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▲ The loaded trucks on the way through Narrandera to Condobolin. Barry and Tim.

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With the new outbreak of Covid-19 in Melbourne. Things are not looking good for the next few months Keep well
Bridge Connection Committee.

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Barfold Community Church Hay Drive for the drought affected farmers in Northern NSW

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It was wonderful to see the response to the hay drive organised by Barfold Community Church, for the drought affected farmers in Northern NSW.

Many people donated hay and others donated money to pay for freight and hay- from a pensioner's \$10 to large donations of \$1000 plus. A total of nine loads benefiting nine individual farming families.

With six different transport operators offering their labour & fuel.

An older lady - whose husband had died recently - was carrying on the farm on her own and was brought to tears when the hay arrived.

Some truck owners donated their freight and their time to deliver the hay. The NSW Rural Assistance Authority gave a grant to cover the freight on three loads.

Referrals came from Condobolin Centre life Church pastor and youth pastor, a publican, a local farming contractor, a rural counsellor/drought support worker.

Sincere heartfelt thanks from the Church to all those who contributed in any way.

All recipients were extremely grateful.

Special thanks to Regina Bennett for her help and to the Bridge Connection for the advertising.

Thankyou to Barry Tim and Glen with out your support this would not have been possible.

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Calendar 

Redesdale residents work to enhance a sense of community, building connections, and working together to create a better place for all. They are proud of their town and the many opportunities it offers. They are also proud of the many achievements of their residents and the many contributions they have made to the community.

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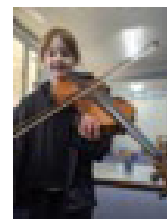
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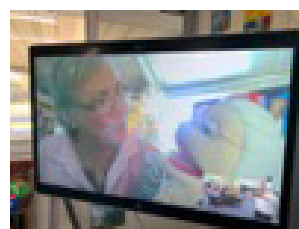
Music

Mr Addlem got straight back into our music program once the kids were back. We were also very fortunate to work with a visiting teacher, James, from The Song Room. He has brought in a variety of instruments and musical flare that the kids have loved. Through having James involved in our school, we were also able to apply to receive funding for many new musical instruments, which are on their way.



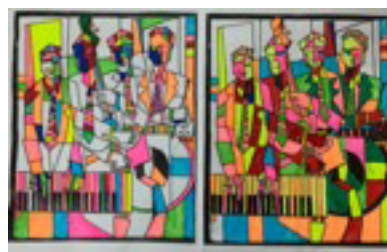
Indonesian

We have been completing our Indonesian and Art with Pak Mick online however the kids are enjoying working with him, as usual. Pak Mick continues to deliver a very engaging program and the children absolutely love working with him.



Art

Pak Mick has worked with the children, teaching them about Picasso. Here are some of their fantastic bits of Art, showcasing very talented artists we have here at RMMPS.



Physical Education

More recently, the students helped clean out our incredible sports shed, we are so fortunate to have such amazing facilities and such a wonderfully resourced school. We pulled everything out of the shed, cleaned it up and organised it. We found many old circus banners from years past, circus equipment and all sorts of Physical Education gear. Mr King will continue to run our Physical Education program and we are going to begin learning about team sports and our Perceptual Motor Program (PMP) in Term Three.



Environmental Science and STEM

We are very excited to announce that we are getting another specialist to engage and support our children in their learning. Starting in Term Three, we will have an Environmental Science and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) specialist working with our students for two hours a week on a Monday. Lydia comes to us with significant experience in both of these areas, she currently works at two other rural schools in these subject areas. Watch this space to see what the kids are doing.

Rural Scholarship from Heathcote & District Community Bank

Tianna receive's Rural Scholarship from Heathcote & District Community Bank

Redesdale's Tianna Stables has been awarded the Heathcote & District Community Bank 2020 Rural Scholarship. Branch Manager Michael Prowse said the Heathcote Rural Scholarship Program, was launched in recognition of the district's significant farming community.

'We're very supportive of the district's farming community and after running farming events in Heathcote for the last three years we've seen that there's a real need for a scholarship like this' Mr. Prowse said.

Applications for the scholarship were open to individuals of all ages who wish to sharpen their skills or extend their tertiary training in any of the rural industries.

Tianna has chosen to attend Bendigo TAFE to complete her Certificate 3 in Agriculture and says the \$500 scholarship will be a 'really great help'.

Tianna is passionate about a career in agriculture and says that she has chosen her particular course as it will enable her to work on any farm or station.

"The Scholarship will help me a lot with the cost of travel to and from campus" Tianna says. "It's come at a perfect time for me as my weekend job has ceased due to Covid-19 so I am currently without income".

"I am extremely grateful to Heathcote & District Community Bank for this support towards achieving my dream of a career in Agriculture." Tianna said.

Mr. Prowse said "It's because of our customers that we're able to run programs like this, without their support the funds wouldn't be available. The more customers we have banking with us, the more funds we have available to return to the community. It really is as simple as that."

For more information on the Rural Scholarship program please visit www.heathcotenagambie.community



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Campaspe Valley Land Care Group

The breeding season for the Brush Tailed Phascogale or Tuan is now underway. This small native carnivore may seem insignificant, but it plays a major part in the health of our native forests. Like so many Australian native animals it is unique and specialised. Eucalypt woodlands have been subject to a generalised term known as "die back" its cause has been attributed to many adverse environmental conditions. One recognised cause has been population increases in wood boring beetle larvae numbers that detrimentally harm the ability of trees to survive extreme dry spells. The Brush Tailed Phascogale is a predator of these wood boring beetles, but due to vast habitat destruction and lack of suitable nesting sites this valuable creature's numbers are now endangered. The Brush Tailed Phascogale needs woodland with a degree of tree twig and branch litter for protection so planting trees as wind breaks would make great habitat corridors for such animals. These natural woodland insect controllers are also prey for woodland raptors like the Powerful Owls another species which is facing a fight for survival. Ecological systems are under tremendous pressure from many sources particularly bush fires and climatic events which are having measurable negative effects upon the habitat that supports the native animals of this continent. Campaspe Valley Land Care Group are currently producing nesting boxes suitable for Phascogale, Sugar and Squirrel Gliders. Each box costs \$60 for non members or \$20 for CVLCG members. The Boxes are easy enough to make for the DIY skilled folk and we can supply instructions for you to make your own nest boxes, there is no one design, but variations upon a common theme. Situated In a forested area the box ideally should be fixed to a tree at about 3m above the ground on the eastern side of the tree to avoid the hot afternoon sun in summer. The box is suspended from a steel spike that is driven into the tree at about 35deg angle to ground and a hole slightly larger than the diameter of the spike drilled at the same angle through the upper back of the nest box. This allows the box to hang off the spike and slide along it while the tree continues to expand with growth over time. The entrance should face north or east to avoid cold winds from the south. The use of natural hard wood is recommended as pine rots quickly

and treated pine contains heavy metals, marine ply wood is a good durable substitute for hardwood. A hinged lid on the top allows for occasional inspection to see that it has not been taken over by bees which often does occur.

Campaspe Valley Land Care Group is pleased to assist if you need help in your Brush Tailed Phascogale project.

Phone Phillip Don 0408988701

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Brush Tailed Phascogale or Tuan

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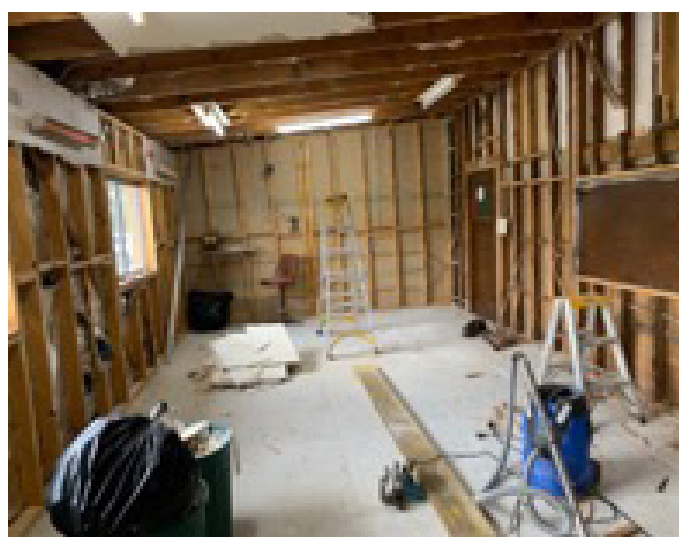
Redesdale Community Hub Stage 1 – Kitchen Upgrade progress

Following a comprehensive community consultation process, council have been busy incorporating final design and finish choices and together with their procurement team preparing for the fit out in the coming weeks.


June 2 saw the removal of the kitchen that has served the community so well for decades. Yes, it looks a bit sad with nothing inside except the skeleton and felt quite a bit smaller than it actually is. It is an exciting process to see the plans come together due to the hard work of all concerned.

With funding from council and the Hall committee this first stage of our Community Hub is coming together. Keep an eye out for news of the kitchen's completion and grand opening.

Regards Mike Abramowski Redesdale Recreation Reserve Committee.



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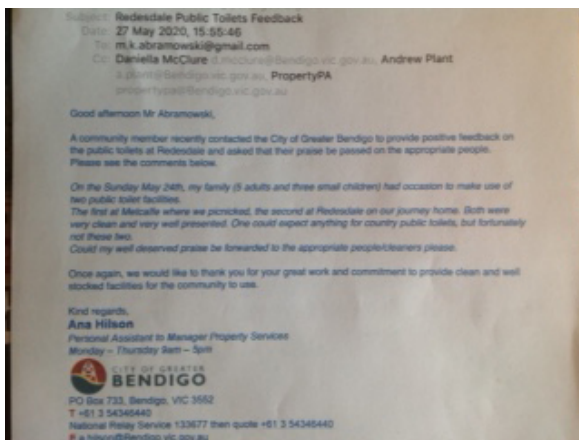


Welcome back to all,
After a couple of months hiatus we resumed our meetings in June. Prior to that, understandably, most issues were put on standby. With easing of

restrictions things are starting to progress. We are waiting for Leroy excavations to drill the stump holes for the pavilion deck so we can get on with completing the deck which will transform the whole outlook. Leroy will also grade the road behind the pavilion to divert the water runoff away from the building. Mid June we had a reserve clean up of rubbish and tree pruning and the CoGB gardeners will be spraying the weeds. Many thanks to all those involved. We installed blinds in the pavilion as per our separate report in this edition. Also, the hall renovations are well underway as per our separate report in this edition.

The RRRC would like to take this opportunity to thank and recognise the excellent work that Helen Pearce has been doing for some time now. For those of you who don't know, Helen maintains the cleanliness of the Redesdale public toilets situated on the Reserve. These facilities are extremely busy all year round not only by the traveling public but also by locals who visit the reserve to walk their dogs or attend functions at the hall or on the reserve such as market days. Testament to her good work is the accompanying letter from a visitor received by the CoGB, of which is one of several received during her term. Thank you Helen and keep up the good work.

**Happy days,
Mike Abramowski.**



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The Redesdale Recreation Reserve Committee would like acknowledge the kind gesture of Blockout Blinds in providing all the internal window blinds for the Pavilion at cost price saving us a considerable amount. We would thoroughly recommend Blockout Blinds to anyone thinking of blinds and to contact **Mr Paul Morris** -Senior Design Consultant on **0430-010938** to arrange a quote.

A special thanks to RADA who kindly paid for the blinds from funds raised from their stall at the bush market

Gary Prendergast
Treasurer :Redesdale Recreation Reserve Committee



(Below is the wording of Letter Received as it is hard to read)

Good afternoon Mr. Abramowski a community member recently contacted the city of greater Bendigo to provide positive feedback on the public toilets at Redesdale and asked that they praise be passed on to the appropriate people. Please see the comments below on

On Sunday, May 24 my family of five adults and three small children had the occasion to make use of the public toilet facilities the first at Metcalf where we picnicked the second at Redesdale on our journey home both were very clean and very well presented. One could expect anything for country public toilets but fortunately not these two Could my well deserved praise be forwarded to the appropriate people/ cleaners please.

Once again we would like to thank you for your great work and commitment to provide clean and well stocked facilities for the community to use.

Kind regards

Anna Hilson
Personal Assistant Manager Property Services.
City of Greater Bendigo.

WHO OWNS THIS WASHING MACHINE?

Late May I was alerted to, by a Reserve user, of a washing machine, unattended, washing workman clothes under the oak tree outside the tennis complex.

Some lame brain had broken into the tennis club, vandalised the water supply and ran an electrical lead and hose to the machine.

By the time I got there the clothes had gone but the machine remained with the electrical lead lying in water as they had left the water running.

Who knows what could have happened had children decided to play in the muddy water with the electrical lead.

If anyone has any information regarding this please contact Kyneton Police.

I emailed both the president and secretary of the Redesdale Tennis Association, who maintain the complex, to notify them of the damage and to advise them to secure the premises for public safety.

At the date of writing this article, some 3 weeks later, I am yet to receive a response and the complex has not been secured. As such the Reserve CoM will lock up the tennis complex and anyone wishing to use the tennis courts will need to obtain a key from the Reserve Committee.

Mike Abramowski

Chairman Redesdale Recreation Reserve Committee



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Redesdale Ramblings

Winter in Central Victoria

Many of us will now have immaculate gardens without a weed in sight after our enforced lockdown. Just kidding! We've been too busy baking our "Iso-bread" to weed the garden! The only good thing about 2020 so far is that we seem to have returned to a "normal" rainfall pattern and may even get a wetter than usual winter. Twenty years ago when we first came here it was so wet half of the rosemary bushes in the front garden drowned! We decided that we needed to get an "Aggie drain" put across the garden to prevent it being too soggy - then we were hit by the "Millennial Drought" and we wondered if we'd wasted our money. However it still drains well and whenever we have heavy rain we can see it working.

With autumn rain the bulbs have had a good start and spring should be better than ever. Some of the early narcissus are already in flower, including the hoop-petticoat daffodils and the multi-headed "tazetta types" (please don't call them jonquils!) such as the "Paperwhites" and "Straws". Some of the newish hybrids using the green autumn flowering *Narcissus viridiflorus* are also starting. In late May "Autumn Jade" and "Virivest" started and should continue right into July. The first is a greenish tazetta and the other is like a green jonquil (the real type).

Among the "hoop-petticoats" we usually get the white ones flowering first, invariably *Narcissus cantabricus* or one of its hybrids such as 'Nylon' or 'Fyno'. But recently we got some of the "Winter Colours" range from Trevanion Daffodils in Canberra and these can vary from white to deep yellow and they start in June. I've written about the hoop-petticoat daffs before and have heaped praise on this group of mini daffodils. The main species are *Narcissus bulbocodium*, *N. cantabricus* and *N. romieuxii* which come from southern Spain and Northern Africa (around Morocco and the Atlas Mts). Hybrids between these and a few other similar species have been popular with alpine gardeners and daffodil enthusiasts for the last couple of generations. The earliest ones I grow were raised by the Blanchards in the UK in the 1950s and '60s but more recently some



Early flowering yellow hoop petticoat daffodils

Australian breeders have made more locally grown hybrids available from Glenbrook Bulb Farm in Tassie and two growers in Canberra, Trevanion Daffodils and Keira Bulbs.

We're so lucky to be gardening here where the ground never freezes – the occasional frost notwithstanding – we can garden virtually all year round. We just need to adjust what we grow when. There's no point sowing tomatoes in winter unless you have a heated glasshouse or live in the tropical north. On the other hand coriander grows better in the cooler weather and bolts to seed in summer. There's still time to sow coriander and to plant some seedlings such as members of the cabbage family. This year we're trying red cabbage and black kale. We have never used celeriac in cooking but will have to look up some recipes if our "crop" of them gets to maturity. The punnet was an impulse buy when we were at the nursery last month and so far the plants are looking healthy and frost resistant.

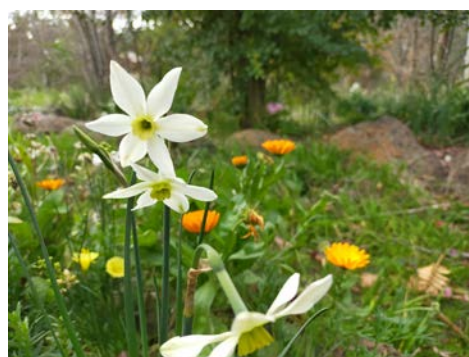
The frost has put an end to the dahlias and "Four O'Clocks" and other tender plants. Even the winter flowering nerines have been damaged but we take the risk growing them because sometimes they flower before the frosts get severe. This year the *Gladiolus dalenii* didn't open before the frosts hit and that's the gamble we take with this late flowering form; a friend in Canberra says he has a summer flowering clone but I'm still waiting to get any from him.

Though the weather seems to be getting colder we are however past the longest night so we can look forward to lengthening daylight and warmer times ahead. Before the winter ends we'll be able to enjoy snowdrops and more daffodils. Right now the winter flowering shrubby honeysuckle, *Lonicera fragrantissima*, is in bloom and deserves to be grown more widely. We can't seem to grow Hamamelis, the Witch Hazels, here but where you can it's also a great scented shrub for winter.

Cheers

Fermi

The Redesdale Rock Gardener



Narcissus 'Virivest'



Lady Sapphire Bombay

Hello dear readers,
Lady Bombay here with this month's achievements in the garden of Mia Mia Manor. I must say that Thorn, the gardener, with the assistance of Lord B have accomplished a sterling job in the construction of the French doors leading from the cottage to the big

hot house. Had it not been for my insistence of a team effort, 2021 was looking rather favourable. Thorn, the gardener, finished the doors with velvet drapes, which he found in the attic. As I do not remember them being a burgundy colour, my query as to how this was procured, with an explanation of dipping them with dye in my copper boiler. This explains my dilemma of last week's whites with a faint pink tinge to them. I shall fester on this later.

Time to rejuvenate the big hot house of some twenty odd years. Its inception started as a carport and as the frosts were destroying some of my delicate pot plants and the position was north facing, the big hot house slowly evolved, and the ute was out in the weather much to Lord B's dismay. Years of old pots, name tags of plants long since gone to God and enough things of no importance to fill up a skip. Next was the cleaning and painting of all the windows which after being cleaned let in more light than I had seen since it was originally built. I do recall the external French door were from a terrace house demolition in Carlton. The sash windows were from a lunatic asylum in Beechworth. Looking back, it was either recycle or forfeit the children's boarding school fees which I felt much to the children's dismay was much more important and pay, necessary for my sanity than to forfeit. Cheap and cheerful was the motto for this carport/ hot house.

Instead of paving the ground of it, leftover gravel from the driveway was added. To complete the whole creation was the obligatory fountain in the centre created from a Georgian flower urn and base which Lord B acquired at a clearance auction, with the statue from grannies place which Lord B drilled a hole through the centre of it to create that reticulated solace of water trickling.

As the cost of sleepers to create raised garden beds was out of the budget requirements, we used lengths of old corrugated iron to make retaining walls topped up with soil from the local garden centre. The roof was change from iron to laser light topped with shade cloth to protect from the harsh summer sun and voila, the big hot house was completed. Nothing matching and all recycled materials, it is now a lush rain forest of palm trees, orchids, trumpet vines, ficus benjamina, elephants' ears, just to name a few.

As we all need a new project to keep ourselves occupied, why not try something the Bombay way. Recycle all the

bits and bobs around the property and create your own slice of mystery, wonder or perhaps amateur dwelling for your much-loved horticultural friends. After all your hard, laborious efforts. Treat yourself to a tippie of Mother ruin in your white wicker arm chair and look at what you have created. After the third tippie, it will look fantastic.

Cheers to all, *Lady B*



Quote of the month:

"Digging in the earth is such a simple way to feel grounded".

Author Unknown

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Auditor Scathing on Labor's Wire Rope Barrier Rollout

The Andrews Government's wire rope barrier program won't achieve its expected road safety benefits and is \$100 million over budget.

They are the findings of a scathing Auditor-General's report tabled in Parliament yesterday.

"While road surfaces across country Victoria crumble, the Andrews Government has thrown a staggering \$550 million on rolling out wire rope barriers," Ms Ryan said.

"The Auditor General's report has confirmed that Labor did not plan the program properly and it won't achieve its expected road safety benefits.

"There was no business case for the program and the Auditor General found the Andrews Government 'does not have strong evidence' to support the claim that wire rope barriers would reduce crashes by 85 per cent.

"Not only can the government not be sure whether it will achieve its intended benefits, but the report also finds that it doesn't know whether the rollout of these barriers delivered the best value for the money spent.

"VicRoads overestimated the efficacy of wire rope barriers which inflated cost benefit ratios – in other words the government misused data from the Monash University Accident Research Centre to increase its justification for the roll out.

"The Auditor General also found there was no stakeholder engagement plan for the program which led to backflips in decision-making.

"Finally, it says the government is not adequately managing maintenance and repairs, increasing the risk safety barriers won't work.

"These are all issues which we have been highlighting since the program began, but the response of Labor's Roads Minister was to denigrate country Victorians by calling us "banjo-playing dingbats".

Ms Ryan said the money should have instead been invested into upgrading failing country roads.

"The Andrews Government has blindly pursued this program despite concerns of emergency service personnel and country motorists," Ms Ryan said.

"The half a billion that has been thrown at this program would have gone a very long way to improving deteriorating country roads.

"Labor has messed this program up. It has cost taxpayers money and not delivered the road safety outcomes we all want to see."

Caption: Member for Euroa and Deputy Nationals leader Steph Ryan is concerned by the botched roll out of wire rope barriers across northern Victoria.

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Higher Jobseeker Rate Is Changing Lives Jul 01, 2020

Central Victorian JobSeeker (formerly NewStart) recipients have shared their experiences since receiving a higher payment rate, due to the \$550 Coronavirus supplement. Federal Member for Bendigo, Lisa Chesters said concerns are growing, with the rate set to snap back to around \$40 a day, or \$567.70 a fortnight in just 85 days.

"After speaking with a number of JobSeeker recipients and local relief organisations, it's clear that the boost in the rate is allowing people to get out of poverty and live with dignity," Chesters said.

"Come September, JobSeeker will be in higher demand than ever with JobKeeper payments also set to end, despite the continuing pandemic.

"Simply 'snapping-back' to the base rate would push people into poverty, make it harder to find work, and risk derailing the economic recovery.

"The base rate is so low it's a barrier to finding work, with many people unable to afford essentials, transport, clothing, training and tools they need to find work.

"The Government must raise the base JobSeeker rate." Chesters said.

Local JobSeeker recipient, Sharron Jamison, says her life has turned around since receiving a higher rate.

"The extra money has made a world of difference," Jamison said.

"All of a sudden I went from facing poverty, homelessness and being quite frightened, to receiving enough money to keep a roof over my head and start to think about other issues like finding work and addressing health issues.

"It's given me a sense of normality, yet it's still only enough to get by.

"We had a Prime Minister stand up who was so proud about helping people through a pandemic with JobSeeker and JobKeeper. Why doesn't that kind of thinking continue beyond this?

"I'm really worried about going back to that lower rate in September," Jamison said.

Campaspe River Update.

Following a sitting of Parliament on Thursday 23 April, the new Environmental Protection Act legislation has been postponed and is intended to commence on 1 July 2021. For details EPA website, call on 1300 372 842 – 24 hours, or emailing engage-ment@epa.vic.gov.au using the subject line: Environment Protection Amendment Act 2018 postponement.

The EPA/Coliban Water court case has been adjourned for the third time, now listed for November. The EPA solicitors have extended the time frame for community members that wish to lodge an impact statement in regard to last year's pollution of the river. Links to the statement form and information about what should be in an impact statement... <https://www.victimsofcrime.vic.gov.au/victim-impact-statement-form> <https://www.victimsofcrime.vic.gov.au/going-to-court/victim-impact-statements>

The river was rendered virtually unusable from Kyneton to Lake Eppalock from June 6 to July 14 2019. If you have stock records/diaries/calendars/recollections that note sickness, stillbirths, or if you had problems with finding alternative water sources etc. during or after this timeframe, please consider putting an impact statement in. Please forward impact statements to Paul.Ratajczyk@epa.vic.gov.au and attach your statement. If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact him on 0475 824 820

The crowd funding for independent monitoring of the water quality in the river is still another avenue to support the Campaspe <https://chuffed.org/project/this-river-is-not-a-tip-saving-the-campaspe-for-its-communities>

Another release from the plant of around 7megalitres happened from March 5. Tertiary treated water but still using the river flow data from Redesdale which had the post rain flow from Pipers Creek, very little flow in Kyneton, therefore very dodgy dilution ratio. We're waiting on updates of data and progress at the plant.

The Goulburn-Murray Water **Blue-green algae warning for Lake Eppalock still in place** on June 16th. <https://www.g-mwater.com.au/news/bga> for updates.

All the best, Lindy

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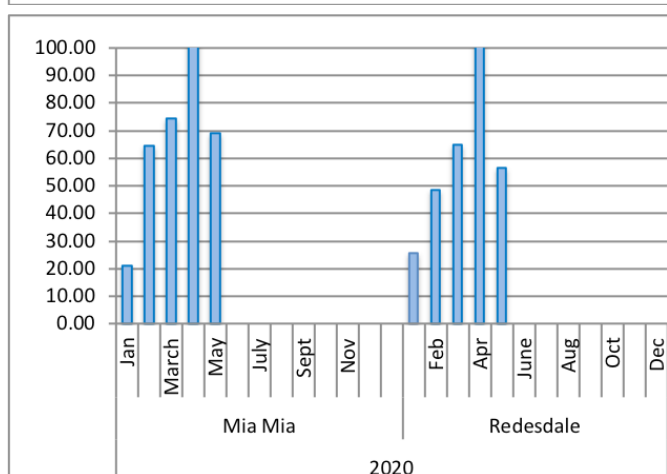
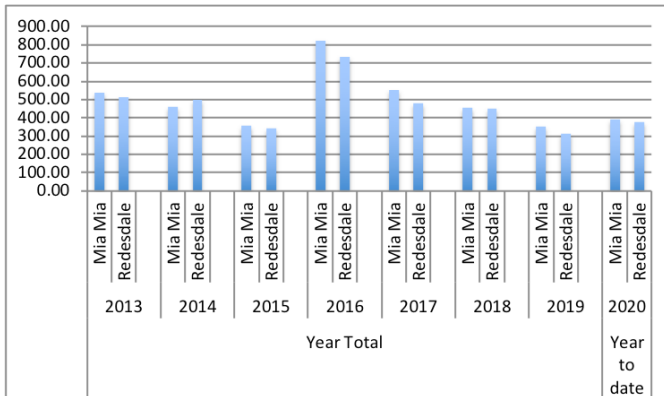
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Mia Mia 69.00mm Year to date 391.5mm

Year totals for Previous years

2013	Mia Mia	538.00
	Redesdale	514.90
2014	Mia Mia	458.00
	Redesdale	497.00
2015	Mia Mia	358.00
	Redesdale	343.40
2016	Mia Mia	826.00
	Redesdale	735.40
2017	Mia Mia	551.75
	Redesdale	479.60
2018	Mia Mia	455.00
	Redesdale	448.40
2019	Mia Mia	352.00
	Redesdale	315.00

Party Equipment for hire

The following party equipment is available for hire from the Redesdale Recreational Reserve Committee (RRRC)

Commercial sized steel roaster	\$120 per weekend
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RECIPE OF THE MONTH

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Carrot Salad



1 kg mixed carrots, cleaned and trim stalks
(Long thin ones are best, but regular ones cut into batons work just fine.)
3 tbs olive oil
2 tbs cider vinegar
1 tbs honey
1 garlic clove, crushed
½ tsp ground cinnamon
120g Greek -style yoghurt
60g cream fraiche
5g chopped dill
10g coriander, roughly chopped
Salt and black pepper.

Place the carrots in a steamer and steam for 8-12 minutes depending on their thickness, until they are cooked through but still firm.

Meanwhile, whisk together the olive oil, vinegar, honey, garlic, cinnamon, half a teaspoon of salt and lots of ground pepper. Once combined, add to the carrots as soon as they are cooked. Mix well and set aside to cool.

(This can be done up to the day before.)

Mix together the yoghurt and cream fraiche in a medium bowl with half a teaspoon of salt. Add this to the carrots along with the herbs. Stir through very gently, lift them onto a serving bowl and serve.

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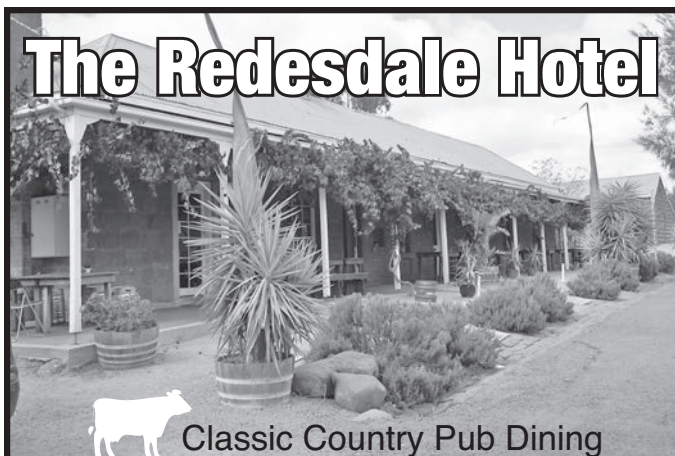
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The Stinson Memorial Project

Last year I contacted a newspaper in Grayson County Kentucky USA when I first sought help to contact the relatives of Stinson Air crash victim Harry F Black of the US Army. I promised after the memorial event that I would send to them a pictorial record, but of course Corona virus just happened to get in the way.

Since then that newspaper I first contacted has gone through some rationalisation changes and their phone number was no longer active. Being one to persevere I contacted "The Big Sandy News" covering several Counties and told them of what we had done to honour Harry F Black here in Mia Mia, and also that our initial efforts with the Grayson Journal Inquirer had been unsuccessful in finding any of his relatives to contact. The Big Sandy News offered to run the story for us in the hope that a relative might respond so that the photographs of the memorial event could be passed on to them.

On June 17 the article was printed and now we hope a relative might respond to the article to receive the photographic record with our kind regards.

A record of the memorial along with Historical information will be collated and placed in a time capsule to be imbedded at the memorial sight in the not so distant future for the future. **Rob Chapman**

You can view the article in thebigsandynews.com vol 135 no25 page 2

LAWRENCE NATIVE REMEMBERED AT MEMORIAL SERVICE IN AUSTRALIA

By **LILLY ADKINS**
BSN Associate Editor

LOUISA — A Lawrence County native was among the victims remembered during a memorial service in January commemorating the 75th anniversary of a commercial plane crash in Australia that killed 10 people.

Henry Franklin Black, a technical representative of the Allison Engineering Company, was one of eight passengers aboard a Stinson Model A that went down in Mia Mia, Victoria, on Jan. 31, 1945. He was 32 when he died.

Black was on loan to the Royal Australian Air Force from the U.S. Army and was being sent to the RAAF 2 Operational Training Unit in Mildura, Victoria. He had recently completed a tour of operational areas of the South West Pacific.

The plane had departed Essendon Airport at 8 a.m. Australian



A memorial service was held in January in Australia commemorating the 75th anniversary of a plane crash that killed 10 people, including a Lawrence County native.

time when a wing broke off at an estimated altitude of 1,500 feet about 15 minutes later.

The eight passengers and two crew members perished in the crash.

Black was born July 29, 1912 in Webbville to Harry Sr. and Nadia Kitchen Black. His father died

in 1955 and his mother in 1968. A brother, James William Black, died in 1992.

A memorial for the crash victims was held Jan. 31 at a location on the Burke and Wills Track overlooking the crash site.

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