





# Riverside camping will be put back in landholder hands



**Bill Tilley (right) with Tallandoon farmer, Mark Smith, overlooking the Mitta River and a part of his property that has been identified as a public camping spot .**

A Matt Guy Liberals and Nationals government will give power back to landholders to decide who can camp on their river frontages while beefing up penalties to those who flout the rules.

Mr Guy said the new plan will address the many failures of the existing Land Act 1958 and regulations imposed on lessees from September last year.

"It echoes the concerns of landholders and farmers who lease frontages on the more than 17,000kms of river frontage across

the state that range from biosecurity on farms to personal safety and the potential threat of litigation.

"The Act and its associated regulations would be more balanced with landholder permission a pre-requisite to camping, while penalties applied to those who breach the rules could also include the seizure of fishing and camping equipment as well as vehicles and vessels."

Under the Liberals' plan recreational users will continue to be able to

access these frontages and have reasonable access for camping. The suitability of sites that have already been identified would also be re-assessed.

The changes would also include preventative measures against biosecurity threats and potential environmental damage.

"The existing regulations that allow a camper free-for-all are just not acceptable and are a threat to the biosecurity on what is often a working farm," Mr Guy said.

"Member for

Benambra, Bill Tilley and I have met with farmers and it's clear that we need to strike a balance between access to public space and the potential threat to our livestock industry.

"This policy provides better protection of waterways and land as well as protections for licence holders, their stock and property."

Mr Tilley, the Shadow Minister for Fishing and Boating, said the new measures would ensure there is no grey area and put certainty back into the hands of landholders.

"Landholders are understandably worried and despite repeated requests they remain uneasy about the threat of being sued," Mr Tilley said.

"No-one is opposed to the recreational use of this land but the failings of the current laws are real and need to be fixed.

"For decades an informal system has operated with farmers allowing campers when asked. They don't have a problem with that but the current rules need changing."

## Health service commits to meeting needs

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"Media across Australia and particularly in our region, talk about the complexities of recruiting healthcare professionals including GPs. Regional and remote towns across our state are losing bulk billed medical services and a number of GP clinics have been forced to close their doors," Ms Martin said.

"Corryong Health does not want to end up in this situation and we are working collaboratively with our clinical staff, Community Health Advisory Group and the Board of Directors to ensure that we can continue to deliver the right services for our community.

As in many areas, Corryong Health is

encountering increasing cost pressures. The last full review of fees for Corryong Health occurred in 2017 and in recent weeks it has benchmarked its fees with several other service providers across the region.

"As a result we have adjusted some fees at a level to ensure sustainability," Ms Martin said.

"Approximately 70 per cent of clients accessing services at Corryong Health have an eligible Concession Card. Corryong Health has and will continue to recognise the financial hardship facing our community residents and continue to bulk bill concession card holder GP appointments.

"A new change for our concession card holders

will be when they see the Clinic Nurse and a GP at the same time," she explained.

"To meet Medicare legal requirements, Corryong Health has to charge the person for both the doctor's appointment and the nurse's appointment combined.

"For example, there is a standard fee of \$39.75 to see a GP and a \$20 out of pocket expense to see the nurse. Clients will be immediately refunded the \$39.75 from Medicare.

"Corryong Health recognises that this will be challenging for our community.

"For the first month we will be contacting all community members where these changes will affect their visits based on appointment bookings.

If community members are concerned about their ability to pay they are encouraged to discuss this with staff so appropriate support contact details can be provided.

"Corryong Health will follow the fees policy to ensure we consistently meet our Medicare obligations.

"Clients may also encounter facility fees for services they were not previously charged for. Some of these will be the same for all eligible concession and non-concession card holders."

Some examples are:-  
 • Facility fees will apply for some Practice Nurse appointments  
 • Wound dressings and consumables will now encounter a cost  
 • Tapes/bands through

Allied health services will now encounter a cost

• Class fees have increased slightly

"Corryong Health understands that these changes will have an effect on current and increasing cost of living pressures faced by community members," Ms Martin said "and we have attempted to minimise cost changes, maintain a fair and equitable fee structure and ensure that our health services remain viable.

"We cannot ignore what is occurring across the state however, Corryong health will closely monitor the effects of these changes within our community."

Information on charges will be provided via social media posts and on the Corryong Health website.

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# A great song goes a long way

A local musician will be front and centre at a rally in Melbourne on Saturday calling on the Victorian government to stop its cruel plan to ground and aerial shoot heritage brumbies.

Trevor Best will sing his iconic song 'Run Brumby Run' at the rally to highlight the plight facing the wild horse population.

"I wrote the song over 25 years ago but was not expecting to be still performing it at protests but here we go again," he said.

"Because the aerial shooting in the Kosciuszko National Park has had a very negative public backlash, the Victorian government planned its eradication of our Victorian brumbies in secrecy including aerial shooting at night and the use of dogs and chainsaws

by day to get rid of the evidence.

"The government says it is to protect our environment. Imagine the results of feeding wild dogs, feral cats and pigs on bulk horse flesh. These destructive animals will extensively breed causing a huge problem for our native fauna and flora.

"Why am I passionate about this issue? Two reasons - animal cruelty and white folk tradition and heritage.

"I respect and treasure our first nations people, their heritage and history but we colonials also have an important heritage worth preserving.

"The shooting of brumbies will result in wounded animals and foals left to starve. The brumby is largely the result of our war horse training and wartime pursuits.

"Horses helped create our country during the 19th century and so much of our poetry and Australian bush songs relate to the horse and brumby," Trevor added.

"When I perform on Saturday, I will have an Australian flag behind me, lent to me by local man, Ray Waters.

"Adam Bandt refused to speak to the media with our flag behind him which was a treacherous act in my opinion. While our flag may change in the future, we must respect our present one.

"How many Aussies have fought and died under it to give us the country we have today?

"I will make an issue of this during my performance on Saturday."

The rally will be held this Saturday at 11am at Queen Victoria Gardens.



## Tickets for the long lunch go on sale

Visitors and locals are being invited to enjoy a long, lazy afternoon lunch in Khancoban with catering provided by Pickled Parrot Providore.

Snowy Valleys Council (SVC) will celebrate Spring in Khancoban this year with the hosting of a Long Lunch event on Saturday 17th September from 11am to 3pm with

tickets now on sale this week.

Attendees will enjoy a gourmet entree, main and dessert along with a local cool climate wine on arrival in a relaxed al fresco setting.

The lunch will showcase local produce and feature local wineries, cider beer and gin, highlighting the incredible

supply the region has to offer. The event will also feature local live musical entertainment.

The long lunch concept has been developed to promote the local area and attract visitors back to the Snowy Valleys.

The 2019/20 Black Summer bushfires decimated nearby local attractions that had been

drivers for visitation, including nearby towns Tumbarumba, Tooma and Corryong.

Council will also run buses from Tumbarumba and Corryong which people can book for alongside their Khancoban Long Lunch ticket.

Tickets available via [www.svc.nsw.gov.au/Long-Lunch](http://www.svc.nsw.gov.au/Long-Lunch).

## Memories to be revealed



People across the Upper Murray are being invited to the Tumbarumba Library next week for a peek into the past as a time capsule from the year 2000 is unearthed.

The time capsule suitcase was packed back in August 2000 in celebration of Children's Book Week and included 53 individual items from local children and their

families. Children were invited to pack stories, photos and memorabilia into the suitcase to demonstrate what was happening in their local life at the time.

It was then sealed and with instructions that it was not to be opened before August of 2020.

While the original opening had to be postponed due to the

pandemic, Library staff are looking forward to hosting some of the now grown-up children who still live locally and a current crop of school-aged children as the time capsule suitcase is finally opened 22 years later.

The opening will take place at the Tumbarumba Library on Thursday 25 August, 2022 at 11.00am followed by morning tea.

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# Grant will impact on mountain landscape

The Mountain Cattlemen's Association of Victoria (MCAV) is offering its inaugural \$10,000 Research Grant to help those looking to better manage the High Country landscape.

Approved by the MCAV Board during 2022, the grant is designed to help finance projects that can be applied to everyday management techniques.

"The project does not need to promote the MCAV cause but should contribute to the association's objective of better land management and/or enhancing the recognition of the High Country's early pioneers," said president, Bruce McCormack.

"The grant may be used to cover the costs of setting up or completing a new project or to enhance the findings of a project already underway," he

explained. Although the MCAV has previously offered scholarships for Indigenous Firestick workshops, it is the first time the organisation has provided an open-ended grant opportunity.

"We are really excited to see what projects could potentially come out of this," Mr McCormack said.

"We are hoping to make an impact landscape wide, rather than just in small areas of the High Country and although the scholarship is for \$10,000, we are open to providing more funds if necessary."

Unlike other grants, the program is available to both people studying at university or others outside academia.

"We would equally love to see someone on the ground take this up," Mr McCormack said.

"It could be a person



Bruce McCormack is looking for great ideas for the High Country.

who works for a relevant government department or another organisation or even a High Country farmer who has this great idea to eradicate weeds, for example.

"This grant is not just for university students, it's for anyone who has a great idea that will help better manage the High Country."

A full copy of

the Research Grant application is available by emailing [secretary@mca.vic.gov.au](mailto:secretary@mca.vic.gov.au), or by visiting the MCAV website at [www.mca.vic.gov.au](http://www.mca.vic.gov.au).

## New drivers get big savings

The Victorian government is slashing costs for new drivers and their families across the North East with the abolition of learner and probationary license fees, as well as online testing fees.

Member for Northern Victoria, Jaclyn Symes, said aspiring L-plates will now save up to \$51.40 in license and online testing fees, while learner drivers going for their P-plates will save up to \$133.30 in licence and online hazard perception testing fees.

"More than 138,000 Victorians who get their L-plates each year and 121,000 who get their P-plates will have more money in their pockets thanks to these changes," Ms Symes.

Victoria's new online learner permit and hazard perception tests will also be free from this week.

"These tests were made available online last year to provide more options and greater flexibility for aspiring drivers looking to achieve their licence goals anywhere, anytime, with more than 90 per cent of customers now choosing this new option," Ms Symes said.

"Car, motorcycle, and heavy vehicle licence holders of all ages across Northern Victoria will also benefit from reintroduction of the Safe Driver Discount. Drivers who have not incurred demerit points or committed road safety offences in the previous three years will receive a 25 per cent discount off their next licence renewal, meaning a saving of up to \$73 on a new ten-year driver's license."

The Safe Driver Discount will recommence for driver licence renewals generated after 1 October 2022.

"We're rewarding young Victorian motorists for their safe driving habits and offering financial support when it comes to getting their licence," Ms Symes said, "and this program will keep people on the move and get them where they need to go."

For more information about licence and registration services in Victoria or to access the online learner permit and hazard perception tests, visit [vicroads.vic.gov.au](http://vicroads.vic.gov.au).

# Grass roots grants opened

The Dyson Group of Companies, incorporating the legendary Cobb & Co brand, has announced the launch of the next round of the Dysons Community Grants.

This program has been established to provide grants in support of the many community groups and organisations around Victoria and to date 50 grants have been distributed.

Program Manager, Grant Deacon, said the program aims to support a range of community-based organisations at grass roots level.

"We are very pleased to see the diversity of the groups applying," he said.

"They include emergency services, education, sport, welfare and community groups. They all do such amazing work in support of their communities and we hope our support is of some value to them. The team at Dysons are excited to continue this program."

There are two rounds of grants annually, each with \$10,000 available (maximum grant \$1000). Eligible organisations include pre-schools, schools, sporting clubs, not-for-profit groups, charities, welfare agencies, local societies and emergency services.

Mr Deacon said "We are encouraged by the

stories we hear from these groups about their commitment to making their community a better place.

We now have another \$10,000 available and look forward to helping more community groups do their important local work."

This next round of grants opens on 1 September and closes 30 September, 2022.

All details, including terms and conditions and an online application form, can be found at <http://dysongroup.com.au/about/community-grants>.

The Dysons Group also operates the Corryong Bus & Freight service.



## Letters to the Editor:-

### The Grapevine

#### Neighbourly thanks

I just want to take a moment to thank Robyn Stockwell for her years of service to our community. Corryong Footwear will be greatly missed by both locals and tourists. Thank you for keeping me in shoes (and gumboots!) for so many years. I will greatly miss our daily chats too. Thank you for looking after the planter - our plants look the best in town! Thank you and Colin for doing more than your fair share of keeping the back tidy as well. And thank you for looking after 'Santa' for so many years. On behalf of Cindy and myself, a very big heartfelt thank you and we wish you well in your retirement. Take care and enjoy!

Betsy Christie, Corryong Health Food Shop

Club Corner:- The Joker Poker jackpot at The Club Corryong this Friday is \$2100. Last week's winner was Shannyn Jarvis (\$25). Footy tipping: Peter McNamara 138; Cheryl Lloyd 133, Cade Heinjus, Shirley Turnham & Graham Moon 132.

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# Wetlands project is up and running

After four years of planning and development and a large dose of faith, Corryong is to get a new reserve and visitor attraction.

A group supporting the Corryong Wetlands concept was excited to hear news that it has received a grant of \$95,600 Border Trust to implement the project.

In the mid-1980s the Rotary Club of Corryong tried to instigate 'Lake Riley', a large water feature on the Corryong Recreation Reserve adjoining the Corryong golf course and adjacent Strzelecki Way. The lake was going to be filled by natural springs prevalent in the area but the project foundered because of the "recession we had to have" and a number of other factors beyond the club's control.

A more recent attempt for a similar project has been brewing since late 2018 to set up a community wetland reserve similar to those that have developed in and around many towns and larger urban areas.

This trend has been quietly taking place now over a number of years and has done much to enhance these locations. The wetlands on the outskirts of Yea are a perfect example.

The Corryong Wetlands project, since its conception at a meeting of the Man From Snowy River Tourism Association in the spring of 2018, has taken nearly four years to

get to a point where it has now become reality.

The project has been driven by local historian, John Murphy, under the auspice of the tourist association and supported by the Corryong Recreation Reserve Committee of Management, Department of Environment, Land Water & Planning (DELWP), North East Catchment Management Authority, Towong Shire and many locally-based groups and organisations.

These bodies readily offered their encouragement and more importantly physical letters of support for a project that will develop into a community and environmental long-term asset that Corryong can be proud of.

"If our creeks and rivers are described as the arteries of Australia then our wetlands are aptly described as the kidneys," John said.

"The scientific study of wetlands and other inland aquatic systems is called limnology which considers the topography, hydrology, geology and flora & fauna (biodiversity) of wetland environments. Healthy rivers and streams depend on the health of the wetlands that feed them.

"Australia, one of the driest nations on earth, is believed to have lost in excess of 50 per cent of its wetlands since 1900. Much of this has been caused through the damming of our major

rivers and modification of farmland.

"Both Australia's future and water security depends on preserving and conserving our remaining wetlands. Fortunately through DELWP and Landcare many former land management practices have been reviewed and changed.

"One of these is recognising the enormous importance of our wetlands for the environment and our own well-being."

Over the last few months the Corryong Wetlands project received a massive shot in the arm when the Rotary Clubs of Corryong and Albury got on board and strongly lobbied Border Trust for a community grant - a not-for-profit Community Foundation based in Albury-Wodonga.

"We thank Border Trust for their confidence in our project and their extremely generous offer," John said.

"This will allow the completion of what we designate as Stage 1A of the project to be unfolded over a twelve month timeline.

"We will return their faith in this project with fully transparent reporting to the community and Border Trust themselves through our soon to be launched Facebook page and regularly audited accounts and progress reports."

Corryong Wetlands is to be developed on the south-west corner of



Matthew Spurgeon of the Rotary Club of Corryong and John Murphy at the wetlands site.

the Corryong Recreation Reserve where Cemetery Creek enters the Reserve adjacent Briggs' Gap Road - right on the edge of town and a short distance away from the circular walkway and bicycle track currently being constructed around the perimeter of Corryong.

"The Wetlands group fully realises that the site chosen is one shared by a number of other user groups and it is the intention to share and work collaboratively around each of their needs and to put in infrastructure that will be of advantage to all," John explained.

"For example the Wetlands group was last year directed by the

Man from Snowy River Festival Committee with regards to the replacement of trees lost during the recent bushfires and also the location of pathways and other fixtures.

"The object of this project is to create an environmentally friendly environment for our flora and fauna close to town and also create a place that people can visit, relax, explore, enjoy and generally 'chill out'.

"Another prime objective of this project is environmental education, not only after the wetlands are developed but also during its construction. The locality will not only be a wetlands area but the

higher ground adjacent Cemetery Creek will gradually be re-established as an open sclerophyll woodland as it was in former times.

"Many large mature gums and box trees, on the broad plain between Corryong and Mount Mittamatite, were unfortunately lost during the summer bushfires of 2019-2020.

"It is recognised that this project will take many years to mature but half the fun of it will be to be involved and watch it develop.

"Hopefully those of you that decide to become involved will gain an immense sense

of satisfaction and achievement. To this end we want to form a volunteer group called 'Friends of the Corryong Wetlands'. Stay tuned!"

The community is invited to a 'walk and talk' tour on Saturday September 3rd at 10am to explore the Corryong Wetlands location prior to any major work being done.

The ground will be soggy so bring gumboots or waterproof footwear and suitable apparel in case of rain.

"Thank you to everyone involved for getting the project this far," John added.

## New fuel facility to start soon

Construction of fuel storage tankers for a self-serve 24-hour aviation fuel facility at Corryong Airport has been completed and installation is scheduled to commence in early September and be ready for use by October.

During the installation process there will be some limitations to access.

The facility will consist of two 12,000 litre above-ground fuel tanks - one for piston engines and one for

turbine engines. Both tanks will be double-walled for safer storage and will be complete with tanker unloading and aviation bowser fuelling facilities. Swipe credit card payment capability will also be installed for reliable and efficient access.

The fuel facility will provide access to the Upper Murray for air ambulance services and seasonal bushfire emergency services and

will also service all types of non-emergency aircraft.

"This fuel service will improve the effectiveness and reliability of medical and bushfire emergency services for the Upper Murray," Towong mayor, Cr Andrew Whitehead, said.

"The fuel service will also supply non-emergency aircraft, thus attracting commercial operators and permanent airport tenants who

recognise the huge potential of the Upper Murray market."

To view the fuel facility sitemap and designs visit [towong.vic.gov.au/projects](http://towong.vic.gov.au/projects).

If you have any questions relating to the project as delivery continues, contact the project manager at [infrastructure@towong.vic.gov.au](mailto:infrastructure@towong.vic.gov.au) or call 1300 365 222.

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## Obituary:- Charles George Leonard 'Len' Lebner Genial raconteur loved to share his knowledge

Len was born at Corryong Hospital on 21st May, 1927, the son of Charlie and Muriel Lebner. He had an older sister Shirley and younger brother Max who have both pre-deceased him.

Len grew up at 134 Hanson Street, Corryong.

As a boy, Len slept on the verandah as he preferred it there. He loved the sounds of the town in the early morning, especially the clip clop of the horses' hooves pulling the delivery carts. Occasionally a car would putter by and people would whistle as they walked by on their way to work.

On stormy nights curlews would roost near his bed and he loved to watch the plovers, feeding on the lawn nearby. A rug made from wallaby skins kept him warm at night.

His father, Charlie, farmed the property in Towong Upper and Len loved going to there with his dad. Charlie and Len would camp in a hut in the Woolshed paddock on weekends.

Fly blown mutton was often on the menu and Len would hurl his out the door and Charlie would say 'just scrape the blowies off, don't waste it'.

Len remembered the 1939 bushfires, when the fire jumped from Mt Mittamatite to Mt Elliot resulting in the loss of his father's sheep, woolshed, yards and fences.

Mt Elliot held a special place in Len's heart and he was the third generation Lebner to live and work on the land there. He knew all of the ridges, gullies, gold mines, old fences, hut sites and many stories of the old timers. Len was delighted when his father bought him a pony and he rode it all about town. One time Len had to ride to the Towong Gap stock reserve and bring back a milking cow and her calf to Hanson Street. What a drama that was! He finally got them to Thougla Bridge but the



cow refused to cross and Len was so frustrated. Thankfully, Mr Simpson approached with a mob of steers and Len was able to put the cow and calf in amongst the mob and get them across. Then he cut the cow and calf out and continued on his journey to town.

Len's early school days were drab. He attended Corryong School.

He and his friend Sid Seymour would sit together and talk about the things young boys do. Their teacher would sneak up behind them and smack their heads together, one time knocking poor Sid unconscious.

Later, a new teacher called Connie Newland arrived at the school and this changed everything for Len and he never looked back. He loved Ms Newland and his schooling went ahead in leaps and bounds, leading to secondary school at Wangaratta Tech where he was a boarder at a private home in Rowan Street with up to five other boys.

In the beginning he was very homesick but came to love his time there because he learnt so much. He met many young local boys and loved to visit their farms on the weekends.

During the war years, troop trains would arrive at Wangaratta Station. Len and the other boys would run down there to see the soldiers and run errands for them, passing snacks and cigarettes through the windows. The boys felt proud, doing their bit for the war effort.

One day a train arrived and down they went but something wasn't quite right, the blinds were shut. A skinny little finger beckoned them over from behind a blind and peering closer the boys saw the faces of Japanese prisoners of war looking back at them. They bolted, thinking it was an invasion! Blacksmithing and saddlery were Len's favourite subjects.

In his final year, Len was Dux of Wangaratta Tech. He wanted to continue his education but no, he was needed back home on the farm. Sheep work, sheep work and more sheep work.

His father Charlie contracted shearing and

one year 10,000 sheep were shorn in the two-stand shed, Len helping. It seemed to take forever. He would look out the window and another mob of sheep would be coming, then another and another. Finally finished, sitting on the wool bales having smoko, Charlie says to Len 'well, that's a good job done, now we can do some real work'. Len almost fell off the bales.

As a young man Len would try his hand at a variety of things including football, boxing and steer riding and had many scars to prove it!

Len took a shine to Betty Moore, who he knew from primary school.

They loved attending dances at the district halls with all their friends. Everyone would ride on the back of Allan Sheather's open truck, sitting on long wooden seats with blankets over their knees, singing all the way there and back, after dancing all night.

Love blossomed and Len married Betty, the love of his life, on 8th April, 1950. They were married for 64 years and sweethearts for 70.

Len and Betty lived with her parents after the wedding, while Len and dear friend, Jim Harris, built their first home at the foot of Mount Elliot.

Len and Betty's four children - Prue, Martin, Tom and Fairlie - were all born while living there.

Len and Betty had many great friends including the Grech and Whelan families. Many happy picnics and camping trips were had. Family holidays to the Whelan's bungalow at Lake Tyers were a highlight and he was able to indulge in his love of fishing.

In 1970, Len and Betty sold the Mt Elliot farm and moved to Towong Upper.

As a keen fisherman, most evenings Len would walk down to the river and fish, arriving back home with a trout or two. He always loved to eat a good fish. Len was always one to help other people when needed. During a flood at Towong Upper, after moving his own stock off the river flats on his horse, Brumby, Len could see his neighbour had bullocks stranded on an island. The

water was too fast and deep to ride through, so Len sent his kelpie, Pearl, across to get them. She bravely did the job and as the last beast entered the water to swim, she jumped on its back and got a ride through the flood waters!

His neighbour, Ossie Rixon said 'if I hadn't seen that with my own eyes, I wouldn't have believed it!'

Len had many interests. He loved reading and would have read thousands of books in his lifetime.

He was a Life Member of the Corryong Show Society and a founding member of the committee which raised the money to build the first Nursing Home in Corryong.

He loved prospecting for gold and spending time in the bush.

He had a great knowledge and great love of the bush, being in his element going for a walk, sitting to listen to the birds and looking for wild flowers.

In the 1970s, Len had a grazing lease near Mount Pinnibar. He would take his cows and calves up there for the summer months every year. He would check on his cattle most weekends, scattering a bit of hay and leaving some salt blocks around so they wouldn't stray too far.

He'd leave in the yellow, short wheel-based Land Rover with bales of hay in the back and his kelpie 'Pearl' riding on top. Often the whole family would head off with him and a wonderful weekend would be had camping at Gibson's Hut.

His cattle were well trained and usually he would call them and they would appear out of the bush. On one occasion, though, Len had to send Pearl down into a hollow below Shady Creek. He sat on a log and waited for her to bring the cattle up onto the road, she barked and got most of them moving but a few stubborn ones wouldn't come. Pearl wouldn't give up and worked them for quite some time, Len waited.

Almost on dark as Len sat quietly waiting, Pearl arrived back, almost at his feet. Len said 'where have you been? And to his surprise he realised it was a dingo which promptly bolted! Pearl came trotting along not far behind.

Len and Betty welcomed their children's partners Charlie, Kerry, Sally and Peter to their family and were even more pleased when their grandchildren and great-grandchildren came along.

The grandkids would love going up the bush with Poppy and loved

spending lots of time with Nanny and Poppy on the farm.

Len and Betty retired from the farm in 2002 and began a new chapter of their lives in Harris Street.

Len still kept busy, painting their whole house by himself, tinkering in his shed, restoring axes and old tools, regularly driving to the farm to help out, cutting a load of wood or sitting by the river .... snoozing and fishing.

Len loved local history and he had a sharp memory right up until passing.

He was a committee member and regular volunteer at the museum, spending many hours restoring old tools and carefully displaying them in what became known as 'Len's Shed'. One of his favourite things to do was lighting up the forge to do blacksmithing exhibitions for school children and bus loads of visitors.

He supported Betty with the placing of plaques on all the district school sites, helping her to compile and proof read her four books.

They did everything together and he was heartbroken when Betty passed away in December 2014.

Following Betty's death, Len enjoyed sitting in front of the supermarket, spending hours talking to people who would stop for a yarn. Len loved to talk - he was always interested in people and loved to share and hear stories.

He would sit on his front porch in Harris Street, calling out to people passing by and loved it when kids would call out 'G'day Lennie' on their way to and from school.

Len's family are very grateful for the kindness, generosity, compassion and friendship so many people in the community have shown him.

Over the last two years Len's health started to deteriorate and he needed more care.

He spent a short time at Bolga Court in Tallangatta until a place became available for him in Corryong at Mittamatite B. Len could not speak highly enough of the staff. He had always said when it comes time to need extra care 'I will accept it' and this made it so much easier for his family to see him happily settle in. Len was blessed to be relatively well until the last two days of his life. His mind was still sharp, the jokes never stopped and he was always interested in what the family were doing.

Len was a wonderful Dad, Poppy and friend. He will be greatly missed.

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# Upper Murray Sport

## Feds ready to fire for final

Following several weeks of struggling for playing numbers, the Federal Football Netball Club forfeited the senior football match against Bullioh last Saturday, the last home and away round for the season, when it only had 10 regular senior players available.

After consultation between the two clubs during the week, it was agreed that only the senior match would be forfeited and the reserves game

would proceed.

The league executive was advised of the decision on Friday night but despite speculation about its legitimacy, the matter was not discussed at a league delegates' meeting on Monday night, thereby giving tacit approval to the arrangement.

The question was also raised as to whether the decision could impact on the league best and fairest award as Bullioh and Federal players were

unable to poll votes in the last round. The Corryong club has also had difficulty in fielding two full football teams during the season which compromised its reserves' side eligibility to play finals. Despite forfeiting six matches in the home and away rounds, the Demons still finished fourth but did not have enough qualified players to play finals under league rules. In addition, several players were doubling up into the seniors on game

day, which made them ineligible to play for the reserves.

However, at Monday's meeting the league did give a special exemption to the Corryong club's reserves team to compete in Saturday's semi-final.

The decision was made to allow the Demons to field players on Saturday who had played only one or two games during the year, instead of the required three games in that grade.

## Golfers beware



Recent works on the Corryong golf course by North East Water have caused some disruption to play but the only change to conditions now is on the second fairway where the area pictured is to be treated as 'ground under repair' under Rule 25.

## Around the local clubs.....



Jack Ross sends Cudgewa into attack.



### Demons Den

#### Netball

15 & Under:- For the first time this season we headed out to Cudgewa. Our girls were slow to get out of the blocks allowing Cudgewa to take a handy lead at half time.

To the team's credit they refocused and had

a fantastic second half. Congratulations to our team on finishing the home and away season in 4th place and having the opportunity to play finals. A huge thank you to all of our sponsors this season.

Awards: Hobie's Sport Store - Amy Twigg, Regent Cinema Albury - Caylin Bailey-Spicer, Sportspower Albury - Raegan Bailey Spicer.



### Swans Nest

#### Football

Reserves:- With a full side and some more new faces we came out and farewelled our coach Dave Gericke and Mick Rose in their last game of footy. We didn't win for them but we had a crack and they enjoyed the

game and the drinks with Bullioh after the game.

Awards: UM Refrigeration Mug - John Murray, \$30 - Ken Dube, \$20 - Tom Dennis.

Send your sports reports and photos to: [editorial@corryongcourier.com.au](mailto:editorial@corryongcourier.com.au)



### High Country Darts Results R14 16/8/22

Tinpot d Bottoms Up 4-3, Possum Pointers d Biggara 5-2, Brumbies d Bottom Pub 7-0 on forfeit.

Ladder	P	%
Brumbies	40	141.5
Bottom Pub	40	141.5
P/Pointers	36	125.6
Tinpot	32	117.8
Biggara	12	53.1
Bottoms Up	8	63.3

#### Sharpshooters

Highest peg: M Russell 111; Men's highest score: Paul Cox, 180; Ladies' highest score: Andrea Carmody 112.

Draw: R15 23/8/22

Possum Pointers v

Tinpot, Brumbies v

Biggara, Bottoms Up v

Bottom Pub.

Semi-finals: 30/8/22

Prelim Final: 6/9/22

Grand Final: 13/9/22



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**DEATHS**

**SMITH, Edward Anthony**  
 - Thanks Ant for your support and friendship and being a mate for the 10 years we have been here.

Working with you at Lions Club events as well as the Darts Association is something I will always remember. We will miss you.

~ Colin, Valerie and Jackie (Upper Murray Pizza)

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**DEATHS**

**SMITH, Edward Anthony**  
 - Thanks Ant for your mateship and the good times we shared over many years.

You will be remembered always.

~ Vince Cross

**SMITH, Edward Anthony**  
 - To my good mate Ant, I will never forget '1983', the HR, the private investigation and the Silver Horse!

*R.I.P. old friend.*

~ Carl

**SMITH, Edward Anthony**  
 - Farewell Ant, old time school mate and lifelong friend. Remembering the good times and the mischief we caused!

You will be sadly missed.

Sorry I can't make it next Wednesday.

~ Colin and Zoe Davis.

**FUNERALS**

**SMITH Edward Anthony Raymond 'Ant'**

The funeral service to celebrate the life of 'Ant' will be held at the Lions Youth Club Hall, Donaldson Street, Corryong on Wednesday 24th August, 2022 commencing at 11:00am.

At the conclusion of the service the cortege will leave for burial at the Corryong Cemetery, Pioneer Avenue, Corryong.

*A gold coin donation to Hilltop Albury would be welcomed.*



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**THANKS**

**LEBNER, Len - Prue, Martin, Tom, Fairlie** and their families would like to thank all those who attended our much loved Dad and Poppie Len's funeral, expressed sympathy and support and sent cards, flowers, phone calls and food.

Thank you to all at Corryong Health, especially Mittamatite B, for your kindness and exceptional care.

We would like to thank Reverend Maryann Leonard for Dad's beautiful service and all the Anglican members for the wonderful refreshments.

Thank you to Connor and the team at Lester and Son.

Please accept this as our heartfelt thanks.

**Upper Murray Sport**

**Blue kicks a big bag to win award**

After spending more time in the midfield in recent weeks, Cudgewa sharpshooter, Nick Brockley, found himself in more familiar territory playing out of the square on Saturday and relished the opportunity to boot 14 goals against Corryong and secure the senior goalkicking award.

Brockley had led the list for most of the season but Tumarumba star, Dan Hitchens, piled on seven majors in round 14 to establish a three goal margin but with the Roos having the bye last week, he had to wait and see if Brockley could regain the lead.

The Blue's gun did that in spades to finish with 66 goals for the season to win by 11 in the end.

Bullioh's Jaymin Fenton won the reserves

award with 25 majors to win by four from Tumarumba's Brendan Lane.

**Corryong Courier Goalkicking Award Final Standings**

<b>Seniors</b>	
N Brockley (Cu).....	66
D Hitchens (Tu) .....	55
B Hall (Cu).....	35
M Haley O'Neill (Bu)..	31
T Lampe (Tu).....	28
S Price (Bu).....	26
K Morey (Cu).....	21
J Vinge (Cu).....	16
H Schubert (Bu).....	15
G Wheeler (Cu).....	15
J Crozier (Tu).....	12
<b>Reserves</b>	
J Fenton (Bu).....	25
B Lane (Tu).....	21
B Parker (Bu).....	21
M Boyle (Bu).....	17
T Bennett (Tu).....	16
S Bannon (Co).....	14



**Cudgewa's Nick Brockley secures the senior goalkicking award.**



**Federal president, Craig Sheather, with the newly discovered premiership medallion.**

**Fed medal arrives out of the blue**

A piece of Federal football club history has recently come to light after 120 years.

Swans' president, Craig Sheather, received a phone call on the June long weekend from a man called Frank Parker who lives near Fremantle in WA, who said he had a 1901 premiership medallion in his possession.

The antique 15 carat gold relic had been awarded to W. McClure as a member of the successful Federal Football Club which had won the flag in

its first season competing in the Upper Murray Football Club Association.

Mr Parker said that the medal had originally been part of the belongings of his wife's aunt and was found in his mother-in-law's possessions earlier this year.

Mr Parker was intrigued about the history of the medal and he took it to a memorabilia expert whose investigations uncovered its origins and it was subsequently forwarded to the club.

The club was originally called the Mt Elliot Football Club but was renamed in 1901, the year of Australia's Federation.

In those days the minor premiers would be challenged by another club which had won the right to do so, presumably via a 'playoff' system and the Swans duly won the flag in 1901 and 1902.

With merger talk being raised again given the trials and tribulations that the Federal and Corryong clubs have faced in recent years, it is interesting to note that the 'enemies' have previously formed an alliance.

After the 1914 season the premiers of Tallangatta and Mitta Mitta Football Association, Federated Railways (a merged club formed by Tallangatta FC & Tallangatta Valley FC), travelled to Corryong Park to play the Combined Corryong team of both the Corryong and Federal football club's. As reported in the *Corryong Courier* on Thursday August 20 "The ground was in excellent order and there was a large attendance of spectators."

The final scores were Combined Corryong 9.12 to Federated Railways 6.10 behinds. As far as records indicate, excluding inter-league matches, this is the only time that players from the arch-rival football clubs of Corryong and Federal have played together as one club.

Footnote: The W McClure from the 1901 Federal team was not a relation of Corryong best and fairest winner and former proprietor of the *Corryong Courier*, Col McClure who played for the Demons in the late 1940s and early 1950s.

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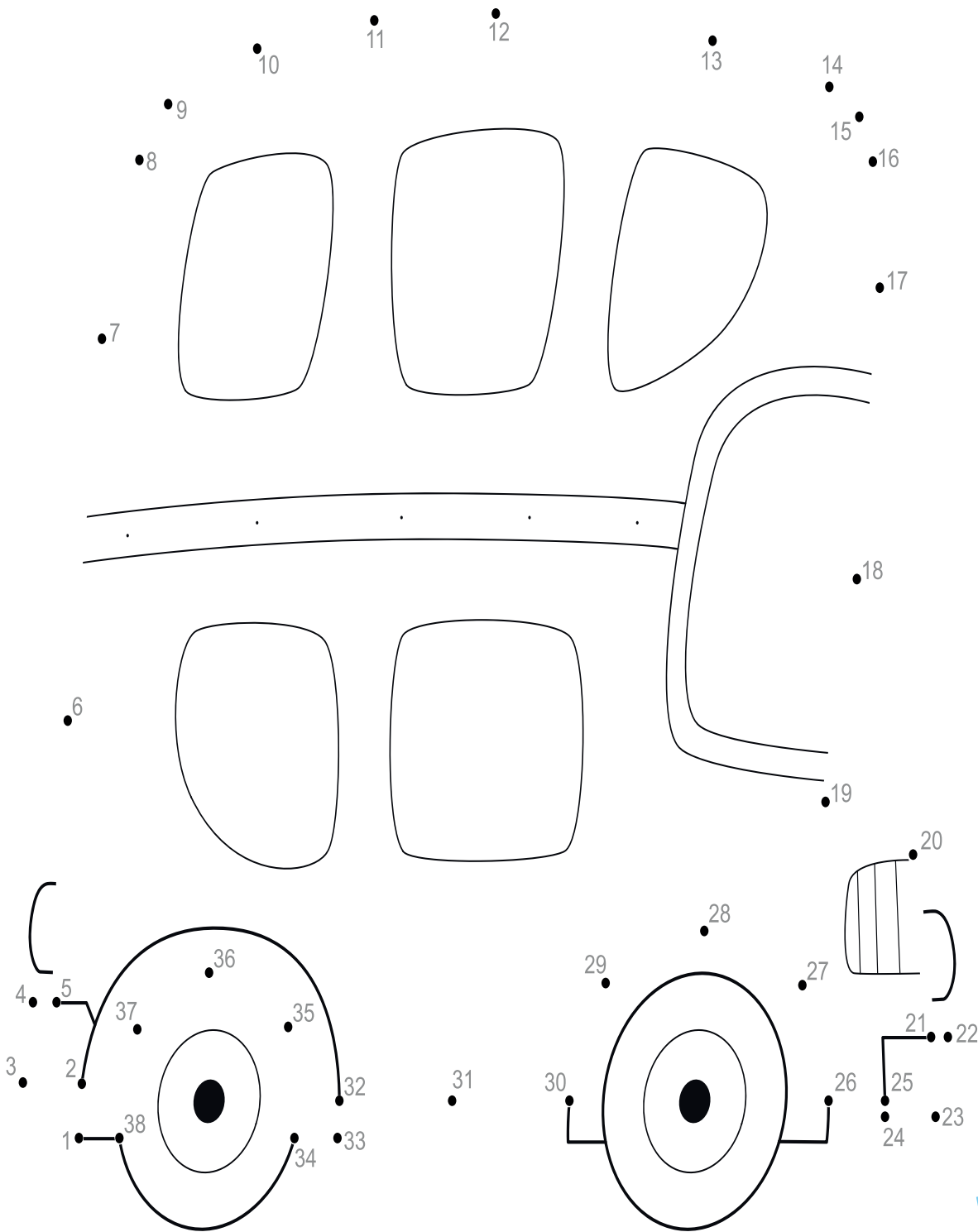


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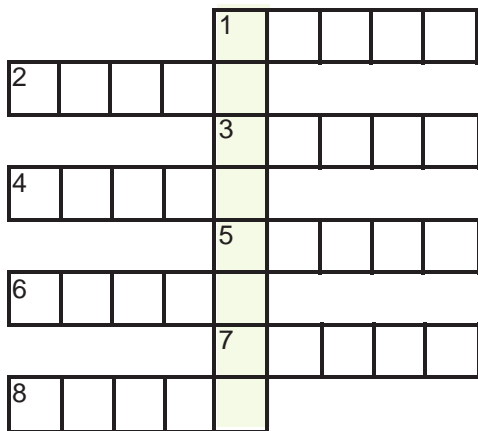


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## Junior crossword

Solve all the clues and an eight-letter word will be spelled out.

- 1 Opposite of happily
- 2 Poisonous
- 3 Ropes for controlling a horse
- 4 Australian gum-tree climber
- 5 Music groups
- 6 '1, 2, 3, 4, I declare a — war'
- 7 Adored
- 8 Prayer said before dinner



ANSWERS: 1. Saddy, 2. Toxic, 3. Reins, 4. Koolha, 5. Bands, 6. Thumb, 7. Loved, 8. Grace, (SCRABBLE)

## Word find

Can you find all of the words listed?  
The leftover letters will spell out a message.

E	W	T	O	D	A	K	L	O	P	E
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Secret message: Weaving stylish threads

## Spot the difference

Can you find five differences between these images?



ANSWERS: 1. Missing green bubbles 2. Liquid colour yellow to blue 3. Missing test tube 4. Hair colour red to yellow 5. Missing flame

## Quiz

- 1 What type of clothing is a blazer?
- 2 How many countries make up the United Kingdom?
- 3 What is the most abundant element in the universe?
- 4 Who is the president of Russia?
- 5 What is the primary element in steel?
- 6 What kind of animal is a whippet?
- 7 Taika Waititi (pictured) directed which 2022 Marvel film?
- 8 What animal category do crabs belong to?
- 9 In what country is the Burj Khalifa located?
- 10 What is the pineapple called in many other languages?



ANSWERS: 1. Jacket 2. Four 3. Hydrogen 4. Vladimir Putin 5. Iron 6. Dog 7. Thor: Love and Thunder 8. Crustaceans 9. United Arab Emirates 10. Ananas



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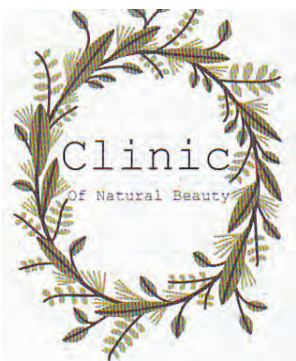
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Youth Group: during school term Friday nights at 7pm  
'Mainly Music': a program for babies to preschool children and their carers - Wednesdays 10.30am  
Ring Kirsty for details 0411 524 442

## OP SHOP

Aug 19: am Hazra, pm Tully;  
Aug 20: am Hazra;  
Aug 22: am Di Brennan, pm Hazra;  
Aug 23: am Stephanie Fischer & Paris Schaeffer, pm Maree Irving & Jeanette McInnes;  
Aug 24: am Corryong College students, pm Chris Harrison & Jane Spilsbury;  
Aug 25: am Lisa Greenhill, pm Lindy O'Connor & Barbara Woodhouse;  
Aug 26: am Sarah Harris, pm Tully.

## WASTE MANAGEMENT

### Corryong Tip

Thursday: 3pm - 5pm  
Sunday: 12 noon - 4pm  
Public holidays - Closed  
Waste Collection Days:  
Tuesday: Towong, Tintaldra, Walwa, Jingellic, Lucyvale, Colac Colac  
Thursday: Cudgewa Valley, Cudgewa, Nariel, Thoughtla, Biggara, Bunroy  
Friday: Corryong Township, Khancoban.

## ANGLICAN PARISH

Eucharist at All Saints Corryong 9:30am - every Sunday  
Eucharist at Biggara 2pm - 1st Sunday  
Eucharist at Holy Trinity Cudgewa 8am - 3rd Sunday  
Combined Service at All Saints Corryong 10.30am followed by fellowship - 5th Sundays  
Enquiries: Rev Maryann Leonard on 02 6076 1057 or 0439 066 553.

## MEALS ON WHEELS

### RED CROSS

Aug 22: A&D Davis;  
Aug 23: C Allen & helper;  
Aug 24: S&G Nankervis;  
Aug 25: S Turnham & helper;  
Aug 26: S Humphrey & helper.

## LOCAL POLICE

For all emergencies call Triple Zero - 000  
For non-urgent matters call the Police Assistance Line (24/7) 131 444  
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## PENTECOSTAL

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Wednesday: 7.45pm: Alternate Fellowship - Ladies, Prayer, Men's, Family.  
Enquiries: Pastors Douglas & Carol Allen 6076 2050 /51. Fax 6076 2052.E-mail: (aoj@corryong.net). Catch The Fire Ministries & Rise Up Australia Prayer Meeting: 7.45 pm Sunday: First of the month at Council Chambers, Corryong Enquiries: B Cadle 6948 4468

## CORRYONG HEALTH



### VACCINATIONS

People aged 12 or above can pre-book via one of the following methods in the Sub-hub which operates each Wednesday from 9am – 4:00pm:  
• Calling Corryong Health on 02 6076 3200 and putting your name on the list. You will receive a call back from the sub-hub staff between Tuesday and Thursday to schedule your vaccination time; or  
• Calling the National Covid Hotline on 1800 675 398; or  
• Web booking: https://portal.cvms.vic.gov.au/Urgent Care Centre (UCC):- Present to the UCC / Be assessed by highly trained nurse / If required a doctor will be contacted via My Emergency Doctor  
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## CENTRELINK

Retirement: 132 300; Disability/Sickness & Carers: 13 2717; Multilingual Service: 13 1202; Customer Relations: 1800 050 004; Appointments: 13 10 21. Carelink: 1800 052 222.

## BREASTFEEDING SUPPORT

National Breastfeeding helpline 1800 686 268.  
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Water & household items - call Douglas on 0427 014 935.

## CATHOLIC PARISH

Mass Times:- 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month  
• Christ the King, Walwa - Saturday Vigil at 4pm  
• Sacred Heart, Corryong - Sunday at 8:30am

## UNITING CHURCH

Services are held at 9.30am each Sunday, except 5th Sundays, which are at Walwa 11am.  
Cnr Donaldson & Wheeler St., Corryong  
Regional Minister: Rev. Andrew Delbridge 0410 663 194  
Church Council: Linda Nankervis 0488 339950  
Pastoral Enquiries: Sandy Hill 6076 8273, Catherine Ross 0408 648 467, Linda Nankervis 0488 339950  
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# Upper Murray Sport

## Swans face a tough task

It's a case of 'take two' when Bullioh hosts Federals in the first semi-final on Saturday after defeating the Swans by 38 and 71 points in their previous encounters this season.

The Swans forfeited the senior game to the

Bulldogs in the last home and away match as they only had 10 regular players available because of various reasons but have indicated they will field a full side this week.

After almost going into recess a week prior to the season start because of

a lack of numbers, Feds rallied to field football and netball sides every week with the exception of one forfeit from its reserves and under 14 football teams and then seniors last week.

The Swans claimed the last finals berth courtesy of a 2-1 winning record against Corryong during the season but have been unable to match it with the teams above them on the ladder.

Bullioh has faltered at times but will be close to full strength this week and although Harry Pole, Daniel Hales and Lachie and Ewan Hampton have been leading lights for the Swans, the Dogs will have too much firepower to snuff out any chance of

an upset.

In A grade netball, the Swans line up against Bullioh for the second week running and there is no reason to suspect that the Dogs can reverse the result after going down by 28 goals.

The Swans have double the number of wins than their opposition and will advance to the preliminary final with a comfortable victory.

### Results R15

#### Fotball

Cudgewa 6.6, 15.9, 24.14, 30.17 (197) d Corryong 2.1, 3.1, 3.2, 5.5 (35).

Goals:- Cudgewa - N Brockley 14, J Vinge 4, G Wheeler 4, L Bloom 2, C Lieschke 1, B Hall 1, M Voigt 1, H Cook 1, D McKimmie 1, J Campbell-Brown 1. Corryong - P Riley 2, S Bannon 1, P Jeffries 1, D de Marte 1.

Best:- Michael Voigt, Nicholas Brockley, Craig Lieschke, Jimmy Cleven, Jack McInerney, Haydn Cook. Corryong - Daniel Bates, Patrick Riley, Peter Jeffries, Thomas Nicholas, Koonlatom Emerson, Bryce Johnstone.

#### Netball 15&Under

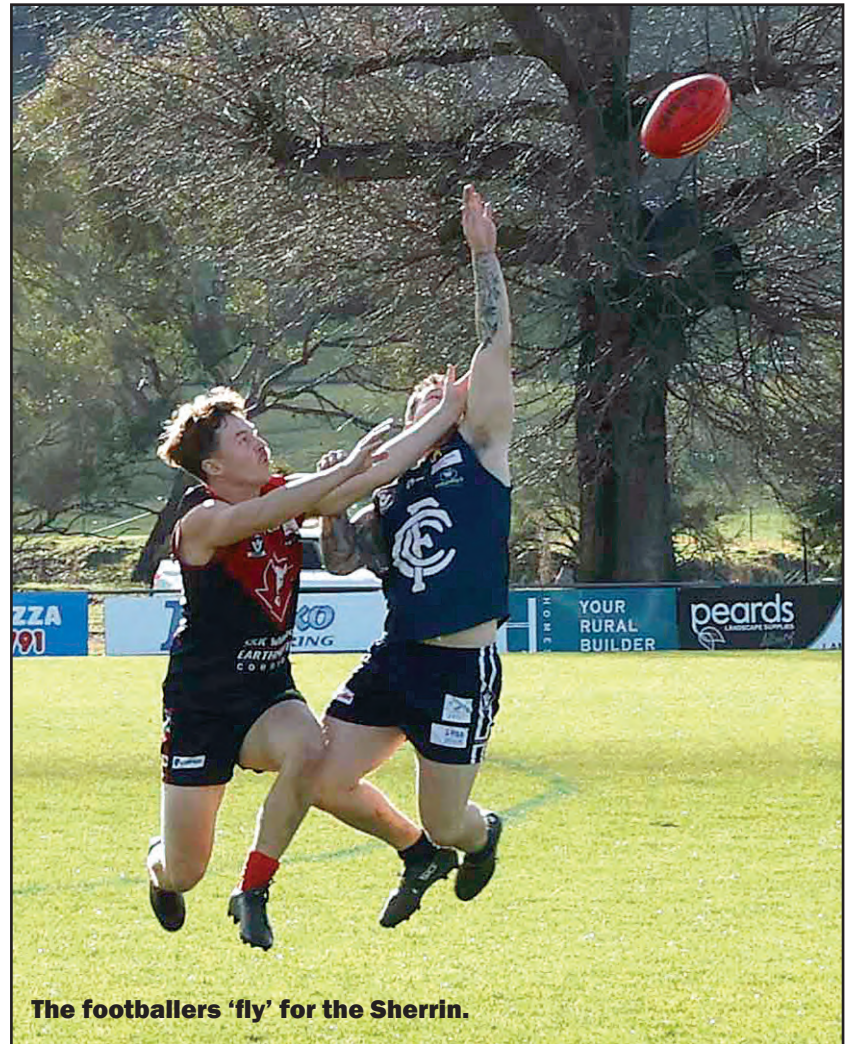
Federal 34 d Bullioh 13 Cudgewa 32 d Corryong 19

D Grade Bullioh 30 d Federal 13

C Grade Bullioh 29 d Federal 25 Cudgewa 32 d Corryong 11

B Grade Bullioh 44 d Federal 28 Cudgewa 79 d Corryong 23

A Grade Federal 52 d Bullioh 24 Cudgewa 69 d Corryong 50



The footballers 'fly' for the Sherrin.

### Head to Head in 2022 - Bullioh v Federal

#### Round 5 - May 21

Bullioh 4.3, 8.8, 12.11, 14.13 (97) d Federal 1.1, 3.5, 5.9, 8.11 (59)

Goals:- Bullioh - H Schubert 4, S Price 4, J Woodall, J Curran, M Haley oneill, J Walters, T McGibbony 1. Federal - J Murphy 2, A Harris 2, C Laird, G Galbraith, H Pole, A Hodgson 1.

Best:- Bullioh - Leo Nicolson, Harry Schubert, Mackinley Haley Oneill, Thomas McGibbony, Jacob Curran. Federal - George Galbraith, Andrew Hodgson, Lachlan Hampton, Mitchell McLean, Jordan Wilson, Cameron Sheather.

#### Round 10 - July 9

Bullioh 2.6, 6.8, 11.13, 15.19 (109) d Federal 3.0, 3.2, 3.4, 5.8 (38).

Goals:- Bullioh - S Price 6, H Nicholls 2, J Woodall 2, M Haley O'Neil 2, W Knights, L Nicolson, H Cowie.

Best:- Bullioh - Ryan Carey, Broc Hardisty, Shane Price, Jacob Curran. Federal - Harry Pole, Jordan Wilson, Cameron Sheather, George Galbraith, Daniel Hales.

#### Round 15 - August 13

Bullioh won on forfeit.

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