

# TUBBUT TATTLER

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# CLASSIFIEDS

**Available for parties and anything—Tubbut pizza oven (Bonang Hall also has one available for public hire**



## Septic getting full?

Robert Hampshire will pump out your loo. Septic tanks, porta-loos— no problems Truck has capacity to handle 2 tanks/trip Phone: 0417423983  
Please keep your old glass bottles for Robert too as he is a passionate collector.

## Bobcat contractor for hire

Slashing, clearing, small earthworks, levelling, preparation for sheds, carports, water tanks and paving and clean ups  
Ring Steve 0407190258 or email [stephenscroope@bigpond.com](mailto:stephenscroope@bigpond.com)

## Orbost Solar and Electrical

***Happy to come to our area and comes highly recommended by the Tubbut Neighbourhood House***

***Call Ben on 0434038395***



## FOR HIRE

The Tubbut Neighbourhood House has the following for Hire:

Trailer—\$5.00 per day

Wood Splitter—\$10.00 per day

*You can also borrow many of our gadgets:*

Laminator, recording VHS to DVD player, Laptop, tablet, digital photo scanner, convert photos, slides or negatives to digital, record records to USB

**Tattler Contributions:** We welcome your articles, news, reports on local groups, photos from local events, milestones, interesting stories, poems, biographies, births, deaths, historical items, and more. *We also welcome any letters to the editors,*

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## WANTED

Old crockery of any colour except white, can have patterns, can be broken.

Please contact Sue Collins 64580287 or the NH, or leave at the Bonang Hall.

These will be used to Mosaic the Pizza Oven at Bonang.

## Delegate Multi Purpose Service Craigie St, Delegate

### Wellness Clinic

Monday 9am –10am

Every week except public holidays.

No appointment necessary.

A clinic where well people come for health monitoring and a variety of nursing procedures such as :

Wound care

Blood pressure readings

Blood sugar readings

Non-urgent and pre-operative Electrocardiograms

Health Assessments

Suture or clip removal

Injections with Doctors written orders

Other procedures that do not require a Doctor

### Pathology clinic (conducted by Pathology West)

Wednesday 9.30am—10.30am

No appointment necessary.

Every week except public holidays.

### Women's Health Clinic

4th Thursday of the month at Delegate MPS

Phone 1800 999 880 for an appointment

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# Tubbut Neighbourhood House

The Neighbourhood House has purchased a Cricut machine, everyone is welcome to come and use it.



## What Is A **Cricut Machine**?

The Cricut Explore Air is a die-cutting machine (aka craft plotter or cutting machine). You can think of it like a printer; you create an image or design on your computer and then send it to the machine. Except that instead of printing your design, the **Cricut machine** cuts it out of whatever material you want!

## Wanted to Rent

Greg and his children (who go to school in Bombala) are looking for a 2/3 bedroom house to rent (the condition of the house is not important) in the Bonang, Delegate River area.  
Please call him on 0423449476

## COVID – 19 Vaccination Clinic update for Bonang Hall

So far we had 4 CV-19 vaccination clinics at the Bonang Hall, which were all a great success, with many community members coming forward to be immunised – not only for CV-19, but we also did some Flu vax, Whooping Cough and Tetanus boosters.

The next date for Vaccinations is Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September between 11 am and 4 pm.

All those who received their 1<sup>st</sup> Astra Zeneca vaccination on the 15<sup>th</sup> June are due for their 2<sup>nd</sup> vaccination on the 14<sup>th</sup> Sept.

Many of you have already contacted and confirmed their attendance.

I will endeavour to get reminders out, but if anyone who is due their 2<sup>nd</sup> AZ reads this, it would be a great help to me if you could confirm your attendance via

[Birgit.Schaedler@orh.com.au](mailto:Birgit.Schaedler@orh.com.au)

Or

Mob 0491 090 452

You can also still book in if you haven't had a vaccination as yet. However, we are under strict Health Department instruction regarding who can receive Pfizer. If you are 60 years and over and don't have vaccine specific allergies or certain specific medical condition you will receive Astra Zeneca.

Any questions regarding vaccines please feel free to contact me via above details and I will get back to you with information as quickly as I can.

Looking forward to hearing from you and seeing you all on the day.

Thanking you  
Birgit



**A big thank-you to our Outreach Nurse Birgit for making sure we don't get left behind.**

# The Local Rag

## OUR SANDY.

The tennis world was all confused, officials showed the strain,  
HARRY HORMAN bluntly said, "We'll never win again"  
Gough appeared on tele, announced the House would sit,  
The papers bore the headlines, "Tennis Star to Quit"

Reporters came from everywhere, the pub was soon booked out,  
Tiny's face was beaming, - he nearly made a shout,  
Glen and Beryl worked like slaves, they just refused to cease,  
Do you know what - in half a day, they lost a stone a piece

Television crews arrived for background interviews,  
Corker - as ex-councillor appeared on National News  
Clem and Dulcie came to blows, and had a stand-up fight,  
To see who'd talk with Billy Peach on THIS DAY TONIGHT

CLEM won, of course, and fronted up in brand new shorts  
and jacket,  
And sure enough he then produced his blasted tennis racquet,  
He showed his serves and volleys - he'd won the Davis Cup -  
It took Bill Peach his full half hour to SHUT THE BUGHIER UP

It's opportune just now to name the object of my song,  
A local with more talent than your Court or Goolagong,  
A comely lass with quiet ways, for sure we all adore her,  
She was christened FRANCES RUDENCE and she hails from  
DRUCKENORA.

When finally they wrestled Bert from off the microphone,  
JOHN DIBBLE asked our SANDY in a hushed and reverent tone,  
"WHY ARE YOU RETIRING? ISN'T TENNIS IN YOUR BLOOD?"  
Then SANDY told the waiting world, "I'M GOING OFF TO STUD."

Now Alan, he got all het up with this publicity,  
"I've been everyone on tele, that is everyone but me"  
When he saw old Clem and Corker, he sent Bill Peach a wire,  
The telegram it simply read, "WHAT ABOUT THE SIRE?"

Billy thought it really great, the best he'd ever heard,  
He decided he'd make Alan a star of their BELUBIRD,  
He'd join him up with Maggie, and her Namguya mob,  
It was obvious the Colonel couldn't do the job.

Bill saw Alan and asked him how it came about,  
Alan said, "I'm not quite sure but I reckon it's the drought,  
Me stock were dead or dying, there weren't a blade of grass,  
I tell you what, when things are crook, IT HELPS THE TIME TO PASS

Three years ago this happened, but all those years were dry,  
Alan hadn't much to show, but he was game to try,  
The rabbits never even bred for one year, maybe two,  
And Poor old Hobbsey's Belly Bull, he's missed on quite a few.

(MANY MOONS LATER.)

Well finally I can report, that all has worked to plan,  
SANDY has her BABY, HER GORGEOUS JODI ANNE,  
Al and Sandy worship her, as sent from God above,  
To cherish, treasure, nurture, with tenderness and love.

- Neville Shorrocks

## **FIRE!**

July 1979

Prompt action by Glenn Lemin and the Tubbut/Bonang C.F.A.  
Unit averted what could have been a disaster at Lemin's house on Thursday  
evening, 8th June.

A fire started in the wall of the living room at about 8 p.m.  
It took Glenn some time to realise from where the roaring noise was  
coming, thinking at first it was the noise of the shower. It was not  
until he noticed smoke wisping over his shoulder that he realised the  
inside of the wall was on fire.

Within minutes the general alarm was raised. Glenn climbed  
into the ceiling, and with the aid of the house pressure system, was  
able to have pressured water onto the blaze immediately.

The response from the locals was tremendous, everyone  
arriving in record time, and I understand Teddy broke all records with  
the tanker.

Glenn thinks about \$1,000 of damage was done, but considering  
the possible results of such a fire if it had started when all the house-  
hold was asleep, Lemin's had a very lucky escape.

- Sue Allen

## STICKPICKING

July 1979

On Saturday Mum, Dad,  
Brenda and I went down to the  
stick-picking at Kirkby's. Not  
very many people turned up on  
Saturday. There was Brian, Patty,  
Glady and us. Brian and I lit  
the fires until lunch. When we  
went through the paddock we got  
lost. When we found our way the  
car slipped down the hill and  
nearly hit a stump. When we  
got over the hill we saw them  
all at work. When we finished  
one paddock we had lunch and went  
to the next paddock and started  
it.

Sunday the 10th June  
there was a stick-picking day.  
You had to go over the creek and  
you had to go through a gate on  
the other side of the paddock.  
There was big hills you had to  
walk up but sometimes the Rover  
would come and pick us up to  
take us up the hill to lunch or  
afternoon or morning tea.

- John Neven

# The Local Rag—continued

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## HISTORY OF GOONGERAH

In the year 1868 Hamilton Reed and John Lock, both of Bendoc, secured a grazing area of 60,000 acres at Goongerah. A suitable track had to be found to take cattle in, and as there were a lot of aboriginals about in those days who were acquainted with the country, they arranged with one named Little Billy to show them the best way in. He took them over the spur which was named after him - "Little Bill". The jungle was very dense from the top of the Bonang Mountain along the top of "Little Bill" and they decided on that route. The Bonang River was crossed two miles upstream from Mr. Russell's dairy farm (now Stan Bryant's). It took four men six weeks to cut a track in so that the cattle could be driven in to Goongerah. Young cattle were bought in Bega district and taken to the run where they did wonderfully well. At that time the hill country about Goongerah was fairly open forest with a good cover of grass. Bracken fern and scrub were dense along the river flats. Native bear, opossum and wallaby were numerous, kangaroos not so plentiful. Probably the dingoes which were in droves, kept the kangaroos down. They also killed the calves. On one occasion John Lock came on to eight dogs attacking a calf - the mother was trying to fight them off. Lock beat them off with his stockwhip, but the calf was so badly hurt it was unable to get up. He killed it and poisoned it, and next day there were eight dead dogs.

About the year 1872 horses were being impounded at Bombala in big numbers. Reed and Lock bought good brood mares from 1/- to 2/6 per head and took them to Goongerah for breeding purposes. Later yards were built in several places on the run to yard them for branding. There was a demand for Indian remounts, and the horses were mustered and those suitable taken to Bendoc for sale to a Victorian buyer. They were taken over the Snowy River, via Black Mountain, to Stratford.

In 1872 gold was discovered at S.A. Creek six miles from Goongerah. There were a lot of men there, including Chinese, and the creek was worked for about four miles.

In 1876 John Lock went to Goongerah to muster cattle single handed. A bull charged and forced the horse against a tree and Lock's leg was broken. He rode to Bonang and then on to Bendoc before receiving any attention.

About 1878 Hamilton Reed and C.W. Nicholson decided to try to reach Orbest from Bendoc via Goongerah, a task they accomplished in four days from Goongerah. Dense scrub in places made it difficult to get through with packhorses. Selection of land at Orbest had commenced, and Hamilton Reed selected a block with the intention of settling there. Later he returned to build a residence at the highest position he had chosen previously only to find the flood water had been seven feet deep there. He decided to abandon the selection, and took up land at Goongerah instead. There was much pioneering work to be done - fencing,

clearing land for cultivation, buildings, etc. Farm implements had to be brought in on pack horses. Hay was grown for working horses, also maize for fattening pigs, which were killed and cured on the place, then taken to Delegate on pack horses and sold. Flour and sugar were brought back on the return trip.

In 1882 Mrs. Reed and family moved from Bendoc to Goongerah. It was camp life for a few months while a residence of five rooms was built. It was hard work getting timber from the forest for the building, but Mr. Reed was equal to any task he undertook. Hay barns and stables were built from round timber with stringy bark sides and roof. John Lock's interest in the grazing area terminated, and Reed continued to hold the area. There was no mail service, and someone had to ride to Bonang once a week for mail. Wheat was grown, thrashed with a flail, and crushed with a steel mill by hand. Later a water race and wheel was established and two steel mills were put into service. This was a success - the only attention required was to fill the hoppers at an appointed time. With a fine sieve a good quality flour was obtained.

## The Local Rag #3 June 1979

In 1887 Reed and sons and W. Clancy took the first mob of cattle from Goongerah to Orbest on the blazed trail that Reed and Nicholson had made in 1878. They were sold in the station yards, but they had to guarantee to cross them over the Snowy River before they were sold. James Cowell, Head Stockman at Orbest Station, and his men, came to the rescue and willingly gave their assistance. They were swum across the river just opposite the present G. & N. yards. At that time there was only a punt on the river to cross vehicles etc. to the other side.

A number of gold mines opened up in Bonang and Bendoc areas and Goongerah being the only settlement between Bonang and Orbest, everyone made there to stay. Reed was obliged to build more rooms to accommodate travellers. Traffic by horsemen began to increase between Orbest and the above districts, and with Government grants of money some of the worst portions of track had side cuttings put in and rough culverts across the creeks. Coote and Herbert of Orbest had a string of pack-horses to carry goods to Bonang and Bendoc. In 1889 J.J. Playdell took the first bullock dray through to Orbest. Then there was a twice-a-week mail run between Orbest and Delegate by packhorse. The late E. Foley of Swan Reach was the contractor. Gradually the road improved, and horse-drawn vehicles began to travel through.

Clearing the land at Goongerah was very difficult. The flats were heavily timbered - huge gum trees up to six feet in diameter at the butt, with large logs lying sodden on the ground. Many were buried in trenches deep enough for the plough to pass over. The timber was in a half-green state, making it hard to grub out and burn. It was expensive clearing - \$30 per acre. Each year a few acres were cleared and cropped. The ploughs in those days were not suitable for breaking up new ground.

When Mrs. Reed and family moved to Goongerah everything was taken by packhorses - furniture, ploughs, harrows - even a chaffcutter. Later others moved from Delegate to Orbest by packhorse, among them being W. Ross, J.J. Playdell, Robert Crawford, and their families. Some of the younger children were transported on packhorses.

Hamilton Reed died at Goongerah in 1919 and was buried there. Later his wife was also buried there.

(THIS HISTORY SUPPLIED BY CLIFF AND JEAN REED)

#6 Sept. 1979

Have you ever wondered what would happen if someone blew up McKillop's Bridge, Jingallala Bridge and Cabenandra Bridge during the summer holidays? Well stop worrying. We are capable of complete self sufficiency!

At Deddick, even if Running Creek bridge was out, they'd be right. As well as a bunch of farmers and graziers to supply the food they have a doctor, a dentist, a fully qualified nursing sister and a minister of religion. They also have a mechanic, two plumbers, and a ranger, and though I haven't investigated fully I imagine we would find a teacher among them. However if we leave the Running Creek bridge intact then the Valley is right for teachers as Tubbut is home to the full range - Kindergarten, Primary, Secondary, and even a University Professor.

Then there is an industrial chemist, a shearer, a mechanical engineer, a butcher and a concrete expert, and a good petrol supply and a beet crop, so even if we cannot grow sugar cane we'll have a sweetener. We've also another doctor and two librarians. Between us all we could rustle up a band or someone to play for our opera singer. We have a caterer and a farrier; and an artist to record events.

If things get us down we have two psychiatric nurses and if the worst comes to the worst we even have an undertaker to cater for our final needs.

The only thing that's missing is an explosives expert!

- Valerie Auer

### WANTED

ONE EXPLOSIVES  
EXPERT  
TO LIVE IN TUBBUT

MUST BE ABLE TO  
HARMONISE WITH  
OPERA SINGER



# News from the Shire

## Releasing helium balloons into the environment is littering and illegal in Victoria.

### Balloon releases and the law

From 1 July 2021, EPA will have increased powers to prevent harm to the environment from pollution and waste.

There are penalties for releasing balloons into the environment.

Under section 115 of the Environment Protection Act 2017, fines are:

up to six penalty units (\$991) for a person

up to 30 penalty units (\$4956) for a company.

For a series of balloon releases, and if taken to court, penalties are:

up to 100 penalty units (\$16,522) for a person

up to 500 penalty units (\$82,610) for a company.

If your activities, such as using helium balloons, pose a risk to the environment, you must take steps to minimise the risks.

### How to manage risks to the environment from balloon use

EPA recommends that you don't use balloons outdoors. If using balloons is unavoidable make sure you strongly secure them. Make sure you correctly dispose of accessories like clips and ribbons.

Alternatives to balloons include:

blowing bubbles

floating flowers

reusable or recyclable bunting

paper decorations

planting a tree

You can read more about alternatives and register your balloon free event at [zoo.org.au/balloons](https://www.zoo.org.au/balloons)

### Balloon litter and the environment

Wildlife can be seriously harmed or killed by balloons and their attachments. They can become entangled or ingest balloon litter.

Balloons floating in the water can look like squid or jellyfish. Marine mammals, sea birds and turtles often mistake them for food. In Victoria, seals and other animals have been known to become entangled in balloon ribbons which can cause lasting damage.

Zoos Victoria's campaign, [when balloons fly, seabirds die](#), has more information about how you can take action.

Sustainability Victoria has more information about [preventing pollution from balloons](#).

# News from the Shire

Have an empty tin can handy to place metal bottle caps in. Once it is full, squeeze the top shut and recycle.



## Did You Know?

Bottle caps cannot be recycled if placed loosely in the bin. They will fall through the sorting machines at the Materials Recovery Facility.

For more information contact Council or visit our A – Z - Where to next? on our website.

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all East Gippsland Women in  
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evening of laughs, good local food  
& produce, and brilliant company

When: 12th November 2021  
Where: Bellevue, Lakes Entrance  
Time: 5:30pm - 10:00pm  
Cost: \$25

Dinner will be made from local East Gippsland produce

BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL: Please book with <https://bit.ly/3yAf4t6>  
Or Contact Emma Orgill on 5154 2867 or [emma.orgill@fevl.org.au](mailto:emma.orgill@fevl.org.au)



This project is supported by East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority, through funding from the East Gippsland Shire Council and the Australian Government's National Landcare Program.



Robyn Moore  
*the power of the word*



Robyn Moore is a multi-skilled Communicator and an Educator, who has been changing peoples' perception through the power of the word for over 40 years. She will not only inspire you, but will make you laugh out-loud.

## Rural Land Use Strategy Community Feedback

East Gippsland Shire Council is calling for community feedback on a draft Rural Land Use Strategy which will guide planning decisions on the future development and subdivision of rural land in the shire.

Agricultural production is a vital part of the East Gippsland economy, yet there has been a trend over the past 20-30 years for the subdivision of rural land and housing development that is not associated with agriculture.

Council is seeking to find the right balance between the need to protect our agricultural operations and cater for the demand for rural lifestyle properties.

To view the draft strategy and find out how you can give feedback, visit <https://yoursay.eastgippsland.vic.gov.au/draft-rural-land-use-strategy-2>

## WORKER PERMITS REQUIRED

As of 11.59pm 23 August, authorised workers in Regional Victoria will join Metro Melbourne in being required to carry an authorised worker permit to work onsite. It is the responsibility of employers to issue these permits to their employees.

If you have any enquiries, contact the 24/7 Coronavirus Hotline on 1800 675 398.

# News from the Departments



## LOOKING FOR ANSWERS?

Are you looking for a phone that is easy to use?

Looking for a device to work with your braille display?

Need a keyboard app that will help you communicate over the phone?

Want to know which emergency pendant or phone alert system is right for you?

## ACCESSIBLE TELECOMS CAN HELP

- Find out about the accessibility features of different phones.
- Learn more about which mobile device allows for sign language or works with your hearing aid.
- Locate communication training sessions near you.
- Discover new equipment like proximity switches, eye gaze accessories and more to help you get connected.

If you can't find it on our website, contact us; we are here to help you!



## Accessible Telecoms can help you make the most of the NRS

If you have difficulty making and receiving calls because you are Deaf, hard of hearing and/or have a speech impairment, the National Relay Service (NRS) can help you.

Visit Accessible Telecoms for more information on using the NRS.



**National  
Relay  
Service**



## Farm First Aid Training:

Supporting drought and bushfire affected communities

### On-farm accidents are a major concern

Incidents involve workers and bystanders (including children) and occur in a range of circumstances on a variety of farm and agricultural enterprises.

### Learn first aid skills to provide support in an emergency

Develop skills and improve farm and rural workplace safety by enrolling in the Red Cross Farm First Aid course delivered by an accredited First Aid trainer. Participants are provided with the knowledge and skills to assist themselves, and others, to cope with accidents and injury both from a physical and mental wellbeing perspective.

As part of the course, there is a wellbeing section that is designed to help start the conversation around mental wellbeing and increase awareness of relevant service available for individuals, family and friends.

On completion of the course, participants receive a Statement of Attainment in Provide Basic Emergency Life Support (HLTAID002) – often required for insurance and employment opportunities.

\*Training is free for primary producers, farm workers and farm contractors.

[redcross.org.au/learn](http://redcross.org.au/learn)

### Farm First Aid training topics

- Basic Life Support (DRSABCD)
- Perform CPR
- Breathing emergencies
- Allergic reaction / Anaphylaxis
- Cardiac emergencies
- Severe bleeding and wound care
- Fractures and dislocations
- Shock management
- Envenomation
- Wellbeing and mental health support and assistance
- Environmental impacts
- Reporting
- Recovery and Resilience
- Legal requirements



Bruthen Neighbourhood House  
28th September 9am - 5pm

Participants will receive certificate HLTAID001 provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation & HLTAID002 Provide basic emergency life support if they have a USL [usl.gov.au](http://usl.gov.au)

Lunch & morning tea provided  
contact Annie: 03 4141 5302 or 0497 544 490

For more information or to arrange a Farm First Aid course for your community, contact:  
Carissa Beavis 0427 643 122 [cbeavis@redcross.org.au](mailto:cbeavis@redcross.org.au)

## Planning YOUR FUTURE

Understand your options to plan the future you want

RFCS Gippsland has partnered with Agriculture Victoria and Centrelink to offer a **free information session** helping Primary Producers understand options and available support to prepare your farm's lifecycle, succession and retirement

## Lunch & Chat

with Presenters & local support agencies

September

7th **Omeo**

8th **Orbost**

9th **Bairnsdale**

10.30am - 12.30pm  
Lunch provided

in case of COVID restrictions please

click here to **REGISTER YOUR INTEREST**

or call

**1300 045 747**



# News from the Departments

## Private Overhead Electric Line Scheme A DELWP Initiative

### Grant to Underground Private Powerlines



**APPLICATIONS  
OPEN**

Visit:

[www.energy.vic.gov.au/electricity/powerline-replacement](http://www.energy.vic.gov.au/electricity/powerline-replacement)

[delwp.vic.gov.au](http://delwp.vic.gov.au)

Property owners with privately owned bare-wire overhead powerlines can protect their homes from the risk of bushfire by having their powerlines undergrounded.

The Victorian Government will pay for replacement works for eligible owners in its Private Overhead Electric Line (POEL) Scheme.

The POEL Scheme aims to reduce overall bushfire risk and increase community safety.

Residents impacted by the 2019-20 bushfires can make their properties safer by applying for this government assistance. **Eligible areas have been expanded** to all designated High Bushfire Risk Areas in the following Local Government Areas:

- Alpine
- Towong
- East Gippsland

For more information and to make an application, visit the website, email [safer.powerlines@delwp.vic.gov.au](mailto:safer.powerlines@delwp.vic.gov.au) or call the POEL Scheme Project Team on: (03) 9918 7315.



Environment and Energy  
Department

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## Royal Commission into violence, abuse, neglect and exploitation of people with disability

For over 20 years, peak bodies have called on the Australian Government to start a royal commission looking into the violence, abuse, neglect & exploitation experienced by people with disabilities. Now it's here, let's create the changes we need by sharing those important stories and to raise awareness!!

In 2019, the Australian Government started the *Royal Commission into Violence, Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation of People with Disability* which will go until 2023. This is known as the Disability Royal Commission or (DRC).

What is the DRC? A Royal Commission is a way the Australian Government can investigate the bigger issues.

**The Disability Royal Commission is open to receive submissions and advice from people, including their families and carers who have experienced violence, abuse, neglect & or exploitation. By preparing and making a submission you will assist our government to get a better understanding of how people are treated and how this can impact community. The Commission are seeking people's recommendations.**

With this understanding, the government can make changes to improve people's rights and reduce violence, abuse, neglect, and exploitation of people with disabilities.

*How to share your experience:*

<https://disability.royalcommission.gov.au/share-your-story>

*To read the latest news:*

<https://disability.royalcommission.gov.au/news-and-media/connect-newsletter>

*To make a submission:*

<https://disability.royalcommission.gov.au/share-your-story/make-your-submission>

*Support to attend a public hearing or private session:*

<https://disability.royalcommission.gov.au/counselling-and-support>

## School lunch boxes: are parents and caregivers under pressure?

Researchers at Deakin University are interested in talking to parents and caregivers of primary school aged children about packing school lunch boxes.

Participation in this research involves an interview, conducted either remotely or in person depending on preference lasting approximately 30-60 minutes.

We are interested in talking to you about:

- managing your child's tastes
- working with school policies
- cost pressures
- trying to make the LB as healthy as possible

If you are in receipt of the Parenting Payment or JobSeeker Payment, and have children in primary school, and would like to participate in an interview about the pressures associated with lunch boxes please contact the research team.



Dr Fiona McKay  
9251 7183  
[Fiona.mckay@deakin.edu.au](mailto:Fiona.mckay@deakin.edu.au)

Participants will be  
compensated with a  
\$20 voucher

# News from the Departments

The Australian and Victorian Governments are undertaking a Major Event Review (MER) into the impacts of the 2019-20 bushfires on the five long-term forest management agreements between the Australian and Victorian Governments, known as Regional Forest Agreements (RFA).

The MER is being conducted by an independent Panel comprised of:

- Dr Gillian Sparkes, the Victorian Commissioner for Environmental Sustainability;
- Ms Katherine Mullett, a proud Gunaikurnai, Ngarigo Monero woman with a strong background in Culture Heritage Management and Land Management; and
- Dr Tony Bartlett, who has experience working in Australian and international forestry.

As part of the MER, the Panel would like to hear directly from communities on the impacts of the 2019-20 bushfires. This may include views on the impacts of the bushfires on forest management, environment and heritage including cultural heritage, economic and social values of forests, stability of forest industries and impacts on forest species and communities and any remedial actions you think could be taken.

A range of open sessions are available. If you would like to (come along) and share your views with the Panel, please register using the links below for the community closest to you.

More information on the RFAs can be found via the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment website or via the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning website.

Community	Registration link
Mallacoota	<a href="#">30 August 6.00pm – 7.30pm</a>
	<a href="#">31 August 6.00pm – 7.30pm</a>
Bairnsdale	<a href="#">30 August 7.45pm – 9.15pm</a>
Orbost/Ormeo	<a href="#">31 August 7.45pm – 9.15pm</a>
Corryong	<a href="#">6 September 6.00pm – 7.30pm</a>
Myrtleford	<a href="#">13 September 6.00pm – 7.30pm</a>
East Gippsland	<a href="#">14 September 6.00pm – 7.30pm</a>

## Covid 19 Update and Assistance

### New support announced for Victorian businesses

The Victorian Government has announced further financial support for businesses that continue to be affected by the current COVID-19 lockdowns. The Victorian Government **has announced a \$400 million package**, jointly funded by the Commonwealth Government, that will provide automatic payments to almost 100,000 eligible businesses in Victoria, including sole traders.

Further hardship funds will be made available to eligible businesses that do not qualify for existing programs. The five key elements that make up the support package are outlined below.

### Business Costs Assistance Program

Under the new State-Commonwealth business support package more than 90,000 businesses will be automatically paid a *Business Costs Assistance Program Round Three* grant of \$2,800.

### Licensed Hospitality Venue Fund

New payments of \$5,000 to \$20,000 will be made to more than 8,900 hospitality venues across Victoria that received funding support from the *Licensed Hospitality Venue Fund* through the May/June and July lockdowns. Payments will be automatic and graded by venue capacity.

### Alpine Business Support Program

Alpine businesses will receive between \$5,000 (off-mountain) and \$20,000 (employing businesses, on mountain) under an extension of the *Alpine Business Support Program*.

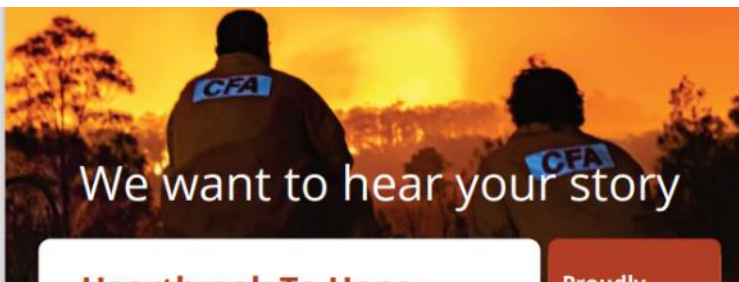
### Small Business COVID Hardship Fund

An additional \$54 million will be added to the *Small Business COVID Hardship Fund*, allowing grants of up to \$8,000 to be paid to small businesses that are not eligible for support under existing programs and have experienced a 70 per cent reduction in turnover.

### COVID-19 Disaster Payments

Eligible workers who lose hours due to the lockdown will be eligible for support through the Commonwealth's *COVID-19 Disaster Payment*, as will businesses that do not qualify for Victorian Government support programs because they are not registered for GST. More information about these programs will be available at [business.vic.gov.au](https://business.vic.gov.au).

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**We want to hear your story**

### Heartbreak To Hope

Personal recollections are being sought from people in East Gippsland affected by the 2016-19 drought, the 2019-20 bushfires that followed, and COVID-19 that impacted recovery. These will appear in a book that will be titled *Heartbreak To Hope*.

Submissions can be in the form of stories, poems, photos, drawings, or anything else suitable for print media. The maximum length is 1000 words. Content can be about suffering, survival, resilience, recovery, community, coping, healing, or anything related to the bushfire events.

For more information or to submit your content go to:  
[www.gclp.asn.au/heartbreak-to-hope](http://www.gclp.asn.au/heartbreak-to-hope)

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## **Agriculture Victoria – On-Farm Energy Grants and Rebate – closes 15 December 2021**

Farmers can apply for grants of up to \$250,000 to help reduce energy costs and boost productivity. The State Government's Agriculture Energy Investment Plan is a 10-year strategy that helps farmers install infrastructure and technology that will make their farms more competitive and sustainable.

## **Rural Aid**

The role of Rural Aid is to provide practical and essential services to primary producers and rural communities. Rural Aid well known for the highly successful 'Buy a Bale' campaign. Our aim is to provide assistance not just during disasters but also to assist farmers and communities to prepare, prevent, respond, and recover from these disasters.

Disaster Assistance: Respond & Recover

- Wellbeing & Counselling – providing mental wellbeing support services to farmers and their families
- Financial Assistance – provides farmers and their families with financial assistance via direct deposit (to pay bills) and pre-paid Visa cards (to spend in their local community)
- Hay & Fodder
- Domestic Drinking Water – assisting farmers to access a fundamental resource

Farm Army: Volunteers are registered & ready to help our Aussie Farmers give their time to help rural communities prepare for and repair from natural disasters.

*Other support as required by the community. Farmers can contact is Glenda Carter 0427 754 498 or call 1300 327 624*

## **Small Business Victoria, Disaster Resilience for Business**

An easy to use small business disaster resilience and recovery kit for emergency preparation.

Includes:

What is business resilience, preparedness, response and recovery?

Checklist for business response.

Disaster resilience for business toolkit.

For more information see: <https://business.vic.gov.au/business-information/protect-your-business/risk-management/business-resilience>

### **Prioritising better mobile and broadband connectivity in Victoria – closes 20 September 2021**

#### **Experiencing poor mobile and internet coverage? Identify problem locations and get it on the list.**

The Victorian Government is collecting information that will form the basis for improvements to the mobile and internet coverage network. The Connecting Victoria web site states: "The program will focus on getting more Victorians access to business-grade broadband and upgrading mobile coverage, improving 4G mobile coverage, helping more places become 5G ready, and improving access to safety information during bushfires and other emergencies."

Follow the Connecting Victoria link and scroll down the page to add an address or location on the map that you think needs attention at: <https://engage.vic.gov.au/connecting-victoria>

## **VFF – Making our Farms Safer**

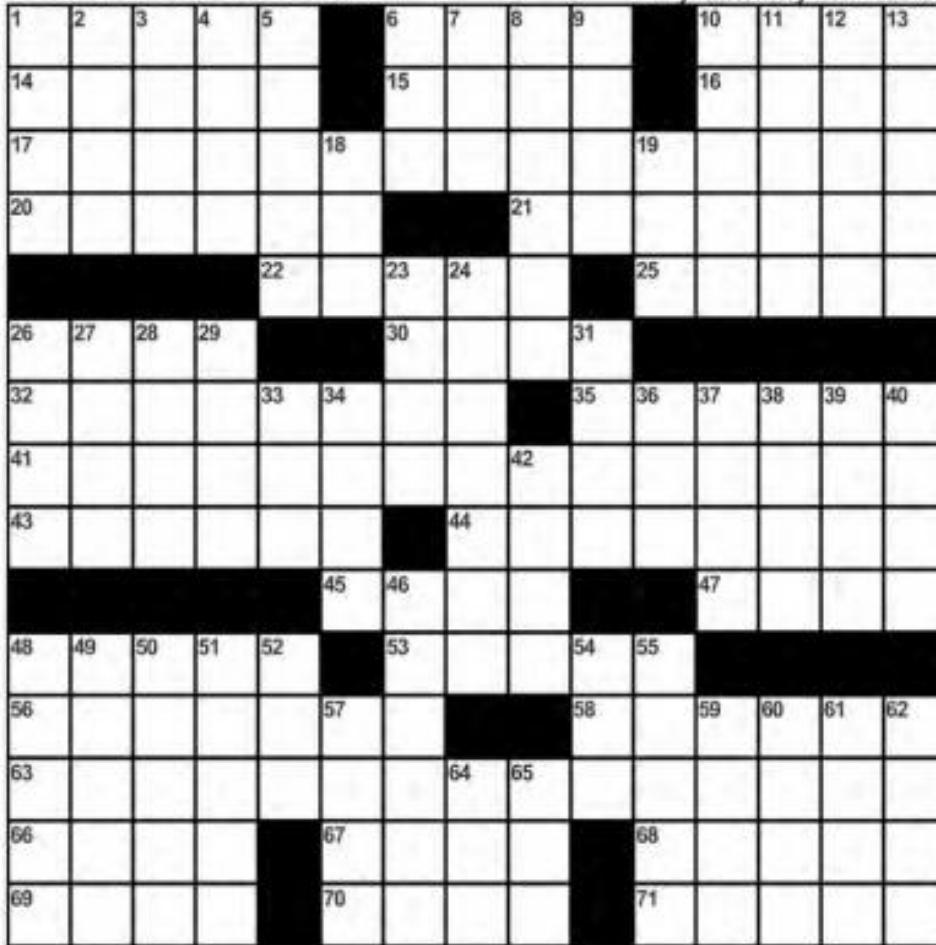
The Making Our Farms Safer project is a great opportunity for all Victorian farmers to access **free** farm safety advice from the VFF's new Farm Safety Advisors. The Farm Safety Team can present at workshops and events and is keen to come along to producer group meetings and demonstrations. For more information see: <https://www.vff.org.au/project/making-our-farms-safer/>

Contacts: John Darcy, mobile: **0432 156 223**, email: [jdarcy@vff.org.au](mailto:jdarcy@vff.org.au)  
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# Crossword

## GO BIG OR GO HOME

By Timothy E. Parker



## Down

- 1) Money for the poor
- 2) "Could you repeat that?"
- 3) Thing washed daily
- 4) Nation in stunning 1991 news
- 5) Place for a clip-on mike
- 6) "Alice in Wonderland" party drink
- 7) 9-5, e.g.
- 8) Horror-struck
- 9) In-law to Lincoln
- 10) Like Santa's girth
- 11) Visit unannounced
- 12) Equalizes
- 13) Twilled worsted fabric
- 14) Powell partner of old Hollywood
- 15) Cards with a photo
- 16) Gravelly voice feature
- 17) Treaty of a sort
- 18) Some are unspeakable
- 19) Do more than browse
- 20) Vatican leader

## Across

- 1) Just plain terrible
- 6) Object of finger-pointing?
- 10) Extras in a Tarzan movie
- 14) Tibet's Forbidden City
- 15) Thus
- 16) Change homes
- 17) Three big things

- 20) Two-dimensional sound
- 21) Throwing into confusion
- 22) Ancient Greek instruments
- 25) Sight or taste, e.g.
- 26) Snakes in hieroglyphs
- 30) Prefix for "freeze"
- 32) Best
- 35) Pick
- 41) Three big things

- 43) Bathing suit brand
- 44) Convention freebies
- 45) Paving stone
- 47) Parking-meter opening
- 48) Greenhouse pest
- 53) Necessary things
- 56) The late Mr. Nimoy
- 58) Convicted one's hope
- 63) Three big things
- 66) Eye layer containing the iris
- 67) Babies' needs, thankfully
- 68) Accepted practices
- 69) Untidy situation
- 70) Catch using trickery
- 71) "The \_\_\_ of Kilimanjaro"

- 29) Builder's workplace
- 31) Weapon of modern warfare
- 33) Spanish hero El \_\_\_
- 34) Grand-scale poetry
- 36) Unharden earth, in a way
- 37) Selects
- 38) Aussie gem
- 39) Utah's lily
- 40) Prefix for "while"
- 42) Put on a scale
- 46) Make lovable
- 48) Photograph book
- 49) Pet \_\_\_ (grievance)
- 50) Makes perfect
- 51) Ancient Peruvians
- 52) "Well, lah-di-\_\_\_"
- 54) Divided U.S. terr.
- 55) Bombards with junk email
- 57) Get a lease on
- 59) Unit measuring loudness
- 60) Continental dollar
- 61) Once more
- 62) Highland girl
- 64) Resort feature
- 65) Clairvoyant's claim, briefly



# Recipes

## Sicilian Cannoli with Ricotta Filling

### FOR THE SHELLS :

- ☐ 2 cups all-purpose flour
- ☐ 1 egg
- ☐ 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- ☐ 1 tablespoon sugar
- ☐ 1/4 cup red wine
- ☐ 3 tablespoons milk
- ☐ 1 egg white for sealing the edges
- ☐ vegetable oil for frying



Prep Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Cook Time: 20 minutes

Servings: [24](#)

Author: [Nadia Fazio](#)

### FOR THE RICOTTA FILLING :

- ☐ 4 cups whole milk ricotta
- ☐ 3/4 cup powdered sugar or more if you prefer a sweeter filling
- ☐ dash of cinnamon
- ☐ semi-sweet chocolate chips roughly chopped (optional)
- ☐ chopped pistachios optional
- ☐ powdered sugar for sprinkling on top

### To make the shells

Place flour in a large bowl. Make a well in the centre and add the egg, oil, sugar, red wine and milk. Stir the ingredients

Using a 4 inch diameter circular shaped bowl or cup, cut out rounds of dough with a knife. Once again, cover to keep from drying out the dough. When all the dough has been used up, wrap each round of dough around a bamboo dowel or stainless steel cannoli moulds and seal the edges with the beaten egg white.

Fill a deep pot half way with vegetable oil. When the oil is hot, fry 3 or 4 cannoli shells at a time until golden. You may have to hold them down to ensure that all sides are evenly fried. Transfer to a paper towel lined plate or tray. Carefully separate the cannoli moulds from the shell (be careful, they will be extremely hot!) and continue to fry the remaining rounds of dough.

### For the filling

In a bowl, whisk together the ricotta, powdered sugar and cinnamon until smooth. Use a pastry bag or a plastic freezer bag with the tip cut off to pipe the ricotta filling inside the shells. If desired, dip the ends in chocolate chips or pistachios. Sprinkle with powdered sugar and serve.

Ideally, you prepare the shells ahead of time and then fill them just before serving or they will become soggy. The shells will keep well for weeks if stored in an air tight container in a cool dry space. If the brand of ricotta you use is very watery, place in a cheese cloth in a colander and let drain in the refrigerator for about an hour.

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