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The new bike trail on Playle's Hill will be opened tomorrow.

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New park takes shape

Recent visitors to Playle's Hill above Corryong will have noticed a number of developments taking place.

The first of these to be completed is the bike track which winds its way from the top of the hill down to Donaldson Street. The track will have a 'soft opening' tomorrow at 11am in time for the holidays.

Community members are invited to come along to try out the track. Sausages will be provided. A formal launch will take place in early 2023.

Once the final touches of safety signage are

installed then the track will be open for use by the public. Anyone using the bike track is responsible for riding within their limits and must adhere to the safety measures in place.

In the last month a walking track has been formed connecting the Donaldson Street entrance to the rotunda at the top of the hill.

The track provides a steady gradient up the hill and is designed primarily for walkers to access all areas. It will also serve as an 'up track' for the bike riders. As it is a shared pathway, all bikes will be

expected to give way to walkers. Early in 2023 the walking track will be sealed.

Work has also started on the barbecue pavilion and covered lookout platform. The area will be significantly larger than the previous barbecue platform and will be both open to the view and protected by being cut into the hill and under cover.

The a viewing platform which will be very accessible from the top car park and will provide a panoramic vista across the Corryong valley to Mt Mittatmatite.

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Holiday break

This is the last issue of the Corryong Courier for 2022.

We will not be printing on December 29, 2022 and January 5, 2023.

The first issue in 2023 will be on January 12.

Check our Facebook page and website www.corryongcourier.com.au for any breaking news.

Corryong hits the heights



The Year 12 graduation class achieved a remarkable 100 per cent pass rate.

Photo: Jasmine Pierce Photography.

Year 12 students, staff and parents of Corryong College are justifiably proud following the release of the 2022 Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) results last week which placed the school in the top ten government schools in the state.

The results are even more meritorious given it has been a tough and challenging few years for this group of students who have had to navigate their learning through the aftermath of the bushfires, the losses that came with it and beyond, as well as remote learning for nearly two years of their education as the result of the pandemic restrictions.

“Their perseverance and resilience through such tragedies has allowed them to rise above the adversity they faced and all students have successfully achieved their Year 12 Certificate,” said VCE co-ordinator, Sarah Klippel.

Careers Co-ordinator, Sandra Kovacic, said it was an impressive achievement given what the community has endured.

“We were very surprised, given all the trauma that the students

have experienced in the last three years,” she said.

“It was great for them to come out on top.”

Elsie Drummond has been awarded the Corryong College Rotary Dux for 2022, with outstanding results in all her subjects and an ATAR of 92.55. Elsie achieved a study score of 45 in History Revolutions.

George McKimmie has been awarded the CWA Upper Murray Group Dux Secundus Award with an ATAR of 86.3. George received a study score of 43 in VCE VET Engineering.

Ben Hewatt has been awarded the CWA Cudgewa VET Award with an ATAR of 86.15. Ben’s Further Maths score was 42, putting him in the top five per cent of the state.

Mae Mout has been awarded Corryong Lions Club Award for achieving an ATAR of 80.1.

The VCE class of 2022 had an excellent 100 per cent pass rate. Of the students who completed VCE at Corryong College, 72 per cent of students achieved an ATAR score of above 70 which places them in the top 30 per cent

of all students in Victoria, which is an outstanding result.

Within this pool, 57 per cent of students achieved an ATAR score above 80, which places them in the top 19 per cent of all students in Victoria.

Corryong College’s average ATAR was 77.3, which is a fantastic result as the average state ATAR score was 68. All statistics have increased from last year with 16.3 per cent of students receiving 40 and above in their study score. All students will receive offers and university places with these scores.

On par with many private schools across the state, Corryong College was one of the higher performing schools in the state with a study score mean of 34 across all students completing a VCE subject.

Alongside this data, the Year 12 VCAL (Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning) class of 2022 also had a 100 per cent pass rate.

Jack McLean has been awarded the Damm’s Auto Outstanding VCAL Achievement Award for reaching a senior level in

VCAL.

Tiana Whitehead has been awarded the Towong Shire award for excellence in Year 12 and for continuing her studies in the field of health or child services.

Additionally, year 11 students who completed a VCE Unit 3 and 4 subject also achieved outstanding results, which will contribute significantly towards their ATARs in 2024, including multiple scores over 40.

“This is an amazing achievement, and we appreciate all the support, organisation and planning VCAL students have done for their cohort this year,” Ms Klippel said.

“Overall, we cannot be more proud of our VCE and VCAL students

“A special thank you goes to the local organisations who make the awards possible. In addition, a warm thank you to the parents, teachers and peers for their support over the years to help our young people grow.

(Editor’s note:- The photograph accompanying the Year 12 story in the December 8, 2022 issue was of the 2020 cohort.)

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CORRYONG Township - Emergency

Community Emergency Management Plan

IN AN EMERGENCY:
BE ALERT – Look, listen and smell. BE AWARE of what's happening around you

Emergency Numbers

Police, Fire, Ambulance: 000

Flood/Storm Emergency (SES): 132500

Nurse-On-Call: 1300 606 024

Corryong Hospital: 02 6076 3200

Mental Health – 24 hour Triage: 1300 104 211

Community warnings, emergency information and situation updates

Local radio station: ABC 99.7 FM

ABC website: www.abc.net.au/emergency/

VicEmergency App:

VicEmergency Hotline: 1800 226 226

VicEmergency website: www.emergency.vic.gov.au

4 day Forecast CFA: www.cfa.vic.gov.au

Storm/Flood: Vic SES Information Line: 1300 842 737

Fires Near Me NSW App:

When to Leave

- On Catastrophic Fire Danger rating days **leave early** (consider leaving the night before)
- On Extreme Fire Danger Rating days, if you are not prepared, **leave early**
- When advised to **evacuate** by the police and other emergency services
- Listen to the warning messages via radio, internet, phone etc.

As you leave

- Take your **emergency kit** – medications, identification, cash, food, water, blanket, phone and charger
- Tell **someone** that you are leaving
- Consider the needs of your **pets**.

Response - Know what to do

- Keep an eye on conditions outside. You might be aware of danger before the emergency services
- Check on your **neighbours** the evening before a forecast Catastrophic or Extreme Fire Danger day – ask if they plan to leave or stay and check on their wellbeing
- Stay **calm**, take some deep breaths and follow the advice of the warnings
- Implement your **household emergency plan**, eg mobility or transport support
- Understand that feeling worried and anxious is normal
- Regularly **check for warnings** and emergency information
- Drink **water**, eat and take breaks
- Wear **appropriate clothing** – natural fibre (wool or cotton), long sleeve top and long pants, solid footwear (leather)
- Engage in simple practical preparedness tasks to give you a sense of confidence and control

NOTE: THERE MAY NOT BE AN IMMEDIATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE FROM AGENCIES.

Where to go?

Local Recovery or Relief Centre: Listen and check emergency information updates for designated location

Family or Friends: Located well away from the emergency threat

Neighbourhood safer place: Attree Park. This is a place of last resort only. Emergency Services may not be present

Emergency Health Care: Call 000 or present to Urgent Care at Corryong Health (Hospital)

CORRYONG Township - Planning

Community Emergency Management Plan

PLANNING and PREPARING for Emergencies can help reduce the impact and aid in your recovery. Remember Fire, Storm, and Flood Emergencies can develop quickly.

Prepare – Think and Plan Ahead

Simple practical preparedness tasks for your property:

- Clean up around your house and property – mow or slash, clear gutters, clear out rubbish and pot plants
- Ensure you have **adequate equipment** to defend your property – hoses (& tap fittings) that reach the perimeter
- Ensure vehicles, generators, firefighting equipment are serviced and fuelled
- Fuelling options may be very limited.
- Keep all devices, eg phones, charged.

Develop your own household/Family Emergency plan:

- Ensure **adequate clothing** – natural fibre (wool or cotton), long sleeve top, long pants, solid footwear (leather), masks and goggles
- Plan for the management of **pets** (food, leads, cages, bowls and medications)
- Plan for the **loss of power and telecommunications**
- Practice your emergency plan so that household members know what to do in an emergency
- Make sure medication scripts are in date.

Know where to find emergency information and warnings:

- Install the **VicEmergency App** on your phone
- Install **Fires Near Me NSW App** on your phone.

Plan an emergency kit with items you may need:

- Medications and scripts, identification, cash, water, blanket, phone and charger.

If you are planning to evacuate:

- Know where you **intend to go** and have a plan B.
- Plan to **leave early**
- Know the **route** you will take and an alternative
- Pack your emergency kit** and take it with you
- Know **who you will tell** that you are leaving.

What to Expect

NOTE: During major emergencies there are often competing demands for the emergency services. Households need to **share the responsibility for staying safe**.

THERE MAY NOT BE AN IMMEDIATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE FROM AGENCIES.

- Most people will experience some anxiety, stress and alarm
- It could be **dangerous to travel** on the roads with limited visibility, debris and many emergency vehicles
- Potential for **limited or restricted access** to and within your area
- Potential for **loss of power, water pressure and phone reception**
- Heat and smoke** can make some medical conditions worse
- Radiant heat and extreme heat conditions** can be fatal
- Fire can cause **smoke, heat, noise, limited visibility, and burning embers**
- Severe storms can **cause damage to roads and bridges, buildings and trees**.
- Do not drive through **floodwaters**.

Understanding Emergency Warnings:

ADVICE: An incident is occurring or has occurred in the area. Access information and monitor conditions.

WATCH AND ACT: An emergency is developing nearby. You need to take action now to protect yourself and others.

EMERGENCY WARNING: You are in imminent danger and need to take action now. You will be impacted.

Planning Tools

CFA Fire ready kit - download an electronic version at: www.cfa.vic.gov.au/plan-prepare/before-and-during-a-fire/fire-ready-kit

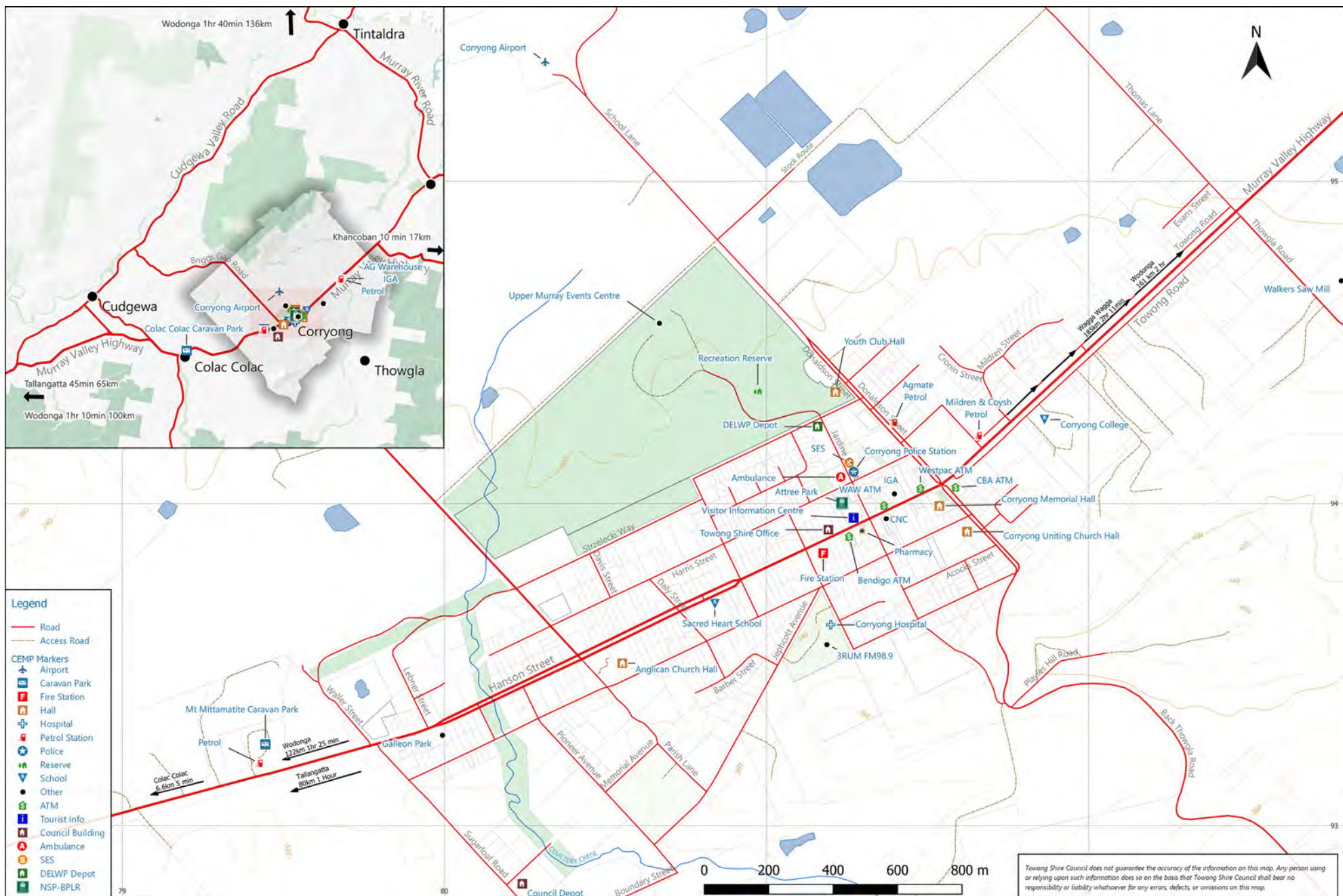
SES Home Emergency Plan: www.ses.vic.gov.au/about-us/state-and-regional-emergency-plans

Red Cross Emergency RediPlan: www.redcross.org.au/prepare

Note: Corryong Neighbourhood Centre can help to connect you with people who can help you develop your own Property and Household Emergency Plan. Phone: 02 6076 2176

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Letters to the Editor:-

Christmas cheer

Thank you to everyone who attended our wonderful Upper Murray Christmas Carols & Markets, what a beautiful and spectacular event it was!

It was amazing to see the love and high spirit in the air yesterday.

A massive congratulations to our winners of our two competitions ran prior to the event.

For the "Best Lights in the Upper Murray-residence"

Second place was awarded to 195 Wheeler Street, Chris & Jess

With first place going to 122 Harris Street, Jodie and Adrian Grzeschka

For the "Best Lights in the Shop Window-Themed: Day and Night"

Second place was awarded to the gorgeous Tess & Lil - Corryong

With first place going to the wonderful Upper Murray Pizza Cafe

A huge shout out to all who entered and were involved! The judges mentioned the very difficult task to choose a winner, with all participants putting in top notch effort!

Well done!

Shea Bloom,
Local Area Recovery Officer.

Stay tuned for emergency options

Recently I have heard concerns expressed from some members of the Upper Murray community regarding the status and nomination of a relief/evacuation centre in Corryong, in case the need arises to use one again.

The main concerns seem to be "I don't know which venue I would go to" and "I don't want to go to the ECA Centre again."

To attempt to reduce confusion, here is the current situation. In 2018, the Emergency Management Act (Victoria) was amended, removing the overall responsibility for emergency management from councils and placing it with key personnel from the emergency services organisations.

The location of a relief/evacuation centre is only determined at the time of an emergency because many factors are taken into consideration when deciding the location (the type and location of emergency, direction of threat, etc).

This decision is made by the Municipal Emergency Response Co-ordinator (usually from Victoria Police), in consultation with the Control Agency, sometimes without input from the local council.

Once that decision is made, the information is shared publicly in as many ways as possible.

If you are concerned or confused about anything relating to Emergency Management arrangements for this summer, you should contact the head of your local CFA or DELWP, and ask them to contact their representative on the Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee to provide clarification.

Peter Dikschei,
Towong.

Editor's Note:- For more information see the Community Emergency Management Plan on page 4 in this issue.

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Hume Riverina Community Legal – Offering legal advice – Call 02 6055 8090

Upper Murray Employment Group – Join the Facebook group to advertise or find employment

Good Shepherd NILS – No interest loans for Centrelink recipients – Contact Nikki 0429 024 717

Youth Space – Open after school - All 12–25-year-olds welcome – WIFI, Nintendo switch, PlayStation, boardgames, pool table, art on Wednesdays and more!

CNC Christmas Closures:

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Upper Murray Community Garage closing Thursday 22nd Dec & reopening Monday 9th Jan

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Don't travel to bushland on Extreme Fire Danger Rating days.

If you plan to travel through Victoria during fire season, it's important to check the Fire Danger Rating every day. If the rating is Extreme or Catastrophic, avoid travelling to high risk bush or grassfire areas. It's safer to travel to cities or towns for the day.

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We can also do last minute takeaway beverages and ice and the bar is open for anyone who just wants to come in for a couple. No takeaway meals. Drink responsibly.

Bottoms Up @ The Bottom

Landcare focus has been on recovery

Upper Murray Landcare has been heavily involved working with landholders since early 2020 to rehabilitate and restore properties impacted by bushfires.

There has been a diversity of project funding applied for to address the many requests for assistance received through an expressions of interest process.

Properties have been visited, sites assessed and mapped and projects and programs implemented for onground works, information sessions, weed control and integrated property planning.

Some of the projects undertaken include:-

A demonstration of pasture establishment methods was set up at Walwa with funding from the Australian government for field days. An information session on progress was held in 2021 with Richard Heath, CEO of the Australian Farm Institute.

A gully erosion remediation project funded by Bushfire Recovery Victoria (BRV) got off to a good start before works were halted due to wet conditions and continuous changes to the sites, requiring remapping and assessments. The project will be completed in 2023, weather permitting.

The healthy soils program has really connected with many



landholders and will continue until the end of 2023. This involves participants in four sessions with a focus on understanding the soil on their properties.

Initial free soil tests are undertaken and discussed as a group and includes a one on one property visit by Soil Land Food and assistance to prepare a soil management plan. Funding is also available to investigate practice change, pasture species selection and sowing methods and understanding how carbon market works.

Revegetation works were supported by staff from Parklands Albury Wodong who were on site once or twice a week to assist with planting on farm. Jacob Toyota sponsored the annual planting day on the Corryong bike path supported by volunteers and the Parklands crew.

There has been a lot of interest in the recovery of the natural environment and successful events and field days have been held to inform and involve the local community.

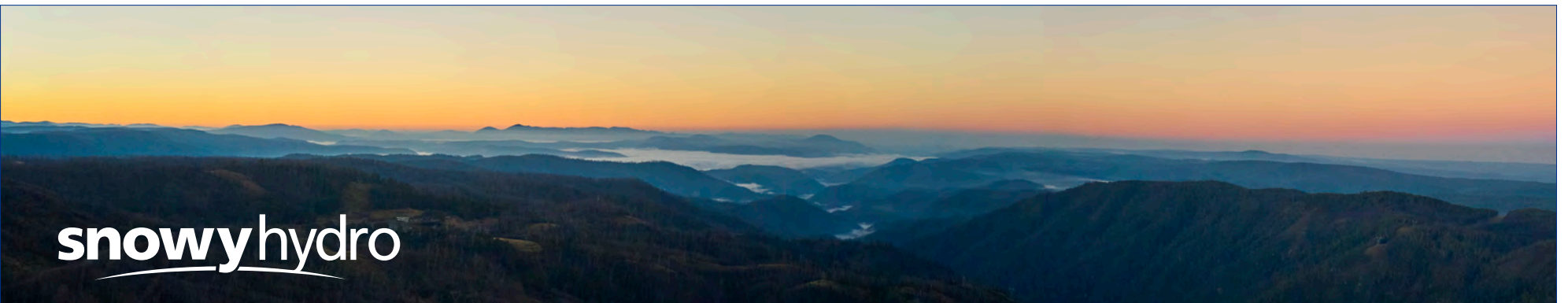
A Birds on Farms program was established in 2021 with a field day held then and another last month. There are six properties participating and birds are monitored quarterly.

The Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria (RBG) botanists were engaged to carry out flora assessments in Burrowa Pine Mountain National Park. The results were presented at a community gathering and as a result Landcare will work in partnership with DELWP and RBG to re-establish banksia canei which was completely wiped out by bushfire.

Funding was obtained to deliver a Healthy Rivers program which supported the installation of stock

exclusion fencing on gullies and waterways and demonstration deer exclusion fencing on two wetland sites. Taller and more robust tree guards are also being trialled to see which perform best to prevent deer browsing. A deer management forum was held in June to update knowledge of the impacts of deer and find out where the gaps are.

Upper Murray Landcare has acknowledged the following for collaborating with it this year - Upper Murray landholders and volunteers, Agriculture Victoria, Parks Victoria, the North East Catchment Management Authority, Parklands Albury Wodonga, DELWP, Fisheries Victoria, Gateway health, AgBizz, the Royal Botanic Gardens, Melbourne University, Department of Transport, Jacob Toyota, the Corryong CRC and Towong Shire Council.



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Friendship has been the long term takeaway

The new proprietor of the Top of Town Takeaway in Corryong, Craig Ross, tells the story of how he has come full circle from his early working life and what a profound influence his first boss has had on him.

I was only 13 when I got my first job, at the Downtown Milk bar on Hanson Street, working for Tammy and Pete Edwards.

It was what you would expect from a petrol station come milk bar in the late 80s - petrol, ice, groceries, lollies, ice-creams, milkshakes, chips, drinks, smokes, scratchies etc. but in addition to the norm, we also sold good old-fashioned fish and chips. In addition to the traditional Aussie fish and chips there were burgers with beetroot and pineapple, dimmies, battered savs and hot chickens and cheese rolls.

I didn't realise at the time of course but this job was to be the foundation of my work ethic, for my entire career. It was here that I learnt about customer service, handling money, learning what 'regulars' and 'elbow grease' meant; how to sweep, mop and polish a floor until you could see your face in it; what it was like to earn money; how to pump petrol and learning that 'checking tyres' involved more than just looking at them individually and giving them a little kick; how to answer the phone in a polite and professional manner; taking orders, cooking, making burgers and how to recognise what perfectly cooked chips 'sound' like, when you shake them in the basket.

With those life lessons, came friendship.

Tammy and I built a relationship that has lasted more than 30 years. I spent some part of almost every day with her and her eldest boys Jai and Corey, at the pool or at the creek, riding motor bikes and having barbies out at Nariel bridge or Thoughla and just at their home most days after school.

Tammy taught me to drive in her Datsun 1000 named 'Betsy', she was my basketball coach at one stage and included me in all family events. I went with her and Peter for her checkup when she was having her next baby, Cody and got to see him on the ultrasound not knowing at that stage, that I would become his Godfather 12 months later.

We had an amazing friendship and I had a second family, who've been present at all my benchmark moments in life, good and bad - the loss of my sister, my 18th, 21st and 30th birthdays and the support of the entire family, with the loss of my mum Janice.

Fast forward three decades and we are still close. Over this last 12 months I've been travelling down from Brisbane back to Corryong, to help Tammy



in her new business, Top of Town takeaway on the top corner of the main street.

Remembering everything I'd been taught all those years ago was pretty much like riding a bike!

I came down for Christmas and new year and again for the festival and Easter in April/May and it was at that stage that we spoke about the possibility of me purchasing the business.

So, after discussing it with my partner Mark, I came down again in June and August to learn a bit more of the business runnings and

then relocated back to Corryong permanently at the end of October with my Mark joining me in March.

I've been lucky enough to live and travel around Australia and the world but even after 30 years away, Corryong is the only place I have ever really called 'home'.

There's an energy here that draws you back and I'm excited to be home.

I officially took over Top of Town last Friday and it wouldn't be possible without Tammy. It's her friendship and mentoring that prepared me for my journey out into the world

at 16 and its her friendship and the opportunity that has come with it, that's brought me home. None of it would be possible without her and Mark and I are extremely grateful.

The good news for the customers is Top of Town Takeaway will run exactly the same as it has done in Tammy's hands providing good old-fashioned fish and chips and in fact, you will still see us both here well into the new year as she continues to support me.

So I won't be making any changes, after all, everything I know I've learnt from her!

Park nears completion

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The viewing platform is situated adjacent to a new amenities block.

The Playle's Hill community group has been working with Towong Shire since mid-2020 on the redevelopment.

This work has included:-

- A Facebook page 'Playles Hill Project' to keep the community informed of progress.

- Community working bees to remove invasive and inappropriate vegetation.

- Some plantings and maintenance within the park.

- The commissioning and installation of Kat Brown's artwork in the rotunda.

- The construction and installation of seating in the rotunda and also gabion basket seating near the rotunda and entrance to the pear avenue.

The Man from Snowy River Tourism Association also obtained a grant to add to the park's development.

School Holiday Program

Register now!

Keen to get out of the house over the break? We're running a number of workshops and activities during the school holiday period.

Al's Skate Co Scooter Workshops
Corryong
Where: Corryong Skate Park
When: Tuesday 17 January
Time: 10.30am and 11.30am

Tallangatta
Where: Tallangatta Skate Park
When: Tuesday 17 January
Time: 2.30pm and 3.30pm

Inflatable Pool Fun
Corryong
Where: Corryong Pool
When: Friday 13 January
Time: 2.00pm-7.00pm

Tallangatta
Where: Tallangatta Pool
When: Friday 20 January
Time: 2.00pm-7.00pm

Art Starts Here Workshops
Bethanga
Where: Bethanga Town Hall
When: Wednesday 18 January
Time: 10.00am-12.00pm

Mitta Mitta
Where: Magorra Park
When: Wednesday 11 January
Time: 10am-12.00pm

Learn to Fish
Tallangatta
Where: Tallangatta Foreshore
When: Tuesday 10 January
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Nariel
Where: Nariel Folk Festival Grounds
When: Monday 23 January
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Date/Time	Location
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Saturday 31/12 3.00pm	Concert on The Green
	8:00pm The Green Nariel Reserve
Sunday 1/1 12:00pm	Concert on The Green
	8.00pm The Green Nariel Reserve
Monday 2/1 8.00pm	Cudgewa Hall

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A big thank you to all the Rotarians who helped and to the other many volunteers.

Thank you also to Trevor Best, Ray Knight and Renata Coppola for providing such great entertainment.

Peter Humphrey, President, Rotary Club of Corryong.

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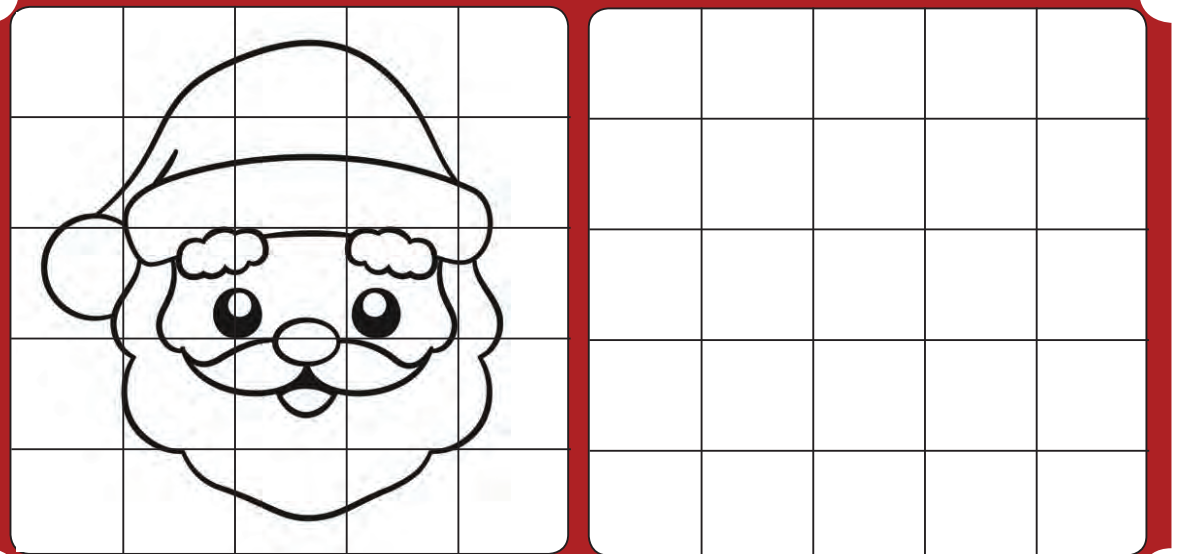
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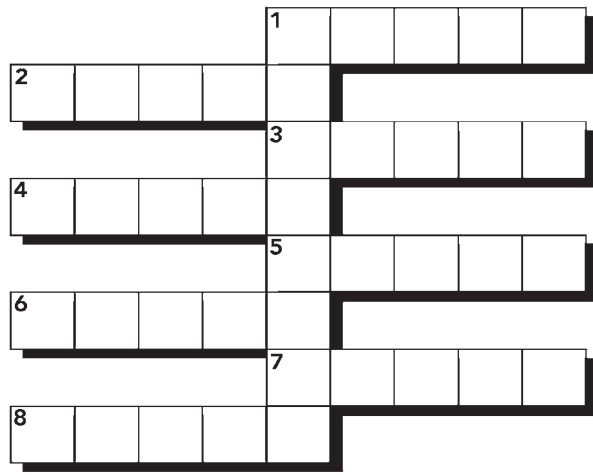
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SOLUTION: Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas

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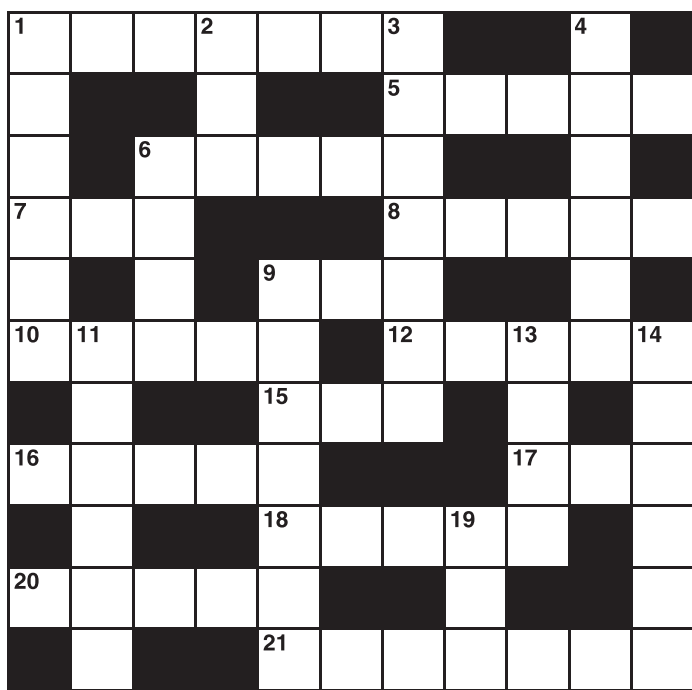
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- 1 A waltz is one
- 2 When no one is fighting
- 3 You write on them for special occasions
- 4 Sound of a sneeze
- 5 Are you — for Christmas?
- 6 Mr Claus
- 7 They get decorated at Christmas time
- 8 What you do when you're happy

SOLUTION: Dance, Peace, Cards, Achoo, Ready, Santa, Trees, Smile (DECORATE).

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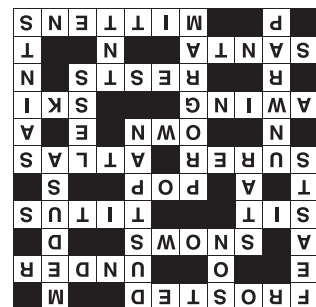


- 18 Relaxes (5)
- 20 Christmas visitor (5)
- 21 Gloves (7)

DOWN

- 1 Christmas dinners (6)
- 2 Jesus is the — of God (3)
- 3 Used to sweep up rubbish (7)
- 4 In Greek mythology, she had snakes for hair (6)
- 6 A Christmas ornament (4)
- 9 Schedule (7)
- 11 You do this with presents (6)
- 13 Minus (4)
- 14 Holy people (6)
- 19 Explosive (1,1,1)

SOLUTIONS



ACROSS

- 1 White Christmas tree (7)
- 5 Justin Bieber song, — the Mistletoe (5)
- 6 Falls from the sky in winter (5)
- 7 To rest (3)
- 8 Christian Saint (5)
- 9 Small explosion (3)
- 10 More certain (5)
- 12 Book of maps (5)
- 15 To have (3)
- 16 Admiring (5)
- 17 You need this for skiing (3)

CHRISTMAS TREE JUMBLES

Can you rearrange the coloured baubles to work out what the tree was decorated with?



SOLUTIONS: Green - Star, Pink - Angel, Yellow - Lights, Blue - Tinsel

ODD ONE OUT



SOLUTION: D (Missing spots)

RIDDLE

Which one of Santa's reindeer can be seen on Valentines day?



SOLUTION: Cupid

WORD STEP

M E R R Y

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P A T C H

SOLUTION: Merry, Mercy, Merch March, Parch, Patch


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The highlight of last week on the rink was the final of the Men's Triples Championship which was held on Sunday morning.

The winning team comprised Simon and Angelo Donadon and Col Smedley who defeated Noel Blake, Mal Jarvis and Doug Smedley.

Pennant

The midweek team went to Corowa Civic on Tuesday and were beaten 65/43, leaving the team 6th on the ladder. On Saturday the weekend team defeated Kiewa on our home green 79/34, sending them back to the top of the ladder.

Wednesday social bowls - Winners were Noel Blake and Neville Clarke.

On Sunday afternoon

members gathered for the Christmas break-up, beginning with two games of bowls - the winning team being Peter Mongan, Ilma Clarke and Rob McClung.

After bowls the social side of the day took over with a few drinks and then a really great dinner of BBQ and salads, followed by sweets - thanks very much to Chris and helpers for the meal.

To finish off the evening our grand raffle was drawn. The 1st prize, a brand new set of Aero bowls, was won by Zane Heinjus.

We now have high hopes of Zane becoming and loving to be, a regular bowler!

The two hamper prizes were won by Stewart Ross



The Men's Triples' finalists were (from left) Col Smedley, Simon and Angelo Donadon and Mal Jarvis, Doug Smedley and Noel Blake.

and Darren Vandervalk. The next major event will be the Men's Triples Tournament on January

8th. There will be a committee meeting on Wednesday January 4th at 7.30pm.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all! Roll on! ~ The Hammer

Leader makes every post a winner

Khancoban is making the most of its return to the Hills Zone competition

with a faultless start to the season, capped by a 5/0 whitewash of Adelong on the weekend.

Khancoban is the only undefeated team and sits atop the ladder, two points and three games clear of its nearest rival Batlow.

Results R4

Corryong d Holbrook

4/1, Khancoban d Adelong 5/0, Batlow d Tumbarumba 4/1, Walwa d Welaregang 3/2.

Ladder	P	G
Khancoban	8	16
Batlow	6	13
Corryong	4	11
Tumbarumba	4	9
Walwa	4	9

Holbrook	2	10
Welaregang	2	7
Adelong	2	5

Draw: R5 January 15 @ Holbrook
7.30: Walwa v Tumba
8.00: W'gang v H'brook
8.30: Batlow v Khancoban
9.00: Adelong v Corryong
Corryong

The final round of the Men's Championships was held last Saturday and Pat Kamba strected the field to win his first A Grade title with a two-round scratch total of 171.

The runner-up and B Grade winner was Graham Pfeiffer and Richard Bennetts won C Grade.



Results - R8 20/12/22

Bottom Pub d Possum	7-0,	Cudgy
Pointers	6-1,	Chukas d BBB
Courthouse d Bottoms Up	6-1,	Biggara d Walwa 4-3,
Koetong	- bye.	
Ladder	P	%
Courthouse	28	145.0
Bottom Pub	24	308.3
Cudgy Chukas	24	157.9
Biggara	20	96.0
Koetong	16	113.0
Walwa	16	96.0

High Country Darts

P/Pointers	16	58.7
Bottoms Up	8	58.7
BBB	8	43.6

Sharpshooters:- Highest peg - Dean Williamson 86; Men's highest score - Mike (BBB) 160; Women's highest score - Shelly Henry (Koetong) 97.
Draw: R9 10/1/23
Bottoms Up v Koetong
Cudgy Chukas v Biggara
P/Pointers v Courthouse
Bottom Pub v Walwa
Bye - BBB

Upper Murray Tennis

Results 17/12/22

Khancoban 56 d Corryong 32; Cudgewa Nth 64 d Biggara 29; Cudgewa - bye

Ladder - Week 11

Cudgewa	36
Khancoban	34
Cudgewa Nth	20
Corryong	14
Biggara	6

Draw - 17/12/22

Biggara v Cudgewa; Cud Nth v Corryong; Khancoban - Bye

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