on the removal of thistles in the wetland behind Adams Beach.

The March working bee will be held on Sunday the 18th. We will continue the removal of thistles and rubbish in the wetland behind Adams Beach.

Meet at Granite Point car park or at the wetland from 9am.

New members are always welcome.

For more information contact:

John Davey.
Ph 0419306285



BRIDPORT GROUP OF SING AUSTRALIA

Sing Australia /Bridport is well in the swing of the new year activities. Our first "gig" for the year involved singing at the North East Soldiers Memorial Hospital Fete in Scottsdale.

We will be having a special celebration for 'Sing Australia Day' in April. More about that in the April issue.

In the coming weeks we will be preparing for Anzac Day which is always so 'special' to us all. This is a great time to come along and 'try' Sing Australia and experience the joy of singing, and the companionship which we all know and love.

We meet each Tuesday between 1pm and 3pm at the Uniting Church, Main Street, Bridport.

We welcome anyone who enjoys singing songs of any genre.

Leader--Wanda Campbell. Phone--63 522 885
Co-leader- Helen Watts. Phone-0403030584
Conductor-- Judith Robbers. Mob. 0427 601 352.
Enquiries are always welcome.

BRIDPORT TASMANIA SUNDAY 5 AUGUST 2018

TASSIE SCALLOP FIESTA



WEATHER STATS FOR FEBRUARY 2018

Max temp: 30 C
on 9/02/18
Min temp: 10 C
on 20 & 25/02/18
Rainfall: 30.7 mm
over 5 days

UPDATE FROM THE MEN'S SHED

Ladies day has now been changed to Fridays from 10am. For more information please contact Denise on 0407739718 or George on 0428949088. If possible a male member of the ladies choice can be available to show and advise. So come along and get a project going.

Meeting day is every 3rd Monday at 10am, followed by a light lunch for those attending. Last time it was curried sausages with veggies from our garden. Yum! Next meeting will be a barbecue. Members will choose what will be on the menu. Scottsdale Men's Shed are invited from 11am on our next day.

Our March meeting is on the 19th March. RSVP for lunch is the 14th. Cost is the usual \$2 for the day. The office will be moved from the kitchen to its new space before the day. Shed hours are Monday to Friday from 10am.

Recent high winds flattened some of the garden especially our 8ft high corn and the beans. Some things are still okay while some of the tomatoes have been huge with one weighing in at over 500gms.

We had a lovely visit from Sarah Courtney and Simon Wood. A \$200 donation was received for tools from which 2 small angle grinders and a set of drill bits were purchased. Thank you.

Thats all until next time,
George
0428949088.

BRIDPORT PRIMARY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Easter Raffle

First Prize: Crayfish

Second Prize: Easter Hamper

Third Prize: Hot cross buns & Chocolates

Tickets: \$2.00

Drawn: 28th March 2018

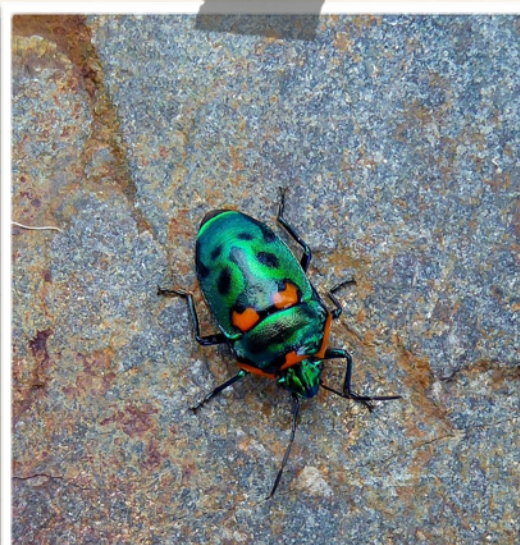


The North East Field Naturalist Club welcomes newcomers interested in the environment.

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

The March outing is on the
10th March on the banks of the Scamander River.

The February outing was planned so that river levels would be low. Thirteen people did a wade/walk along three kilometres of Constable Creek to a small waterfall behind St. Helens. Along the way there was the usual riverine vegetation but one thing that really stood out for our photographer [Jay Wilson] was this Jewel bug, *Scutiphora pedicellata*.



Jewel Bug- a delightfully coloured beetle. Have you seen any examples in your area?

In March, the group will again head to the east coast, where, under the guidance of Scamander resident and UTAS Geography Tutor, Leise Fearman the River's catchment characteristics will be studied. The meeting place is on the banks of the Scamander River on the south side of the bridge on the Tasman Highway - 10am.

For general information about joining or if you are a first time attendee please contact Lou Brooker on 0417149244

Dorset Polling Places | Saturday 3 March

The Tasmanian Electoral Commission has released its polling place locations. The following are locations within Dorset:

Branxholm Community Hall, Stoke Street
Bridport Hall, Main Street
Derby Town Hall, Cnr Main & Krushka Streets
Gladstone Hall, Carr Street
Ringarooma Hall, Charles Street
Scottsdale - St Barnabas' Church, 55 King Street
Winnaleah Memorial Hall, Main Street

For polling place locations around Bass, or other divisions take a look at the TEC website www.tec.tas.gov.au

DORSET BIKE USERS GROUP (DBUG)

The ride on the 4th of February from Bridport along the Waterhouse Road attracted three riders with guests making a total of six for lunch at the Bridport Café.

The March ride is now on Sunday 11th March to coincide with Bike Week in Tasmania. The Tamar Bicycle Users Group (TBUG) have organised a joint Rail Trail ride meeting at the old Scottsdale Railway Station at 10:00 am. The length of the ride is flexible depending on your individual preferences. Options may include the full distance from Scottsdale to the Billycock and return; maybe downhill one way from the Billycock back to Scottsdale; maybe from Scottsdale to Tonganah and return?

Mountain bikes and hybrids only. Lunch will be at the Scottsdale Art Gallery Café at 12:00 noon.

Paul Rosevear

DORSET COUNCIL

Scottsdale Pool Party

Friday 2nd March 2018

Free Entry 4pm - 8pm

Give-a-ways

Zorb Balls

Free BBQ

Fun Pool Games

TasWater has lifted the Stage One Water restrictions

Water restrictions were put in place for Bridport in December to reduce non-essential water use over the busy summer holiday period.

“We appreciate the efforts of the Bridport community in conserving water over this dry and hot summer period. We still encourage all Tasmanians to save each drop and continue to adopt habits for more sustainable water use, particularly during the hot weather. It’s important to keep these water saving habits in mind even after water restrictions have been lifted,” said Juliet Mercer, General Manager Corporate and Community Relations.

Water saving tips and videos can be found at www.saveeachdrop.com.au

The Bridport Stage One restrictions were put in place to conserve the water supply in anticipation of the influx of summer holiday visitors as well as in response to a particularly dry winter and autumn.

Although higher than median temperatures are expected in February, this is expected to be coupled with higher than normal median rainfall. In light of these forecasts, TasWater has proceeded with lifting the restrictions as scheduled.

“We appreciate our customers doing their bit to help our water supplies go the distance this summer.” Ms Mercer said.

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