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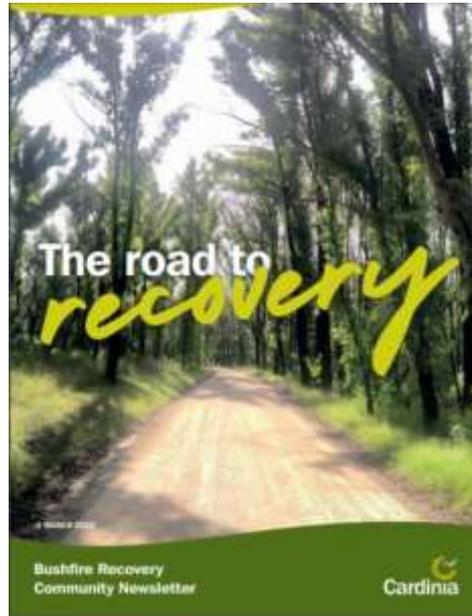
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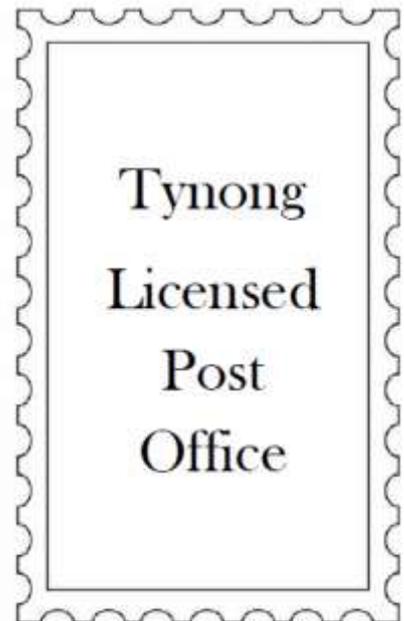
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Editor's Note

Dear Tynong,

Spring has sort of sprung, but it's brought some wild weather with it that is punishing any delicate spring blooms that have dared to peek their heads about ground this early in the month. I've been doing a bit of reading about the Indigenous seasonal calendar for the area, which has been really interesting, given the freezing wintry spring conditions we've been enduring, amidst some bouts of delightful warm days. According to that calendar Victoria's seasons are more accurately broken into six or seven seasons, and we have just left 'wombat season' (which rings true unfortunately given the number of wombats seen hit on the side of the road as they become more active on those frosty nights) and are moving into 'orchid' or 'pre spring', which is characterised by wild changeable weather and returning birds (who has noticed all the wrens and small birds starting to nest?) Perhaps Victoria's famously fickle weather is really just because the seasons don't follow the months in neat quarters?! (If you're interested in finding out more about the Indigenous seasonal calendar, check out the Bureau of Meteorology website). Regardless, I hope you've been finding some warmth and joy amongst it all (or are filling your tanks with the recent downpours!)

Don't forget the Progress Association AGM happening on 13 September—all welcome and supper is provided. Councillor Moore will be in attendance to facilitate proceedings and there'll be lots to discuss.

In the meantime, happy reading! Caroline

Local traffic PSA ... polite reminder from local residents...

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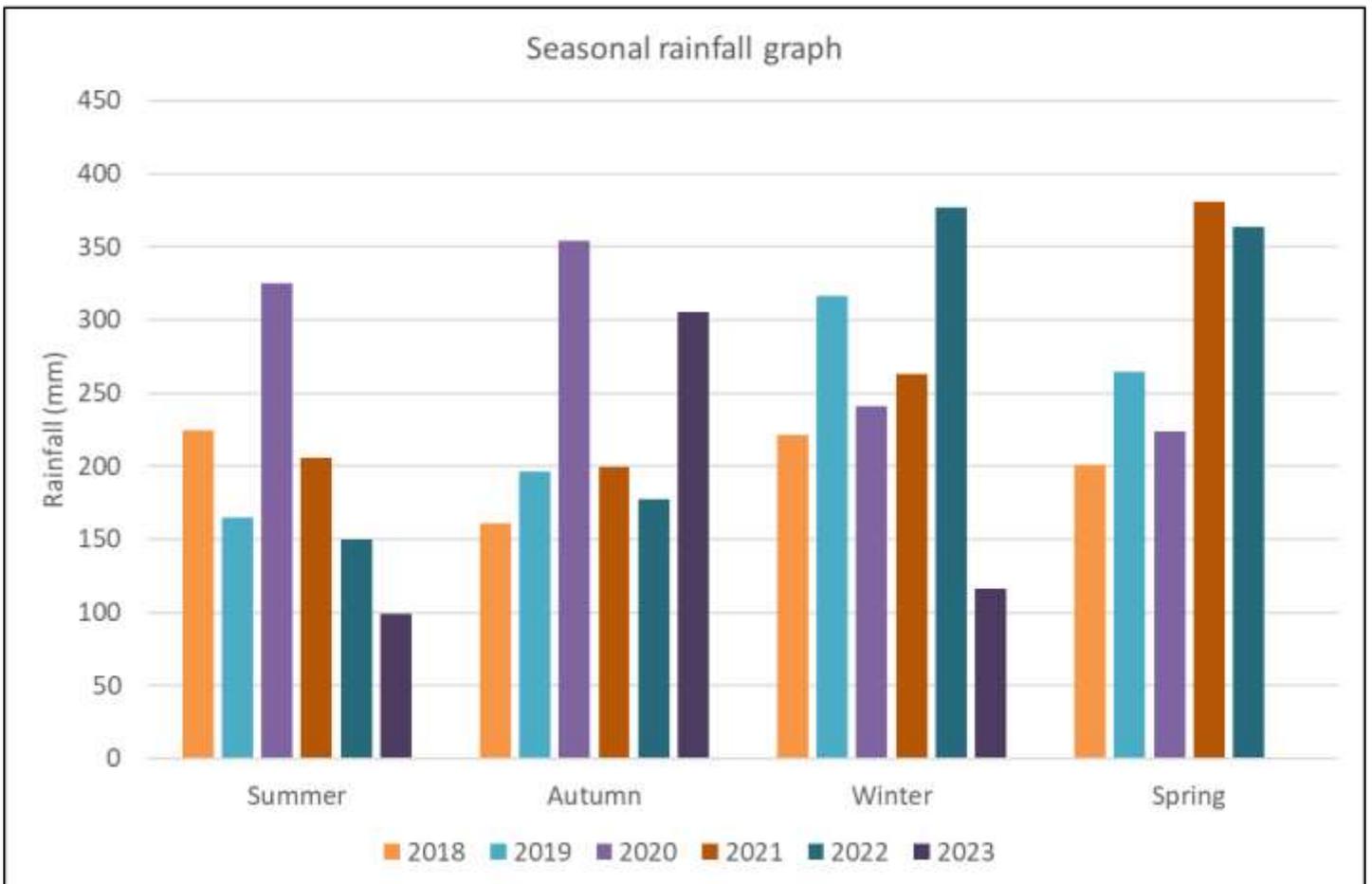
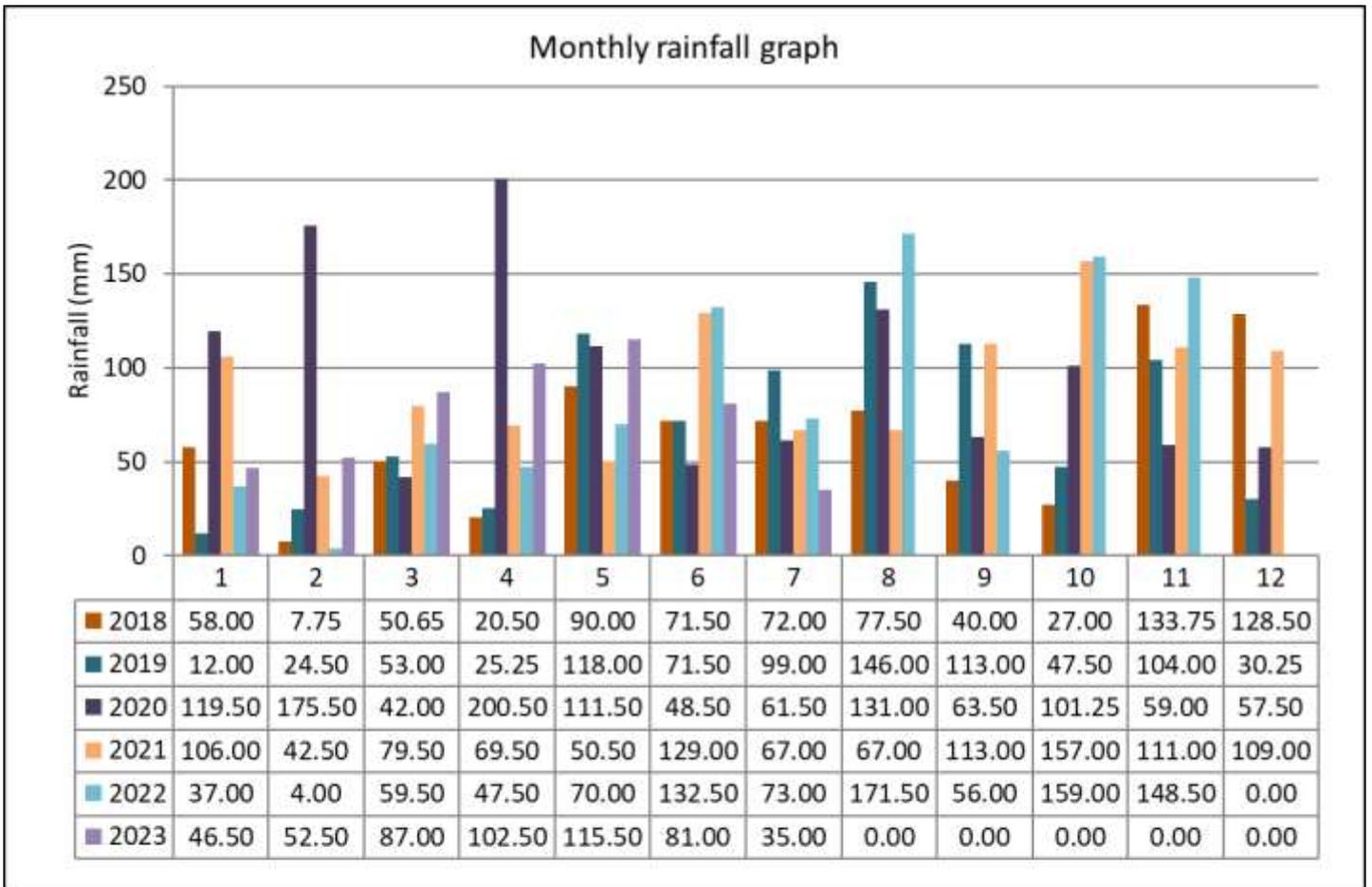
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Tynong Fire Brigade News

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Spring has arrived and it is now time to start to clean up your property and prepare for summer. We know it seems a bit early but the weather forecast is for an early fire season and that, with the fairly dry winter we have had, you should prepare early.

To prepare you should:

- Clean gutters and keep them clean
- Review your fire plan and decide now if on bad days you are leaving early or staying
- Prepare areas for your animals
- Cut grass around your home and other buildings short
- Move fire wood piles away from your home
- If you have fire fighting equipment, make sure it works and you know how to use it. This may be very useful for small fires but do not rely on equipment like this for fires on bad days as it has proved in the past to be inadequate.

Brigade Training

The brigade is preparing now for summer with pre-summer training commencing very early this year. This is the training required by the Chief Officer every year to ensure all operational members are ready for the worst scenarios on the fire ground. Our new training officer is also dealing with all the normal training needs of the Brigade. Welcome to training Rob.

Brigade activities

We are well underway with our fire equipment maintenance duties. This is a major fund raising activity for the brigade and as we have to replace one of our brigade owned appliances it is vital for us.

Turn-outs

Five for the month: three car accidents, one burn-off out of control and one other non fire. Four of these were supports to other brigades and only one within Tynong Brigade area.

Other Stuff

A session was held at St. Thomas Aquinas College for staff on how and when to use the fire extinguishers of the types that are installed in their rooms.

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St Thomas Aquinas College in Tynong is pleased to invite the local community to a

Fire Awareness Information Session

Monday 16 October

A children's information session will begin at 4pm hosted by Tynong CFA.

The adult session will begin at 4.30pm.

We would like to thank the Tynong CFA, SES, Bunyip Police, Cardinia Council and our guest speakers Tony Fitzgerald, and Katie Turnbull.

This is a free community event.

For further information please contact Tina Forte, Facilities and Infrastructure Manager, St Thomas Aquinas College on 56 29 2500 or email events@stac.vic.edu.au

Book your tickets below.

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News from St John's Anglican Church, Nar Nar Goon

SING AND GROW MUSIC THERAPY SESSIONS

St John's Anglican Church, Nar Nar Goon has been the host of a Sing and Grow program. We have been using the Tynong Hall as 12 families with their 0-4year olds gather to participate in eight weeks of group music therapy. It has been wonderful to have so many attend the sessions, and a real joy to see the babies, infants and toddlers respond so positively to the live music and leadership provided by music therapist Cath. This program is generously supported by the Federal Government and managed through Anglicare in partnership with Cardinia Shire. Following the years of COVID lockdowns it is great to be able to hold sessions like this where 0 – 4 year olds can access live music, singing, dancing and interaction with other children. Even the babies are included in the movement to the music. Thank you to the Hall Committee in allowing us to use the Tynong Hall for these sessions. It has been a wonderful venue.

CALL FOR STALL HOLDERS FOR PET AND PLANT FAIR

St John's Anglican Church will be holding our Annual Pet and Plant Fair on Saturday 14th October in Nar Nar Goon as part of our celebration of the Season of Creation. We are currently looking for stall holders to be part of the fair. If you are interested in having a stall on the day, please contact Rev Cathy on 0400 687 771. The Fair will be from 10am – 2pm with live music and the Blessing of the Pets at 12 noon.

CONFIRMATION OPPORTUNITY

Rev Cathy will be holding confirmation classes from the middle of September with the Bishop visiting us at the end of October to confirm participants. If you or your children would like to be confirmed in the Anglican Church, please speak with Rev Cathy on 0400 687 771. Baptism enquiries are always welcome.

All are welcome to join us each Sunday at 10am where we have contemporary music within a family friendly Anglican service.

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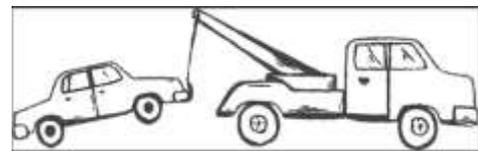
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Cardinia Shire's Seniors Festival is Back in October!

Cardinia Shire's seniors can get active, try something new and meet new people at the upcoming Seniors Festival.

Seniors Festival is a state-wide festival celebrating the contributions of seniors in our community for the month of October.

This year's theme is 'Learn Love Live' and what better way to do so than taking part in free and low-cost events and activities hosted and/or supported by Cardinia Shire Council.

During Seniors Festival our local seniors can:

- see what local social opportunities exist at the Senior-tivity expo
- take part in ballroom, old time, new vogue, rock 'n' roll, and line dancing at the Old time dance event
- enjoy Cardinia Cultural Centre's renowned pre-show Devonshire tea followed by the live theatre performance of popular songs from Rogers and Hammerstein musicals
- practice gentle moving meditation at an outdoor Tai Chi event.

Cardinia Shire Mayor, Councillor Tammy Radford encourages Cardinia Shire's seniors to get involved.

"It is important to recognize the positive impact that our Cardinia Shire seniors have on the community," said Mayor Radford.

"The festival is a great way to bring our seniors together to enjoy themselves, learn new skills and make new friends."

For more information visit www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/seniorsfestival

Young people to help shape future farming in Cardinia Shire

Cardinia Shire Council welcomes \$55,000 in funding from VicHealth for a project to help connect young people with local farming jobs.

The project – Futureproofing Farming in Cardinia Shire – aims to:

- increase employment and education pathways for young people in the agricultural sector, with a focus on creating a local food system that is both resilient and sustainable
- support local young people to become the skilled workforce needed to lead this transition and growth
- showcase exciting opportunities in technology, business and employment emerging in the agricultural sector

Several schools and industry representatives will be involved in developing the project, alongside local young people.

Cardinia Shire Mayor Councillor Tammy Radford said Council welcomed funding for the project.

"We're excited about hearing ideas from young people on how best to futureproof farming in Cardinia Shire", Mayor Radford said.

"We welcome this initiative to create more job pathways and involve young people in shaping the future of our local food system".

Futureproofing Farming in Cardinia Shire is aligned with Council's Liveability Plan objective of increasing the sustainability and resilience of the local food system, and Council's Community Food Strategy, which identifies the need to grow a vibrant local food economy.

This project will be delivered over three years, with funding received through the VicHealth Local Government Partnership program.

For more information, call Council's Future Communities team on 1300 787 624.

Local businesses in Cardinia Shire will soon be invited to take part in the Cardinia Business Landscape Survey.

The survey aims to provide insights on the current business landscape and to gather feedback on how Cardinia Shire Council can better shape the support and resources it provides to local businesses.

Council staff will visit Bunyip, Garfield and Koo Wee Rup to speak directly to businesses.

Cardinia Shire Mayor Councillor Tammy Radford encourages local businesses to participate.

"We're enthusiastic about connecting with businesses and ensuring our support and resources align effectively with their needs", Mayor Radford said.

"Our community told us it's important to support local businesses, that's why we want their feedback and ideas on things we can do to help them thrive."

The survey is open now and will run until the end of September at creating.cardinia.vic.gov.au

Businesses who receive a direct invitation are encouraged to use the link emailed to them to access the survey.

For more information about the Cardinia Business Landscape Survey, please visit cardinia.vic.gov.au/business or call Council's Economic Development team on 1300 787 624.

Cardinia Shire Council leaders represent our shire at Parliament House

Cardinia Shire Council leaders joined colleagues from other outer Melbourne councils at an event at Parliament House in Spring Street last month to recognise Interface Week 2023.

Mayor Cr Tammy Radford, Deputy Mayor Cr Jack Kowarzik, CEO Carol Jeffs and General Manager Liveable Communities Lili Rosic attended the event to discuss the unique challenges and opportunities facing Interface Councils and to raise awareness of these issues with state government representatives.

The Interface Councils group is made up of the 10 municipalities that form a ring around metropolitan Melbourne, representing 1.6 million residents living in the outer suburbs. These include Cardinia Shire Council, City of Casey, Hume City Council, Melton City Council, Mitchell Shire Council, Mornington Peninsula Shire Council, Nillumbik Shire Council, City of Whittlesea, Wyndham City Council and Yarra Ranges Shire Council.

The theme for this year's Interface Week is 'Outer Suburbs, Not Out of Sight'.

With Melbourne's outer suburbs accommodating almost 45% of Victoria's population growth, there is a need for all levels of government to improve and strengthen the coordination and planning of infrastructure, services and job creation in the interface council areas.

Distinguished urban planning expert Dr Marcus Spiller from SGS Economics and Planning spoke at the event, as did the Chair of the Interface Councils, Cardinia Shire Mayor Cr Tammy Radford.

Cr Radford said the interface suburbs were more than just peripheral areas and should be given the same economic opportunities as the rest of Melbourne.

"These suburbs are thriving and vibrant communities that are home to hardworking people, innovative businesses and diverse cultures.

"According to Dr Spiller, the Interface Councils' population is expected to reach 2.5 million by 2036. Data shows that an average of 3 families are moving into Cardinia Shire every day," said Cr Radford.

"To keep pace, government at all levels will need to work together on growth management strategies that ensure critical infrastructure and community services are provided.

"Our state will need careful strategic planning, innovative housing and service delivery, road and transport upgrades and improved jobs access to ensure an equitable, inclusive, and prosperous future for Cardinia Shire and its fellow interface municipalities," Cr Radford said.

More information:

Cardinia Shire Council website's 'Cardinia Calls For' webpage - www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/advocacy

Interface Councils website - www.interfacecouncils.com.au

Home Energy & Water Efficiency Kits available to the community

The community can now borrow free Home Energy & Water Efficiency Kits through Cardinia Shire's libraries.

The Home Energy & Water Efficiency Kits are packed with practical tools and resources to empower the community to improve energy efficiency, reduce their carbon footprint, and make sustainable choices within their homes.

The kits include:

- energy meters to monitor electricity consumption
- thermal imaging cameras to identify areas of heat loss
- flow-measuring cups to calculate water use
- useful information and tips on home energy-saving practices.

Cardinia Shire Mayor, Councillor Tammy Radford encourages the community to use the kits.

"These kits are a great way to gather valuable insights about the energy efficiency of your home and implement energy-efficient practices," said Mayor Radford.

"Not only is this great for the climate but can also help lower energy and water bills at home," said Mayor Radford.

Library members can place a hold for the Home Energy & Water Efficiency Kits to them collect at any of Cardinia Shire's libraries (Pakenham Library, Emerald Library or Cardinia Mobile Library).

This program is delivered by Myli libraries in partnership with Cardinia Shire, Bass Coast Shire, Baw Baw Shire and South Gippsland Shire councils.

For more information about the Home Energy & Water Efficiency Kits go to www.myli.au/libraryofthings and select the 'Home Energy and Water Efficiency Kits' button.

Explore local flora and fauna with council guided walks

Local nature lovers can take part in guided nature-spotting bushwalks at Maryknoll, to discover the diverse flora and fauna at these hidden gems.

Participants on the walks will get to admire native orchids and tall Manna Gum Eucalypts, listen out for treecreepers and eastern yellow robins, smell the flowering Acacias and taste some bush food.

Members of Cardinia Shire Council's Environment Team are leading the guided walks to celebrate the 'Citizen Science Biodiversity Blitz', taking place throughout September.

'Citizen science' involves collecting records of nature observed in the environment with smart phone or other device through phone apps such as 'iNaturalist'. These community records help scientists understand the health of our natural biodiversity.

Event Details - Guided walk at Maryknoll

Date: Saturday 23 September

Time: 9:30-11:30am

Location: Welcome to Maryknoll (Corner Snell Rd and Barongarook Rd S, Maryknoll)

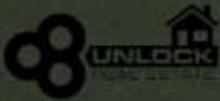
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It is always a pleasure to be able to show off the achievements of locals and this one is no exception! Mark and Pharrah Underwood were one of the recent recipients of Australia Post's 2023 Local Business Hero awards for their family run business. Pharrah, her Mum and Dad – Mary and Cyril – along with sister Rigail lived in Tynong whilst the girls were growing up but moved into Melbourne to develop another family run business, supplying coffee shops and food premises with consumable supplies.

Pharrah and husband Andrew run a company called local.clothing from Phillip Island, which can be accessed online via their web page local.clothing. There were over 4000 entries Australia wide and local.clothing will receive business support and products as well as Australia Post advertising at over 100 post offices in this area. They also support local community groups by donated a percentage of their monthly sales.

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2022/23 INDUSTRY CONTRIBUTOR - Tom Scanlon

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For Tom, racing was more than a pursuit, it was a tradition that ran in the family's blood. With his father, Thomas Scanlon, already an accomplished trainer who triumphed with BETTERLINE at Caulfield in 1963, Tom inherited the legacy. His inaugural taste of victory as a trainer came with WOODFLITE at Yarra Valley, an accomplishment that further fuelled his dedication to the craft.

While dairy farming was their primary trade, the Scanlon family's love for racing turned it into a shared venture. Amidst the daily routine of milking cows and harvesting potatoes, they seamlessly transitioned to the racetracks, demonstrating their multifaceted skills.

A strong familial connection persisted as Tom's involvement was intricately woven with his kin. He supported his brother, Kevin Scanlon, who notably secured back-to-back Pakenham Cup victories with CORONER. Tom's training efforts predominantly thrived during the summer months, perhaps influenced by his perception that the cows were more occupied during winter. Despite his eventual departure from dairy farming, Tom's reluctance towards chilly winter mornings remained unchanged.

Tom's motivation for training was deeply rooted in family ties, with cousins and later his children's friends joining in through ownership shares. This sense of camaraderie and community defined his approach, leaving an indelible mark on the racing landscape and the lives he touched.

Congratulations Tom on a well-deserved award!



Cannibal Creek Landcare Group Planting Day

Last month saw the remainder of this year's plants in the ground at the Melbourne Water site in Lovers Lane, Garfield. Since May there has been a second Community Planting Day in August, as well as separate planting days with St Peter's School from Cranbourne/Clyde North, Melbourne Stars cricketers and staff, and four separate Landcare planting days. Pakenham Secondary College are coming out next month to erect some more tree guards on plants.

This has been a great effort by the members of the community, plus members of Cannibal Creek, Bessie/Ararat, Bunyip, Westernport Swamp, Intrepid, Toomuc Valley and Labertouche Landcare groups working together to plant nearly 10,000 trees, shrubs and grasses this year. The number of volunteers at the recent Community planting day in August had 104 people signed in, which was a significant increase from the 85 who attended in May. The support for the project is very encouraging and hopefully everyone will return for the next Community planting day in May 2024. This will also be an opportunity for people to see how the plants have grown. Without the general public's support this project would not have been such a success.

Cannibal Creek Landcare Group is also thankful for the support of:

- the management of Wagstaff's Abattoirs for making their car park space available for the overflow of cars.
- Holcim Quarry for their great work in fixing the gateway entrance with gravel and levelling of the track.

The support of these local businesses was greatly appreciated.

The Lovers Lane site will become a haven for the Southern Brown bandicoot and for the large array of woodland birds that are already making this area their home. Our group has obtained funding to monitor the site for bandicoots and to erect shelters for their protection. We are confidently awaiting the outcome of another grant to fund plants for the Community planting day next year.

The revegetation project would not have been possible without the grants from Melbourne Water for plants, tree guards and weed control. We encourage local farmers with dams, streams etc on their properties that may be suitable for revegetation to contact Melbourne Water for advice and possible funding. Their contact person is Bridgette Sullivan, email bridgette@wpcln.org.au.

The Community Opportunity Shops at Garfield and Bunyip were helpful indeed with funding for our second Community Day catering and toilet hire. We are extremely grateful for this as good coffee and food makes the days complete. The smell of onions and sausages cooking at the 2 barbecues in May and August run by the Rotary Club of Garfield/Bunyip encouraged the planters along with their work. We are grateful for their commitment to the community and for helping us out. The Sikh Community at Officer also provided the vegetarian food for our lunch at the August planting. The Cardinia Shire environmental team were on hand at both Community planting days to help guide people and help with the planting. The site in Lovers Lane is part of the Cardinia Shire's Biolink Plan, which is worth checking out on their website.

More information on the Lovers Lane revegetation project is available on the Cannibal Creek Landcare Group Facebook page. People can be kept informed of future planting days by sending an email to CannibalCreekLandcare@gmail.com and you will be added to the mailing list.

Cannibal Creek Landcare Group warmly welcomes new members.



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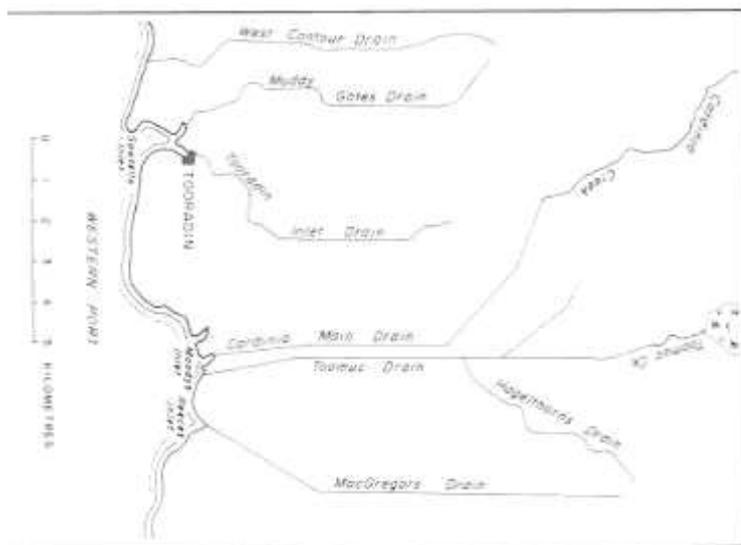
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NAVVIES ON THE MAIN DRAIN

Contributed by local historian Gerry Cunningham, whose family were early settlers of the district.

With the completion of the construction of the Great Southern Railway over the 'treacherous Koo-wee-rup swamp' and on into South Gippsland in 1889, the scene was set for the beginning of the works to drain the swamp and settle farmers on small blocks on the presumed highly fertile drained swamplands. A specially constructed Swamps Board comprising of Inspector General of Public Works, The Surveyor General, the Chief Engineer of Melbourne Water Supply and the District Surveyor was set up to draw up a plan to drain the Swamp. The plan was based on a survey carried out by the Chief Engineer of the Public Works Department, W Thwaites, in 1888.

The surveyed plan was to construct a drain from the edge of the Westernport Bay at Moody's Inlet to pass right through the center of the swamp and eventually capture the waters of the Bunyip River at a point where the river entered the swamp. The distance of the drain to be excavated was approximately sixteen miles with a gradient of about seven feet to the mile. The Engineer estimated and the size of the drain was then calculated the cost of draining 52,900 acres at £188,500.

From this, the Swamp Board thought fit to deduct £100,000. The Board's calculations were obviously determined by the funds available rather than the engineering requirements of the works. It was difficult for the engineers in charge to calculate how big the proposed drain should be in order to carry the water of the Bunyip River to the sea without causing flooding.

Figures kept by a private individual from Warragul, about potential rainfall events were the best the engineers had to go on before the size of the drain was calculated according to these figures.

Despite the lack of accurate knowledge about the state of the swamp, the works began on the construction of the main canal in 1889. The contractors were Buckley and Sons who had tendered to excavate the first four miles of the drain. Sixty hands were employed on the job. These workers were known as "navvies" – a title which originated in England to describe those who worked on the building of the navigator canals which were the main method of transportation in England before the canals were replaced by the railways from the middle of the 1900's era, hence the name "navvies". These men were famous for their physical strength, their endurance and capacity to work in very difficult conditions as well as their hard drinking ways.

The first contractor, Buckley was skeptical about the ultimate success of the undertaking. He could see the inadequacy of the main drain he was constructing to cope with all the waters that might be expected to flow down the Bunyip River. He was impressed however, with the quality of the soil which was excellent and "would grow anything if the water could be drained off it".

In June 1891, work began on the second stage of the main canal. It was to be undertaken by Kearney and Rundle who had experience working in a similar project at Lake Condah in Western Victoria. Eleven miles of main drain, plus subsidiary drains, which were to intersect the main drain were yet to be dug. These subsidiary drains were named according to the distance on the main drain from the sea at the point where they intersected with the main drain. The five mile drain and the eventual road beside the drain was five miles along the main drain from the sea. One has to question why a six mile drain and road plus a ten mile and twelve mile were never made into the plan!!

The contractors, Keating and Randle were confident of the success of the works although they complained about the difficulties of surveying the routes of both the main drain and side drains – "work having to be done in perpetual water, in some places 2 feet deep, while in the depth of winter of which the survey party found the going to be almost impossible".

The work on the project received a shock in July 1891, when the whole of the swamp was inundated by the largest flood to occur since 1863. The swamp became a vast sea with much damage being done to property and stock in the area. The canal works were disrupted and the workers forced to flee to the Koo-wee-rup railway station. Despite this setback, the tender was called on September 1891 for the construction of the next section of the main drain.

The contract was won by William Bloomfield, the son of the buyers of the swamp fringe land, which was purchased at auction in 1875. The price of the task was quoted as £55,000 to provide a drain 72 feet wide at the top and 56 feet wide at the bottom, and six or seven feet deep into the soil or clay. A wide cesspath was to be left on either side of the drain to provide for later enlargements – an indication perhaps that the engineers were not as sure about the adequacy of the drain as they sometimes made out to be. The excavated material was taken by wheelbarrow on planks across the cesspath and deposited as a bank on either side of the drain.

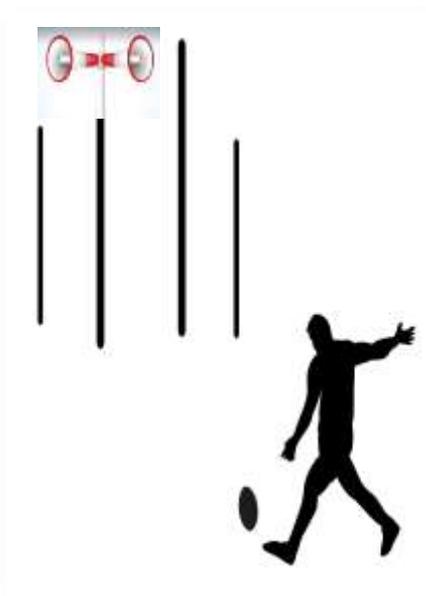
Because of all the extremely soft ground, all the work had to be done by hand using tools such as axes, mattocks, spades, shovels, grafts and wheelbarrows, all of which had to be supplied by the contractor, as well as the camping gear and food for the men. It is obvious from the description, the enormity of the task performed by hand by these tough nawvies.

Bloomfield had been paying his workers 7 shillings a day wages but owing to increasing expenses, he found he could no longer afford to pay that amount. He decided to switch to piece rate payments and the men were offered 9 pence a cubic yard of material excavated. The men refused to accept this arrangement and went on strike for a rate of 10 pence a cubic yard. The men discovered that Bloomfield was receiving 11 pence a yard for the material so they went on strike for the extra penny. Apparently, the men won their case and the work continued through 1892 until the Bunyip River was tapped.

At that point it was believed in the Public Works Department and in the mind of the Chief engineer, the newly appointed Carlo Catani, that the actual settlement of the swamp lands could commence, even if the drainage works were not yet completed.

Events in Melbourne, however – major economic depression with large numbers of unemployed – lead to a very ambitious plan to settle the swamp with a large number of would-be small farmers from the ranks of the unemployed from the city.

Of this major development, we shall look at in the next instalment.



TYNONG FOOTY TIPPING 2023

Congratulations to all the winners of this year's footy tipping!

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Equal 2 ND	PAUL STEWART
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It was a closely contested result with John leading over the last couple of rounds, before being overtaken by Nick. Paul and Clint came up very rapidly in the last few games too. John tipped 150 winning games over all, a feat that not many other major tipping competitors did. Well done John!

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Tynong Fire Brigade members recognised | Janice Gorick

Ten members of the Tynong Fire Brigade joined other Country Fire Authority Region 8 firefighters in being awarded a National Emergency Medal at a ceremony which was held on 12th August 2023 at the Berwick Church of Christ.

The 2019-2020 Bushfires were declared a nationally significant emergency for the purpose of the National Emergency Medal, which is awarded by the Governor-General of Australia.

The National Emergency Medal is awarded to persons who rendered sustained or significant service during nationally significant emergencies in Australia. The service must be in the protection of lives and property in direct response to the emergency and the minimum duration of service that a person is required to have completed to qualify for sustained service is 5 days.

The National Emergency Medal comprises of a bar featuring the Commonwealth Coat of Arms, the central image is Australia's national floral emblem, the wattle, and complements the design of the companion medal, the Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal. Around the central image is flowering wattle which represents the accomplishments and sacrifices made by Australians in the service of others in times of crisis. The back of the Medal repeats the ring of flowering wattle and includes the words 'FOR SERVICE TO OTHERS IN A NATIONAL EMERGENCY'. The Medal's ribbon colours are gold and eucalyptus green. Gold symbolises the Australian sun, optimism and hope. Eucalyptus green complements the symbolism of the medal design. The seven gold coloured bands represent Australia's six states, with the seventh representing the territories.

Master of Ceremonies, Jamie Hansen (Assistant Chief Fire Officer – District 8), welcomed recipients, their family and friends to the Award Presentation and was followed by the Australian National Anthem being performed by Monya van Staden. A video montage of the 2019-2020 bushfires made time for some quiet reflection of these CFA firefighters' service to the community.

CFA South East Region Deputy Chief Officer, Trevor Owen spoke about the 2019-2020 bushfires and the toll on the community. Cardinia Group Officer, Andrew Wenzel invited members on to the stage as DCO Trevor Owen, assisted by Jamie Hansen, presented the medals and clasps to Tynong Fire Brigade Captain David Glazzard, Alan Gorick, Daryl Hickmott, Paul Jenkins, Robert Mackie, Brett McGuffie, Robert Newham, Suzy Mirabito, Brett McGuffie and Simon Soroka.

As some members have already received the Medal for the 2009 Victorian Bushfires, they were awarded a clasp with the wording 'BUSHFIRES 19-20' to attach to the ribbon of the Medal. All recipients were also given a copy of the CFA book, 'Our Black Summer – First person accounts from the Frontline'.

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Cannibal Creek Landcare Group

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Community Notes

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Tynong Hall Committee

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The Tynong Tabloid has kept the advertising rates for our local community as low as possible for many years and have made a very modest increase for 2023 to help with our printing costs.

Description	Size (W x H)	Cost
Logo	9.7cm x 3.25cm	Available for ongoing community notices or sponsors
Business Card	9.5cm x 6.5cm	\$10
1/4 A4 page (vertical)	9.5cm x 13cm	\$15
1/4 A4 page (horizontal)	19cm x 6.5cm	\$15
1/2 A4 page (vertical)	9.5cm x 26cm	\$30
1/2 A4 page (horizontal)	19cm x 13cm	\$30
Full A4 page	19cm x 26cm	\$50

Please note:

- All advertising material, community notices and community contacts are the responsibility of the provider. Please ensure your adverts and notices are correct and up to date.
- Advertising for local not for profit organisations, community groups and clubs are free as long as there are no *ongoing* fees or charges listed for the general public in your advert.
- Ongoing community notices are free but must be kept to business card or logo size where possible.

Tynong & Surrounds Community Calendar—September 2023

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
4	5	6	7	8 Tynong North Friday Group Bunyip Slimmers Club (9.30 Uniting Church Bunyip)	9	10
11 Mobile Library Tynong: Railway Avenue 3.30pm - 5.30pm	12	13 Tynong Progress Association Annual General Meeting 7.25 Tynong Fire Station	14	15 Tynong North Friday Group Bunyip Slimmers Club (9.30 Uniting Church Bunyip)	16	17
18 Mobile Library Tynong: Railway Avenue 3.30pm - 5.30pm Tynong Fire Brigade Support Group 7.30pm Tynong Fire Station	19	20	21	22 Tynong North Friday Group Bunyip Slimmers Club (9.30 Uniting Church Bunyip)	23	24
25 Mobile Library Tynong: Railway Avenue 3.30pm - 5.30pm	26	27	28	29 Tynong North Friday Group Bunyip Slimmers Club (9.30 Uniting Church Bunyip)	30	