

BRIDREPORT

TasWater at Bridport Innovations meeting

In conjunction with its AGM, Bridport Innovations recently welcomed TasWater's Community and Stakeholder Engagement officer, Imbi Josey, together with Senior Stakeholder Engagement officer, Eleanor Talbot.



A considerable list of Bridport water issues was discussed ranging from summer water shortages, to water pressure, and discolouration. Similarly waste water came in for scrutiny including odour issues, and the less than desirable final discharge into Anderson Bay.

While it might seem that these problems have been around for many years, it was heartening to hear that a solution to the summer restrictions is back on TasWater's capital works program for 2022-2026. At least four options were investigated even including a desalination plant, but a pipeline from Scottsdale is the favoured option to supplement Bridport's summer water supply. It is understood there is adequate capacity at the Scottsdale treatment plant to handle additional load, together with a better quality and more reliable water supply.

In regard to wastewater discharge, spokesperson Eleanor Talbot explained that works had been carried out at the Bridport sewerage treatment plant, such as improving aeration capacity leading to better effluent discharge quality. Solutions other than an ultimate discharge to Anderson Bay are difficult but TasWater is happy to engage with appropriate landholders to investigate greater re-use options.

Bridport Innovations chairperson Jill Van den Bosch thanked TasWater's representatives for the authority's responsiveness to odour complaints especially around Old Pier beach. Residents are always encouraged to contact TasWater whenever such problems of odour or discolouration arise.

Len Gillett
Bridport Innovations

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Saturday, March 6th 2021

9am - 12:30pm

(Followed by Easter Market on

Saturday, April 3rd, 2021)

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Leesa: 0428 661 612

Facebook: Bridport Village Market



North East Tasmanian Field Naturalists Club Inc.

It was the first outing for the year when a group of North East Field Nats bravely tackled Ben Nevis. This mountain is 1,368 metres above sea level and is considered part of the North East Highlands. It is accessible from the Ben Ridge Road which runs East West between Diddleum Road in the west and Mathinna Plains Road in the East. Then Telopea Road, which runs north south. The mountain can't be seen as one is driving towards it, but it can be seen more from a distance; for example it is visible near the Ledgerwood turnoff. The picture accompanying this piece was taken from Paradise Plains, about 15km away.

A drive of one kilometre off Telopea Road to the start of the walking track almost required snorkels for the track was awash with water draining off the mountain-side. The highlands had received 50mm of rain the night before. As the walkers prepared for the trek, they noticed how eager the leeches were to greet them.

Field Nats had been warned of the steepness of the track and it had been graded 'hard' by leader Mike Douglas. The walk was so steep you might have called it a climb, up through dense scrub until the scree was reached, then across the plateau on a track marked by rock cairns to a trig point at the summit. The vegetation across to the summit consisted of the scratchy Richea scoparia, pineapple grass and mountain rocket. There were 360 degree views from the summit where Bass Strait and Flinders Island, Mt. Victoria, Mount Barrow, Ben Lomond and Mount Arthur could be seen. A suitable reward.

Check the website netasfieldnats.com.au for information about the next outing on March 13.

Text and Ben Nevis photo by Lou Brooker



Mountain gentian photo by Ross Coad

Bridport Girl Guides



Bridport Girl Guides have commenced a new year welcoming 12 new girls. Unfortunately we have lost three mainly due to schooling in Launceston making logistics of getting to Guides difficult. Last weekend we had a working bee at the Guide house and although it was only supported by a few the house is looking much neater. Thank you to those who did come along.

We also celebrated our founders, Lord and Lady Baden Powell's birthdays with Thinking Day which is a day when Scouts and Guides around the world all think of each other. The theme this year is Peace; which is very apt as Girl Guides and Scouts around the world have been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize, which is a huge achievement.

Bridport Girl Guides are also very excited as they will be hosting the tri annual state camp Quambatook for guides over 10 years old. We are expecting to attract approximately 120 girls and 20 leaders to our beautiful town. The Bridport Football Club is generously allowing us to use their facilities for our camp site. Letters have been sent to community groups hoping they may be able to help with activities in some way. If anyone has any skills and would like to share them with us please don't be shy!

Lyn Commane 0409561642

Dorset District Manager GGT



Bridport Community Bowls

Bridport Bowls club had their final evening for community bowls on 18 February. With one game followed by socializing and presentations.

We had 14 teams playing over 7 weeks with a number of 1st time players who showed a lot of improvement over the season.

The club is following up with some coaching for those who wish to learn more about the game.

Of course the winners are the gridders, and for this year they are team "4th Time Lucky" team consisting of Gary and Kaye Thorp and Darryl Hawksworth. Runner up were team "Bam Bam" consisting of Andrew and Marie Bauld and Barry Apted.



Winning team: Gary and Kaye Thorp and Darryl Hawksworth



CWA Bridport Hall Renovations

Approval was received from Dorset Council on 29th January – for Building, Plumbing and Compliance for our Bridport Hall Renovations. Our Builder (Nigel Thomson) commenced work the first week in February. We are using local subcontractors for electrical work, plumbing, painting and bricklaying. Work is progressing smoothly on the Toilet Block with excavations, footings, foundations, flooring and framing completed. The external cladding, plaster and bathroom fixtures and fittings will be completed this week.

We have included an internal storage area in the passage connecting the Toilet Block to the Main Hall as well as an external storage area in the foundations with an external access door.

North East Glass have supplied windows and sliding doors and vinyl for the toilet block has also been supplied by a local North East Business – Leading Appliances.

Prior to 2021 the Electrical Switchboard at our CWA Building was upgraded, and we had two Heat Pumps installed. We have also had a large glass sliding door installed in the entrance foyer.

CWA Market – Saturday, 6th March from 9.00 am – 12.30 pm

This Saturday we have our Bridport Village Niche Market in the Bridport Community Hall, specializing in Handmade, Grown & Baked goods with over 30 stallholders in attendance. We also have a Car Boot Sale on the Village Green and welcome interested patrons to contact Viv to book a spot – a great opportunity to convert your Trash N' Treasure into cash!

Bridport Village Market - Contact details to book a site or for more information

Email: bridportvillagemarket@gmail.com Facebook: Bridport Village Market

2021 Co-Ordinator – Viv mob: 0457 622 221 or Leesa mob: 0428 661 612

A huge thank you to all our North East Community for your ongoing support of our Bridport Village Niche Markets – a great opportunity to showcase local produce, handcraft and baked goods in Bridport.

Building progress on CWA Bridport
Hall renovations
3 March 2021

Article and photos by
Leonie Johnston



A Local Waterfall by Mike Douglas

It was a good summer for waterfalls. Just up the road from Bridport, at Mt. Cameron, we have our own little gem hidden in bushland and seldom visited.

Deep Creek Falls (an unofficial name) is situated on Galloway Creek which flows down the northern slopes of the range to the Ringarooma River. Deep Creek was a former name for this stream.

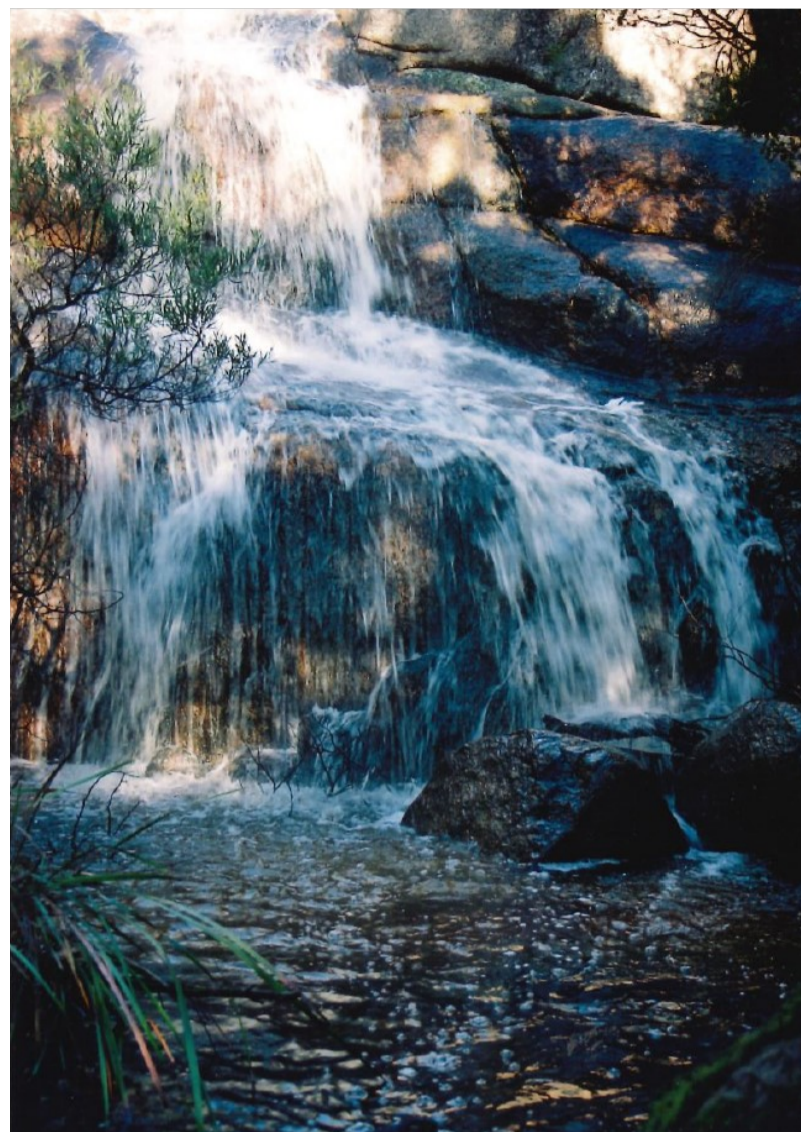
Getting there involves an easy three kilometre walk along the Western Deviation, a disused water race constructed in the 1920s as an offshoot from the Mt. Cameron Water Race.

The Western Deviation crossed the stream just downstream from the falls, via a flume on a trestle bridge—long since gone although the stone abutments remain.

Back in the 1880s, a seemingly odd name used by tin miners for this stream was Home Rule Creek. This reflected British politics in which home rule for Ireland was a huge issue, with the unsuccessful push led by the prime minister, W.E. Gladstone.

Details of the walk are in the publications 'The Water Race Walk' and 'Mt. Cameron Walks', both available at the Pavilion.

Deep Creek Falls after
winter rains



Mobile Dental Program

Who

The Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS), Mobile Dental Care program is planning to deliver our first outreach mobile dental clinic within the Scottsdale community. The mobile dental service is a free service to community members, both children and adults.

What

The RFDS Tasmania Mobile Dental Program will provide preventative and restorative services free of charge to community members on an appointment basis.

Where

The mobile dental vehicle will be located at the Scottsdale Recreation grounds and providing services from 8.30 am to 4.30 pm for a two week period.

When

Dates the service will operate are Tuesday 6 April to Thursday 8 April from 8.30 am – 4.30 pm and Monday 12 April to Thursday 15 April 8.30 am – 4.30 pm.

Why

RFDS Tasmania would like to introduce our mobile dental facility to the community and provide a free service to community members to address any dental concerns residents may have. We are hoping to have a successful first visit in April with a return visit planned for the July school holidays, if not before.

To organise an appointment or to find out more details about the dental program you can contact the program manager, Nicole Henty on nicole.henty@rfdstas.org.au or 03 6779 1480





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March 15 2021	
Scottsdale Football Club 7.00 - 9.30 am Free Breakfast	Bridport Football Club 6.00 pm Free dinner
March 16 2021	
"Mt Elle" 536 Nunns Rd Mount Hicks 11.30 am - 1.30 pm Free lunch	Deloraine Football Club Racecourse Dr Deloraine 6.30 - 9.30 pm Free dinner
March 17 2021	
Forth Football Club Main Rd Forth 11 am - 1.30 pm Free lunch	The Blackberry Inn 632 Black Line Rd Forest 5.30 pm Free dinner
March 18 2021	
Rowella Hall Rowella Rd Rowella Men 7.00 - 9.00 am Free breakfast Women 9.00 - 11.00am Free morning tea	Oatlands Golf Club 94 Bettington Rd Oatlands 4.00 - 7.00 pm Free afternoon tea

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Monday 15 March, 1.30 to 2.30 pm

Scottsdale Library

Come along and learn about Libraries Tasmania's eBooks, eAudiobooks and children's stories in video format.



Library Activity Bookings

Due to COVID-19 restrictions it is essential that all library activities are booked via **Eventbrite.com.au** as numbers are limited



ANZAC DAY

Bridport RSL Sub-Branch wish to advise there will be an ANZAC DAY ceremony



What form it will be and what limitations will be placed on us will not be advised until April's Bridreport

Bridport Lions Club

Save the date!

Fireworks

Saturday May 29

Details to come next month



Thanks to those who regularly contribute and please continue!

To anyone considering sending in stories, images, events—future and wrap up of past ones, club information, interesting tidbits etc. please give it a go. Anything big or small is welcome as community contribution is what keeps the Bridreport going.

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The Bridport Combined Probus



History: The first Probus Clubs in the South Pacific were formed in New Zealand's Kapiti - and, in Australia in 1976.

Bridport Probus held it's first meeting at 10.00 am October 2, 1991 with 60 founding members. At this meeting it was decided that from next meeting on it would be called the Bridport Combined Probus Club. Meetings would be held every 4th Friday of the month. By January 24, 1992 membership had exceeded the cap of 60 members.

Today we have 46 members. Probus still runs every 4th Friday (not last Friday) of the month at the Bunker. We run with a committee of 11 including the following:

President: Bobbie White

Vice President: Helen Schuurin

Secretary: Pam Laird (also Helen is a great stand-in whilst Pam is recovering from breast cancer).

Treasurer: Maureen Gatenby (who has never let an illness or accident stop her from performing her duties).

Club service: Keith Viney and Bruce Bensemman. Pat Child is our Historian and acting Welfare Officer, whilst Margaret Smith looks after our membership. Simon Hirst not only prepares our monthly newsletter, he organises guest speakers.

When you come into contact with these local Probians please enquire about joining this enthusiastic, interesting - albeit aging club.

Outside ventures include bus trips, excursions, and visits. At every meeting members are encouraged to give a brief (thumb-nail) chat about life, trips, interests, and of course, jokes and funny incidences.

Probus meetings include a wonderful morning tea provided by Dion and Diane of the Bunker.

Probus stands for

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COVID19 has not dulled our enthusiasm.

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Bobbie White
President



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JUNIOR FOOTBALL

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Please contact us by Sunday 21st February via facebook or call:
 Cara - 0407 561 572
 Kristy - 0407 132 142

We ask that if your child/ren are interested in playing you also notify us on the above

please note lack of interest shown could stop junior football going ahead at our club for 2021



Welcome Back BBQ

March 13, 12:00 pm

Come along to a family friendly afternoon and watch the Bridport senior boys put their training to the test as they take on the Motton Preston Football club!

Bar and BBQ will be open from 12:30 pm, so grab the kids and come along for a relaxing and enjoyable afternoon of local footy.



My Autumn Sensory Poem

In the Autumn I see..

In the Autumn I hear..

In the Autumn I taste..


In the Autumn I smell..

In the Autumn I feel..

February's Crossword answers

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Daylight Saving for 2021 ends at 2am (3am Daylight Saving Time) on the **first Sunday in April** when clocks are put back one hour.



This will be **Easter - Sunday, 4 April**

Quick crossword - Free from theguardian.com



- | Across | Down |
|---|---|
| 1 Lowest possible level (4,6) | 1 Loud and rough (5) |
| 7 Harry Potter author (7) | 2 Gambling token (4) |
| 8 Trimmed – peeled (5) | 3 Away with you! (6) |
| 10 River over which Charon carried dead souls (4) | 4 First-rate (3-5) |
| 11 Exceptional (8) | 5 Rower (7) |
| 13 Best ever performance (6) | 6 Forbidden (10) |
| 15 Pleasant smells (6) | 9 Salted and strongly flavoured cheese (6,4) |
| 17 Snow storm (8) | 12 Person from Phoenix? (8) |
| 18 Trounce (4) | 14 The Windy City (7) |
| 21 Exhaust (5) | 16 Investigator looking for missing person(s) (6) |
| 22 Large Arctic deer (7) | 19 Flowing outer garments (5) |
| 23 Officials who once made public announcements (4,6) | 20 Faithful (4) |

Crossword answers in April's Bridreport

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