

MT ROUSE NEWS & VIEWS



WW2 Soldier Settler Historical Markers

Over forty soldier settler descendants and friends gathered on Sunday 24 April to unveil two historical markers covering the Gerrigerrup, Stonefield, Youngs and Moyne Falls soldier settlement estates.

Peter Guthrie and Ron Jelbart unveiled the Gerrigerrup marker while Mrs Gwen Farley-Smith and Mary Johnson unveiled the Minhamite marker. The attendees were delighted to see Gwen and daughter Robyn at the unveiling, and during the post unveiling BBQ Gwen recalled her times with husband Bill farming and raising a family on the Stonefield Estate.

The historical marker idea gained momentum after the 2021 launch of James Affleck's book *From Tents and Tin Huts – to Timber Houses and Tiger Snakes*, a compilation of WW2 soldier settler family stories.

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Pictured above: Mary Johnson and Gwen Farley Smith



LIONS CLUB OF PENSURST & DISTRICT

SKIN CANCER CHECKS This Friday & Saturday

The Lions' Free Skin Check and Awareness Unit is coming to Penshurst on **Friday May 6th** and **Saturday May 7th**. We are thrilled to have such a wonderful service coming to our town and would encourage all the Penshurst community residents to hurry and book an appointment to take advantage of this free service. It would be a shame if we couldn't fill the appointments to ensure the Unit will attend.

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| Penshurst Takeaway | 10am |
| Byaduk Town Hall | 11am |
| Stalkers Bend General Store Bransholme | 12pm |
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Next Meeting - Wednesday 25th May 2022 Community Meeting

7.30pm - Supper Room, Penshurst Hall

Good afternoon, or in this case, late evening, I hope you are having a good day.

No ghost stories were written this fortnight, but a great deal of paperwork was caught up on, issues discussed, decisions made and changes put in place. One of the things that did happen was my aunt's birthday, better known to most people as Anzac Day. The lack of a service has been a discussion around the town, and I think brought to people's attention the importance of that Ceremony, even if you have never attended one here in town before. It is a short time, in many a busy schedule, to remember those we have loved and lost, particularly through wars, by whatever name they have been labelled .. and makes us more aware of events happening around the world that would be terrifying if they arrived at our front door. Australia is a very lucky country, and we tend to forget that when something doesn't go our way. So right now I would like to thank everyone who served their country, in war or peace, and to take a moment to remember those we lost. I hope that there will be a 'next year', that isn't lived within the pollution of nuclear fallout, or emotional fall out created by events we have no control over, when we can have total control over what we say to each other, and how we treat each other on a day to day basis for the rest of the year.

This month has been a learning curve for me. I signed up to become one of the Community Panel at Wannon Water, to look at the company from the inside out, and we did. There were seven of us, from different walks of life across the western district, who had two full day in-person meetings, and a other forms of literature. During that time we learned a whole lot about the company and their attitude to

their role in the communities they support. I also was given the opportunities to discuss the upcoming sewerage installation here in town, part one of which will cost \$1.2 million of the total installation they believe will be \$16 million. Strangely, in this day and age, the figures do not appear staggering to me, but I did warn them to expect a lot of rock and a higher cost for the project, and they say they are prepared for it, so that should be interesting to watch. It was wonderful to see how focused the employees of the company are on taking care of their customers, and not pricing us out of existence every quarter with their bills. If you ever have a problem with a water account, get in contact with them. We sprung a leak under this house once, giving us a bill that was ten times its normal cost, without us noticing, and they really were great people to deal with. I also took the opportunity to ask for a wider range of grants for our communities ..

And progress in our process ... you might have noticed a few small changes in the street. The tables have gone from the front of the VDC. The Heritage Walks board might be gone by now. The Lion's Shelter will be coming down very soon and a new building will be created in its place, provided by the Council. Each small change is part of a wider plan to revitalise the face of the town and make it more appealing to travellers, as well as more liveable for all of us. To find out more about the projects, and suggest your own, come to a meeting, stop and say hi and ask questions, phone me, or offer to lend a hand. Many hands make light work, as my mother often reminds me.

Wishing everyone a wonderful fortnight,
Ama Cooke, Chair, PPA



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-  **Delivering community projects** and supporting our volunteers so we build strong local communities.



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WW2 Soldier Settler Historical Markers

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Erecting the two monuments, one at Gerrigerrup and one at Minhamite, required a team effort. Ron Jelbart coordinated the project and with son Rob prepared the sites. Craig Blake, Blake Excavation, Hawkesdale provided the lifting equipment and operator

Dave Coffey expertly manoeuvred the rocks into place. Concreting was done by Grange Concrete and stonemason/ bricklayer Paul Dwyer embedded the plaques into the rock face. The two plaques were made by Graeme Stewart, Scotia Engraving Company, Montigue St, South Melbourne.

Concluding remarks were made by Moyne Shire Mayor Cr Ian Smith who noted the diverse civic and economic contributions that the soldier settlement



Above: Soldier Settler Descendants.



communities had made to local towns and the region.

Above: Minhamite Historical marker and Moyne Falls Estate sign.



Left: Peter Guthrie and Ron Jelbart unveiling the Gerrigerrup marker

Ambulance Victoria



Your local Penshurst Ambulance Community Officer (ACO) members attended a wonderful Easter market held at the Kolor property on Easter Saturday! It was a gorgeous sunny day that attracted many local and new faces into our little country town.

We attended the Easter market looking for new recruits to help cover our area and provide assistance to any that need it! Ambulance team members have to volunteer a minimum of 20 hours a month and receive paid and supportive training throughout their time as a volunteer, with no medical background required!



The Penshurst team currently have only 3 ACOs on road and we are struggling to maintain, let alone increase our coverage above 50% for our area. To have a viable ambulance service in Penshurst we desperately need more people to step up and help. Having so few ACOs is not viable long term. We seriously need people living in the Penshurst and local area to consider putting up their hand to help, so that we can keep this important service available. With our closest paramedics located in Hamilton it would be great to offer more support to all of the locals.

If you would like any more information or just to simply ask some questions, please get in contact via the following email address: penshurst.teamleader@ambulance.vic.gov.au



Penshurst Photography Show

Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th
September

Penshurst Memorial Hall

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Bowls News

The Penshurst Bowls Club have finished off their season with a presentation dinner at the Penshurst Hotel. Thanks Bec & staff for a beautiful meal & service. Over 30 members and their partners attended.

Winners for the season where: Mens Champion: David Cook, Ladies Champion: Ann Rentsch (both pictured here), Mens 100 up: John Page (absent), 21 up (President's singles) Basil Eales (absent), Club Pairs: Michael Cameron & John Page (absent), Ladies 100up & 21 up Brenda Uebergang. We also played a ladies novice 100up & 21 up, these were won by Rachal Thomson (absent). Special 8 badges were awarded to Ann Rentsch (skip), Jenni Kinnealy, Donald Adamson & James Thomson (absent). These badges are presented to a team in pennant where all their 8 bowls are closest to the Jack, for a score of 8 ... this is a very rare occurrence.



The club once again has been well represented in West Coast Region events, hopefully we can improve next season. So for now, bowlers will only practice at their leisure, June long weekend the men will run their annual tournament, so keep the date free.

As we are a small club, we would love to welcome any new bowlers to come and try bowls: contact President Michael 0427 765 372 or Secretary: Ali 0427 555 973, or any other members. Around August we will start our new season, till then enjoy the break and see you back on the green then. Cheers Kitty & Jack

Below: Enjoying the night



More photos over the page

Bowls News

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Men's Champion David Cook with Pairs winner Michael Cameron, John Page absent.



Ann Rentsch, Donald Adamson, Jenni Kennelly & James Thomas (below) winners of getting all 8 bowls nearest the kitty without the opposition getting any.



Winner of the novice 100up & 21up
Rachal Thomson



Right: Ladies Champion Ann Rentsch with
winner of the 100up & 21up Brenda Uebergang

Trip to Lake Bolac by Penshurst Group

The WDHS Social Support Group, Penshurst on Thursday 21st April travelled to Parupa Metal Art near Lake Bolac. The group stopped at Wickliffe for morning tea before arriving at Parupa where Melissa explained how she came to develop her business in metal art. Members were interested in seeing her artworks with some purchasing a few items.

Traveling back to Lake Bolac we joined with the local PAG members enjoying a meal together and later listened to guest speaker Murray Knight telling us about the history of local sports and importance of volunteerism in keeping clubs going. We had a small insight in his sport growing up in local area and how he is now involved in coaching young people. A great day out enjoyed by all.



For more information on this group check out our Community Meetings page in this newsletter.



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— Malala Yousafzai

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— Mahatma Gandhi

"We are not our best intentions. We are what we do."

— Amy Dickinson

Letter from the Editor

Dear Editor

You spend a lot of time talking to yourself, in your head, because your husband tends to think you are nuts if you do it out loud. So here is what you have been thinking ...

"I love letters to the Editor because it shows that the town is watching and thinking about things that are important, 1: to themselves and 2: for the town. What I do not love is when the people are not brave enough to sign the letter with their own name.

A letter to the Editor - we've had a few over the years, and we've only ever not printed two of them - should not be used to cause trouble, but to point out problems that need to be addressed, to ask questions, and be a place for social commentary that we want to share with others. So I have two requests .. You want us to print your letter, then sign it, and wear it, and be proud you had the courage or curiosity enough to share your thoughts. That's not that hard. I do it every fortnight in the PPA report. And two, don't snap at us if we say no. Widen your thinking and look at the big picture .. the newsletter needs to be as neutral as possible .. I learned that from a very wise previous editor. The Editor, Ama.

Riddles

1. A man pushes his car to a hotel and tells the owner he's bankrupt. Why?
2. A girl has as many brothers as sisters, but each brother has only half as many brothers as sisters. How many brothers and sisters are there in the family?
3. What disappears as soon as you say its name?
4. This belongs to you, but everyone else uses it.
5. First, think of the colour of the clouds. Next, think of the colour of snow. Now, think of the colour of a bright full moon. Now answer quickly what do cows drink?
6. Which word in the dictionary is always spelled incorrectly?
7. What can you hold in your right hand, but never in your left hand?

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Caramut and District Garden Club

From now on there is usually a lot of tidying up to do in the garden this month as summer or autumn grown plants and vegies die off. Garden rubbish left lying about harbours pests or diseases but make good composting materials.

Hopefully the tree dahlias will flower before frost cuts them back. To propagate tree dahlias, cut the sappy stems at a node and plant upright in the ground. The plant will rot if the soil becomes water logged for long periods. Tree dahlias will remain in the one place for many years and require minimal watering once well established. If they tend to grow too tall, they will fall over but they can be cut back to fence height and will still flower.

Broad beans can be planted now and prefer to grow right through the colder months. They are good plants for replenishing nitrogen in the soil or can even be used as green manure crops to improve impoverished soils. As broad beans tend to be taller growing, support will be required to stop them toppling over. The young finger sized pods can be cooked and eaten whole. Broad beans are hungry for potassium and phosphorus, so a complete fertiliser for both elements will be needed in most soils although I have good results without adding these.

Competition Winners for April were:

Bloom: 1st. Marita Smith 2nd. Margaret Richardson

Special: 1st. Margaret Richardson 2nd. Brenda Uebergang

Produce: 1st. Jan Street 2nd. Marita Smith

The Next Meeting will be Tuesday 10th May at 10 am at Sandra Free's home at O'Keefes Rd. Winslow to view her lovely garden and indoor plants. There will be balloons on the gateway.
Special Flower: Chrysanthemum

Hamilton Gallery presents
Patricia Piccinini's *Skywhales:*
Every Heart Sings

Skywhales: Every Heart Sings is a National Gallery Touring Event, supported by Principal Partner The Naomi Milgrom Foundation and Visions of Australia. *Skywhales: Every Heart Sings* is the third instalment of The Balnaves Contemporary Series and is a Know My Name project.

Saturday 14 May
Gates open from 6am
Launch 7am

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The Wonder of Working Bees.

Recently we had two working bees and they were on the same day and everything. Some of us went to pack up the Book fair, until next year... and some of us went and polished shiny stuff in the Church ready for Easter. Both were important, both were exciting and both accomplished rather a lot.

But it is not just the physical activity of a working bee that it is important. It is not just in the doing, but there is a certain sense of satisfaction in looking back and 'seeing where you've been'. The books are all tidied away, the brass is shiny and a bit of exercise is very good for you.

But look a little deeper, friends. There is certain delicious chemistry that occurs when folk work together on a common project. A cohesive collegiality is formed. It happens invisibly, surreptitiously and at no particular distinguishable moment in time. But by the end of the project, yes dear reader, something has happened, and we are all changed for the better.

This marvellous process happens because of the working together. It happens in and through the conversations. It even happens in the silence when you think that nothing is happening. But actually it is in the silence that everything is happening.

At the end of both of these working bees we were different people. New friendships had been formed and other friendships had matured and been strengthened. They had become all the more richer and deeper... more flavoursome.

In the packed up space and in the shiny brass we looked at the image in the candlestick and we saw ourselves. We too had become shiny and fresh again. Such is the wonder of working bees.

Fr. David Oulton P. 0435 867 040 droulton72@gmail.com

Penshurst Men's Shed

Are you interested in becoming a Shedder?

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Membership is \$25 + insurance. The first 10 men to sign up

will get free personal accident insurance for the year (value \$30).

For more information contact Tom Cooke on 0488 557 345. See you there, Tuesday & Saturday.

News: The final fit up of the electricity goes into the Shed on 17th May. The wait is worth it.



Riddle Answers: 1. He's playing Monopoly. 2. Four sisters and three brothers. 3. Silence. 4. Your name. 5. Water. 6. Incorrectly. 7. Your left hand.

With Covid freed, we now live in a covid floating period, where Covid can be moving invisibly between us, for this reason The Remedial Myofascial Clinic has concerns about how well we can guarantee and manage the clinic as a Covid free space, especially for our chronic and elderly clients.

It has been decided the best approach for the Clinic is to maintain a semi-closed, semi-open status.

Senior practitioner, Eleanor Sheldon specializes in helping clients achieve greater health through counselling and therapy that is based on client practitioner dialogue. This is achieved through discussing and treating the clients' issues, talking about the balance of physical, chemical and emotional well-being and then working with them to achieve positive out-come for a better self-managed healthy life.

For an appointment contact -

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A PAGE TO SHARE RECIPES



Hearty Chicken Soup

Prep Time 20 mins Cooking Time 35 mins Serves 6

INGREDIENTS

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| 1 tablespoon avocado oil or olive oil | 500g boneless skinless chicken breast or thighs |
| 6 cloves of garlic, minced | 1 teaspoon freshly chopped rosemary |
| 1 yellow onion, diced | 1 teaspoon freshly chopped thyme, stems removed |
| 2 large carrots, thinly sliced | ½ teaspoon salt |
| 2 celery stalks, roughly chopped | Freshly ground black pepper |
| 1 tablespoon fresh grated ginger | 1 cup pearl or Israeli couscous |
| 1 tablespoon fresh grated turmeric (or 1 teaspoon ground turmeric) | 2/3 cup frozen peas (optional, but recommended) |
| 6 cups chicken broth (low salt) | |

METHOD

Place a large pot over medium high heat and add in oil. Once oil is hot, add in garlic, onion, carrots and celery; cook for a few minutes until onion becomes translucent.

Next add in grated ginger and grated turmeric. Sauté for 30 seconds to let the spices cook a bit, then add in chicken broth, chicken breast, rosemary, thyme, salt and pepper.

Bring soup to a boil, then stir in couscous. You'll want the chicken to be covered by the broth so make sure you stir them down to the bottom.

Reduce heat to medium low and simmer uncovered for 20 - 25 minutes or until chicken is fully cooked.

Once chicken is cooked, remove with a slotted spoon and transfer to a cutting board to shred with two forks. Add chicken back to pot then stir in frozen peas. If you find that you don't have enough broth, feel free to add in another cup. Everyone likes their soup differently. Taste and adjust seasonings, if necessary. Enjoy.



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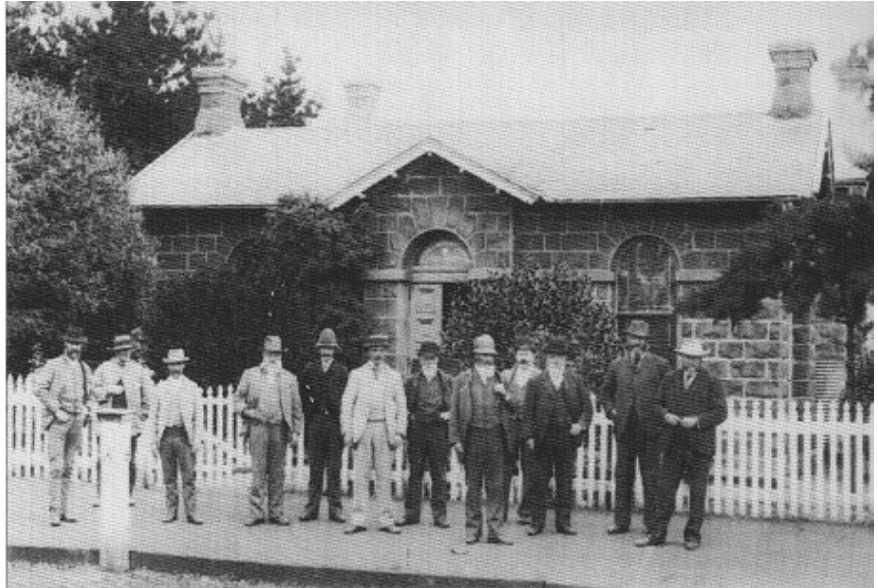
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Penshurst Portraits - Timelines

Continuing our exploration of the Penshurst Timeline from the History Society's book, "Penshurst Portraits: A Brief History of the Penshurst District", from last fortnight. We have touched 1852 when the first town blocks were sold.

1952 - Friedrich Johann Krumnow purchased 1584 acres of crown land (formerly Aboriginal Protectorate land) at Tabor and established the Herrnhut Commune. Based loosely on principles of the Moravian Brethren, it survived for nine years after his death in 1880.



Councillors in front of the Council building, 1890s

ca. 1852 - Mail service to the Penshurst areas was covered by the weekly Hexham to Hamilton run, initially by Saunders' Mail Coaches and later by Cobb & Co.

1858 - Two bluestone rooms served as a National School at 83 Bell Street, in part of the Chesswas' home. The National School opened on Dec. 20th. It is debatable whether this or the State School was the first in Penshurst.

1858 - Penshurst State School (No. 486) was built. A qualified ships master, PD Baxter, was the first teacher and there were 34 pupils. Closed when new Primary School opened on Warrnambool Road in 1963.

1859 - The Shearer's Arms hotel, and the Mt Rouse Inn on the Hamilton-Penshurst Rd at Boram Boram, opened - the first pubs in Penshurst and District. The Shearer's Arms was burnt down in May, 1860 and rebuilt, but Aaron Lane's application for a new licence the same year was struck out and it never re-opened. The Mt Rouse Inn, operated by John Earls, closed in 1867.

1860 - Mount Rouse Road District proclaimed on 24th September.

1860 - Wesleyan (Methodist) Church built. Closed in 1977. Following merger with Presbyterian and Congregational churches.

1861 - A telegraph line and office was established. A post office was established in 1862 and was located in a part of the old police station. A telephone exchange was established in 1905.

1861 - First police presence in Penshurst in run-down premises of a dwelling house and detached stone building with shingle roof, containing a stable and two stalls. Buildings formerly used by the Aboriginal Protector.

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The Mt Rouse & District Historical Society is open the first Saturday of every month,
9.30am - 12.30pm at the Penshurst Courthouse next to the Post Office.

Meetings 4th Sunday in January, March, May, July, September and November, 2pm at the Court House. Phone Phil 0458 766 250. For research questions email: pensearch@gmail.com

Community Meetings

Boram Boram Cemetery Trust

- Contact Jeff Jellie 0407 781 407 or Sue 0418 141 301

Caramut & District Garden Club

- 2nd Tuesday monthly at 10 am. See Garden Notes for venue.

Penshurst Hospital

- Combined Churches service 3rd Tuesday every month in W.J. Lewis wing at 11 am.
- Penshurst Hospital Ladies Auxiliary, 3rd Tuesday each month, Sheppard Room 1.30 pm.
- Residents, Relatives & Carers group, Tuesday bi-monthly, 1:30 pm.
- Penshurst Social Support Group - WDHS meets every Thursday; for Exercise, Activities, Outings and General chit chat. Join us for lots of fun & laughter at Sheppard Centre - **COVID Permitting**. Western District Health Service – PENSURST Campus. Please contact Fiona Social Support Group Coordinator on 03-5551 8381 Or @ WDHS on 55518683

Mt Rouse & District Historical Society

- Courthouse open 1st Saturday each month 9.30 am to 12.30 pm.
- Meeting 4th Sunday in January, March, May, July, September and November, 2pm at the Court House. Phone Phil 0458 766 250.

Friends Yatmerone Reserve

- Meeting 2nd Tuesday every second month, commencing February 2021 at Volcano Centre 7.30 pm. New members welcome.

Lions Club of Penshurst & District

- 1st Friday dinner meeting. 3rd Tuesday business meeting, each month at 8 pm at Penshurst Memorial Hall, 21 Martin Street. penshurstlions@gmail.com



AmbulanceVictoria

The Penshurst Branch is staffed by local Ambulance Community Officers (ACOs).

Ambulance Victoria is regularly looking for local ACOs. If you are interested in becoming an ACO or would like further information, please email penshurst.teamleader@ambulance.vic.gov.au

Penshurst Bowls Club

- Pennant Season (October - February) meets 1st Thursday at 7.30pm Alaister 0427 555 973
- Off Season 1st Tuesday at 7.30pm.

Penshurst Pony Club Rally

- 1st Sunday each month. Phone Jenni 0409 962 969

Penshurst Senior Citizens

- meet last Tuesday monthly, 4 pm at club rooms in Bell Street.
- Novelty Bingo, last Tuesday of month Feb - Nov at 2.15 pm.
- Cards & social afternoon, 2nd Wednesday monthly at 2pm

Penshurst Church Services

Bethlehem Lutheran Church Tabor

Service every Sunday 10.00am

Penshurst Anglican Church

4pm Mass 4th Sunday each month

For further details contact Janet Kelly on 5576 5247

St Andrew's Uniting Church Penshurst

2nd & 4th Sunday

11am Service

St Joseph's Catholic Church Penshurst

1st Sunday No Service

2nd Sunday Mass 8.30am

3rd Sunday Lay Service 8.30am

4th Sunday Mass 8.30am

5th Sunday Mass 8.30am

Something for the children

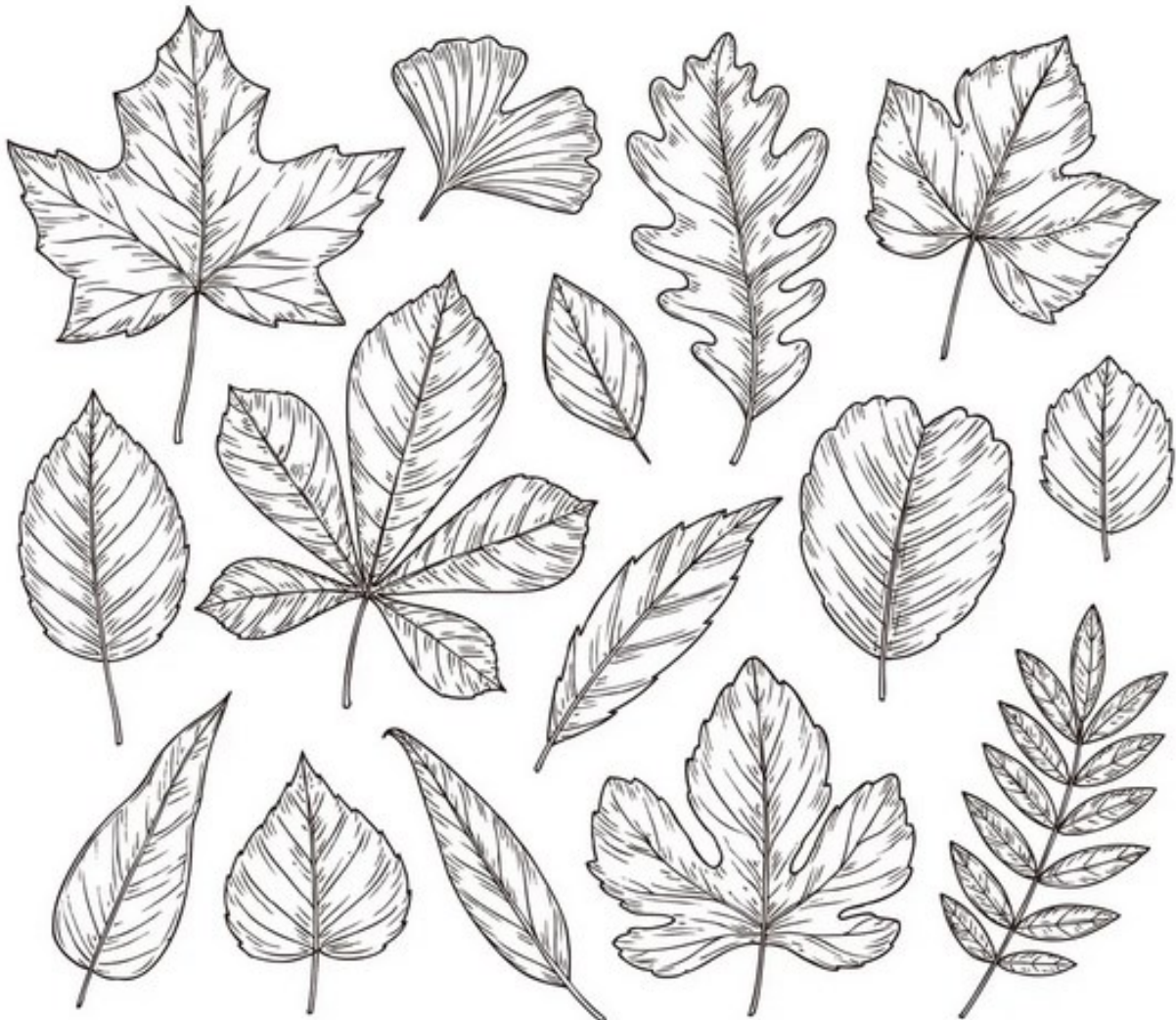
Crafting an autumn leaf suncatcher

Make your windows beautiful and keep the children entertained at the same time with this activity. You'll need tissue paper in colours like yellow, orange, red and brown, as well as some sticky back plastic.

Cut the plastic into any kind of leaf shape you like - perhaps a variety if you're making a few. Get your child to cut or tear up the tissue paper and use the sticky side of the plastic to create a collage.

When they've covered the surface, get a second sheet of sticky back plastic to stick over the tissue paper and see the design. They might also like to make a border for the leaves out of other coloured paper you have lying around, even old wallpaper or magazine cuttings can work. Finally, stick the leaves in the window and watch the lovely autumn sunlight come shining through. You can learn how to make a cellophane suncatcher [here](#).

You can use the same process to make smaller leaves and string them together for hanging suncatchers.



Different sorts of Autumn leave to colour

Penshurst Portraits - Timelines (continued from page 20)

1861 - Penshurst was officially named by the Victorian Governor, Sir Henry Barkley on February 18th. It was formally notified in the Government Gazette on February 25th.

1861 - Price of Wales Hotel built, having 10 rooms and a ballroom. The hotel burned down in November 1972.

ca. 1862 - The Tannery in Bell Street was established by Aitkin and Son. It supplied Hamilton dealers, and also some in Melbourne.



Bell Street, ca 1920

1861 - Penshurst Hotel built. The Victorian Governor, Viscount Canterbury, stayed there in 1871. The Hotel was gutted by fire in 1995, but rebuilt. Originally it had a two storey balcony.

Ca. 1860's - Originally Olle's and subsequently Madigan's Store, for many years owned by the Madigans.

1862 - The poor quality of the Aboriginal Protectorate buildings saw Constable Samuel Watson given permission to rent a stone cottage and stables in the new police residence from Mr. Henry Walters for 30 pounds per annum. It is believed to have been on the block between Bell St. and Cox St. formerly occupied by Mr Bill Ross. The next mention of a new police residence in the town is in 1878 in Scales Street.

1863 - Boram Boram Cemetery Trust established. Lots were drawn for the different religious denominations to take up various parts of the cemetery. The cemetery was proclaimed in January, 1964, but it was likely to have been used for burials in the 1850s.

1864 - Mt Rouse Shire proclaimed on January 18th and the first meeting was held at Penshurst on February 3rd. A foundation stone was laid on February 11th. The Shire Chambers were added to the hall in 1977. The extension on the back of the buildings were added in 1962 to house the Engineering department. With the departure of the Shire in 1994, the building is home to a number of community Groups. Daniel Ritchie was first Shire President.

1864 - The Hamilton Spectator reported that Dr WM Dickerson practised medicine from rooms opposite the council chambers in Penshurst.

1865 - Penshurst Racing Club formed. Races had been held at Boram Boram opposite the Mt Rouse Inn on the Penshurst - Hamilton Rd. as early as 1859.

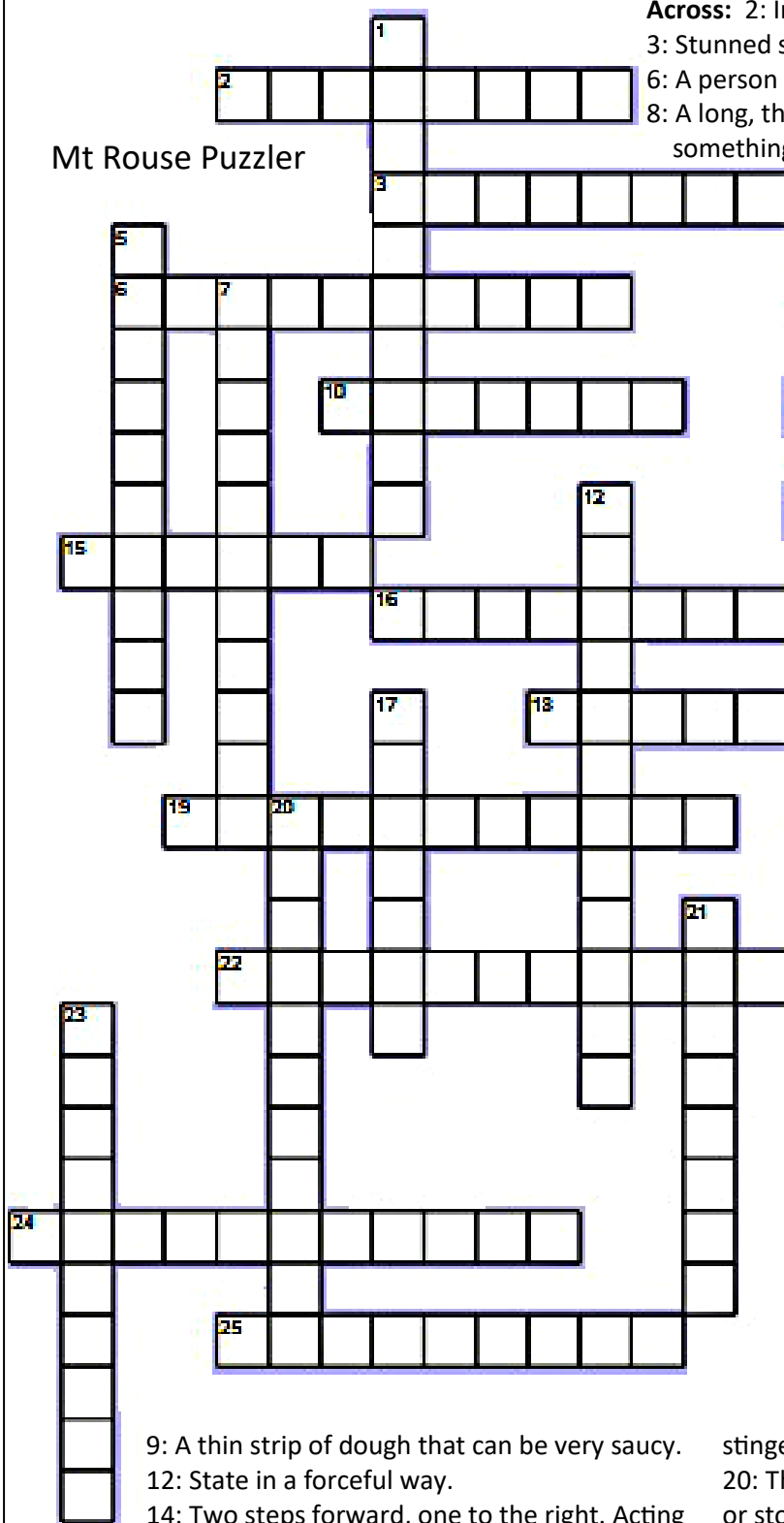
1865 - Presbyterian Church built. It costs 560 pounds.

1865 - Albion Hotel opened with David Munro as Licensee. It closed in 1872.

1865 - The Victorian Gazetteer said Penshurst had a population of about 400.

(More next fortnight)

Mt Rouse Puzzler



Across: 2: Important to pocket or mind.

3: Stunned speechless.

6: A person whose job is to cut down trees for wood.

8: A long, thick board that is used especially in building something.

10: Heavy material that is put on a water vehicle to steady it or on a balloon to control its height.

11: A box for young boys pockets.

13:

Preserved with salt water or vinegar.

15: A small purple, yellow, or

white flower that blooms in the early spring.

16: Frivolously disrespectful; saucy.

18: A small animal that is often kept as a pet.

19: Someone's character; how they behave.

22: This mind is full of myth and magic.

Speak the word and capture the imagination

24: Causing disgrace or shame.

25: The time at which something begins.

Down:

1: Something that is extremely large and powerful and cannot be stopped.

4: A type of dog that has short white fur with many black or brown spots.

5: Very harsh or powerful.

7: To treat someone with more kindness and attention than is appropriate.

9: A thin strip of dough that can be very saucy.

12: State in a forceful way.

14: Two steps forward, one to the right. Acting with honour is his delight.

17: The part of a plant that attracts nature's

stingers.

20: The act of returning something that was lost or stolen.

21: Should smell as sweet.

23: Required by a law or rule.

Across: 3 speckled, 8 speculate, 9 autumn, 11 wonder, 13 dream, 15 expectation, 16 ribbon, 17 small, 20 salutation, 21 elevate, 23 rainbow, 25 cover. **Down:** 1 Blossom, 2 Best, 4 calculation, 5 place, 6 symbol, 7 sincere, 10 parliament, 12 photograph, 14 spaghetti, 18 lullaby, 19 find, 22 bright, 24 weave.



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