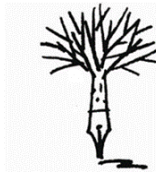




Shade Sails are Up!



The Voice



Words in Winter



Kids Clothing Swap



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A secret smile.
He's called
again.

-Joseph Leach



Council news

RESPECTFUL BEHAVIOUR

Council has issued a statement regarding some concerning aggressive behaviour being directed at Hepburn Shire staff – a very worrying trend that is on the increase and reaching unprecedented levels. We wish to remind community members that respectful behaviour is non-negotiable and is expected from us when the community interacts with staff.

We acknowledge that we don't always get things right and sometimes mistakes are made, but that does not excuse poor behaviour towards staff. If we get things wrong, let us know in a respectful way through the many mechanisms available and we'll do what we can to put things right. Read our statement at <https://www.hepburn.vic.gov.au>

COMMUNITY HUB UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who had their say on the naming of the Trentham Community Hub. The Project Advisory Group will consider all submissions and make a recommendation to Council. The Hon. Catherine King MP (left) and Mary-Anne Thomas MP (centre) visited the site with Cr Brian Hood (right) in late August.



BULLARTO STATION



The Bullarto Station building is taking shape. The weatherboards have been installed and work has started on the veranda.

SUBSIDISED COMPOST BINS

We're offering residents subsidised compost bins to help you reduce waste to landfill by turning food scraps and garden waste into compost. Bins are available from transfer stations from Friday 1 September. Limited numbers are available. Remember to bring proof of residency.

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AGRICULTURE FORUM

Council is hosting a forum for Hepburn Shire farmers in collaboration with Agriculture Victoria to provide updates on:

- Biosecurity - emergency animal disease preparedness
- Planning advisory services
- Updates on Rural Hepburn Strategy
- Seasonal climate patterns.

There will also be opportunities to engage with Council teams on emergency management, sustainability and economic development and the available support for your business.

The Agriculture Forum will be held on **Friday 22 September** from **9.30am to 1pm** at **Doug Lindsay Recreation Reserve, Creswick**. Register at www.hepburn.vic.gov.au/agforum

HAVE YOUR SAY

In September we will open a survey to ask you about how you use transport within our Shire. The survey will cover everything from walking and accessibility, through to public transport and roads. Responses will help to inform our **Integrated Transport Strategy**, which will guide Council's focus on transport in the Shire over the next ten years. This work is part of our strategic planning project Future Hepburn.

We will soon open a survey for families using **Early Years** services within the Shire. This work is funded by the Victorian Government in line with the Best Start, Best Life Early Years Reform.

Both surveys will be available via Participate Hepburn at <https://participate.hepburn.vic.gov.au>

IWD HONOUR ROLL

Do you know an inspiring woman in our community? The Heather Mutimer Honour Roll was established in 2005 to pay tribute to local women whose contributions, courage and examples have led to significant social change for women. Complete a nomination before Monday 25 September via <https://www.hepburn.vic.gov.au/IWD>

SENIORS WEEK

Council is again supporting the Victorian Seniors Festival program, with lots of fun and free events planned in October for people aged 55+ years. For information on events and how to book visit www.hepburn.vic.gov.au/events or phone Council on 5348 2306.

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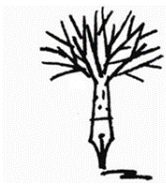
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Editorial

Hi Trentham!

Congratulations to John McLaren and the Trentham Words in Winter crew (Seana, Trudy, Don, Kate, Andrew, Mike & Sylvia) for a wonderful festival.



This year's festival included Bush Poetry that attracted poets from Ballarat, Bendigo and Shepperton, the Clever Town Crossword (Trentham came second to Clunes!), The Short Story Competition with some outstanding works presented, and the same for Modern Poetry. Words in Song was celebrated with the beautiful and powerful voice of Marie Forde; and with three differing voices the afternoon of 'Those Within Our Midst' was both engaging and entertaining.

Interestingly, the festival culminated with an introduction – this year's Meet the Author lunch featuring Mark Brandi, was the first event held at The Factory – Emma James' new event space down at the TOTS complex on the corner of Market and Victoria Streets. We heard Emma wow'd everyone with her food and Mark was a delightful and truthful speaker.

Thanks to the generous sponsors of the festival: Bendigo Bank, Lions Club, The Hairy Arch, The Masonic Lodge, Hepburn Shire Council and Belle Property for all of the

publicity. Our thanks to Sylvia, our on-the-ground reporter! In her words: 'Although small (Trentham Words in Winter festival) it is an important event for this little town as it takes us out of the doldrums of Winter to showcase the creativity and the camaraderie within, and one we want to steadfastly grow.' We couldn't agree more and will share more winners next month.

The referendum date has finally been announced (October 14th), and it's now a great opportunity to read and learn. Our thanks in particular to the St George's community (below) for their insightful moving words and actions – you can read about other things happening in Trentham throughout this edition.

Lastly, but definitely not least, best wishes to our trusty proof-reader extraordinaire 'Agent Q' as he leaves us for sunnier skies north of here! He's been an amazing support: prompt, supportive and thorough (any mistakes you've picked up will be ours as we've gone rogue after proof reading!) Thanks for everything you've done, we'll miss you.

Happy Spring everyone!

**Regards,
Chris & Penny**



Six word stories can be dark, light, funny or tragic. The reader may have to work a little harder than usual to understand the meaning of a six worder. In fact, that can be part of the fun.

By definition, you want to tell some kind of a story. But a six word story is really more about taking readers from one place to another. That could be a beginning to an end. But it also might be an expectation to a surprise or punch-line, similar to a joke. Or it could be from feeling nothing to feeling something.

Congratulations to Joseph Leach who is this year's winner! Joseph was awarded \$100 for his wonderful short story - in a moment's reading he included both action and resolution, but still the reader is left wondering more about the back story.

Joseph's entry appears on our cover.

Thanks to everyone who entered. From the amusing to the poignant, we've really enjoyed reading your stories! A collection of entries is included in this edition.

St George's News and Reflections

Some of us are deeply concerned that The Voice may be lost in the coming referendum. We know that words do things. In church that is why the priest announces the forgiveness of sins and God's blessing – so that we are forgiven and blessed! For Australia to say No to The Voice will be saying No to a lot more than one referendum question.

I can't help wondering how many people have actually read the Uluru Statement from the Heart (2017) which has led to The Voice. It is less than 500 words long, easily available on the internet and will take but a few minutes of your time. Wordsmiths will recognise it is a beautifully crafted piece of writing, an amazing accomplishment from a large group of people. Deeply moving and vulnerable, it is in fact a Cry from the Heart.

The final words challenge us: "In 1967 we were counted, in 2017 we seek to be heard." A Yes vote in 2023 will reply that we do hear and we intend to keep listening. No more, no less. We are challenged to let go our control and listen. Many other words have been spoken and written about this, words that divert and confuse. But the point is that our indigenous brothers and sisters have asked for a Voice. Will we listen to their ideas for a change?

From mid September you are invited to see, read and hear these words in an immersive, simple and solemn art installation of written and spoken word displayed round the inside walls of St George's church building. It will take you five minutes or five hours. The question for indigenous Australians is simple: Can you hear us?

St George's Sunday worship is at 9am.

About the Trumpet

Acknowledgement of Country

We are proud to acknowledge Dja Dja Wurrung as the Traditional Owners of this Country. We pay our respect to Elders past, present and emerging



The Trentham Trumpet is published on the first of every month except January.

The Trumpet is the community's voice to: share local news and events; engage in topical discussion; provide a platform to express considered views and concerns; contribute to the historical record; and promote local trades and services.

All submissions need to embrace our pillars of inclusiveness, constructiveness and positivity. The editorial team reserves the right to refuse any article or advertising and to edit for length and clarity. Opinions expressed are not necessarily those of the editorial team.

The deadline for submissions is the 25th of the month before. Please forward all items for publication to: thetrenthamtrumpet@gmail.com

Electronic subscriptions (which we encourage) are available at: thetrenthamtrumpet.com.au Printed versions can be found in many retail and community outlets in and around Trentham.

The Trentham Trumpet is gratefully auspiced by the TNC.

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What's on!

Community Groups Listing

thetrenthamtrumpet.com.au/our-community

CFA

Open Day every Sunday from 9:30am

Lions Schedule

Business Meeting: 3rd Thurs / month
Dinner Meeting: 1st Thurs / month
Farmers' Market: 3rd Sat / month

Sunday Church Services

St George (Anglican) 9am
St Mary Magdalen (Catholic) 8.30am

Trentham Lions Club

Farmers' Market
17 September 9am-1pm
Trentham Town Square

Trentham Sustainability Group

Farmers' Market Food Swap
17 September 10-11.30am
Trentham Town Square

Trentham Fashion Swap

16 September
Trentham Uniting Church Hall

Life Activities Club

Ladies' Petanque
10am every Tuesday
Trentham Town Square, followed by coffee

Wednesday Walkers

9.30am every Wednesday
Easy town walk
Meet at old Trentham Post Office

Men's Petanque

10am every Thursday
Trentham Town Square, followed by coffee

Knitters, Stitchers, Sewers Craft Group

10am every Friday
Trentham Bowling Club, Park Street,

Mahjong

1pm - 4pm every Friday
Trentham Bowling Club, Park Street

TNC

see trenthamnc.org.au

On our Cover:

Joseph Leach
2023 Six Word Story Winner



Quarry Street Reserve

It's done!

The Shade Sail project is now completed! It was, of course, precipitated by the June 2021 storm and 18 months in the pipeline. Thanks to all those involved along the way, particularly Hepburn Shire Council for including it in the budget and Councillor Brian Hood for ongoing support. So here's to summer days!



Now we look forward to the completion of the renovation of the Quarry – High Street corner where, somehow miraculously, the nearly-completed Lions Anniversary Garden still fits in.

In the past month it has been possible to spread some granitic sand for certain patches of the path. More mulch has been added to the Five Maples Garden at the playground. This patch will also be renovated over the next few weeks.

If you keep an eye on the island, you may have noticed a patch or two of gorse in bloom. A trip in the boat is planned



to remove that and replace with suitable groundcovers and small shrubs. And the weeds are starting again! So if you have a spare hour and can come to help, please let us know.

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Trentham Fashion Swap

You're Invited!



Fashion Swaps are a wonderful thing! We had so much fun at the Winter Women's Swap and we're looking forward to our Spring Clothing Swap which is for the kids... and expecting mums.

Why are we running this little community gig? Clothing swaps are good for your wallet and for that matter, somebody else's too, plus they *really* help the environment. They are a win-win.

Those items in your wardrobe that haven't seen the light of day for 12+ months, or that the kids have grown out of, will be worn by someone else, rather than ending up in landfill.

It's a simple circular economy that keeps on giving. Once an item is unwearable, it can still be reused- made into rags, dog bedding, dolls clothes or stuffed in cushions. Try groovy plant pots made from old work boots!

Did you know that the production of one cotton t-shirt uses roughly 2700 litres of water? The fashion industry is the second most water intensive industry in the world, consuming about 79 billion cubic litres of water per year. That is startling when you consider that we share this planet with 2.7 billion people who don't have enough drinking water. Yep, I didn't believe it either until I read it in a UNESCO Water Report. This video explains how that one t-shirt uses so much water: youtu.be/BiSYoeqb_VY

Fast fashion produces 10% of the world's carbon emissions, which is more than air travel and shipping combined. 85% of fast fashion garments are thrown away each year. We need to consider the impacts of the clothes we buy.

We are a little country shire with a small population, and our contribution to the fashion waste problem is relatively small. But what we and our families do to reduce waste counts. It is meaningful and influences the choices of others around us, especially our kids and grandkids. Actually, our young people are already pretty aware of environmental topics, they can influence us too!

The ABC TV series War on Waste recently returned and featured a group of switched-on primary school kids who engaged in a school project where they learned to sew, repurpose and reuse old clothing and fabric. It was so wonderful to see how they transformed the fabrics into useful items. Check it out here: abc.net.au/news/2023-08-11/students-transform-fashion-waste-into-community-windfall

TrenthamFashSwap@gmail.com

Hepburn Gardens for Wildlife

Your Place – Gardening for Wildlife

Your Place – Gardening for Wildlife is our upcoming seminar on Saturday 9 September commencing at 2pm.



This is an opportunity for both experienced and beginner habitat gardeners aiming to improve biodiversity. No matter whether you have a small or large block, there are basic principles you can tune in for supporting and connecting to our local environment.

Learning about the wonders of our forest can be integral to our living in this area and sharing this with others who are moving to live here. It is an important part of living sustainably.

Our special guest speaker, Dr Cassia Read, will no doubt inspire us, presenting from her expertise and experience in working with native plants to create better habitat. One of the latest aspects of her work is the Wilderhoods project which aims to link local residents in making progress with corridors of biodiverse plantings across Castlemaine.

Our Shire Guidelines for planting on nature strips/verges encourage the use of local native flora. Most of us have sufficient space for even a small pollinator strip and there are plenty of colourful varieties to choose from. These can even be set up between the existing exotic Pin Oaks and Maples.



Book for the seminar at: trenthamnc.org.au/classes
There's no charge other than a gold coin donation for the TNC.

Afternoon tea will be supplied.

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Do you live in the Trentham/Lyonville area and need your house sat this Summer?

Ian Bowden and Jean Tait are two semi-retired Canadians currently living in the Eastern Canadian province of Nova Scotia.

Their son, Christopher Paquin-Bowden lives in Lyonville, he and his wife own and run the organic flower farm "Fleurs de Lyonville".

Ian and Jean have visited Australia several times and plan to visit again this Summer (13 Dec till 19 Jan). Not wanting to be underfoot they ideally would like to house-sit in the Lyonville/Trentham area. Pets are no problem. Their own pet, a brilliant white husky named Rufus, will be well looked after by a British woman who will be using their house as a base to write her next book.

Ian designs websites and Jean works as an art therapist so good internet will be required. Ian is handy around the house and doesn't mind mowing lawns. They aren't necessarily looking to spend the entire six weeks in one place and are open to perhaps two or more short-term stays.

So, if you or someone you know needs their house sat this Summer, please get in touch with Ian at ian@ianbowden.ca



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Interior Design

Pink Is The Way!

Seasonality and trends in interior design are slower than in apparel, but they do exist and can take their cues from the fashion industry. One big trend is Barbie: a rejection of a simple neutral colour palette and simplicity in styling.

With the launch of the Barbie movie, pink is everywhere and on everything. Pink has graced the catwalks of New York and Europe recently; clothing stores are stocking garments inspired by the movie and its glamorous cast.

For the interior world there are several elements to take into consideration: 1950s shapes, luxurious finishes, and styling of furniture. Think 'maximalism' and Hollywood glamour using brass and marble accents, with colour saturation: a deep fuchsia pink, whether paint or wallpaper, or upholstery fabric with pattern overload.

Often designers talk about the 60 / 30 / 10 % rule: a large base colour is used (60%), then contrasted with another shade (30%), and highlighted by a third colour used in a restrained manner (10%).

I have always enjoyed decorating with the earthy pinks, incorporating plenty of blue and grey pigments so the colour is toned down to a gentler hue, reducing the saturation to a more sedate level. Imagine the colours of Uluru, as it changes from sunrise to sunset.

Use natural materials or textures as a contrast to pink, with lots of greenery. Sage and grey greens work well with softer pinks and timber surfaces. You could choose pastel accents in a more contemporary Scandinavian way, or deeper shades of pink on select 'hero pieces' of furniture or artwork. Everything looks good against pink!



Bring the fun of Barbie world into your home simply, with pink candles or an arrangement of pink flowers. Let's go Barbie!

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Trentham Tales

Football's Great Rivalry

It's not that often that someone is thanked for providing a football ground, but when Trentham lined up against East Trentham, local farmer Mr Brodie's generosity was widely lauded.



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"Mr Brodie has kindly consented to allow the players the use of one of his grass paddocks for the occasion. "...and a nicer piece of ground could not be picked," gushed the Kyneton Observer's East Trentham correspondent on 20 September, 1892.

The game was promoted as a return game and in the true nature of local football rivalries, spirits were running high. feelings were quite high. Although this did not deter the East Trentham side from providing four of their men after Trentham turned up with just 14 players.

This left a vacancy of two men for Trentham. According to the correspondent Trentham had been anticipating the late arrival of two of their players.

"But they did not put in an appearance," he reported.

Nonetheless, Trentham soldiered on in weather conditions described in the article as being "all that could be desired".

As an aside, the article states spectator numbers as being healthy, describing it as "goodly" with the correspondent paying close attention to the "sprinkling of the fair sex".

Back on the field, East Trentham won the toss and elected to kick with the slight wind advantage to the east.

But the wind advantage didn't assist with their accuracy. At half time, East Trentham had booted three goals and 26 (yes, 26) behinds.

Mind you, Trentham also had its own scoring problems. It went to the break with no goals and no behinds.

After the break the players resumed the field, and Trentham captain, T Jones, immediately lodged an appeal. According to the newspaper, Jones "took exception to East Trentham putting on a player in place of one of their own men, who got disabled.



"He argued that by doing that they were playing with 21 men, which was against the rules, and that all goals scored previously should be cancelled.

"This was agreed to by the East Trentham captain."

But in the end this was of no advantage to Trentham, even with the benefit of a good wind, and despite East Trentham having to forfeit a goal after an incorrect decision by a goal umpire.

At the game's conclusion, East Trentham walked off the paddock kicking one goal and 14 behinds for the half, with Trentham again scoreless.

Russell Robinson
Trentham & Districts Historical Society
trenthamhistoricalsociety.org.au

Footnote:

Even the advent of time could not soothe the rivalry between these two sides.

In April 1929, East Trentham applied for admission to the Kyneton League.

The only team to object was - Trentham.

A special meeting was called, and according to the Woodend Star, all the other clubs - with the exception of Trentham - "unanimously decided to admit the East Trentham club to the League".



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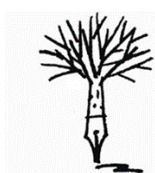
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Trentham Words in Winter - Six Word Story



Thank you to all who participated in this year's Six Word Story Competition - a part of the Trentham Words in Winter Festival.



Congratulations to the winner of our \$100 prize Joesph Leach for his thought-provoking entry which left us wanting to know more. A special shout out to Bette McLaren & Richard Ryan whose entries made us smile / grimace!

Here is a collection of our entrants. Again, thanks and congratulations to the Trentham Words in Winter team for an amazing and diverse festival - we're already looking forward to next year!

For sale
Exercise Bike
Chocolate's better
Adele Anderson

Racing mind; anxiety hits me hard.
Samantha Henderson

Drunk driver
Sisters erased
Apology...absent
Jennifer Wilson

Met Queen, Jean Paul Sartre, Elvis.
Mary Rolls

Frosty morning. Duck walks on water.
Bette McLaren

I left. You didn't stop me.
Kat Adams

Indelicate whispers
Destroy dreams
Never again
Jo Graham

I open the door. She's gone.
Trish Power

Hit it nowhere did it go.
Jenny Cutter

Car explodes.
Human fireball.
Death awaits.
Glenda Marshall

Nutrition, fashion, construction – all from hemp!
Lyn Stephenson

Winter, cold rain frost sun, Trentham.
Kent Newton

A secret smile. He's called again.
Joseph Leach

Surrender.....Darkness,
Surrender.....Lightness,
Surrender.....BLISS
Catherine Laurent

Dave dying as born: innocent, overcome.
Miguel Meirelles

September fifteenth.
Curtains drawn.
Never reopened.
Lynne Cullen

Up for breakfast. Dead by lunch.
Richard Ryan

Dog off leash
Freedom at least
Patricia Perrett

Escape plan failed, needing more time.
Gai Hovey

That night long gone: not forgot.
Amanda Marx

Words in Winter - Bush Poetry

The Lie of the Land

They'd heard of the hills
Gently rolling north-west
Of grass and blue skies
Where a settler might rest
And in a trickle they came
This trial-blazing band
Seduced by bright promise,
And the lay of the land.

Soon the way there was marked
Where a wheel rut had been
As the settlers kept coming
In a continual stream
And the bare plains were fenced
By a hard working hand
For the dream was sustained
By the lay of the land.

Wagons and tents became
Houses and barns
And they built out of brick
And local sandstone
They were built with great care
They were sold and true
By stonemasons from Wales
And from old Cornwell too.

The crops were all sown
And the harvest came in
With wheat as high as a man
In each field you stood in.
The seasons were kind
With good rain on demand
The sky was the limit
o'er the lay of the land.

Then the merchants announced
"Why we'll set up a town
And we'll all build good lives
On this favorable ground."
Soon the churches were built
and the sermons were grand
And they sang "Hallelujah"
For the lay of the land.

The train tracks were laid
Steam whistles would wail
And the wheat rolled to market
For the empire by rail
Every sack of cropped gold
Was loaded by hand
And the trains heaved and huffed
'Cross the lay of the land.

"Australia Felix"

The chronicles all said
Growing tall in each field
And stacked high in each shed
A future unbounded
Blessed with plenty, for toil
For the lay of the land
Promised wealth in the soil.

Then a season was missed
For the rain didn't fall
Then another one failed
Then two and then more
And so each congregation
Who'd sung "salvation's at hand"
Wailed "our covenants broken"
With the lay of the land.

Seven years of brown drought
Broke the hearts of them all
And they loaded the carts
Left the cows in the stall
Some left on the train
While the train could still run
While the lay of the land
Quietly baked in the sun.

For the seasons of plenty
Were anomaly here
The settlers had come
In uncommonly good years
And their handsome stone houses
Roofless, hopeless, now stand
And mutely bear witness
To the lie... of the land.

Andrew Greet
2023 Bush Poetry Winner
Trentham Words in Winter


TRENTHAM FILM SOCIETY

2023 Program

Socialise – watch quality films

September 16

THE DROVER'S WIFE (The legend of Molly Johnson)



(Australia, 2021, 104 mins., Western, Historical Drama)

Dir: Leah Purcell Lang: English

Based on Leah Purcell's play and novel of the same name and inspired by the Henry Lawson Poem. A lonely bushwoman struggles to raise her children and run the family farm while her husband is away.

Features: Leah Purcell, Rob Collins, Sam Reid,

Jessica De Gouw

Councillor's Report

Council meeting – the major decision arising from the Council meeting in August was councillors' unanimous support for the constitutional recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples through the Voice to Parliament. This stance is consistent with Council's position to support the Uluru Statement from the Heart in August 2022. Our support for the Voice to Parliament aligns with the work Council does towards recognition and reconciliation, including actions within our four-year Council Plan, Community Vision and Reconciliation Action Plan.

In reaching its unanimous decision councillors acknowledged that a First Nations Voice to Parliament would be an independent, representative advisory body that will provide a permanent means to advise Parliament and Government on matters affecting the lives of First Nations communities – including advice on practical steps to improve health, education, employment and housing. Most importantly, a Voice to Parliament would be the means for recognising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the Australian Constitution for the first time. Councillors further noted that supporting constitutional recognition aligns with Hepburn Shire Council's Reconciliation Plan and its underlying commitments to self-determination, partnerships, community dialogue and truth-telling and our close working relationship with Djaara. Council has also resolved to share clear, credible information on its website on the Voice to Parliament and all aspects of the upcoming referendum. We appreciate there are divergent views on this matter within the community. Providing clear and credible information will assist residents in making their own considered and informed decision. As always, we encourage our community to inform themselves and respectfully exercise their democratic right to have their say.

Congratulations to Bullarto primary School principal Jo Pegg who has been appointed to **Council's Disability Advisory Committee**. Jo will be a valuable addition to that important advisory committee.

The **road and drainage works** on High and Quarry Streets are progressing exceptionally well with the bluestone being retained to good use. Next steps are the car parks at Quarry St reserve pavilion and adjacent to the Cosmo.

The **shade sails** have been installed over the Quarry St. reserve playground... just in time for a hot summer....

Congratulations to Andy Robertson and his hard-working committee of management. A sizeable grant has been secured to carry out much-needed improvement works to **Trent Creek reserve, Stoney Creek reserve and the Wombat Trail** – all critically important aspects of our beloved environment. And there's more... in conjunction with the Lyonville community planning group more works will be carried out at either end of the Domino Trail.

Community centre – construction is progressing very well, in part due to our brilliant winter weather. Council is due to decide the facility's name at the October meeting, reflecting the result of the community poll. And a time capsule will be embedded into the building - forward any ideas for inclusion to the Trentham & District Historical Society.

Roads - I can report that the total anticipated cost of works to repair storm and flood-damaged roads is around \$13m, approximately 90% of which may be funded through relief grants.

To put that into perspective Council's annual income from rates is \$26m. Council's already stretched cashflow has been seriously impeded by the untimely receipt of relief funding (to date we have received no funding for the January 2022 Creswick floods), slow assessments and the outright rejection of some claims.

To be blunt – Council has undertaken multi-million dollar repair works ahead of receiving relief funding, thereby prioritising community safety over its own financial risk. And we recognise there is much more to be done.

While the community's frustration with the time taken to complete works is understandable (and shared!) there remains poor understanding of which roads fall under Council's responsibility and that of RRV. Council's website provides details on which organisation is responsible for roads and how to report an issue - [Roads Hepburn Shire Council](#) Council continues to regularly liaise with RRV and the State Government on this urgent matter.

Mayoral activities – In my report to the August Council meeting I noted that the past month has been dominated by critically important matters including

- the emerging threat to Council's role in planning – we believe councils are better-placed to make planning decisions that reflect community values, especially in regional areas, compared to a central body in Melbourne and will continue to lobby the state government;
- the race to secure Hepburn Shire's fair share of funding for housing and sporting infrastructure post the Commonwealth Games cancellation. Discussions with the state government are ongoing;
- the disastrous powerlines destined for our Shire – and the consequent encroachment on prime agricultural land and adverse economic effects from reduced visitation. Council is calling for a serious rethink on the planned route and EES process;
- the prospect of mining exploration and its effect on our precious aquifers. Council is working with community groups and making submissions to the relevant authorities;
- the delayed outcome of the electoral review;
- the ongoing challenge of mending our roads.

In addition:

- I had the honour of welcoming Neil Para to our Shire as he started his long, 1000km walk from Ballarat to Sydney to advance the cause of refugees in this country.
- I was pleased to sign the Age-Friendly Declaration on behalf of Council at the very well-attended Positive Ageing Forum in Trentham.



Councillor's Report

Planning applications – for information on tracking an application, lodging an objection, viewing the planning register, etc visit Council’s website here [Track an application, view planning register or lodge an objection Hepburn Shire Council](#)

Council meetings – meetings will be held at 5.30pm on the third Tuesday of the month. The public may attend in person or view proceedings via the live broadcast on council’s Facebook page. Agenda papers are publicly available on Council’s website the week before the meeting.

Upcoming Council meeting dates

- 19 September,
- 17 October,
- 21 November.

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Facebook - Cr Brian Hood, Coliban ward, Mayor Hepburn Shire Council

Top: Mayor Brian Hood, Council CEO Bradley Thomas, Andy Robertson, state MP Mary-Anne Thomas and federal MP Catherine King.

Bottom: Federal MP Catherine King, state MP Mary-Anne Thomas and I inspected progress in late August.



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TRENTHAM FOR YES!

We will all soon have the opportunity to vote in the Referendum to alter the Constitution to recognise the First Peoples of Australia by establishing an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice.

A local group of Vote Yes supporters will be gathering in the Trentham Town Square on Wednesday 27 September (11am – 2pm) as part of a National Day of Action for Yes.

Join us on the day

Learn more about the Referendum or simply show your support for the Voice.

Enquiries: Greg Magee, gregtmagee@gmail.com
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The Trentham Garden

The Politics of Gardening

The usual image of a garden is a tranquil one, a place of rest and peace away from the noise and irritation of the outside world. However, like everything else gardens can have a political dimension, sometimes VERY passionately expressed!

Take for example Melania Trump’s reworking of the Whitehouse rose garden in 2020; labelled as ‘horticultural facism’, some critics disliked the rigid straight lines that lacked the charm and softness of the original garden created in 1962 by Jackie Kennedy. I tend to agree!

Similarly, Michelle Obama’s 2009 vegetable garden also created controversy for its focus on organic techniques, with chemical companies writing to her to convey their displeasure. Gardens can be a political punching bag.

I’ve been in the middle of such disagreements while doing landscape design projects; even people passionately advocating for environmentally friendly solutions will clash on methodology etc. It can be frustrating as the importance of sustainability is undeniable in 2023.

I find the best practice is to duck for cover until the shouting stops, and to focus on the aspects of the design that are clearly beneficial rather than double-down on the points of difference. While occasionally a ‘grenade’ needs to be lobbed into a debate to get things moving, I generally subscribe to the ‘catch more flies with honey’ approach.

The call to examine the ethics of gardening is a good one. It’s through cooperation and widening our knowledge that we are able to find the smartest, most environmentally friendly and attractive garden solutions. A quality design should stand the test of time to be truly sustainable.



Happy gardening,

Kaz Krasovskis
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*The Whitehouse Rose Garden
Above: as developed by Jackie Kennedy in 1962
Below: Melania Trump’s reworking of the garden in 2020*



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TNC SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

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<https://www.trenthamnc.org.au/event-details/jam-session>

Join local musician and well known music teacher Cat Moser for a jam session! Bring your own musical instrument or you can try ukulele, piano, or percussion if you don't have one. If your voice is your instrument singers are most welcome too! We'll all work on a couple of songs together and have fun playing as an ensemble. All musical abilities welcome.



WEDNESDAY SEPT 20: MINI MASTERCHEF 11.30AM-1.30PM \$12

<https://www.trenthamnc.org.au/event-details/mini-masterchef>

Join us to cook our own lunch. Meaghan will teach you how to easily make your own pizzas with your choice of toppings - let your imagination run wild. For dessert we will make and decorate cookies - follow our designs or create your own. Soon you will be able to make lunch for the whole family!

TUESDAY SEPT 26: THE GREAT SPACE ESCAPE 1.30PM - 3PM \$12

<https://www.trenthamnc.org.au/event-details/great-space-escape-ages-8-2>

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THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 28: CROCHET 1PM - 3PM \$15

<https://www.trenthamnc.org.au/event-details/great-space-escape-ages-8-2>

Alison will teach you the ins and outs of crochet. Learn how to hold the yarn and to make a chain stitch and other simple stitches. You will make something to take home and keep and Alison can get you started on a project to keep working on at home.

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Sport

Golf

Annual Tournament - Entries now open

Entries for the 74th Trentham Annual Tournament are now open. You can enter all events and as many players as you like at our events website events.trenthamgolf.com.au/

Please note that entries for the Trentham Senior Amateur on Monday 16 and Tuesday 17 October must be made to Golf Australia. The Trentham Senior Open is an event in the Victorian Senior Order of Merit.

A new innovation this year is that the 4BBB Stableford on Wednesday October 18 is now a qualifying event for the new Victorian 4BBB Championship, with the final to be played at Spring Valley and Kingston Heath in mid-January 2024. Entries for this event are handled by Trentham Golf Club.

The popular 4-Person Ambrose on Friday 20 October has already achieved a full field, so don't delay making your bookings, these events are likely to sell out!

Thanks to our local sponsors for supporting this event.

Women's Falls Plate

Good luck to all the women playing in the Women's Falls Plate on Friday 1st September, kicking off at 9am. The Trentham Falls Plate is a teams event for three women players from the same club, the winning team decided on aggregate Stableford points.

Trentham Cricket Club

Players Wanted for 2023/24 Summer Season

With the season commencing in early October, the Trentham District Cricket Club is reaching out to community members and families to join the cricket club for the upcoming season.

The club competes in the Gisborne District Cricket Association (GDCA). The home oval is situated in Trentham, 25 Falls Road - Trentham Sportsground Reserve.

We are a welcoming club of all abilities and skill sets.

We offer the following programs:

- **Cricket Blasters** for junior ages 5-11 (mixed) - after school program
- **Junior Cricket** for ages U11s-U15s (mixed) - Friday evenings & Saturday morning
- **Senior Cricket** (mixed) - Saturday afternoon

For further information please contact 0437 009 528 or trenthamcricketclub@gmail.com

You can also search for the club on social media platforms.

Harley Forgo
Trentham District Cricket Club



TRENTHAM GOLF CLUB
74th ANNUAL TOURNAMENT

16-22 OCTOBER 2023

<p>16-17 OCTOBER SENIOR AMATEUR 36 holes of Stroke for men over 55 and 36 holes of Stableford for women over 50. This is a Golf Australia Victorian Senior Order of Merit event. The event has a multi-tee start on Monday afternoon and on Tuesday morning. Entries are handled by Golf Australia through golf.org.au</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY 18 OCTOBER 4BBB STABLEFORD Entries will be received from men's, women's and mixed pairs. There will be a progressive start from 9.00 to 12 noon off the 1st tee. Food and drinks at reasonable prices will be available on the day.</p>	<p>THURSDAY 19 OCTOBER WOMEN'S OPEN Women's 18-hole Open Stroke. Entries will be received from all women golfers with a GolfLink handicap. The event has multi-tee start at 9.00am. Entry fee includes lunch. Other food and drinks will be available in the clubhouse on the day.</p>
<p>FRIDAY 20 OCTOBER 4-PERSON AMBROSE Men's, women's and mixed teams (2 men and 2 women). Progressive start from 8.00 to 12 noon off the 1st tee. Food and drinks at reasonable prices will be available on the day.</p>	<p>SATURDAY 21 OCTOBER AMERICAN FOURSOMES Men's, women's and mixed pairs. There will be a progressive start from 8.30 to 12 noon off the 1st tee. Food and drinks at reasonable prices will be available on the day.</p>	<p>SUNDAY 22 OCTOBER MEN'S 36-HOLE OPEN 36-holes of stroke in a day! Entries will be received from male golfers with a GolfLink handicap. Entry includes lunch. Two-tee start from 7.00 to 9.00am off the 1st and 11th tees. 18-hole options available.</p>

Prices: \$50 per pair (Ambrose, Foursomes), \$25 per player (Women's Open), \$60 per player (Men's 36-Hole Open)

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Meditation for Peace

Anthropology for Peace

In a prayer ascribed to St Francis of Assisi, one asks to become 'an instrument for peace'. When we speak, agitate, meditate for peace, we may do well to consider ourselves 'instruments' and recognize ourselves as such.

Anthropology is the study of human beings in its various colours, races, orientations, cultures, sciences, wisdoms, dances, sports and arts.

The appearance of humans on the stage of evolution looks more like a break from - rather than a step in - animal evolution: the human head sits on top of the spine, it can turn and survey the horizon. An animal's head instead hangs from the spine. 'Anthropos' = 'face turned up'. A newborn child faces the mother with a smile.

Humans "don't turn older in years but newer every day," (Emily Dickinson).

Humans may grow old physically, but younger in soul and spirit. Mainstream western culture tends to prevent such blossoming, except in creative arts: the last works of Michelangelo, Rembrandt, Goya, Beethoven, Matisse, Mozart, Schubert, van Gogh, and such artists who dies young are not developments from their past, but intimations of their future. Humanity's future, too.

Our world is rapidly cluttered with new technologies without coordination. Traditional statistics are no longer reliable tools to forecast new developments in areas like climate, markets and politics. The statistician Nassim Taleb, Professor in Risk Management, New York, identifies three degrees of reliability under stress: fragile (liable to collapse under stress), robust (capable to overcome stress) and 'antifragile', (new word, without hyphen: something that gains under stress.).

The Mount Players

The Magic of Theatre at The Mount Players Youth Theatre

If you've got someone aged between 10 – 18 in your life who loves to perform or wants to learn more stagecraft while having fun and making friends, then The Mount Players Youth Theatre classes could be the answer!

After being re-booted in Term 3, our Youth Theatre still has some spots available in Group B (ages 13-15) and C (ages 16-18) and limited spots in Group A (ages 10-12).

From exhilarating drama games and exercises to learning about lots of things theatrical, these sessions are the perfect place to unleash creativity and boost confidence on and off stage.

Under the experienced eyes of our talented teachers, Kerry Turpie and Mark Constable they will have the opportunity to learn, grow and share the magic of theatre with like-minded individuals.

He then develops the mathematics that underpins this.

Some examples are:

*Regulation: Fragile: rules
Robust: principles
Antifragile: virtues*

*Economic Life: Fragile: econophasters, cults
Robust: anthropologists
Antifragile: religion*

*Literature: Fragile: E-books
Robust: books (hard copies)
Antifragile: oral history*

The three examples I selected out of 50 may clarify why I think a meditation informed by an up-to-date anthropology makes sense in the pursuit of peace. Robust together with 'principles' and 'books', nestled under the antifragile wings of 'virtues', 'religion' and 'oral history', anthropology, the study of our humanness as such for peace in the education of humanity itself: the evolution of its consciousness and the development of its societies.

Henk Bak

*Meditation for Peace
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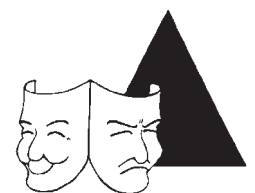
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After our riotous Shakespeare season, we are very excited to announce our final production for 2023, 'Peter Pan, A Musical Adventure'.

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See you at the theatre!

Karen Hunt
The Mount Players



The Mount Players

Food For Thought

Hooray, Spring is here!

Judging by the wattles and daffodils now bursting into bloom, it's possibly an early Spring which we all need after yet another hard winter. I doubt there is a better colour than yellow to lift one's spirits, not only through the blossoms and flowers, but also fruit.

A highlight of this time of year are lemons - their bright citrus baubles an eye-filling contrast to the deep green of the tree's leaves. In a bowl on the kitchen or dining table, they emit a fresh, subtle perfume that can compete with most flowers, and as a flavour enhancer they are invaluable.

Preserved, sliced, squeezed or zested, in 70AD the lemon brought from China to Italy was quickly seized upon by the wealthy. Many of you would have read of the magnificent citrus collection of Cosimo de' Medici in Florence.

Throughout the world, in various forms, the lemon tart is a favourite. Moving away from the traditional custard base, I have been using this recipe for years, as it is utterly foolproof and delicious. It's called a Shaker Lemon Tart as it is understood the Shakers, a religious movement in the US, invented them. Shakers are frugal with their food, so nothing is wasted, not even the skin of the lemon. I have found the best outcome is using the softer skin of the Meyer lemon, but regular lemons cut finely will work, and better still if you have a mandolin.

The Plonkers

Although arguably our mildest winter in the Trentham district for some years the Plonkers still found themselves scattered interstate and overseas this month.

Digby and his long-suffering wife were sat at home on a chilly night missing their social circle when Digby looked up from his screen and asked:

"What exactly is Bush Poetry, love? There's a reading and open mic on at the Pig & Whistle tomorrow."

"It's rhyming poetry dear, about Australia."

"Well, I reckon I could nail that, I know heaps about Australia. There's a prize of \$300, how about we head down for lunch tomorrow? I'll put pen to paper tonight. We might come out ahead."

"Yes dear."

So off they went. Friendly staff greeted them by the bar.

"Table for two, sir?"

"Yes, we have a booking, Mr and Mrs Digby Plonker, I'll be reading a poem later. I wrote it myself."

They chose to share a platter of dips, olives and pita bread to start. Digby selected a scotch fillet done rare, which he was most careful to stipulate to the charming waitress. Mrs. Digby ordered the mixed mushroom pappardelle.

Shaker Lemon Tart:

3 good size lemons
2 cups (440g) caster sugar
1 vanilla bean, split and seeds scraped
4 eggs, beaten
Pastry – Careme sweet shortcrust is excellent, but Puff (that I mostly use) works too.

Method:

Slice the lemons, as thinly as possible, put into a bowl (non-reactive) Remove any seeds
Gently toss the lemons with the vanilla and sugar, cover with plastic wrap and stand at room temperature overnight.
The next day, gently stir to dissolve any sugar without breaking up the lemons
Strain the lemon mixture into a bowl to reserve the slices. Discard the vanilla pod and the juices.
Gently stir the eggs into the mixture until just combined. Pour the mixture into prepared pastry cases. I use muffin tins. If using Puff Pastry, I do not blind bake.
Bake in 205c oven for 15 min, then reduce to 180 for an additional 10/15 mins.
There should be a little browning on top and feel 'set'. Cool in the pan then remove, dust with icing sugar and serve warm with crème fraiche.

Delicious.

Sylvia Johnson Trentham Food for Thought

"I read that poets like their meat rare, I've got a good feeling about this love".

Sharing a bottle of the Balgownie Black Label Pinot Noir they moved to the bar where the Bush Poetry reading was being held. Enjoying his Yarra Valley Pinot, Digby amused himself by making a rhyme in his head about the wine.

"Morello cherry, not too heavy. Spice and fruit, and a poet to boot."

But as the readings commenced, he grew less confident.

"Struth love", he whispered to Mrs. Digby. "These folk sound like professionals. Some of 'em are reciting verses from memory, I've just got a few lines scribbled down."

"You'll be ok dear. Here, have my wine. What could go wrong?"

Well, to cut a long story short, it was, shall we say, a blessing that our Digby was last to read his short and not too 'bushy' poem. Those left at the bar gave him a kind smattering of encouraging applause.

Later, as Mrs. Digby drove home, Digby excitedly said: "There's a life drawing class starting up on Tuesdays love, I'm going to give that a try".

The long-suffering Mrs. Digby rolled her eyes.



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Spudman's Signoff

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