

BRIDREPORT

PAVILION NEWS

Uptake of the Electric Vehicle Charge Station is growing as users find it on plugshare.com and word of mouth. Hopefully, as confidence returns to interstate travellers, we will see more by the end of the year.

Visitor numbers have been great for March, golfers, grey nomads, mountain bikers, and intrastate couples on short breaks. The previously marked disabled parking site has been moved closer to the toilets.

We are getting low on pre-loved books, drop in 10-4 daily, they are much appreciated. Also clean jars for relish supplier.

Bunny booties are available for a lovely Easter baby gift. New supplies of Flinders Island Omega products and local Tassie woodcraft.



Please note - we are closed Good Friday

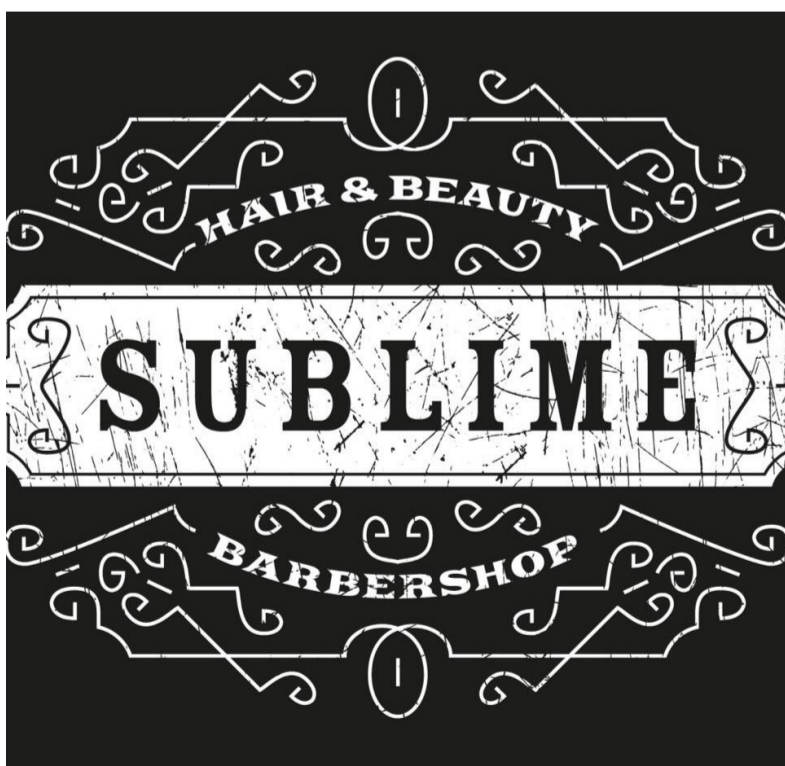


Daylight Saving for 2021 ends at 2am (3am Daylight Saving Time) on the **first Sunday in April** when clocks are put back one hour.

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



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North East Tasmanian Field Naturalists Club Inc.

There are many similarities between the coastal plants of northern Tasmania and those seen on Flinders Island. The islands of the Furneaux Group are in the **full force** of the roaring forties – our coastline is not so much. Both areas are home to the many different saltbushes, the correas, the tea trees and of course, boobyalla. These plants thrive in the salt-laden air.

Saltbush on Whitemark Beach. Boobyalla behind pruned by harsh winds



There are differences as well. Because the islands of Bass Strait were once joined to Tasmania and Victoria, many plants that were remnants from that time got stranded on the islands in the Furneaux when the sea levels rose, after the last ice age. That makes them highly geographically important.

A basic Google search for coastal plants of Flinders Island will bring up plants we've never heard of. Take the native tobacco for example. It's hardly ever seen in Tasmania but can be seen on Flinders and all along the Victorian Coast.

Tobacco plant in flower



Another one, the **blueberry ash**, can be seen in wet gullies on Flinders Island and grows in the southern forests of Victoria; but not in Tasmania.

It's the same with **banksia serrata**. It only grows in the Sisters Beach area on the N.W. coast, and there's a patch of them on Flinders Island, but there are massive forests of them in southern Victoria. There's a purple pea flower twining at ground level on windy headlands on the Bass Strait Islands, called the poison pea. Just to name a few.

Poison Pea



Botanists say that the preservation of these species and their habitat gives Flinders Island the potential to become an area of priceless significance for all time.

Farewell for Tom, Pam and Steve

Brian and Biddy, residents of Seaview, hosted a farewell for Steve who has done maintenance at Seaview for over 10 years. The residents also thanked Tom and Pam for all the work they had done on the Seaview Committee.

Right: Tom, Pam and Steve

Below: Biddy and Brian



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Friday, 26 March 2021

BRIDPORT PRIMARY SCHOOL BREAKFAST CLUB HELPERS NEEDED!

Are you able to spare an hour once a month to help with our school breakfast program?

Providing a free breakfast within a school breakfast program helps children to achieve their best in the classroom and in the playground.

Breakfast clubs are about more than providing a healthy start to the day. Schools are supported to set up breakfast programs, to provide a safe and welcoming environment where children can sit down and enjoy a morning meal with others. It is also a place where caring adults can be role models for healthy eating and good hygiene.

We are seeking community volunteers to help run the Breakfast Club on Tuesday mornings from 8:10 to 9:10 a.m. We hope to get the program up and running in Term 2 on Tuesday 27th April.

As a volunteer you also will be required to have a Working with Vulnerable People (WWVP) Card, or the ability to obtain one. As a volunteer you will be asked to liaise with the breakfast club coordinator helping to prepare a light breakfast of cereal, toast, and milo for the students in a COVID-19 safe environment at the school. With enough volunteers you may only be required once a month.

Without your help this valuable program will not be able to continue in our school. If you would like to know more about applying for WWVP Card or are interested in assisting, please call the Bridport Primary School Office on 63 561 226, or email us bridport.primary@education.tas.gov.au as soon as possible.

We monitor the email over the Term 1 school holidays that begin on Friday 2nd April – 20th April 2021

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BRIDPORT INNOVATIONS WISHES EVERYONE A HAPPY EASTER!!



Apple Gums by Mike Douglas

On the verge at the top of Alexander Street, next to the Walter Street junction, a small stand of trees includes three handsome apple gums.

Apple gums or angophoras are easily mistaken for their close relative, the eucalypts. The particular species seen here is the smooth-barked apple, *Angophora costata*, a native tree familiar to Sydney siders, where it is common in parks, gardens and the local bush.

The beautiful, smooth-barked trunks are mottled with patches of blueish-grey, pink or rusty brown - hence the occasional name 'rusty gum'. The surface often has small depressions giving a dimpled appearance.

Unlike most eucalypts, the bell-shaped gumnuts are distinctly ribbed. You can find some by fossicking on the ground below the crown.

The main occurrence of this tree is on the central coast of New South Wales, but it is also found in Queensland.

In addition to the three trees in Alexander Street, there is a lone specimen in Bentley Street near the Charles Street junction.

Apple gums in
Alexander Street



Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra Live Streaming

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BEETHOVEN Violin Sonata No 5 in F, 'Spring'
MOZART Clarinet Trio in E-flat, K 498, 'Kegelstatt'

Bridport Surf Life Saving Club

The Bridport SLSC celebrated the end of the 2020/21 season on March 27th. It was a lovely family friendly night that allowed us to celebrate the collective achievements of our wonderful club and acknowledge the enormous contribution of our volunteers.

This season, the club hosted a number of events for the Bridport community including, the Bridport Brave Winter Swim, The Bridport 10+ Fun Run, the Swim the Pier event and the Bridport Splash. In addition we delivered a very successful Nippers program which saw the introduction of after school nipper training to supplement our formal Sunday and Friday twilight nippers sessions. The first ever season of Silver Salties proved to be a success with many mature age members enjoying board paddling, social swimming and learning some basic rescue techniques. Throughout the season our volunteers delivered in excess of 900 patrol hours.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our wonderful volunteers and generous sponsors – without your time and contribution our club could not exist. See you all in August for the next Bridport Brave Winter Swim.

Anita Howard



Bird Baths by Ian Whenn

We are lucky in Bridport to have a wonderful population of native birds, many of which visit our gardens. You can encourage visits by growing native plants which will attract honey eaters and wattle birds. Planting some close cover too will help bring in small birds such as blue wrens and fantails.

But a great way to treat the birds, and give you a chance to have a better view, is to install a bird bath or two. Feeding birds is not a good idea but they will love the chance of a fresh drink and a bath.

It's important to set up the bird bath carefully. Birds need to feel secure so it's best to position the bath near cover such as a bush or low-hanging tree and not in the middle of an open lawn. Most birds seem to like to flit down to the bath for a drink or a plunge, then return to their perch. However, some visitors such as green rosellas like a very leisurely soak.

Bird baths can be quite simple. The favourite in my garden is a plain terracotta dish, set on a stump. As long as it is well up off the ground and is kept clean with fresh water, the birds will reward you with a visit.



Bridport Sings

Bridport Hall Meeting Room 2.00 pm

- Held monthly on the second Thursday of the month
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Saturday May 29

Details to come next month



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ANZAC DAY**Bridport RSL Sub-Branch****DAWN SERVICE:**

6.00 am at the Cenotaph

6.30 am Gunfire Breakfast at the Bunker. \$10 per head.

There is limited seating due to Covid restrictions. Take-aways can be provided when seating is full.

11 am SERVICE:

The entire service will be held at the Cenotaph this year, the Hall unable to be used due to Covid number restrictions.

The service will be shortened this year (no guest speaker) to lessen the impact on the elderly and infirm having to stand for an extended period. There will be limited seating available, but if in doubt, you are encouraged to bring your own.

The March will still be conducted, but will be a little longer than usual. If wishing to participate, please be at the CWA Carpark at 10.30 am, ready to set off at 10.40 am. This year, the March will cut down past the Hall through the skateboard park to the Cenotaph.

Wreath-laying will be held as normal. Girl Guides will be assisting at the service.

Lunch will be available at the Bunker from Noon.

GENERAL:

We will be conducting our usual Annual Anzac Day raffle as well as selling Bridport RSL Sub-Branch merchandise. Look for us outside the top IGA, starting Tuesday 6th and the following two Tuesdays 11 am-1 pm.



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Probus Club of Bridport.



President Bobbies Annual Report March 2021

It is so good to have a normal Bridport Combined Probus Club AGM this year. Last year's meeting was held 22 May 2020. At this meeting we decided that as the committee had no volunteer for President, we would run our meetings using available committee members as Chairperson.

Helen Schuurung took over Vice-president and Secretary. Other committee roles were kept by standing members. Pat Child chaired our 1st meeting, followed by Simon Hirst & Keith Viney.

Covid 19 had us wondering when we could hold our monthly meetings. We were advised to advertise when a meeting was to be cancelled. Luckily, this only happened twice.

We have enjoyed some special speakers this year and thanks to a back-up from Simon filled in a void with Peruvian Culture. Shannon Anis gave us a rundown on how and why the Smith Family organisation is so important to children's' education. Brinsley Laird, Pam's daughter educated us in ways to follow up on warranties and guarantees. We had a wonderful 45 year Probus Club Australia celebration lunch at Barnbogle on 1st October.

Our Treasurer Maureen Gatenby kept track of our spending and this year we have a healthy balance. Some of our Capitation fees were refunded for Covid reasons.

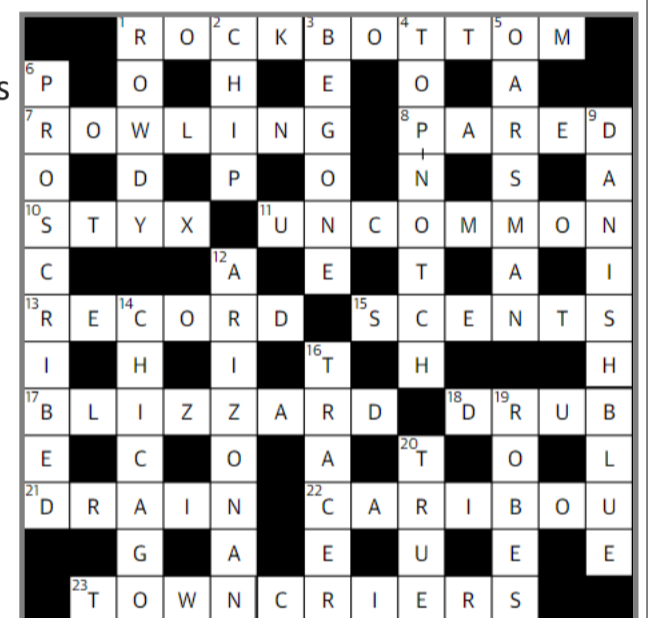
We managed four excursions this year. 1st was to Launceston Salvation Army annual Probus gathering. Ruth Quinn, Pat Child and I attended and were pleased to meet so many other Probus Club members. We recommend this activity to others. Fay Ralph represented us at Scottsdale Probus birthday HI-Tea celebration.

Thank You: To Helen Schuurung who took over from Annmarie Laubsch as Vice President and later Secretary when Pam Laird become unwell. To Maureen Gatenby who although in hospital for nine weeks kept our finances in order. To Simon Hirst who invited guest speakers as well as preparing the newsletter. To Pat Child who took on Roz Caldwell's role of Welfare as Roz needed leave of absence. To Margaret Smith who continues with membership.

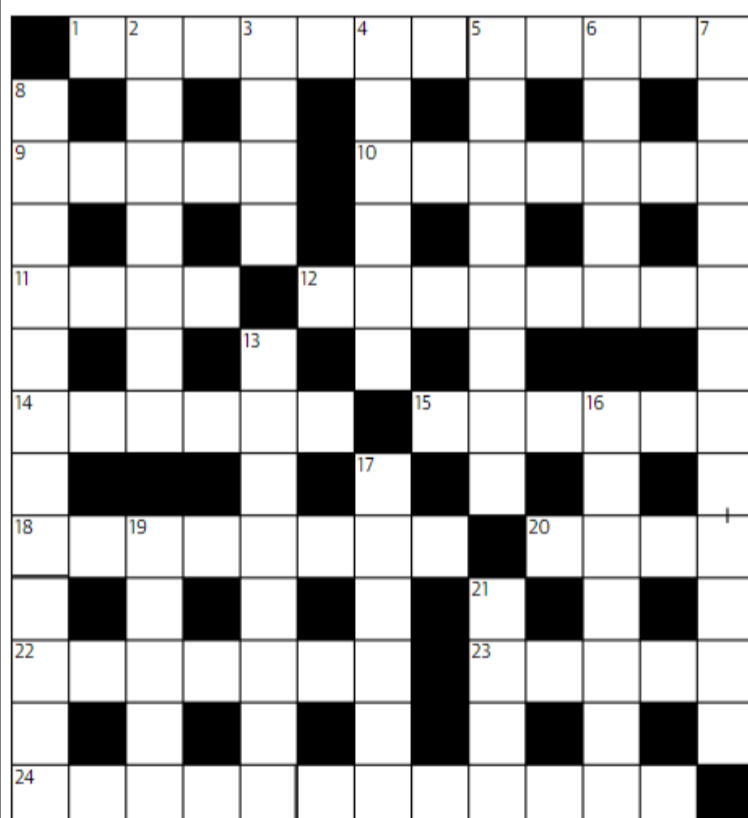
A Big THANK YOU to Diane and Dion who have handled the difficult task of arranging our meeting rooms Covid compliant. As always, our morning teas are generous and great. Christmas lunch was excellent.

Our next meeting is at the Bunker 10 am on 23 April
Friends welcome. Guest speaker is Imbi Josie from TasWater
Pat Child, President 0407 687 853

March's Crossword answers



Quick crossword - Free from theguardian.com



Across

- 1 Soldiers who lead the way (7,5)
- 9 Manner of speaking (5)
- 10 Spin (7)
- 11 Follow (4)
- 12 Sam loses (anag) – thick dark syrup (8)
- 14 Sorrow (6)
- 15 Holmes's doctor friend (6)
- 18 Listeners – spectators (8)
- 20 Joker? (4)
- 22 Open-minded (7)
- 23 Twankey's social status? (5)
- 24 Old slide projector (5,7)

Down

- 2 Vigorous (7)
- 3 Plans (4)
- 4 Cardboard container (6)
- 5 Unfortunate disclosure (8)
- 6 Map book (5)
- 7 Severe telling-off (8-4)
- 8 Stoned fruit (8,4)
- 13 Dazzling – quick (8)
- 16 Defame (7)
- 17 Greek sea monster who devoured sailors (6)
- 19 Detect and remove secret microphones (5)
- 21 Studious type (4)

Crossword answers in May's Bridreport

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