

MT ROUSE NEWS & VIEWS



Volcanoes Discovery Centre gets ready to start massive \$330,000 redevelopment

By Brian O'Brien



Above: Volunteers at the Volcanoes Discovery Centre welcomed the Parliamentary Secretary for Regional Development, Danielle Green, to the centre last Sunday week (June 19). Ms Green (blue coat), along with Southern Grampians Shire representatives, came to see details of the exciting \$330,000 proposed redevelopment of the centre. Local volunteers pictured included (from left) Therese Fitzgerald, Diane Dujela, Paul Callander, Gwen Rentsch, Jo Vigliaturo, Barry Schurmann and Brian O'Brien.



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Next Meeting - Wednesday 28th September 2022 Community Meeting

7.30pm - Supper Room, Penshurst Hall

Good morning, its another lovely sunny day before the rain. That old saying 'Red in the morning, shepherd's (sheep dog's?) warning, doesn't seem to count around there. We've had a few red skies on clear days over the years.

It was a very productive meeting of the Progress Association last Wednesday. Thank you to everyone who attended, including the newcomers. We appreciated their, and our, enthusiasm and new ideas for the Hall and town. The next meeting will be in September unless something urgent comes up.

Works in progress: the Heritage Signs are being created at the moment. They will replace the current ones, + one more, and many will go onto new stands. We thank the SGSC for their donation that made our project possible. The Mervyn Napier Waller Green Space you already know about. That will appear sometime soon, probably all of a sudden.

The Men's Shed had its building inspected last week and requires only a couple of minor tweaks to be completely finished. In the meantime there are three places available with free insurance. Or you can just drop in and say hi on Tuesdays and Saturdays 10am - 4pm.

This newsletter is always looking for interesting stories from around the town and district. Do you have something that you would like to share, stories and/or photos are always welcome.

It's not often I am speechless, but I have quite a lot on my plate at the moment, so, for this fortnight - it's back to the paperwork. ☺

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

Early notice:

Members of the Council will be visiting Penshurst for their yearly Listening Post on 20th July at 7.30pm in the Hall. This is when we can discuss personal and town problems face-to-face.

This invitation is for everyone, no RSVP required. They generally stay for an hour.

Photography Club



Expressions of interest are requested in starting a photography club for people who like to travel from place to place taking photos and sharing them with each other.

For more information contact
Tom Cooke 0488557 345 and
David Goulter 0457 331 003.

"Creativity is seeing what others see and thinking what no one else ever thought."

Albert Einstein

"Creativity is inventing, experimenting, growing, taking risks, breaking rules, making mistakes, and having fun."

Mary Lou Cook

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The final tree removal at Penshurst's Volcanoes Discovery Centre (VDC) has taken place.

The removal of four Poplars in large, heavy tubs leaves the 45-metre space to the North of the building ready for a number of outside projects.

This includes the creation of an extensive rock garden and five panels along the fence line recording the history of volcanoes in the Western District and around the world. The rock garden has been designed by Monash University geologist and lecturer, Dr Jim Driscoll. Work on the rock garden is expected to begin within a month.

An activity and interpretation space will be included near the current Education room, while a large sign publicising the centre will be erected on the front lawn. A long winding path will also be built through the rock garden to give visitors an idea of the various types of volcanic rocks in this area including bluestone, sandstone and limestone.

The Poplars were the last existing impediment to the redevelopment to be removed. They follow the previous removal of two picnic tables and seats, a Walking Trail information board, and small bluestone rocks.

In March last year, the State Government gave a \$290,000 grant and Southern Grampians Shire \$40,000 to refurbish the centre, both inside and outside.

** The newsletter will detail the project in considerable more detail once the final outside plan has been accepted and signed off by the shire, the VDC management committee and Geelong designer, John Challis.

Jokes that might actually be funny

1. A man walks into a library and asks the librarian for books about paranoia. She whispers, "They're right behind you!"
2. Want to hear a roof joke? The first one's on the house.
3. What should you do if you're attacked by a group of clowns? Go straight for the juggler.
4. A cement mixer and a prison bus crashed on the highway. Police advise citizens to look out for a group of hardened criminals.
5. A man walks into a library and orders a hamburger. The librarian says, "This is a library." The man apologizes and whispers, "I'd like a hamburger, please."
6. I couldn't figure out why the baseball kept getting bigger. Then it hit me.
7. I saw a movie about how ships are put together. It was riveting.
8. A group of crows was arrested for hanging out together. The charge? Attempted murder.

**Penshurst Men's Shed**

Are you interested in becoming a Shedder?

Come and meet the new management team.

Thomas Cooke, Gerry Van Ekeren & David Goulter.

At present the Shed is open to men only. Membership is \$25 + insurance \$30. Next five members get free insurance.

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

Caramut and District Garden Club

WINTER we think of as being cold and wet and not much happening in the garden. Wrong! Weeds seem to like to start growing and it's a good idea to keep on top of them.

I have found hand pulling the few that are shooting is quite relaxing and invigorating on a cold day. It is probably too late to collect Autumn leaves to act as a thick mulch to keep the weeds down. Thankfully, the leaves don't stop the bulbs from growing.

Before starting the pruning, it is a good idea to sharpen all your tools. Even the spade can be sharpened.

Beds to be used before the spring can be improved by digging into them plenty of well-rotted organic material or aged animal manure. Another way is to plant the empty beds now with a crop for green manure. Field lupins and peas, broad beans, oats, wheat, barley or rye are suitable for planting. Dig in before flowering while still green and sappy. Knock it down, chop into short lengths with a sharp spade and dig into the soil. Kitchen food scraps can also be dug into the soil. Unless you want potatoes coming up with your prized flowers, I suggest you leave potato skins out as the eyes will shoot and grow potatoes.



Competition Winners from the June meeting were:

Bloom: 1st. Robyn Wood 2nd. Marita Smith
Special: 1st. Gill Hioscock 2nd. Brenda Uebergang
Produce: 1st. Mary Underwood 2nd. Gill Hiscock

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 12th July at 10 am at the home of Lyn Gardiner in Koroit. We can then enjoy her lovely garden before moving on to "Rosemount".

Special flower for the month is a Camellia.

Visitors are always very welcome.



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Someone is sitting in the shade today, because someone planted a tree long ago. "Warren Buffett"

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24 JUNE 2022

BOLD BUDGET DELIVERS ON ROADS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Southern Grampians Shire Council has adopted the 2022-23 Council Budget, which supports the community post-COVID and invests almost \$30 million in capital works, major projects and roads. The Budget was adopted at a Special Meeting of Council Wednesday night, along with the Long-Term Financial Plan and Asset Plan. While last year's Budget was designed to respond directly to the continuing impacts of COVID 19, this year's budget reflects a renewed focus and commitment to growth, renewal, and the delivery of major projects and services.

The 2022-23 budget includes several key initiatives identified in the Council Plan 2021-2025:

- Complete construction of the serviced industrial land on Port Fairy Road and commence sales
- Develop a new Cultural Arts Strategy for the Shire to direct Council investment and deliver integrated programming across all townships and enrich community and civic life
- Completing a Small Towns Strategy to provide clear direction on future planning and infrastructure priorities in each of the smaller towns within the Shire
- Progress the new Hamilton Art Gallery Project into detailed design
- Complete detailed design of CBD as per adopted masterplan (2020) to enable construction in future years (subject to funding); and
- Commence design of a network of multiuse trails to make these projects grant ready.

The total Capital Works program of over \$29.4 million is a significant investment in roads, bridges, footpaths and associated infrastructure works. The program includes significant Government investment into projects which must be delivered to meet community and funding objectives.

Highlights of the Capital Works Program include:

- Continued significant investment into local roads, bridges, foot paths and other Council owned infrastructure
- Progress with the construction of an Intergenerational Playground at the Hamilton Botanic Gardens
- Progress the redevelopment of the Melville Oval Precinct; and
- Implement works associated with Council Buildings Asset Management Strategy.

For the 2022-23 year, the State Government, under the fair go rates system, has set the rate cap at 1.75 percent. The cap applies to both general rates and municipal charges and is calculated based on Council's average rates and charges. The 1.75 percent increase applies to the total rates revenue received by Council, not to individual ratepayers. The municipal charge will increase from \$206 to

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BOLD BUDGET DELIVERS ... (continued)

\$209 (this is a 1.5% increase bringing the total collected to 10% of rate revenue). The service charge will remain at \$360 for all improved residential properties in the Hamilton, Balmoral, Branhholme, Byaduk, Byaduk North, Cavendish, Coleraine, Dunkeld, Glenthompson, Penshurst and Tarrington urban areas and “refuse collection areas” for the collection and disposal of refuse, recycling and FOGO.

Southern Grampians Shire Council Mayor Bruach Colliton said the 2022-23 budget is bold and has been developed to help drive the Southern Grampians Shire into the future.

“Southern Grampians Shire Council Budget 2022-23 is a responsible, yet aspirational financial plan, focused on delivering more than 70 services of Council to the Southern Grampians Shire community, along with major strategic projects for our region. In the second year of the Council term, the Budget 2022-23 continues to progress the strategic objectives and deliver the key actions of the Council Plan 2021-2025. The Budget has also been developed in line with the Southern Grampians Shire Community Vision 2041, our Long-Term Financial Plan, our Asset Plan and our Community Investment Plan. A capital works budget of \$29.4 million, the largest we’ve ever had, will see us deliver on some long-awaited major projects in recreation, tourism and economic development and invest in our critical infrastructure of roads, bridges and footpaths. We understand that our community has high expectations of us and what we deliver so it’s important that we continue to identify efficiencies and review all activities against community identified priorities. This may mean examination and evaluation of our core services and how we can best

provide those to our community. We believe this Budget is both balanced and innovative, providing value for money for our ratepayers,” Cr Colliton said.

The adopted Budget, Long Term Financial Plan and Asset Plan will be available to view at www.sthgrampians.vic.gov.au and in hard copy at Council’s Brown Street office and the Greater Hamilton Library.

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The masters of life know the way,
for they listen to the voice within them,
the voice of wisdom and simplicity, the
voice that reasons beyond cleverness
and knows beyond knowledge.

Benjamin Hoff, The Tao of Pooh

History continues - Penshurst Portraits - Timelines

1938 - Railways Department offered to sell three acres of the area at Mount Rouse at present leased by the Council for £200.

1939 - Council resolved to call tenders for the sale of old cast iron lamp posts in the Penshurst streets.

1939 - Engineer empowered to sell old lamp posts in Penshurst at £1 each.

1940 - 14th February at 2.15 p.m. Majority of Councillors left for a bushfire near the Sazli property at Dunkeld and meeting lapsed for want of a quorum.

1941 - Council resolved that five-day working come into operation on the first day of October, 1941.

1942 - Commonwealth Flax Production Committee thanked for establishing a flax receiving depot in Penshurst.

1945 - Council promised support for new Hospital at Penshurst.

1947 - Mt. Rouse Shire Waterworks Trust held its first meeting with three urban districts - Penshurst, Dunkeld and Glenthompson.

1951 - Establishment of fire watching post on Mt. Rouse decided upon at a joint meeting of Mt. Rouse, Warrnambool and Minhamite Shires and CFA.

1954 - RJ Menzel's tender accepted at £975 for toilet block at Penshurst Park.

1954 - Depot sheds erected by Shire in Glenthompson, Dunkeld and Penshurst.

1954 - Penshurst Flax Mill weighbridge sold by Dept. of Interior.

1955 - Pipes to take water from the spring to a service basin on the side of Mt. Rouse were laid at a cost of £11,967.

1956 - A new brick Catholic school (St. Joseph's) opened.

1956 - Uniform Building Regulations adopted for Dunkeld, Glenthompson and Penshurst townships.

1956 - Tender of £3,348 accepted for Penshurst Infant Welfare Centre (Buckingham Bros).

1956 - The service basin was built on the side of Mt. Rouse at a cost of £6,629.

1957 - Penshurst Infant Welfare Centre opened.

1958 - Tender of £5,069 accepted for Penshurst Swimming Pool and Dressing Sheds (McCarthy Bros).

1959 - AB Cook offered to construct a road around summit of Mount Rouse.

1960 - Town's population estimated at 680.

1960 - Public Meeting at Penshurst decided to proceed with a public hall on the basis of £18,000 cost, including £1,500 government grant and a council load of £11,000.

1960 - Penshurst Swimming Pool opened on January 16th.

1960 - Government grant of £297 for a children's playground at Penshurst Park.

1960 - Education Department decided to build a new State School at Penshurst.

1961 - The spring basin was covered at a cost of £1,193 and a concrete floor installed for £500.

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SOUTHERN GRAMPPIANS SHIRE COUNCIL



22 JUNE 2022

LIBRARY WINTER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM IS HERE

The Greater Hamilton Library Winter School Holiday Program is out now with fun for all ages. The ever-popular movie-craft session is back featuring 'Minions – The Rise of Gru', Bee -Bot coding will cover simple coding techniques, Mr Snot-Bottom comedy will provide endless laughs, and Geeks and Games will have the bigger kids tech needs covered.

Southern Grampians Shire Council Senior Library Officer Jenny Poynton said the Library is pleased to once again offer Southern Grampians kids a unique experience these school holidays.

"We have another fantastic school holiday program lined up with sessions to suit all ages with some really fun and different activities. Bookings are essential so get in touch with our friendly Library team to secure your place. We encourage all our local families to take advantage of the incredible opportunities we have planned and visit the Library this winter break," said Ms Poynton.

The winter program will begin Wednesday 29 June 2022, with the following activities on offer:

- **Movie Craft:** 'Minions-The Rise of Gru'. Kids can make their own figurine, followed by a showing of the movie at the Hamilton Cinema. 29 June 2022 (Recommended 6-12 years)
- **Bee-Bots:** Introduce your kids to simple coding techniques using the fun and challenging bumble-bee robots. Guide your Bee-Bot through a series of buzzworthy challenges. 1 July 2022 (Recommended 5-8 years)
- **Comedy Show:** Join comedian 'Mr Snot-Bottom' for tasteless tunes, gross-out gags and lots of laughs for weird kids and even weirder parents. 5 July 2022 (Recommended 5+ years)
- **Geeks and Games:** A fun session with presentation League of Geeks Chair, Trent Kusters.

Participants will have the opportunity to play Armello, a digital role -playing strategy board game, and enjoy a Minecraft 'Create Your Own Mini Game' session. Participants are encouraged to bring their own devices to join the session. Oculus Quest virtual reality sessions will also be available throughout the day. 8 July 2022 (Recommended 12-18 years)

For further information on upcoming activities and to book the school holiday program, contact the library on 5573 0470 or follow the library Facebook page. Bookings and payments are required prior to each session and can be made in the library.

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‘When the wedding is finished... then...’

“Well, what did you make of all that?” the wise old priest asked. He had just finished interviewing a wedding couple and everyone had kindly allowed me to sit in on the side lines.

It was a fascinating process as the nuts and bolts of the service were thrashed out. Then came the bit about how did you meet. A gooey story with a couple of false starts.

Then he asked. “ So what do you guys fight about?” There was a stunned silence as if he had asked them something vulgar.

The couple blushed and eventually made up something about who’s turn it was to put the bins out. A flimsy answer masquerading a lot of other things. They did not want to admit to being flawed human beings who have arguments.

The priest grinned and changed the subject onto something much more mundane and less important. Something about the flowers I believe or how many rings there might be.

What did I make of it? I was not quite as nuanced at reading the room as he was, so I missed a lot of things that were being said, but not in words. So he explained it in words of no more than three syllables and then he said ..

‘When the wedding is finished then the marriage can begin’. Or, put it another way. ‘The wedding service might last half an hour, but the marriage lasts a life time’. Neither of us thought that the couple understood this salient and vital truth but then which of us did when we started out? None of us could for-see the tricks, and trials that the years would hurl at us and the dragons we would slay.

My hope for you dear reader, is that you are smiling fondly because you already know this profound truth. ‘When the wedding is finished then the marriage can begin’.

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“Experts on romance say for a happy marriage there has to be more than a passionate love. For a lasting union, they insist, there must be a genuine liking for each other. Which, in my book, is a good definition for friendship.” – Marilyn Monroe

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History continues - Penshurst Portraits - Timelines

- 1961 - Penshurst celebrates the centenary of the naming of the town on February 25th. The celebration continues with a "Back to Penshurst" from March 31st to April 4th.
- 1961 - Council granted £50 towards new Ambulance Station at Penshurst.
- 1962 - Council purchased 10,000 Pinus radiata for planting on Mt. Rouse.
- 1962 - Tender of Waller Bros. £3,473 for renovations to Shire Hall and of Clausens (Hamilton) Pty. Ltd. of £1,421 for furniture and floor coverings.
- 1962 - Council decided to raise a loan of £15,000 towards Penshurst Hall.
- 1962 - Penshurst Ambulance Station opened in November.
- 1963 - Bert Behncke received a contract of £943 to erect a roof on the water service basin on Mount Rouse.
- 1963 - Septic tank installations under Shire advance carried out in Penshurst, Dunkeld and Glenthompson.
- 1963 - New State School opened on Warrnambool Road.
- 1964 - Housing Commission decided to build houses in Penshurst, Dunkeld and Glenthompson.
- 1964 - Opening of Penshurst Hall and Shire Centenary meeting (January 25th).
- 1965 - Housing Commission advised that it would build four single flats at Penshurst on land provided by council.
- 1965 - About £249 cash, 13,000 bales of hay and 55 bags of oats were donated from within the Shire in NSW drought relief in a shire-sponsored appeal.
- 1965 - Penshurst Library branch opened in December.
- 1965 - Kevin Sarre shears a record 346 sheep at Penshurst.
- 1966—The shareholders of the Cheese & Buttery Factory accepted a merger offer by Murry Goulburn Associates Co. Ltd. Ending a 67 period in which it was the only major food processor in the shire.
- 1970 - Penshurst identity, Bill Lewis, was elected to State Parliament where he served three years.
- 1979 - David Ryan shored a record 501 merino lambs at Penshurst.
- 1980 - Penshurst Free Press ceased publication on January 9th. It resumed later but its final issue was December 16th, 1981.
- 1994 - The end of the Shire of Mount Rouse, which merged with neighbouring shires to form the Shire of Southern Grampians situated in Hamilton.
- 1994 - Beginning of Progress Association, "Advance Penshurst", under the direction of Brendan Kelly and Julie Nash.
- 1996 - Penshurst Water Gardens completed and opened.
- 2003 - Volcanoes Information Centre opened in former Shire Chambers (October).
- 2006 - New Police Station built and opened.

From: Penshurst Portraits. © 2009

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

A PAGE TO SHARE RECIPES

Healthy chicken noodle & vegetable soup

Prep Time 15 mins Cooking Time 30 mins Serves 5

INGREDIENTS

1 tbsp extra virgin olive oil
2 large carrots, peeled, thinly sliced
2 large celery sticks, thinly sliced
1 brown onion, finely chopped
2 garlic cloves, crushed
2 tsp finely grated fresh ginger
500g chicken thigh fillets, trimmed, thinly sliced
750ml Stock Chicken Style

80g dried wholemeal spaghetti pasta, broken in half
150g broccoli, cut into small florets, large stem peeled, thinly sliced
145g (1 cup) frozen corn kernels
zucchini, halved lengthways, thinly sliced crossways
Chopped fresh continental parsley leaves to serve
Grated lemon rind to serve

METHOD

Step 1 Heat oil in a large saucepan over medium heat. Add the carrot, celery and onion.

Cook, stirring, for 6-7 minutes or until softened.

Add garlic and ginger. Cook, stirring, for 1 minute or until aromatic. Add chicken.

Cook, stirring, for 3-4 minutes or until browned.

Step 2 Add the stock and 500ml (2 cups) water. Bring to the boil. Add the spaghetti and bring to a simmer. Partially cover.

Cook for 10 minutes or until spaghetti is al dente.

Add the broccoli, corn and zucchini. Cook for 5 minutes or until tender.

Step 3 Divide soup among serving bowls. Top with parsley and lemon rind. Season with pepper. Enjoy.



And now for something completely different.

Toffee

3 cups white sugar
6 tbs boiling water
Sprinkles to decorate

30 g butter
6 tbs white vinegar

Set out 24 patty pans.

In a small saucepan, place all of the ingredients and stir over medium heat until dissolved.

Bring to the boil without stirring for 10-15 minutes or until a spoonful of mixture cracks when you drop it in a glass of cold water.

Pour into patty cases and sprinkle with 100's and 1000's. Leave to set.



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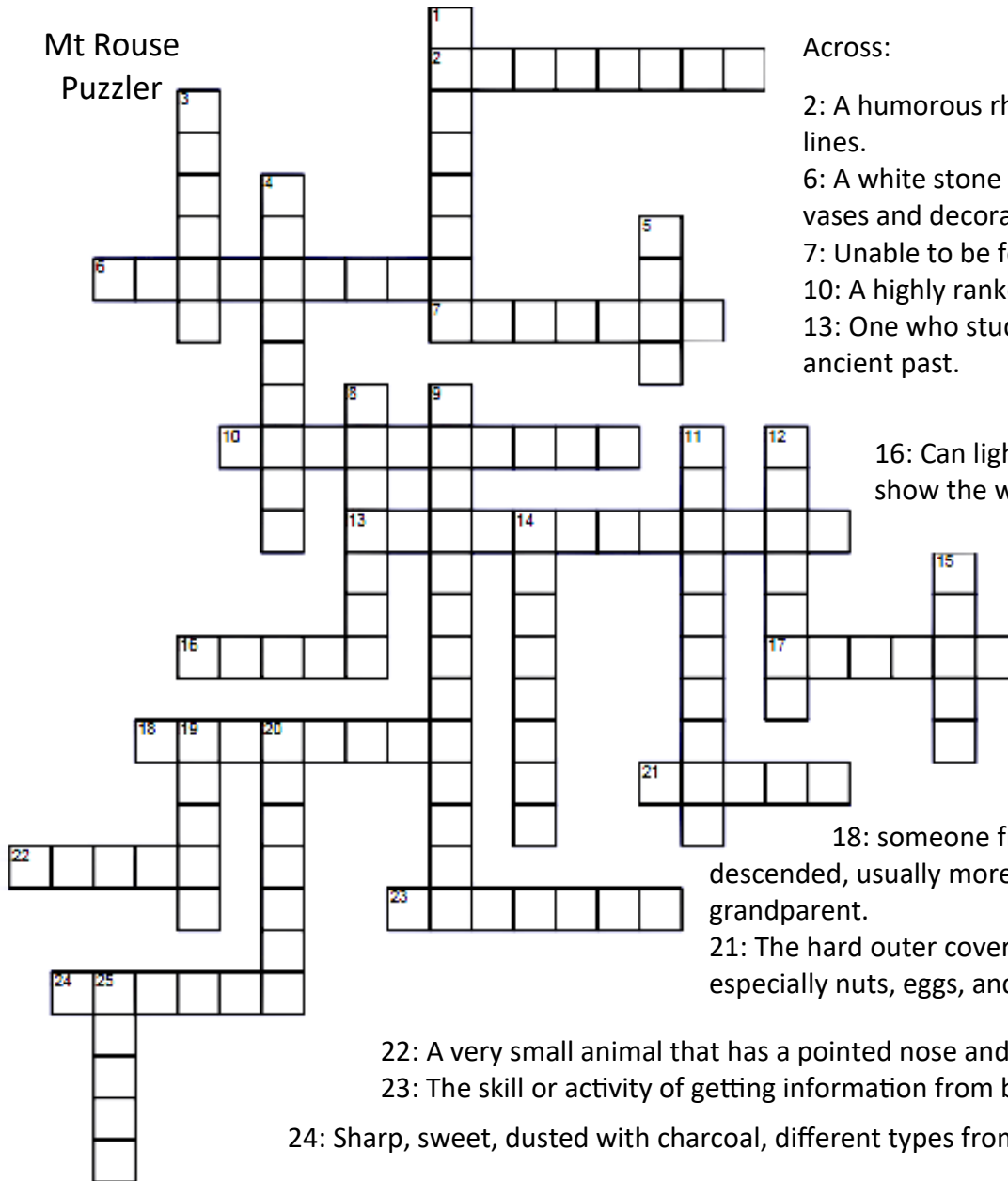


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Across:

- 2: A humorous rhyming poem of five lines.
6: A white stone that is used to make vases and decorations.
7: Unable to be found.
10: A highly ranked church person.
13: One who studies the remains of ancient past.

- 16: Can light up a room, or show the whole world.

- 17: An insect that has long, thin feelers and two curved, pointed parts at the end of the body.

- 18: someone from whom you are descended, usually more remote than a grandparent.

- 21: The hard outer covering of something, especially nuts, eggs, and some animals.

- 22: A very small animal that has a pointed nose and a long, thin tail.

- 23: The skill or activity of getting information from books.

- 24: Sharp, sweet, dusted with charcoal, different types from the same source.

Down:

- 1 A set of beliefs to speak from, or a small box.
3: A percussion instrument.
4: Placed or found far apart.
5: A member of a religious community of men who often live separated from the rest of society.
8: A building where plays, shows, etc., are performed on a stage.

- 9: The perimeter of a circle.

- 11: A small light that allows us to see in the dark.

- 12: To lie comfortably close to or against someone or something.

- 14: An act of hypnotism.

- 15: To cause to be joined or brought together.

- 19: Recorded.

- 20: Located on the face and easily decorated.

- 25: A building that people live in.

Crossword - Across: 2 belfry, 8 dangle, 10 champion, 12 blistering, 14 window, 15 nautical, 17 mega, 19 consignment, 20 rim, 21 resignation, 23 western, 24 Rasputin, 27 isolation, 29 yarn. **Down:** 1 hero, 3 finally, 4 chance, 5 movement, 6 mellow, 7 observation, 9 vacation, 11 place, 13 parachute, 14 wheelhouse, 16 thunderstorm, 18 pyramids, 22 zero, 25 risk, 26 zoology, 28 tiger.

Something for the children

Australian Beetles Part 2

GIANT CHRISTMAS BEETLE (*ANOPLOGNATHUS VIRIDIAENEUS*)



This is probably the largest of that section of our insects known as Christmas Beetles. It is common in the bushland around Sydney and the north coast of New South Wales. Essentially a summer insect, it appears on the foliage of eucalyptus trees; where one is found you can be certain there will be others on the same tree.

GREEN LINED GROUND BEETLE (*CATADROMUS LACORDAIREI*)



This fine large beetle with the metallic green line around the sides of its wing cases belongs to the Carabidae family and is an inhabitant of the drier areas of Australia. It is fairly common in the Mallee of north-western Victoria and in similar country of N.S.W. and South Australia. The grubs (larvae) of this beetle are carnivorous, feed on lesser grubs.

GREY FURROWED ROSECHAFER (*TRICHAULAX PHILIPSII*)



This is one of the Scarabaeidae family, and a very interesting Rosechafer Beetle because the furrows on its wing covers are densely hairy. It occurs in Victoria, N.S.W. and Queensland and, like others of its family, feeds from the nectar of native flowering trees and shrubs. Its grubs feed and breed in rotting logs of most varieties of eucalypts.

KERSHAW'S BURYING BEETLE (*ONTHOPHAGUS MNISZECHI*)



This is one of the most common of the Cockchafer type of beetles - found mainly in the southern Australian States. It buries fresh manure and forms it into an oval cell to accommodate the larvae. It is of the family Scarabaeidae. Holes made by this insect may often be found under pads of fresh cow manure.

And there are plenty more where they came from. Have a look at this website - www.anbg.gov.au/gardens/visiting/exploring/fauna/insects/beetles-ANBG.html for more information.

It's not just the kids who like to colour in ...



Find a quiet moment on a rainy afternoon, when the kids are otherwise occupied. Borrow their pencils or textas and indulge yourself a little.

Take a moment to grab a cuppa and brighten your life with colour .. and, if you remember to sharpen the pencils, the kids will never know.

It's well known that colour can soothe a tired mind, that a distraction can help you focus on, or think through, problems. If nothing else, when your hands are busy your mind has a chance to wander.

When I was a child, daydreaming was called 'building castles in the air'. I built a few .. Did you?

Castles in the Air

My thoughts by night are often filled
With visions false and fair:
For in the past alone I build
My castles in the air.

I dwell not now on what may be:
Night shadows o'er the scene:
But still my fancy wanders free
Through that which might have been.

Thomas Love Peacock



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



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Dates for July 7th & 21st

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Not only is the site full of valuable information, but there are links to many of the important organisations within our town.

Would you like to add a link to your website? Email president@penshurstprogress.org.au

Visit our site

www.penshurstvictoria.com.au and let us know if you have any comments.

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