

BRIDREPORT

Fiesta provides beacon for celebration

Despite the uncertainty surrounding organised events during a pandemic, the Tassie Scallop Fiesta will provide a point of celebration this month, and people looking for reasons to celebrate are getting behind it.

Tickets have sold out for the Mariners' Muse story telling session but there are still limited supplies for the launch party at the Bridport Football Clubrooms on Wednesday 19 August.

There'll be some mellow tunes from multi instrumentalist Eliot McCann to accompany a mini fashion design exhibition, some delectable finger food from the Bridport Cafe and fine wine from Tamar Ridge.

There'll also be a lucky door prize of an overseas trip courtesy of Flinders Island Aviation and people could share the first ride in the new lift to the community function room.

Tickets for all Fringe and Fiesta events, like the wine master classes and chef demonstrations, must be bought on line in advance.

There can be no door or gate sales and no refunds on tickets.

With COVID 19 restrictions on dancing and mingling at close quarters, Fiesta goers are being encouraged to bring their own camp or directors' chairs as provided seating will be limited. As it is a winter event be prepared for the whatever the weather has on offer for the day.

An added attraction of a growers/makers market will be held in the marquee on the Village Green on Saturday 22 August.

Local businesses and organisations are joining in the spirit of Fiesta with special events during the week, including the Bridport Surf Club's Brave winter swim on Fiesta morning.



Rupert and Hound chefs Chris Williams and Paige Anning will be cooking for patrons at the middle session on the demonstrations stage at this year's Fiesta.

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<https://www.tassiescallopfiesta.com.au/>

CWA Bridport Branch



Market Saturday 1 August

The month of July has been a busy one for CWA Bridport Branch. The month began with our AGM on July 5th. Congratulations to the new committee as follows:

CWA Bridport Branch Committee	
President:	Libby Richardson
Vice Pres:	Leesa Greenacre
Secretary:	Leonie Johnston
Treasurer:	Jean Targett

Ruth Quinn took on the role of coordinating our 'Baby Boxes' program where members contribute hand crafted items for new babies in our Village. The monthly meeting for July saw everyone briefed on the progress and updated plans for getting the CWA Hall renovated and useable again. This has been a slow process, but we can report a lot of behind the scenes work is currently being done in readiness for building work to commence in September.

Momentum continued throughout July with a working bee to clear and sort items in the CWA Hall and make a few trips to the tip and tip shop. August will begin with the return of our CWA monthly market on Saturday August 1st. This market will be an opportunity to learn and adapt to the new norm of following COVID 19 precautions for stall holders and market patrons.

We are very much looking forward to seeing everyone at our CWA Bridport Branch Market this Saturday and appreciate your ongoing support.

Bridport Telephone Book - Tell your friends!



Bridport Lions Club Inc is publishing an updated local telephone book on **1st November 2020**.

Information from the 2015 book is being reviewing with a view to a reprint with details to include mobile phone numbers if required. A copy of the previous edition is available at the Pavilion thanks to Bridport Innovations Inc.

Check your details and correct, update or add any new ones. Another Lions Community Project.

Email: Bridportlionstasmania@gmail.com

Cut out and return to Maureen Gatenby 0498844211, any Lions member or Bridport Pavilion 10 am - 2 pm daily

Bridport Telephone Book 2020

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Junior "Get into Golf"

On Tuesday 7th July in perfect weather, the Bridport Golf Club conducted a free "Get into Golf" day for juniors.

The co-ordinators, Mandy Hall, Lindy Lockhart and Helen Davies were thrilled with a turnout of 16 children.

Assisted by Bev Hanlon, June Atkinson and a couple of the parents, the children were sorted into groups to participate in three activities -

- A 6 hole competition for the older boys and a 3 hole competition for the remainder.
- Chipping Challenge
- Putting Competition

All the attendees enjoyed a lunch of pizza, sausage rolls, cream puffs and fruit.

The winning boy was Leigh Holmes and winning girl was Amelia Toogood.

As a result of all the work put into junior golf by Mandy, Lindy and Helen, we have now had 3 of the boys joining the club as well as 3 of the parents.



Bridport Golf Club

Golf News for Juniors

Mondays After School @ the Club in Term 3

Come & Try sessions and practice.

3.15 pm - 4.30 pm.

Contact Mandy Hall on 0438 552 224 for further information.

"Get into Golf"

Come and try sessions for Women and Girls

Sundays @ 10.00 am

Please register for events @ www.mygolf.org.au



The first event on the 2020 Bridport Surf Life Saving Club calendar is the inaugural **Bridport Brave Winter Swim** on the 23rd of August at 6:48 am.

A Dark Mofo inspired swim or plunge at Goftons Beach suitable for all ages and abilities. We will have fire pits stoked and the canteen will be open for delicious bacon and egg rolls and scallop kebabs.

Our good friends from the Bridport Café will have their coffee van set up at the club for all your hot drink needs. Its sure to be a great event that will leave you energised and revitalised.

A free event hosted by the **Bridport Surf Life Saving Club** and sponsored by **Coxen Financial Planning**

Bridport Surf Life Saving Club



Planning has commenced for the Musselroe Wind Farm

The Bridport Surf Life Saving Club is pleased to announce a new committee for the 2020/21 season.

BSLSC Committee	
President:	Anita Howard
Vice President 1:	Jim Dennis
Vice President 2:	Andrew Arnold
Secretary:	Mick Howard
Treasurer:	Rebecca Page
General Committee:	Ben Coxen, Kellie Arnold, Travis Dawe, Paul Hawkins, Nathan Johnston

The committee is busy planning for a big 2020/21 season.

Bridport 10+ Fun Run

Subject to approvals, the fun run will be held on:

Sunday October 25 2020

This year, the Bridport Surf Life Saving Club will host the event with assistance on the day from the wonderful Bridport community volunteers and Bridport Innovations.

The event will be conducted in accordance with the Australian Institute of Sports Framework for Rebooting Sport in a COVID 19 Environment and in line with current public health guidelines. It is a great opportunity for those that have recently taken up running and walking due to gym closures to get out on the trails with friends and enjoy their new found fitness. Whether you walk, shuffle or run the track we'd love to see you out on the trail on the 25th.

A big thanks to Bridport Innovations for the amazing job they have done hosting the event in previous years – the surf club certainly has big shoes to fill!

North East Tasmanian Field Naturalists Club Inc.

When Jay Wilson read this headline in an ABC news article, it rang a bell for him. The headline said **Living stump discovered in New Zealand's kauri forest suggests trees share water**. He remembered hearing from Forester Peter Duckworth about some living stumps in the Forestry Plantation at Springfield, and that was how the North East Field Naturalists set out to research, re-discover and count and measure those living stumps. They counted a staggering 120.

As the headline suggests the kauri has been observed to exhibit this phenomenon but over 150 woody angio- and gymnosperm species world-wide have been reported as well. At Springfield, the stumps are of Douglas Fir and remain there after a thinning operation some 40 to 50 years ago.

Normally, a tree cut down that long ago would have rotted and left no trace by now, but these stumps stayed alive. With an average diameter [yes we measured them all] of 350mm. Researchers have found that roots from two trees which grow across each other and fuse together in a process called natural root grafting, enable the trees to be interconnected under the ground and thus share and exchange water, carbon, mineral nutrients, and microorganisms between individuals.

It appears that this site at Springfield may contain among the most numerous living stumps and also the oldest examples of living stumps known.

Next month, the group will hold their AGM, where the topic for the guest speaker will be Bryophytes [mosses]. See the website www.netasfieldnats.com.au for detailed information.

More information? 0417 149 244



Forty year old living stump

Article and
photos by
Lou Brooker



Field Nats at Springfield amongst the
Douglas Fir

Bridport Girl Guides

Bridport Girl Guides returned to face to face meetings last Tuesday. The girls were very happy to get back and it was noticeable that they had all grown so much in our time away.



The Puggle guides worked on decorating their calico guide bags and were preparing for the Promise Ceremony to be held soon. Guide group brain stormed what they would like included in their program for the rest of the year and enjoyed games. The Ranger Guides put on their coats, beanies and head torches and enjoyed a scavenger hunt around Bridport in the dark.

We are all looking forward to a Promise Ceremony for the new guides and a celebration of our return to guides in person, followed by a sausage sizzle and campfire at the Guide House in a couple of weeks. Hopefully you may hear some wonderful voices wafting through the night air on Tuesday August 4th until about 8 pm.

We would like to thank IGA Scottsdale and Bridport Post Office for supporting us in our isolation time enabling us to continue guiding.

Lyn Commene

Dorset District Manager GGT



North East Tasmanian Field Naturalists Club Inc.

AGM

Tuesday 11 August 2020 @ 11.00 am

20 Edward Street, Bridport

Outing to Paradise Plains to look at mosses the next day.

Details on website www.netasfieldnats.com.au

Bridport Textile Group

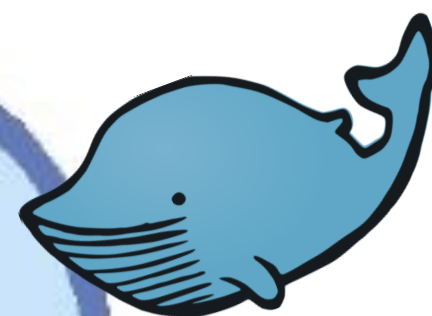
The Bridport Textile group is now happily back meeting at the Hall every Tuesday from 10.00 am until 2.00 pm. Many members knitted woollen squares for the ABC blanket drive and now it's over will be anxiously looking for another project to keep their hands busy!

If you knit, embroider, crochet, quilt or are interested in any textile activity, pop into Bridport Hall and say hello!



Jenny Millwood and
Judith Murray

Walking to Whale Rock



It's an ill wind that blows no good. Covid-19 provides a good example of this old adage, with droves of people out and about walking and cycling. Bridport's dogs can't believe their luck.

For local bushwalking the Mt Cameron range near Gladstone is hard to beat. With the Waterhouse road now sealed all the way, the range is an easy drive from Bridport.

An interesting bush walk of only moderate difficulty is to whale rock situated on the slopes of the south west peak. This is on the conical peak on the southern end of the range, whereas Mt Cameron itself is towards the northern extremity. Both are visible from Bridport.

Whale rock, height about five metres, is one of many quirky rock formations on the range. This access track takes off from the field study centre road just over one kilometre from its junction with the old port road.

The walk (two hours return) traverses eucalypt woodland, then passes through a sculpture park of seemingly carved granitoid figures.

Whale rock is at the base of a gigantic rock slab that rises up towards the summit of the southwest peak. Reaching the summit involves ascending the slab and weaving through the upper cliffs. This is mountain goat territory, unsuitable for those with no head for heights.

More details are in the publication "Mt Cameron walks" available at the pavilion and the art gallery in Scottsdale.

By Mike Douglas



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HMHS Bunker

Thursday 20th August

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Bridport Community Hall Stage

A letter recently from Bridport Innovations to the Dorset Council requesting they consider purchasing a portable stage for community use, received a prompt and pleasing response, with the Council agreeing to the purchase.

The initial need is for the Tassie Scallop Fiesta later in August, but the indoor/outdoor stage will be stored in the Bridport Hall and be available to sporting, community groups and other groups. The pre-existing stage was heavy, cumbersome and had caused damage to the Hall floor when being maneuvered. The replacement will be portable, modular and lightweight with steps and a handrail which can be fitted if required.

Bridport is building up a reputation for vibrant and exciting community events so, as Mayor Greg Howard said, the stage will open up even more event opportunities for our The Village by the Sea.

We will look forward to them!



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Coming Home during a Pandemic

Local girl Georgie (nee Newman) has shared her experience returning to the North East during very challenging times.

She grew up in and was educated in Scottsdale. After several years living interstate and raising two children, and having a plan to eventually return to Tasmania this year for family reasons, she decided with her husband Michael to bring forward their relocation as Covid-19 restrictions came into play.

They were permitted at the time as per government regulations to quarantine at their family shack, previously her grandmother’s place in Bridport. They had regular compliance visits from the Defence Force and Tasmania Police who made the process very non-stressful. The family was lucky to have a house with lovely bay views and fenced to accommodate children's’ play equipment and pets.

Michael now commutes to Launceston for work and Georgie, as a teacher, was initially working remotely home-schooling Edith and Alfie. They are now attending Bridport Primary School. Georgie has joined Bridport Play Group with new baby Harriet who arrived not long after the family came to Bridport.

Now that restrictions have eased, they have been enjoying swimming - yes - in wet suits, kayaking and are all looking forward to joining the Bridport Surf Life Saving Club.

A warm welcome to you all.



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- Where to go for help

11 August 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm



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- What to look out for

10 August 11:30 am – 12:30 pm



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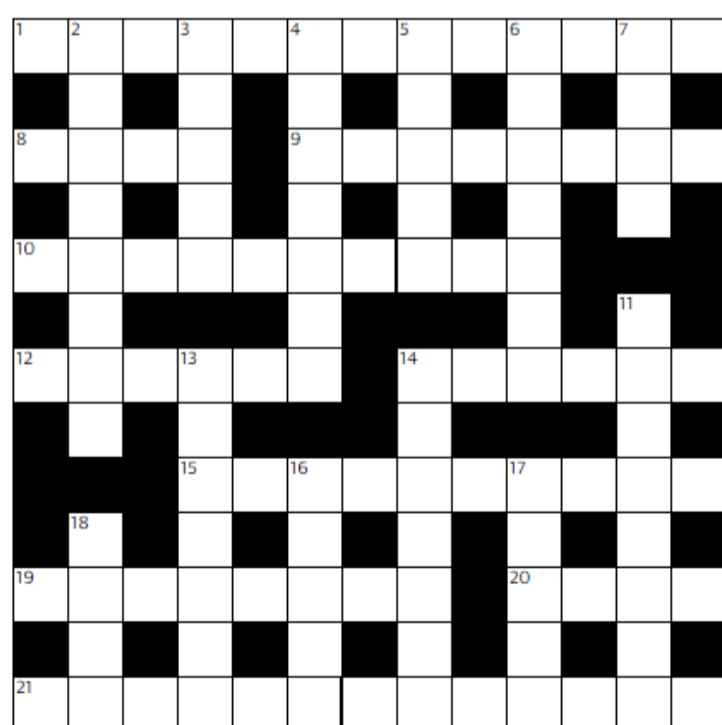
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Across

- 1 Forethought (13)
- 8 Wide smile (4)
- 9 Shared (8)
- 10 Eradicated (7,3)
- 12 Failing in one's duty (6)
- 14 Tasting like vinegar (6)
- 15 One who dispenses medicines (10)
- 19 Continuous (8)
- 20 Fat and flour mixture, cooked and used to make sauces (4)
- 21 Go a well-lit way (anag) – species of bird (6,7)

Down

- 2 Things seldom encountered (8)
- 3 Musical note (5)
- 4 Titled lady (7)
- 5 Musical speed (5)
- 6 Person with legal ownership of property to be used solely for specified purposes (7)
- 7 Kind of exam (4)
- 11 24th American state to join the Union, 1821 (8)
- 13 Endanger (7)
- 14 Former Soviet republic of south-east Europe, capital Yerevan (7)
- 16 Wonky (5)
- 17 Unit of weight for gems (5)
- 18 Formerly (4)

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