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NEW DENTAL CLINIC IS OFFICIALLY OPEN

By Shona Vines

With much anticipation and some speculation we are very pleased to finally welcome the new dental clinic to Trafalgar.

The clinic is modern and crisp without forgetting the history of the town and has some classic pieces added to make it feel warm and welcoming.

It all started back in 2014 when Tatjana was working for the previous owners of Trafalgar Dental, and then in 2016 they brought the business and there has been no looking back since then.

She currently is the only dentist in the clinic with the hope to add to the team in the near future as it gets busier. Tatjana is a graduate of the prestigious school of dentistry at the university of Pretoria in South Africa. She has 25 plus years of experience and has continued her education in a variety of phases of dentistry including but not limited to, cosmetic, dental implants, endodontics, periodontics, sterilization, infection control and many others.

Tatjana said she was looking forward to what was ahead.

"I take the time to explain each procedure and why it is needed, and my goal is to provide my patients with the highest level of care and build a long lasting relationship with them", she said.

Trafalgar Dental Clinic is not just about the initial treatment it is also about making sure people are equipped with the necessary knowledge to make the correct decision on their dental care and ensuring that the overall health and wellbeing is considered in whatever treatment is done.

Boris and Tatjana, the proud owners of the new clinic, brought the two old buildings, originally known as Obsession Café and WF McArdle Lawyers back in 2017. Construction then began in June 2020 and move in day was July 26 this year.

The original buildings could not be saved and had to be completely demolished due to the ground having a sink hole caused by neighbouring plumbing and all new underground plumbing services needing to be updated.

Boris has been on site from day one and was meticulous with every aspect of the building process, ensuring everything was done with professionalism and to standard, and as soon as you enter the front door this is very obvious.

There has been no expense spared when it comes to the wellbeing and comfort of the patients. The new specially designed medical chairs are designed to support the whole body and are very comfortable.

This writer has been lucky enough to watch the whole process and see the progress over the year and can tell you there has been a lot of thought and time going into this magnificent clinic. I also did not realise the technology and equipment that is behind the scenes of a dentist to ensure you get a clean, sterile and precise treatment every time.

There is also an x-ray machine which means you can have all your needs catered to in the one spot.

Although Boris did the majority off the work himself including all the beautiful cabinetry he could not have got it all done

without the help of some trades. Tatyana and Boris would like to thank Scott Alison for his building skills, Iggy from Climateflow in Dandenong for the heating and cooling system, Paul from

Misuraca Plumbing in Trafalgar, Tru Stone from Moe for the benchtops, Mitch Gould Excavation from Yarragon for the earthwork, Rapid Panels from Pakenham and Steve Johns from

SJM Concrete.

In their words, "we would like to thank the people of the Trafalgar community for all their well wishes and patience with the construction faze of the dentist".

"We are grateful for your support and hope to see you in the new clinic soon."

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Read and respond to council's Roadside and Footpath Trading Policy

Baw Baw Shire council is undertaking a review of its Roadside and Footpath Trading Policy. Those in the community and business operators are invited to read, review, and provide their input as part of the policy review process.

The Roadside and Footpath Trading Policy considers the needs of motorists, pedestrians, people with a disability, and footpath use in relation to roadside trading, advertising, merchandise displays and kerbside din-

ing.

It aims to provide a balance between the economic and community benefits that roadside and footpath trading brings to towns and villages, and the legislative requirements of council to enhance accessibility and protect the safety of motorists and pedestrians.

The review aims to ensure that the policy remains current and consistent with its objectives, identifies any emerging issues or potential improvements, and

ensures that the policy is easily understandable and enforceable.

Interested people can view the Roadside and Footpath Trading Policy and have their say on council's website by visiting www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/haveyoursay.

All feedback provided on the policy will be considered throughout the review process and any resulting amendments.

This consultation opportunity is open until Friday, September 10.

Council invites feedback on Public Health and Wellbeing Plan

Baw Baw Shire council is inviting community feedback, thoughts and suggestions on its draft Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan.

The draft plan guides council's strategies for improving the health and wellbeing of the community and describes how council will fulfill its obligations of service provision, good governance, advocacy, regulation, and capacity building.

The draft plan focuses on four priority areas: active living, healthy eating, mental wellbeing and gender equity and prevention of family violence.

Each priority area has a goal

and a set of strategies identified that will help Baw Baw Shire's Health Promotion funded organisations, community organisations and council deliver initiatives to achieve that goal.

Guided by community input into the new Community Vision, the four priorities were identified during a workshop with key local stakeholders. The Healthy Baw Baw advisory committee then set the objectives for each priority area, as well as the strategies that would help achieve each goal.

At its core the draft plan is based on the three fundamental pillars of the Community Vision

for Baw Baw Shire: sustainable, healthy, and thriving communities.

Council is now inviting those in the community to have their say on the draft Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan to ensure the priority areas, and their subsequent objectives and goals align with this vision, and will meet the needs of the community now and into the future.

Those interested can view the draft Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan and have their say by visiting www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/haveyoursay.

This consultation opportunity is open until Thursday, September 2.

Perfect time to sell

By Tom Gannon

Real estate market experts say now is the time if you are looking to sell in Latrobe City after the region recorded its strongest annual rate in price growth since 2011.

Data from Domain shows median house prices in Latrobe have shot through the roof during the past 12 months with a 14.9 per cent increase from June 2020.

Go back even further and prices have climbed 48 per cent across the local government area since 2016.

The median house price in the Latrobe Valley has risen from \$229,500 in June 2016 to \$339,000 in June 2021.

Standout performers include Newborough which has experienced the fastest increase in house prices of any Latrobe locality with an impressive 28 per cent annual growth in the median price for two bedroom houses and a 24.1 per cent annual growth for three

bedroom houses.

Moe has also felt this rise with a 20.2 per cent growth in the median price for a three bedroom house growing from \$233,000 to \$280,000 in the past 12 months.

These rises have seen Moe and Newborough included in real-estate.com.au's best 30 investor locations for Regional Victoria.

This increase in price across Latrobe City mirrors a trend seen in other parts of regional Victoria, which has experienced a large increase during the past 12 months.

And it shows no sign of stopping with other regional areas such as Ballarat (23.8 per cent) and Geelong (22.5 per cent) experiencing sharp increases in the past quarter alone.

Domain's chief of Research and Economics Dr Nicola Powell attributed the price rise in Latrobe City as well as regional Victoria to the impacts of COVID-19 as city dwellers who set their sights on a

tree change pounced once lockdowns were temporarily lifted at the tail end of last year.

"What we are seeing is the pace of growth is increasing, now there are a number of factors driving this, we've got ultra-low interest rates and we've also seen a pandemic which has almost been a key to opening up affordable housing for people who are residing in our bigger cities and what it has meant is we've seen this mass exodus by city dwellers," she told The Express.

"I think people made their decisions to buy property last year because we have all been in and out of lockdowns, once you've decided to purchase a home you don't necessarily change your mind because it's such a big ticket item to purchase and such a big decision to make and I think what we've seen is those decisions have been delayed and they're coming to the market in 2021."

Despite the increase in price across the 2010s and the spike in the recent year, Dr Powell is confident these prices won't continue to rise as rapidly and may begin to level out in the near future.

"The quarterly growth is normally quite modest and it's very unusual to see strong rates of growth above five per cent for Latrobe, so to have a 7.6 per cent jump in one quarter is unusual so I'm not expecting that pace of growth to remain," she said.

"I'm expecting prices will continue to rise but not necessarily at that rate of growth that we've seen in this most recent quarter."

The past 12 months has likely been a shock for many long-time residents used to much less intense growth.

Dr Powell's message for locals looking to buy close to home is to remain flexible and be willing to go for more affordable options.

"If you're a (Latrobe City) lo-

cal and you're trying to get into the market with rising prices, what that means is that you may be pushed to a neighbouring suburb that's slightly further out to get a lower price point or the alternative is a different type of property like a townhouse," she said.

Although the market is clearly in favour of those looking to sell, Dr Powell has some tips for others who are looking to make a move in the direction of the Valley.

"I think for buyers, when you're trying to purchase in a rising market, particularly if the market doesn't usually rise as rapidly as we have seen so far this year is to set budgets and keep within that budget," she said.

"I think it's important to factor in future interest rates hikes, not to over extend yourself, stick to your budget and not to get emotionally attached to a participial home which means you over extend, we will see more listings come on, the

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Trafalgar can now lay claim to having the first Regional Roads Victoria installed LED tactile technology in Gippsland.

The new addition was installed at the Contingent Street intersection footpath to aid busy and distracted pedestrians, or people with low vision.

LED tactile paving is a ground surface treatment that changes colour between red and green with the traffic lights, providing a clear signal for pedestrians when it's safe to cross the road.

It's easier to see and will prevent pedestrians from walking into incoming traffic, or assist distracted or vision impaired pedestrians.

The project was funded by the Victorian and Australian government's \$245 million Road Safety Program which aims to reduce the number of deaths and serious injuries on our roads.

Specifically, the LED tactile paving is part of the program's Innovative Package which will install new innovative treatments at 70 locations across regional Victoria to improve delineation for motorists and pedestrians.

Contingent Street in Trafalgar was chosen for the program be-

cause many pedestrians, including school students, use it to access the train station across the road.

The intersection is known to get very busy at times, so much so that drivers looking to cross from Contingent Street onto the highway are known to get out of their car and press the button on the pedestrian lights to stop traffic so they can get across quicker.

Baw Baw Shire mayor Cr Danny Goss said the LED lights would be of great benefit to Trafalgar.

"I'm a fan of anything that's going to keep our community safe," he said.

"With so many students using the busy Contingent Street crossing each day, I applaud the use of innovative technology to enhance safety for pedestrians and drivers in Trafalgar.

"On behalf of Council, I welcome the project I look forward to seeing the LED paving in action."



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GERF appeal raises more than \$600,000

By Tom Gannon

With the Gippsland Emergency Relief Fund (GERF) closing their largest ever flood appeal recently, the organisation has been nominated for an Awards Australia Community Group Award to recognise the fund's contributions to the community during the June storm and floods.

GERF announced they would be closing the appeal based on confirmation that most of the property impact assessments had been completed by Municipal Recovery Managers in affected regions.

GERF was instrumental in providing targeted relief to storm and flood victims in Gippsland when severe storm and flood damage caused fallen trees,

damaged roads, substantial power outages, landslips and restricted access to towns, leaving residents isolated.

At the closure of the appeal, GERF raised and distributed \$627,000 to 268 families across five impacted municipalities, which means it is the organisation's largest flood-related fundraising event in its history.

GERF president Andy Tegart has thanked those who donated for their efforts.

"This record would not have been possible without the generosity of individuals, families, community groups and corporate donors in Gippsland and other parts of Victoria," Mr Tegart said.

GERF's award nomination

highlights the time at which this event took place, hitting a region still recovering from the Black Summer bushfires of 2019/2020, during an active pandemic which has caused significant financial strain to members of the community.

The nomination gives this fitting summary of the group: "It's all about Gippslanders helping Gippslanders. It is only possible because of the generous and kind spirit of so many individuals, community groups and businesses to help others in their time of need."

Mr Tegart said the organisation was extremely humbled to have received a nomination for the award.

He said the award should

be a point of personal pride for all those that have volunteered or supported the organisation throughout its history and said he hoped the recognition would inspire future volunteers.

"I hope that being nominated for this award, the many people who have put in so much across all those years can recognise that's credit for their efforts," he said.

"There's been an enormous effort, even on this appeal, by the committee to make that happen so I hope they feel some recognition for that and I also hope that it would attract people to continue to support and volunteer for GERF in the future.

"Having some independent recognition for community

groups makes a difference."

Mr Tegart acknowledged the important role GERF played in the community, but said more work would be needed in the future as the effects of climate change become more prevalent.

"It's been a really important instrument to support Gippsland over all this time and it's probably going to be more needed if climate change continues and we get more natural disasters more frequently," he said.

"I hope that it gives some recognition to volunteers and encourages people to make those efforts."

GERF has been active for more than 43 years, coming to fruition in response to the 1977/78 bushfires in Gippsland

focusing on personal losses such as food, clothing, utensils, furniture, bedding, children's educational needs as opposed to capital items covered by insurance or government grants.

GERF successfully raised their highest sum of donations for victims of the 2019/20 bushfires when more than \$9 million was distributed to 2100 East Gippsland residents.

Source: Latrobe Valley Express

Council set to continue chemical free maintenance program at McGregor Park

Baw Baw Shire council will continue chemical free park maintenance across three open space areas, McGregor Park, Trafalgar, Hearn Street Park in Drouin and Queen Street Park in Waragul.

Council initially began the Chemical Free Parks (CFP) program in 2019/20 with a further 12 month extension of the trial concluding June this year.

The trials provided council with a better understanding of maintenance costs and service level standards associated with chemical and chemical free practices.

Results of the trials found chemical free alternatives such as nonanoic acid and pine oil products were not necessarily the most cost-effective, long-term solutions for weed control compared to chemicals such as glyphosate.

Instead, the trial identified that mechanical and manual type strategies including hand-weeding, hoeing, mulching, and whipper-snipping were the most effective chemical free practices in the maintenance of these spaces.

Council says it recognised the community's awareness and needs relating to environmental sustainability and preservation were constantly evolving.

Many in the community have an increasing preference towards a natural, chemical free or chemical minimising lifestyle. In response, and despite some increase in cost and resourcing, council has decided to continue the CFP program in order to provide the community with the options they want for chemical free spaces throughout the shire.

Further, the CFP program

aligns with council's commitment to a 'least harm' approach in the maintenance of unwanted vegetation and animal pests outlined in the Pest, Plant and Animal Chemical Policy.

Baw Baw Shire mayor Cr Danny Goss welcomed the news.

"Although the manual work required is more a resource-intensive and costly approach to keeping parks maintained and weed free, this program is about more than just dollars and cents," he said.

"It's about listening to what our community wants. We know that for some members of our community, having the option of a chemical free space is important. We've heard that. This approach lets us offer that option."

Baw Baw Rate Payers Association raises concerns

By Kerry Elliott*

As reported in the Traf News, June edition, the two large proposed western subdivisions comprising 645 houses, mean Trafalgar's population is set to increase by 50 per cent. Trafalgar is only one and a half hours out of Melbourne in a growth corridor on a major highway and rail line.

We know we can't stop development, but we can demand the infrastructure that should come with it. We should also ask for better subdivision planning guidelines that give the community the development that maintains the rural character of our town.

The Baw Baw Shire planning Alliance (BBPA) that has representation from the towns in the Baw Baw Shire along the growth corridor, is working with the new BBShire planning staff to achieve this end. We keep hearing the catch cries from Drouin and Warragul residents that they don't want the likes of Pakenham in their towns. However, by most standards it is too late. That's why, in Trafalgar and Yarragon we now hear our community echoing the same sentiments by saying they don't want the Drouin/Warragul standard of development in Trafalgar/Yarragon.

What can be done to address our concerns regarding this very important matter? The new developments that take place now will be with us for many decades into the future. In the short term they will have an effect on the rural town character that will flow over to the commercial side including the value of real estate.

The Baw Baw Shire, back in 2017, hosted a workshop with developers, councillors and staff to look at "exploring how a greenfield subdivision can be more sustainably designed and delivered to achieve multiple benefits in the most effective way". The Baw Baw Shire then joined with seven other Victorian rural councils who engaged a consultant using funding through the 'Collaborative Councils Sustainability Fund Program'. This

resulted in the Proof of concept and Cost Benefit Analysis for Environmentally Sustainable Design (ESD) for subdivisions in Regional Victoria (May 17 2017).

In 2019 the BBS was one of 16 rural municipalities who were 'project partners' together with the Victorian Planning Authority (VPA) and the council for Sustainable Built Environment (CASBE), to develop a Sustainable Subdivisions Frame work (SSF) that could be used by statutory planners to assess subdivision applications to ensure all the categories, criteria, metrics and targets are addressed. The aim was to improve the long-term community benefits delivered by a subdivision through the planning process.

In October 2020 a voluntary trial of the SSF was announced by the state government. Thirty Victorian Rural Councils signed up to be part of these trials. Although the BBS had been an active participant of this program since conception, it fell away and did not take up this offer aimed at understanding the impact of using the SSF for the assessment of subdivision applications.

ESD planning covers seven key categories: site layout and liveability, streets and public realm, energy, ecology, integrated water management, urban heat and materials waste. We are continually reminded that BBS is one of the state's fastest growing municipalities. So why hasn't the BBS participated in this program at this critical time in its development?

*Kerry Elliott is Secretary of the Baw Baw Ratepayers Association and Member Baw Baw Planning Alliance.



An example of what the Baw Baw Planning Alliance does not want in Trafalgar and Yarragon. This is a block in Warragul close to Civic Park. Note the fill in the bottom left hand corner that is nearly up to the top of the standard height paling fence.

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New manager for arts centre

Rowenna Dunn was named manager of the West Gippsland Arts Centre recently.

Ms Dunn, a Warragul native, toured the world with Cirque du Soleil working as a Public Relations Manager for more than 10 years, where she gained vast experience in a very fast-paced environment.

Travelling to a new place every two months and working in some of the biggest and most exciting cities in the world encouraged a new appreciation and passion for culture, travel, diversity and live entertainment.

Her strong background in live entertainment is also supported by six years in the performing arts industry working in various roles at the Queensland Performing Arts Centre and with the Marriner Theatre Group in Melbourne.

More recently, as a general manager in a corporate environment, Ms Dunn refined her leadership style to develop and mentor employees, focussing on team dynamics, customer service and delivery of commercial objectives.

Baw Baw Shire chief executive Mark Dupe said it was great

to have someone of Ms Dunn's capability in the role.

"With nearly 20 years' experience in the performing arts and live entertainment field both here and overseas, Rowenna will bring her innovative and dynamic leadership style to the WGAC," he said.

"We are very excited about attracting someone with such a strong background in performing arts, customer service and building teams and the fact that she grew up in Warragul gives her a unique understanding of this region and the local arts community."

Latrobe Regional Gallery celebrates 50th birthday

One of Victoria's largest regional galleries, Latrobe Regional Gallery at Morwell, turns 50 this year.

The gallery is planning a large exhibition, drawn from its collection, borrowings and commissions to celebrate the milestone.

The artists included in the exhibition are all vital to the past and future of visual art in the Latrobe Valley and the wider Gippsland region.

The exhibition will be held until November 7 2021.

A 50th anniversary provides an opportunity to mark historical successes and cast eyes on the future; the exhibition '50 Years,

50 Artists' hopes to do both of these things.

"Latrobe Regional Gallery presents this exhibition as an opportunity for locals and visitors to the gallery to connect with works that acknowledge the changing face of our region through the many interpretations from artists over the years," Latrobe City Council Mayor, Cr Sharon Gibson said.

Among the artists whose works will be on display are Rosalind Atkins, Rodney Forbes, Janina Green, Euan Heng, Nick Mount, Patrice Muthaymiles Mahoney, Jennifer Mullett, Heather Shimmen, Colin Suggett and Bill Young.

Four artists have been especially commissioned to create new work for the exhibition. Lesley Duxbury, Steaphan Paton, Louisa Waters and Kate Zizys will have new work addressing ideas relevant to life in central Gippsland.

A special calendar of public programs and events has been tailored to complement this show and encourage participation from all ages and skill levels for the whole family.

A major publication is being produced to accompany this important event.



New West Gippsland Arts Centre manager Rowenna Dunn.

Heteronyms of September

1. Upon hearing the loud noise, the dove dove into the bushes
2. The farmers of Gippsland produce produce for the city dwellers

Baw Baw artworks on display

By Carol Monson

This time last month the Baw Baw Arts Alliance would have celebrated the official launch of 'Pat'.

The mosaic sculpture of 'Pat', who now sits in place next to the 'Station Gallery' in Yarragon, has been supported by a grant from Regional Arts Victoria. Although lockdowns have so far prevented a public gathering at the 'Station Gallery' you can still visit Pat to admire the meticulous mosaic work the community assisted by the Baw Baw Arts Alliance Mosaic Group. The Mosaic group meets each week on Thursday at Trafalgar Art Space 2 with COVID restrictions in place.

Try to catch the regularly changing Baw Baw Arts Alliance exhibitions at the 'Station Gallery', Yarragon. All exhibitions commence at the beginning of each month. Coming

up in September are two exhibitions, one by local artist Jill Loader, whose wearable and decorative art, 'Drapery', will be exhibited 'On the Wall'. The second exhibition is in the main gallery space and shop and is a collaboration between Yvette Stubbs and her mother, Yvonne Garland. Expect to be fascinated and surprised by the colours, textures and subjects in the range of art in 'Mum and Me'.

Another Arts Alliance member who has work displayed at present is Russell Lilford. Russell's prints of complex arrangements of travel memorabilia can be seen over the next month at 'Through Life Physiotherapist' in Warragul. These prints deserve careful attention to the detail in each artwork. Feel free to drop in but please observe distancing and mask wearing.

While static exhibitions are a feature of the Arts Alliance's work, every now and then a special event takes place. To celebrate the 10th birthday of the Baw Baw Arts Alliance the Alliance is working in conjunction with the West Gippsland Arts Centre to present 'Past and Present', an exhibition of work from both past and present members of the Baw Baw Arts Alliance. The exhibition will be displayed at the West Gippsland Arts Centre from September 7 to October 29, 2021. Details of how to enter are on the organisation's website <https://baw-bawartsalliance.org.au>

Also on the website are details of how you can have a stall at the very popular Summer Arts Market held on the third Saturday of each month in Warragul.



Carrie Sell, coordinator of exhibitions at 'Through Life Physiotherapist' with printmaker Russell Lilford.

Probus parties

A number of Trafalgar Probus Club members celebrated birthdays recently. A big happy birthday to Joan Hobson, Lorraine Fowler, Terry

Tagliabue, Marge Williams, Olwyn Vitale and Muriel Holden. All now one year older and wiser.



Trafalgar Probus Club members get together at Coffee Life Trafalgar



Lorraine Fowler



Joan Hobson



Terry Tagliabue



Marge Williams



Olwyn Vitale



Muriel Holden

Men's Shed projects roll out

By Ron Fletcher

Some members are woven into the fabric that is the Trafalgar Men's Shed they have been there since the beginning back in 2007.

Others are in the process of being woven drawn by the conversations around the table or the idea of pursuing their hobby or other interests in the company of like-minded men.

Recently a member was asked by his son to make a motorbike trailer - a project of reasonable proportions. What takes place first are discussions about design and materials, blokes are drawn to a project of this type like moths to a flame. Metal work including welding we are well set up for by way of machinery and equipment, the know-how comes from blokes who have spent their working lives being involved in this type of work. Brakes, lights and indicators are not an obstacle to part of the construction as expertise is at hand in this area as well. It would be fair to say that some of the talk while doing the project could be misconstrued as a foreign language for those not familiar with this work environment.

At the other end of the shed in the woodwork room members have built floor to ceiling bookcases. They were commissioned by local residents and one member who wants to remain anonymous was a carpenter before retiring and joining the shed several years ago has done a great job. Once again planning organising materials and construction gives meaning to the old adage two heads are better than one and in this case many heads. This project is what the shed can provide for spaces you cannot purchase furniture to fit, just bring an idea, a plan, even a photo on your mobile phone along and discuss it with us and a solution can be found.

It is not all about being in the shed making projects. There is the serious matter of fund raising to keep the shed viable. Back in September 2014 we held our first sausage sizzle at Bunnings in Warragul and this partnership is now in its seventh year. Two important initiatives have happened at the shed. The first: holding sausage sizzles at Bunnings. Early in 2014 Ron Jones our barbecue go-to-man arranged for a meeting with Bunnings management in Warragul and the outcome has meant an income for the shed to maintain a working capital to purchase tools, machinery and pay the bills. Second was the decision to hold a lunch prior to our monthly meeting on the first Wednesday of each month. The lunch is prepared by Jack Vos, a veteran of many shed lunches. As many as 25 members can attend and there is always enough for all, some would say miracles

do happen.

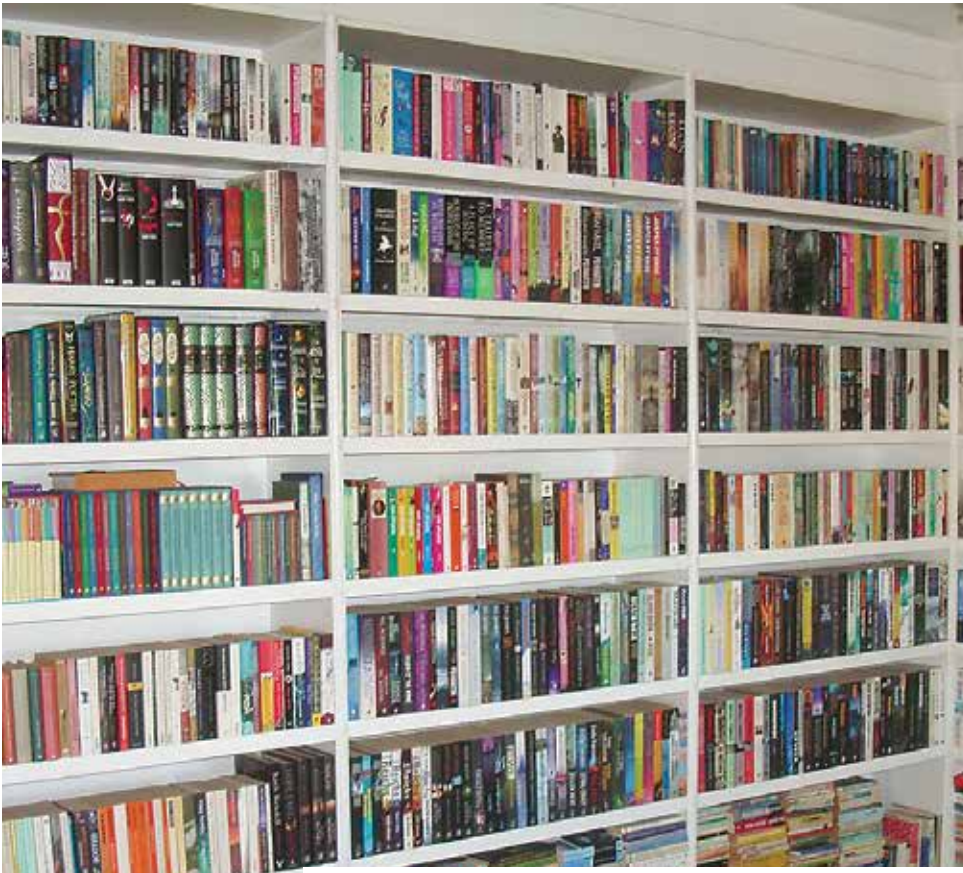
The lunch draws members to the meetings and conjures up a good feeling in the group before getting down to business. Both initiatives are equally important and have had a profound impact on the survival of the shed. Our latest sausage sizzle was on Sunday, July 11. The day was full of banter, good fun and selling lots of sausages was rewarding.

The Men's Shed is open Mondays and Wednesdays from 9am to 3pm. Call in for a cup of tea or coffee - the heater will be on.

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A motorbike trailer built by members of the Trafalgar Men's Shed.



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New owners for Thyme Out

By Shona Vines

Thyme Out Cafe has grown immensely over the past six years and it has gone from sitting around watching the world go by out the big front window in the early days, to so busy you don't have time to look out the window.

Sue and Rohan became like family to most of these customers and it is a place to go for a chat or a cry and they have been touched by the many friends made along the way.

Unfortunately it was time for them to sell and move on to enjoy some more well deserved time together. They will be missed greatly by all.

I was lucky to be part of the venture for the last 2 years and I realised how truly amazing our community is. I have seen the highs and lows of the customers, who you can't help but become attached to and I too will miss them greatly as will Alicia.

We welcome Sandy and Raj who have purchased Thyme Out Cafe and moved with their 2 beautiful children from Caroline Springs. They have lived in Western Australia and Adelaide before finally making Victoria home. They have put a lot of thought into the type of business they wanted to purchase and when Thyme Out came available it felt

right for them. They are aware it will take a lot of hard work and dedication and they are happy and ready for the adventures ahead.

Sandy is an amazing cook and she loves doing it, she has her qualifications as a pastry chef and she has had experience in cafes before.

Sandy does not want anything to change and still makes all the delicious delights Sue made and she has certainly done it well.

You will see Raj helping everyone out around the Cafe and has been training to perfect his coffee skills. They hope that everyone feels welcomed still and they are up for a chat any time.

Change is hard for a lot of people but we need to remember we are one community and every single shop in our community are working hard to serve us. This is not done because it has to be, it is done because every single owner of all our businesses in town have a passion for the shop they own.

Thyme Out Café welcomed new owners recently.



New kid on the block Daffodil time in Traf



Giles/Schembri
Reuben and Jenn are excited to welcome their son Thomas Reuben. Born June 17 2021 at Warragul Hospital. A little brother for Charlie. Photograph Alison K Photography

By Marge O'Donnell

Daffodils have begun to appear around town.

The importance of daffodil time in Traf is about connections to those who buy the bulbs from the Traf Op Shop (near laundry-mart) as this Op Shop makes lots of funds for Traf's Andrews House and the sale of the daffodils is a large part of that each year.

English poet William Wordsworth's 1802 poem of the Daffodils is four verses long but the most well known of the poem are the first four lines of the first verse and the last two lines of the last verse.

I wandered lonely as a cloud

That floats on high o'er vales and hills,

When all at once I saw a crowd
A host, of golden daffodils.
And then my heart with plea-

sure fills,
And dances with the daffodils.



A daffodil in at the back of Giles Arcade.

Traf High makes trip to Mount Hotham

By Jordan Humphrey

On Sunday August 1, 24 Trafalgar High School students and four staff members made the long trip for a camp to Mount Hotham, as we inched closer to the mountain, the excitement became immense for the students.

The first challenge we endured was the COVID checkpoint at Dinner Plain, but we 28 negative test results meant we passed through with flying colours.

We headed to Hotham Central to hire our equipment and met out snowboarding instructors. Most of us had never been snowboarding or had very little experience so it was quite a humorous event that was unfolding for the first day to onlookers.

The first night was 'Winter Olympics' which consisted of cryptic games with students representing Madagascar, Uzbekistan, Chile, and Rwanda. This was a great opportunity to mix our Year 10, 11 and 12s and make some new friends. We had a laugh playing cards. The real jokers of the group Oscar, Hardy, Emma and Kate went around making everyone get into their TikTok.

Day two had an early start with all kids having breakfast at around 6:45am, and the breakfast was amazing each morning eggs, bacon and hash browns.

By the end of the second lesson our group could go up to the top of the summit via the chair lift and learn how to go down the slopes. So, while my group was up the summit the other two groups were all doing something different with one of the groups still working on the basics, and the advanced group off doing 'Orchard' with Happy. Some students were still struggling so after lunch Happy was able to help them to gain confidence.

Lunch time was upon us and it was a bit of walk especially if you were like me and had quite sore knees after landing consistently on them all the time, but we made the hike up the hill to the restaurant and were able to get our hands on our lunch. For lunch that day we had a chunky beef pie, and it was splendid, and hit the spot.

The Big D is a good learning spot for beginners and intermediates whom are becoming a bit more advanced and for the beginners who are still struggling with a lot of the fundamentals. Everybody gave it a go on the Big D and was able to comfortably get up on the chair lift which was amazing to see. The encouragement that all the students were giving to each other was really awesome to hear to those who were still struggling with certain things.

The long day of boarding had come to an end, and the staff had

an idea of getting the students outside on the toboggans. Clarry was the toboggan king, and launched off the jump that was made, and to be honest it was pretty gnarly, a good five metres according to Oscar Robinson, and there is video footage if you need clarification. After our dinner of butter chicken and chocolate cake for dessert, the Winter Olympics continued with 'trivia night'. It was really nice to see all of the kids hanging out with other people that they wouldn't usually hang out with at school.

Day three was then upon us. Another early morning for the group, and some pancakes for breakfast were in order. Students and teachers wandered up to the dining hall with all different types of niggles and pains and all the moans and groans of soreness could be heard from all the group. Unfortunately, this day was not like the others, a nice clear bluebird day, but a very cold and windy day. We were all debriefed about the conditions, and how to attack them. The one thing that I took from it all was don't let your goggles fog up, and sure enough after about an hour into the lesson, I had fogged up goggles as did a fair number of the students and it was a real struggle to see. After the lesson, Brad from the lodge took the intermediate group down the Blue Ribbon run.

Before the trip Happy had gone out of his way to make up trophy awards for the students to win over the course of the trip. At our closing ceremony of the Winter Olympics the winners of the awards were: Biggest air: Clarry Vosper, biggest eater: Jack Johns, bruised butt: Harriet Rai, Olympics award: Uzbekistan (seven gold medals), best crew: John Brand, best camp wrangler: Mrs Brand.

Our students reflected on their unique experience and some are very humorous and heartfelt. These were the ones I felt best represented how the kids felt about the camp: "The whole trip", "Clarry's massive toboggan jump", "watching John thinking he is the coolest but stacks every time", "Oscar smashing frontside alley oop in front of me clean as", "getting a cold sausage roll then eating three quarters to then send it back and get a whole new hot one", "seeing everyone improve so quickly and having heaps of fun", "conquering the Summit and Big D after stacking all of day one", "getting 28 COVID negative tests", "awesome, enthusiastic, brave, resilient THIS kids", "the improvement from day to day, and the kids helping each other", "to be part of a great camp with awesome kids was very special", "I really enjoyed carving it up

with Hardy, Happy and Jordie during the days and coming back to the lodge to watch Clarry take flight off the toboggan jump".

The final day had arrived, and we all were very optimistic about the day and the cool little activities we had planned for the morning. The advanced were taken on a set of different runs, with Happy and their instructor, the intermediates went off on the village loop with their instructor, Mason, and the beginners in the other group stuck to the summit and Road Runner. Once all of the groups had finished with their lessons, it was time for a little dress up party. I'd say there

was pretty clear winner for best dressed and was won by a mile, being that we saw Kym and Ange as B1 and B2 hitting the slopes at Mt Hotham, and were a clear winner with the younger children who called out. Even the bus driver wanted to have photos with us. Also a big shout out to Harry Pace, John Brand, Lexie Farrell, and Hannah Atherton for their costumes.

While waiting for lunch we had a snowball fight, build a snowman and watched John jump over Hardy with his snowboard. I did shake a tree, and got some snow on Tara and then I was then hit with a snowball from

Lexie in defence of Tara, but it was all fun and games and was very humorous. We finished the afternoon skiing all the runs, the students did not want to come home. The trip overall was a massive success, and all the students were well behaved and had a great time.

The overcome extreme exhaustion and muscle pain to continually get back up off the ground and persevere to learn a new skill, especially in tough conditions on Tuesday. We are all grateful that our trip went ahead, it was the best camp and we will remember it forever.

Thanks to the staff Kym

Brand, Allen 'Happy' Gilmore and Angie Farrell.

Well done to the students who took part: Hannah Atherton, Jack Johns, Harriet Rai, Portia Beecher, Jaydee Kells, Noah Meredith, John Brand, Ruby Brand, Natalie Bills, Kate Hagley, Emma Hagley, James Pettifer, Harry Poole, Lexie Farrell, Harry Pace, Joshua Van Baalen, Tara Robinson, Alex Kelly, Sammy Dorling, Zara Pettifer, Clary Vosper, Hardy Kenny, Brydie Powell and Oscar Robinson.



Trafalgar High School staff and students during their pilgrimage to Mount Hotham.

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— Wally

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Principal's Day celebrated

Friday, August 6 marked Principal's Day in Victorian government schools. The day celebrates the pivotal role of principal's and assistant principals in schools achieving excellence in teaching and learning.

These celebrations have been running for 20 years, however after the 2020 and now 2021 school years, the important leadership role played by principals and assistant principals in a school has been highlighted across the whole community, not just students and staff.

At Trafalgar High School,

while community health restrictions have the majority of staff and students learning remotely, the small number of on-site staff arranged a surprise morning tea and flowers for the leadership team of the school on behalf of the whole community.

"Today we celebrate the remarkable and tireless contribution our principal Ms Jane Mersey and assistant principals Ms Lee Jinks, Ms Jimi Hopkins and Ms Amanda McQualter make to our school" student welfare manager Wombat Lyons said.

"As well as the important day-

to-day role our leadership team plays in the school, this team has led us through the many different changing landscapes of community health restrictions and significant periods of remote learning."

With a student enrolment of approximately 770, the team at Trafalgar High School has been working hard to support all students to engage in remote learning while putting in place the supports for the safety, wellbeing and support of the whole school community.



Putting the 'pal' in principal at Trafalgar High School are Amanda McQualter, Jimi Hopkins, Jane Mersey and Lee Jinks. (Masks removed for the purpose of photo).

St Joseph's Olympic spirit

By Sonia Lombardo

The Olympic spirit was alive and abundant at St Joseph's Primary School, Trafalgar as students came dressed to school ready to represent their chosen country.

Rotations throughout the day included interesting facts of Olympic history including how the games came to be and why the Olympic Games were cancelled throughout World War 2.

Students were able to design their own mascots for their countries and make headbands, (Hachimaki) with inspirational Japanese slogans that align with the school's Japanese language program.

The afternoon comprised of sports activities focusing on the school wide expectations of inclusion, respect, resilience and working well in teams. Students

were awarded points on how well they displayed these school wide expectations.

The winning country was France and students were awarded their gold medals alongside our Olympic cauldron while the French national anthem rang throughout the school.



Zane Coyle in front of posters detailing previous Olympics.



Charlise Eerhard, Ruby Francis and Arabella Simpson hold the St Joseph's Olympic torch aloft.



Maycee Shankar proudly displays the Australian colours.



Caitleen Ryan and Lilly Harvey display their Olympic colours.



Shuze Huang during the schools Olympic themed day.



Alex Jacobs reading up on Olympic history.

University experience

By Gabrielle Evans

Nearly 50 students from Trafalgar High School last month travelled to Melbourne to visit Monash University Clayton, Australian Catholic Uni-

versity, RMIT University and The University of Melbourne.

Students were able to gain an understanding of courses available, tertiary life and see the uni-

versity facilities.

Students stayed overnight at the university college and were able to see what it could be like to live and study in this type of ac-

commodation.

Students found the excursion valuable to weigh up options in order to do some further investigation about their future career

development plans.

Thank you to Hazelwood Coaches who provided the transport for the trip and were very flexible with drop off and pick up

points.

Back to school party

The St Joseph's Primary school community welcomed back the students and teachers after lockdown recently.

A group of fun loving students dressed in party hats and novelty glasses and danced to welcome everyone back.

Students and teachers were offered fresh fruit on arrival and given an invitation to party.

The crossing supervisor Rosie Sawyer joined in by strutting her impressive dance moves too.

Everyone was happy to be back at school.

New sign for primary school and kindergarten



St Joseph's Primary School students celebrate the return to on-site learning.



Ruby, Ayla and Rosie are all smiles to welcome people back on campus.



Rosie and Trish join in the festivities.

Cross country honours for Sullivan and Summah

Trafalgar Primary School recently had two students compete at Lardner Park in the Gippsland Region Cross

Country competition.

A huge congratulations to Sullivan J and Summah C in their efforts to get there!

They both earned their place at this event by placing well at the schools divisional event held in May.

Both Sullivan and Summah competed against a high standard of competitors from across the Gippsland region.

Sullivan placed 15th out of 50 and Summah placed 13th out of 49 competitors.



Trafalgar Primary School school captains Eli, Matilda, Jake and Baxter underneath the new sign.



Trafalgar Primary School student Sullivan J competed in the Gippsland Region Cross Country competition recently.



Trafalgar Primary School student Summah C performed well at the Gippsland Region Cross Country competition.

Drama students perform

By *Raewyn McMahon*

At the end of Term 2 the Trafalgar Primary School drama students were finally able to perform for a live audience of friends and family members.

The students had worked hard and practiced with enthusiasm. This showed in their great performances.

There were four plays performed. The Grade 2 students entertained the crowd with their modern take on the Elves and the Shoe Maker. As there are so many keen Grade 3 and 4 actors they performed two plays. One told the tale of three clever mice that saved a young lady from losing the roof over her head. The other group performed a play that followed the exploits of two pigs that had lost their sister in a myriad of other fairy tales. The Grade 5 and 6 students showed what happens when super he-

roes and super criminals clash above a suburban park.

For many it was their first time in front of a live audience and they had to overcome nerves and doubts to walk on to the stage. All of them agreed that it was well worth it! Comments such as "I felt really proud of myself" and "I was so happy that I did it" were shared afterwards.

Doing drama really is about so much more than just the performance. It is about teamwork, practice, personal growth and self confidence.

No performance is able to go ahead without backstage support. So a big shout out to all the supportive parents that helped with making and washing costumes, having their children there on time, and helping to pack up afterwards. It's all super appreciated.



Trafalgar Primary School drama students after their performance.



Students enjoyed getting on stage.



Trafalgar Primary School drama students showed great personal growth in putting their shows together.



There was plenty of smiles post-show.



State wins for Yarragon duo

By *Paula Walland*

After months of early morning training, two Sport Aerobics teams from St Paul's Anglican Grammar School recently returned home as state champions after winning their divisions at the recent School Aerobics State Final held at The Arena in Geelong.

Yarragon pair Harri Parkinson and Jorgia Neyland formed part of the team.

As state champions, teams The Saintly Ladies and The Saintly Angels have both qualified to compete at the national championships.

As the largest Sport Aerobic competition in Australia, School Aerobics is open to both primary and secondary students, proving to be a popular co-curricular activity over the years.

The girls have worked ex-

tremely hard over the last few months being coached and mentored by past St Paul's students and Alumnae, Jemma Douglas and Bella Fraser, who have both experienced the thrill of competing at the nationals.

The girls and coaches are delighted about the results and effort each and every student has put in.

In a combined statement, Bella Fraser (coach) and Tayla Clark (Year 8 Saintly Angels) said, "after an amazing day of competing at the Geelong Arena, we were ecstatic to hear both our aerobics teams had won gold in their sections to become state champions."

"This great result comes from training hard all year and being committed to improving strength, fitness and routines."

"We are very proud of our achievements and thankful for

the opportunity to go to the nationals."

Pictured: Eager to compete at the upcoming Sport Aerobics Nationals are St Paul's students (back) Ella Black, Charlotte Kovacs, Mya McFarlane, Chloe Hammat, Madeline Williams, Charlotte Fraser, Harri Parkinson, Holly Norris, Lucy McKenzie, Georgia Cumming, (middle) Maggie Dargan, Amity Hunter, Tayla Clark, Megan Lambert, Sienna Christian, Dempsey Sederlan, Jorgia Neyland, (front) Coaches Jemma Douglas and Bella Fraser.



Council News.

To keep our community up to date, we're bringing Council News to you online, on air and in print. For more information and updates, visit our Facebook, Instagram and website.



Erica Country Expo

From wood chopping and chainsaw wood carving competitions to bike stunt shows and live entertainment. This is just a taste of what you can expect at the Erica Country Expo!

There's something for the kids too with face painting, a petting zoo, rides, and entertainment shows.

- Saturday 2 October
- Erica Recreation Reserve
- From 11:30am onwards

The event will be the first in a series of community led events within the Shire's east, as part of ongoing recovery support for the region.

Ticket information and event details can be found via www.facebook.com/EricaCountryExpo

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Chemical free park maintenance here to stay.

Council will continue chemical free park maintenance across Hearn Street Park in Drouin, Queen Street Park in Warragul, and McGregor Park in Trafalgar.

After concluding the trial in June 2021, results showed chemical free alternatives such as nonanoic acid and pine oil products were not long-term, cost effective solutions for weed control compared to chemicals such as glyphosate.

Mechanical and manual type strategies including hand-weeding and whipper-snipping were proven most effective chemical free practices in maintaining these spaces.

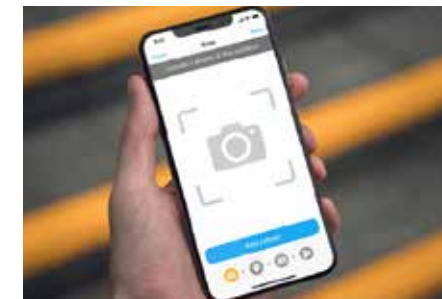
Council recognises some communities are making the switch towards a natural, chemical minimising lifestyle. Despite the increase in costs and resources involved, Council will continue the program to provide the community with options for chemical free spaces throughout the Shire.

Find out what roadworks are happening near you

Would you like to know where the latest roadworks are taking place in Baw Baw Shire?

You can track the progress of maintenance works across the Shire via an interactive dashboard on the Council website. It provides real-time progress reports on what's happening in your area, as well as details of previous works in the past few months.

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Your feedback helps Council better understand the needs of our community, now and into the future.

Keep your eye out for more opportunities to have your say.

How to book a COVID-19 vaccination in Baw Baw

Residents can book to have their vaccination at the COVID-19 vaccination centre at The Goods Shed, Warragul (located at the Warragul Railway Station car park off Alfred Street) by:

- Calling the Department of Health Vaccination Hotline on 1800 675 398
- Visiting the website www.portal.ovms.vic.gov.au

The Warragul COVID-19 vaccination centre is open on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 9am to 3.30pm.

You can also book to have your vaccination at a participating GP clinic. You can check your eligibility and a list of participating GP clinics at: www.health.gov.au

Subdivisions and what you need to know before starting

By Trafalgar solicitor Jade MacGregor

The subdivision and development of your land is an excellent way to make a profit on the assets you currently have.

There are a few matters that need to be considered prior to diving into this potentially lengthy process.

Your ability to subdivide and develop your land depends largely on whether the property is suitable in terms of size, location and zoning. When your local council is considering a subdivision application they may refuse the application if it is not within their development strategy or if the zoning of the land prevents any subdivision.

As a first step, speaking with council will give you an idea of their requirements and if the property is suitable.

As well as speaking with council, we recommended you also speak with a land surveyor. The role of a surveyor is to dive deeper into the property's suitability. They will examine the property, determine its suitability, assess the most appropriate way to subdivide the land, create a new plan of subdivision, work

with council and external subcontractors to ensure all conditions are satisfied to obtain the statement of compliance from council.

The time frame for the development and subdivision of the land will vary depending on the work to be completed on the property, including whether or not buildings will be constructed. However, you can generally expect that a subdivision process can take between 12 to 18 months to finalise from start to finish.

If you intend to subdivide your land you may need to also consider all or some of the following: building a home on the subdivided land and the potential home designs; finance; structure of ownership of land for any partnerships, and tax consequences.

Below is a summary of the costs you can expect to pay for a two-lot subdivision without the construction costs of building any homes on the subdivided land: council fees \$3000, council levies \$15000, surveyor fees \$10000, external subcontractors \$40,000 and legal fees

\$1500 to \$2000. Total estimate: \$69,500 to 70,000.

This is an estimate only. The final cost is dependent upon the property, the development and the costs set by council, the surveyor and the external contractors.

If you are interested in learning more, please do not hesitate to phone one of our friendly lawyers on 5644 0000.



Subdivision can be a complex process, to find out more, get in touch with Trafalgar solicitor Jade MacGregor at 95 Princes Highway Trafalgar (old post office).

Getting some Spring in your steps!

By Dr Tom Kefford



Springtime is starting to tease us. We have glimpses of sunshine, sweet scents wafting through the air, and a breeze that could almost be described as warm. Our lockdown Olympic entertainment is over but there is some excitement at the prospect of longer days. This means more time for activities. Being outside may mean getting some fresh air, for others a new fitness regime, and for some, a newfound inspiration to get back into old habits like running.

I have always been a runner. Since school I have enjoyed athletics carnivals, transitioned to longer cross-country events, and eventually started marathons. My good friend, amazing runner and physiotherapist Daniel Pratt is the organiser of the Peter Mac fundraiser The Hallora Marathon. It began as Pratt and I running 42 kilometres through the hills of Hallora together. It is now a highlight of the running calendar, with hundreds of participants and thousands of dollars donated to the Peter Mac Foundation each year. Well done Pratt!

Each year this marathon is my goal. It gives me a drive and al-

lows me to set smaller goals each month, so I know I'm on track for the big one in December. This year with exams and a busy home life, I had a brilliant idea - I thought I'd run harder for shorter periods of time! I was doing hard short intervals on cold legs. I was trying to get more bang for my buck but it ended in (you guessed it) the niggles!

Injury is a part of every runner's life. It is frustrating. It is annoying. It takes what feels like forever to heal. The temptation is for complete rest and going back to normal training. But as my good mate Pratt tells me, you don't always have to stop completely.

I am still dealing with shin splints, but they are a lot better. Experimenting with various methods, I have found most success with graded exercise increases. Going slowly and steadily and using technology to help me.

"Exercise is good for ya!" is almost a universal truth. We know it is very important in delaying and sometimes stopping things like heart disease, diabetes, and arthritis. It is also useful in the treatment of cancer and preparing people for major surgery.

Technology has allowed us to quantify our activity, giving us readings such as total daily step counts on our smart-phones and some watches. Some running watches will also tell us how far we've run, the pace and even heart rate. We can use this to grade up our exercise levels so we can try and prevent soft tissue injury. It gives our bodies time to get used to the new activity and recover between sessions without over doing it.

A rule of thumb is to not increase by more than five to 10 per cent per week. This is for everyone, Olympians, or first-timers. It applies to any type of exercise. An example for a runner would be to start at 2000 steps per day, and the next week going to 2200 steps per day. At this rate it takes around two months to double the number of steps per day. A nice gradual increase.

Pain is a part of exercising and 'good' pain and 'bad' pain can be hard to work out. Some great resources to ask are our local physiotherapists, exercise physiologists and your local GP, among many others. While the exercise is universally good, we always try and individualise our care. Everyone is different, so if you have any questions, please seek

professional advice. It may just be you've ramped up the load too quickly and rather than stopping, a five to 10 per cent decrease may be all that's needed. By consulting a professional a plan can be made to get you moving well again.

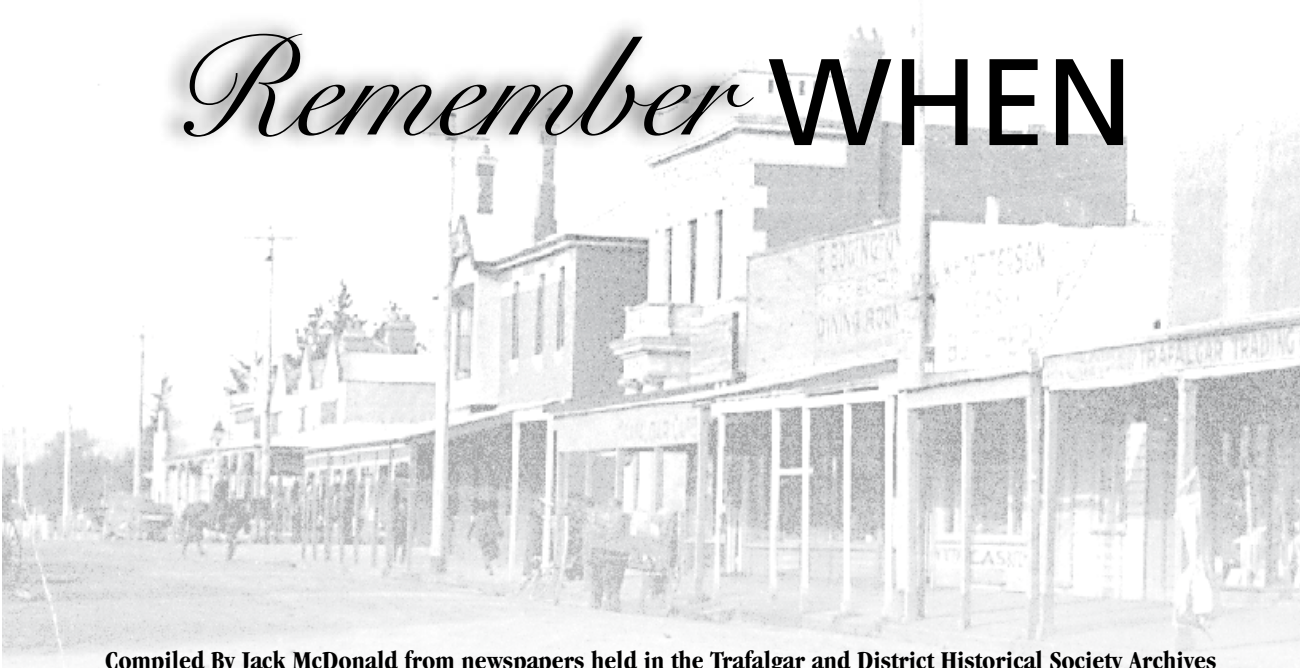
So, with Springtime around the corner, the temptation to get out and move will certainly be

there. Learn from my mistakes, and from what our research is telling us. Stick with slow and steady increases and before you know it, your goals will be met. As my favourite yoga teacher always says, "motion is lotion" and "flexibility is youth". Hope to see you out on the trails!

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owned and managed, we have appointments available every day and are taking new patients. Please call 5633 2211 to make an appointment or book an appointment online with Hotdoc or via our website www.trafmc.com.au. For regular updates follow us on Facebook.

Funny Sign



Compiled By Jack McDonald from newspapers held in the Trafalgar and District Historical Society Archives

Trafalgar, Yarragon & Yallourn News, September, 1931

September 3 – Oval To Be Proud Of

Some couple of weeks ago a compliment of some degree was passed to a "News" representative by a Melbourne football umpire when speaking on the different Gippsland sports ovals. Mr Murphy, who was at Trafalgar to umpire a game, said that in his opinion the Trafalgar ground was easily the best in Gippsland.

Champion Billiardist

The recent billiards tournament which was held at Mr Miller's saloon at Trafalgar, the first prize of which was a trophy valued at 6 pounds (\$565 today), created great interest. For many years Mr Barrett has been the uncrowned king of local billiards. The tournament referred to above was won by Mr Barrett after many good players were eliminated.

September 10 – Starting "McGregor Park"

Surveyors went over the site of the Trafalgar public park a few days ago, and the building of drains, fencing, planting, etc., will be proceeded with at once. This work will be a most welcome piece of news for the unemployed, and the appearance of the town will be greatly improved.

Meadows Social Football

As a return visit, to mark the occasion a while back when the Trafalgar Meadows footballers visited Clifton Hill, the Roska social club footballers and lady friends visited Trafalgar last week. A grand dance was held in the Trafalgar East hall on Saturday night and on Sunday a football match was played with the visitors winning. A sumptuous tea was served in Mr J. McCrorey's barn before the visitors left.

Gippsland News, September, 1961

September 7 – First Cricket Life Member

The annual meeting of the Trafalgar Cricket Club was held in the Recreation Reserve pavilion on August 29 with over twenty members in attendance. The meeting voted that for faithful service as President of the club for the past fourteen years, Mr J.H. Weymouth be made an Honorary Life Member which makes him the first life member of the club. Mr Weymouth is the local chemist in Trafalgar.

September 14 – Trafalgar In Premier Town Honours

At the annual conference of the Develop Victoria Council held at the South Melbourne Town Hall on September 7, Trafalgar was judged as the second most developed town in Victoria in the field of Recreation and Youth Work. The entry of Trafalgar in the contest was prepared by the Trafalgar Apex Club with co-operation from local organisations. The town which gained the most overall points was Shepparton.

Young Farmers Ball

Narracan Shire Young Farmers conducted a most successful Junior Cabaret Ball in the Trafalgar Public Hall on Friday night last. In a party-like atmosphere 160 young folk from Traralgon, Yinnar, Mirboo North, Thorpdale, Neerim and Trafalgar danced to excellent music supplied by Dick Winter and his boys. The highlight of the evening was the selection of the "Princess of the Ball", Miss Patricia O'Kane from Traralgon.

Public Meeting For High School

The Trafalgar Committee of the State School (No. 2185) has advertised a meeting for Wednesday 13th September at 8 p.m. to meet Mr Ron Reed, Deputy Chief Inspector of Secondary Education, and to hear a report on the possibility of a High School at Trafalgar. This meeting must be well attended otherwise Trafalgar can have little chance of obtaining a High School in the near future.

September 21 – Car Club Mud Scramble

On Sunday last the Trafalgar

Car Club held another successful mud scramble and a good crowd attended. The days racing commenced at 1.15 p.m. and continued non-stop until 5.15 p.m. with a program of 20 events. For the second time the club included motor bike events in the program and this proved popular with spectators.

September 28 – Rover Wins Memorial Trophy

Bernie Puglia, Trafalgar's brilliant and tenacious rover, won the Tom Shanahan Memorial Trophy for the past season. In winning the award, Puglia joins a trio of brilliant footballers who have won the award in previous years. They are: Norm Roberts (1958), Bill Milroy (1959) and Harold Ward (1960). The trophy is provided by the Trafalgar football club in memory of the late Tom Shanahan, a lifetime supporter of the club, and the foundation secretary of the Latrobe Valley League.

Traf News, September, 2003

September – Community Bank

Establishment of the Trafalgar and District Community Bank is now happening. Shares to the value of \$402,000 (\$586,000 today) have been purchased by community members, leaving only \$58,000 (\$84,575 today) worth to be sold to meet the target. The building will soon commence on the vacant land near the Community Centre and the position of Branch Manager and support staff, have been advertised.

Traf News To Continue

As a result of the public meeting held last month at which more than 20 people attended, Traf News now has a new volunteer group to work with and at the present time the paper will continue to be published. Special thanks go to Caroln Turner, editor of the Warragul Gazette, and Yvette Brand, for assisting us by providing an article in that newspaper. We also have a good relationship with the Latrobe Valley Express.

Top Award For Yarragon Gallery

Town and Country Gallery of Yarragon has won the regional small business section of the 'Retailer of the Year'. The business received the award at the Retail Night of Nights at Crown in Melbourne last week. Tini Cook from Town and Country Gallery said she felt humbled but delighted when the win was announced to the 800 plus audience.

Trafalgar Lions Host Students

July and August has once again been the time for hosting of youth exchangees. This year, the club hosted two young girls from Germany. Wiebka Lawenz, from a small village near Frankfurt, spent three weeks with Jim and Roslyn Crowe of Narracan. While here, Wiebka celebrated her 17th birthday with her hosts and members of the Lions Club at the Golden Garden Chinese Restaurant in Trafalgar.

The other exchange student Kia Ahlers, from Hanover, was hosted by Kevin and Sally Shine from Trafalgar East. The Crowe's, Shine's, and members of the club took the two girls to visit many places of interest in and around our area.

Trafalgar Netballers

The Trafalgar Netball Club has approximately 50 players ranging from 14 to 49 years of age. Players not only compete each Saturday, they also umpire, score, provide first aid, work in the canteen, attend committee meetings and organise fundraising events for the club. Anyone is welcome to come and support the girls – just ask at the Supermarket where we are playing.

Trafalgar Park Bowls

During the past month, the Club carpet bowls singles championships have been conducted. The men's event was won by John Whitten who defeated Bruce Turra in the final. In the ladies' final the winner was Jean Farmer who won over Sylvia Hill in a good match.

CHURCH SERVICES

CATHOLIC PARISH

Father Bernie Krotwaar, Phone 5633 1166



St John's Trafalgar, 54 Waterloo Road

Saturday Night Mass: 6.00pm
Sunday Mass: 10.00am
Weekday Masses: 9.30am (Tuesday to Friday)

UNITING CHURCH

Rev Moira Dodsworth
Phone 0447 957 772



St. Andrew's Uniting Church, Trafalgar

Service times 9.15am Sunday, 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month
Sunday School 9.15am 2nd Sunday of the month
Coffee & Chat Thursdays 10.00am

St David's Uniting Church, Yarragon

Service times 9.15am Sunday - 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month
Contemporary 5.00pm on the 4th Sunday of each month with shared tea to follow

St Stephens Darnum

Service times 11.00am on 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month

Please direct inquiries to Dee Crosby Phone 0409 933 104

ANGLICAN CHURCH

Rev Anne Perryman, Phone 0493 088 370
or trafalgaranglican1@gmail.com



St Mary's Church, Trafalgar

Wednesdays: 10.00am Quiet Service of Holy Communion by Extension 10.45: Cuppa n conversation
3.30 -5.00pm JAFFAS
Fridays: Youth Group is in recess.
Sundays: 9.30am Holy Communion & Sunday School on 1st, 2nd & 4th Sundays Family Service on 3rd Sunday of month.
9.30am Combined Parish Service on 5th Sunday

St Mark's Church, Thorpdale

Mondays: 3.30 -5pm JAFFAS
Sundays: 11.00am Holy Communion - 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month

St Mark's Church, Yarragon

Sundays: 8.30 Holy Communion, 1st, 2nd, & 4th Sundays Prayer, Praise & Proclamation on 3rd Sunday
JAFFAS is in recess

THORPDALE WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

Rev Frank Lees,
Phone 5634 6413 or 5633 2758



Every Sunday: 10am
Sunday School: (During service)
Bible studies: Thursday evenings

CELEBRATE AN INSPIRING TRAFALGAR CITIZEN
TRAFALGAR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

NOMINEE’S DETAILS
(Details of the person you are nominating. Please provide as much information as possible)

Title: Mr [] Mrs [] Ms [] Other SURNAME: FIRST NAME:

Street/postal address

Town: Postcode:

Contact number: Email:@.....

If you are nominating more than one person, please complete a separate nomination form for each nominee

TRAFALGAR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR CATEGORIES
(Please select the appropriate category)

[] Citizen of the Year award

[] Youth Citizen of the Year award *(aged 25 years and younger)*

SELECTION CRITERIA

Attach separate A4 sheet(s) of paper explaining in no more than 1000 words how your nominee’s actions have inspired you and contributed significantly to our community. This could be through their voluntary community contribution, work or a combination of these. Please address your nomination to the following criteria:

- The role(s) or area(s) the nominee has excelled
- How the nominee has demonstrated service worthy of recognition
- The impact of the nominee's contribution on the Trafalgar community in a particular field(s) or group(s)
- The period of time the nominee has made that commitment to the Trafalgar community If possible, include dates of service.
- How this person stands out from others
- Has the nominee's contribution been recognised elsewhere (e.g., in the media, by other awards, professional/interest groups or through local government)?

NOTES:

- The nominee must be, amongst other things, a resident with the 3824 postcode – see Rules of Entry for all rules
- The judges may seek additional information from the nominator at their discretion

NOMINATOR’S DETAILS
(Please complete your details)

Title: Mr [] Mrs [] Ms [] Other SURNAME: FIRST NAME:

Street/postal address

Contact number: Email:@.....

GUARDIAN’S DETAILS *If you are nominating someone for the Youth Citizen of the Year, please have his/her guardian agree to the nomination by completing their details*

Title: Mr [] Mrs [] Ms [] Other SURNAME: FIRST NAME:

Street/postal address

Contact number: Email:@.....

[] I do not wish to be identified as the nominator *(Please tick if you do not wish to be identified)*

WHERE TO SEND THE NOMINATION

Send the completed nomination and supporting details (A4 sheet(s)) to:

Trafalgar Citizen of the Year, TCDA, P.O. Box 70, Trafalgar 3824

Applications close on 31 October 2021. Unfortunately, late nominations cannot be accepted

WHEN WILL THE WINNER BE ANNOUNCED?

The award winners will be announced at next year’s Australia Day celebrations in Trafalgar

RULES OF ENTRY

- Nominations must be received by 5pm on 31 October 2021
- Nominees will be judged on actions and contributions made that have had a significant impact on the Trafalgar community (including all areas within 3824 postcode)
- Nominations must be the original work of the author and be factually correct to the best of the author’s knowledge. The author may obtain information from other people in the preparation of the nomination
- Nominees must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia and be a resident, or contributes to the community, within the 3824 postcode
- Nominees are not restricted by age except for the Youth award which is open to all young people under the age of 25 years as at 31 October 2021. All other Rules apply to Youth award nominees
- The winner (or their guardian) of the Youth Citizen of the Year award will be required to produce a birth certificate if considered necessary by Trafalgar Community Development Association Inc (TCDA)
- All nominations (including any supporting documentation) become the property of TCDA
- The final judging of nominations will be conducted by a panel of judges appointed by TCDA
- If the judges consider there are no suitable nominees in either category, no award will be made for that category
- The judges’ decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into
- Details of nominations of award winners may be published in local newspapers and in local media such as radio, etc
- Each nominator assures TCDA that it is the owner of the information in the nominations and has not breached any person’s rights, including copyright
- By lodging this nomination, the nominator:
 - the nominator agrees to the above rules; and
 - if it is a nomination of the Youth of the Year award, by completing the guardian’s details, the nominator has received the consent of the guardian for the youth to be nominated

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(Nominator’s signature)

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(Date)

Farming News

VFF reveals framework for the future

The Victorian Farmers Federation (VFF) has revealed its Strategic Plan for 2021-2026 and its vision to enable a secure farming future for Victorians and generations to come.

VFF president Emma Germano said the outline to evolve and modernise the VFF was driven by feedback from members for the organisation to be a unifying voice for all Victorian farmers.

“The VFF exists to be the voice of Victorian agriculture and is here to protect and progress farmers’ interests,” she said.

“As much as we acknowledge our past and where we have come from, our Strategic Plan defines our way forward.

“Our focus will be on fostering a connected and engaged farming community, using our resources responsibly, advocating for farmers, and evolving and modernising the organisation. This is all intended to deliver value to Victorian farmers.”

The VFF has identified four key measures for success by 2026: To be financially supported by at least 5000 Victorian farmers by 2026; the operating budget is in surplus by 2024; at least 50 per cent of Policy Council’s key objectives are achieved each year, and; Victorian farmers describe

the VFF as accountable, transparent, inclusive and effective.

“We must encourage as many farmers as possible to actively participate in the VFF,” Ms Germano said.

“By gathering the diversity of thoughts and opinions of Victorian farmers and the community, we can better work towards achieving common ground.”

“Our industry is evolving rapidly and we must ensure we do the same to ensure we provide the support, advocacy and resources farmers need moving forward.”

Step forward on camping regulations

The VFF is pleased the state government has announced camping will only take place on suitable sites ahead of the impending camping regulations, but says the detail of the rules must be revealed.

VFF president Emma Germano said the announcement represents a positive step forward, but farmers are in the dark until further information is released ahead of the implementation of the regulations in early September.

“Ensuring camping is only permitted on appropriate sites and agricultural impacts are considered is a step in the right direction and recognises the potential impact of this change on

agriculture,” she said.

“It’s pleasing to see the enormous efforts and hard work of not only farmers, but all impacted stakeholders is beginning to pay off.

“Now we need to see the detail on the actual rules before they begin in a matter of weeks. We can’t understand and implement what we don’t know.”

Ms Germano said attention would also turn to ensuring impacted stakeholders are consulted throughout the next steps.

“It’s critical license holders are consulted and kept informed as part of the site assessments,” she said.

“We look forward to working with the Victorian government to ensure the agricultural impacts are appropriately considered at each and every one of these sites.”

New science secures bright future for dairy sector

Victorian scientists are working on ways to reduce emissions to create a more profitable and sustainable dairy sector, honing in on the environmental footprint of the Australian dairy cow.

Minister for Agriculture Mary-Anne Thomas recently launched DairyBio21-26, a five-year, \$55 million research partnership between industry and government to address many of the issues fac-

ing dairy farmers, including how to breed more productive cows that produce fewer emissions.

The partnership with Dairy Australia and the Gardiner Dairy Foundation will support scientific research focused on genetic improvements to animals and forage species.

The long-term vision is to provide farmers with the tools and information they need to breed and feed cows that produce more milk, healthier calves and less methane under a changing climate.

As a result of climate change and other regulatory and trade changes, forecasts suggest that dairy farmers will need to increase their productivity by 1.5 per cent per year to maintain profitability.

DairyBio21-26 will support scientists to meet this challenge, targeting an additional value of \$200 per cow each year for Australian dairy herds by 2040.

This will be achieved through genetic improvements that will result in cows that live longer and produce fewer emissions, with the flow-on benefits of reduced costs.

Victoria’s dairy industry leads the nation, accounting for 77 per cent of Australia’s dairy exports - valued at \$2.1 billion - with the gross value of milk produced in Victoria worth \$2.7 billion (2018-19).

Aligned with the state government’s leadership in climate change, DairyBio21-26 will facilitate world-leading research and innovation ensuring a bright future for the dairy industry.

It will also support the government’s transformational Agriculture Strategy which commits to positioning Victoria as a leader in low-emission agriculture.

Know your responsibilities when transporting bobby calves

Bobby calves that are being transported for sale or slaughter must be at least five days old, have been adequately fed milk or milk replacer within six hours of transport and must be in a fit and healthy condition.

Bobby calves must also be adequately protected from the cold during transport. They should be transported in a trailer or crate that has at least an enclosed front for protection and ideally have appropriate bedding or material on the floor of the trailer to reduce the risks of slipping.

All calves must be able to lie down on their chest during transportation.

Everyone along the supply chain including producers, transporters, scale operators, livestock agents and saleyard and abattoir staff are responsible for

the welfare of bobby calves.

Agriculture Victoria’s program manager for Livestock Welfare Compliance Dr Rachael Holmes said it was important that everyone responsible for bobby calves ensured that calves under their care are adequately supervised and that prompt action is taken to address any animal welfare issues that arise.

“During cold weather, extra measures should be taken to ensure that calves are protected from rain, wind and temperature extremes both on-farm and during transportation,” she said.

“It is also essential that calves are handled with care, they must not be lifted by their head, ears, tail, hair or by a single leg.

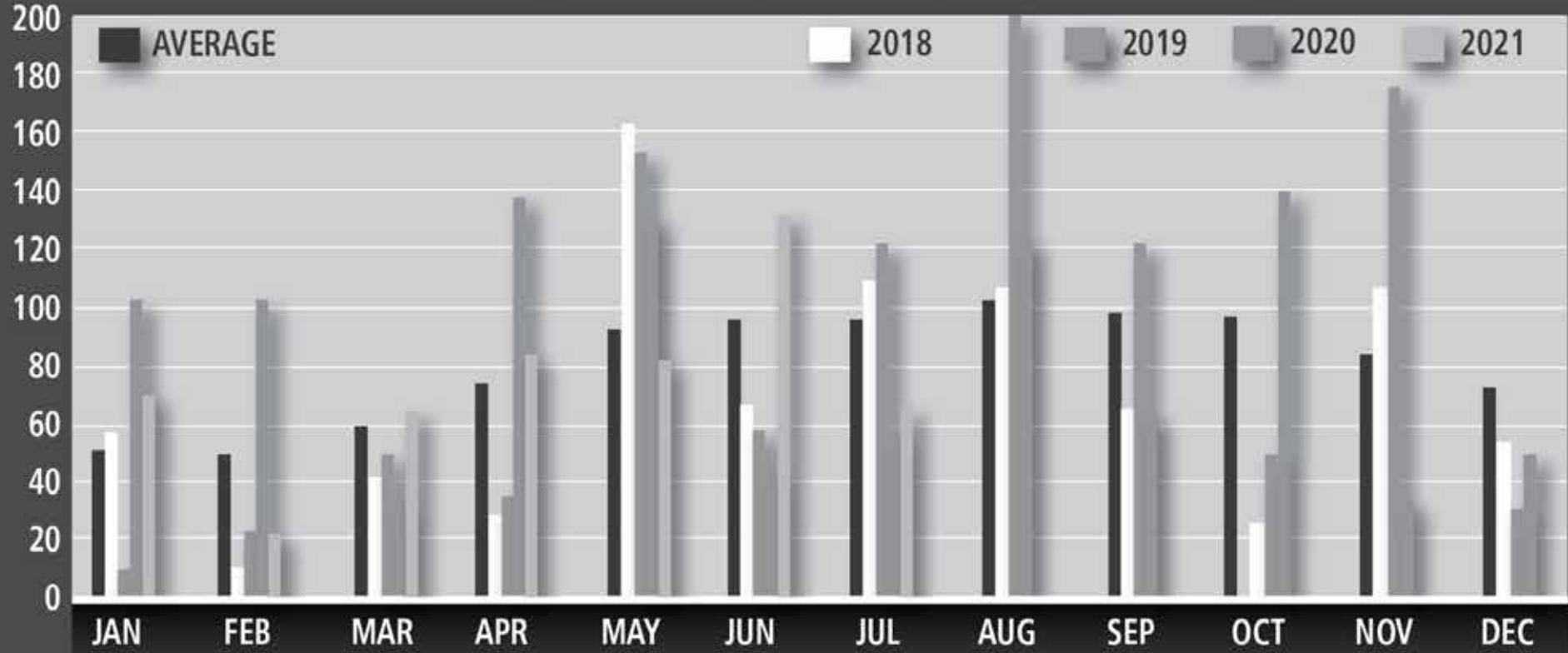
“Calves may also become easily fatigued, so it is important that anyone handling calves is patient.

“Anyone handling calves should also note that it is prohibited in Victoria to use an electric prodder on calves, regardless of whether or not the electric prodder is active.

“Anyone who uses or places an electric prodder on a bobby calf can face an infringement penalty of \$545 or prosecution.

The use of any dog, including muzzled dogs, to move bobby calves is also prohibited.”

TRAFALGAR MONTHLY RAINFALL



This graph compares the monthly rainfall received in Trafalgar in 2021 with, 2018, 2019, 2020 and average monthly rainfall since records began. The monthly rainfall for July 2021 is 65ml.

Jason's fall spoils Darwin Cup tilt

Trafalgar jockey Jason Maskiell was unable to take part in last month's Darwin Cup after falling in the moments after the race-one Harvey Norman TROBIS Handicap across 1200 metres.

Maskiell saw The Trooper to an eighth place finish in the 11.10am race, but was felled a short time after crossing the line when the horse broke down.

Sadly, The Trooper was put down, while Maskiell was taken to Royal Darwin Hospital as a precaution.

As a result, he did not ride the Neil Dyer trained Kaonic in the Northern Territory's richest race, the \$200,000 Great Northern Darwin Cup, later that day.

The incident was the second time in as many weeks jockeys had been taken from the Darwin track to hospital, raising concerns around track safety.

Thoroughbred Racing NT chief executive officer Andrew O'Toole defended the track, telling NT News the injuries were simply a case of bad luck.

"They've had nothing to do

with the state of the track - it's just one of those things that happens in racing," he said.

"No one is to blame - we've just had a couple of them at the wrong time.

"Jason was able to walk to the ambulance. He got a bang on the back of his neck ... he will be fine.

"His horse went amiss (after finishing post) and pulled up, leading to Jason parting company with the horse."

Kaonic came fourth in the Darwin Cup, which was won by Highly Decorated.

Maskiell was back in action two days after his fall, running at a Moe Racing Club meeting.

Pictured: Trafalgar jockey Jason Maskiell was unable to ride in last month's Darwin Cup. (Photograph Racenet)



Cricket starts next month

Trafalgar Cricket Club will begin its 2021-22 season in a few weeks time.

The Ships have been working hard on and off field in the lead up to the new season, with players undertaking indoor training at the Moe centre while the committee has everything in order to hit the ground running come the first week of competition.

Leading the club as president is Daniel Heathcote in his second term, with Brendan Dawson his vice. Joining the club as treasurer this season is local book-keeper Reagan Montgomery who is set to continue the great work of predecessor Melanie White.

Rhys Holdsworth and Jackson Noonan will continue in their leadership roles on field, with Heathcote working as a close confidant.

With the season beginning next month there is general ex-

citement throughout the club and playing group.

The club nets are set to receive a much needed upgrade, and the addition of an automatic feeder on the bowling machine has been most welcome.

It would be anyone's guess as to how long the current nets have been there. This writer still recalls the days when the bowlers half of the wicket was just concrete.

All in cricket circles will be hoping the season goes ahead without any interruptions, as Trafalgar again looks to field three senior teams and junior teams in Under 16s, 14s and 12s.

Coming off the back of a competitive yet inconsistent 2020-21 season, the Trafalgar Cricket Club is expecting performances across the grades to display the Ships trademark blue collar tenacity as the club seeks

further premiersip glory.

The club receives great support from local businesses and spectators who follow the teams around the district for which it is extremely grateful. Sponsors and supporters allow the club to execute its core business which is to provide a place for people to play and enjoy cricket.

If anyone is interested in joining a great family club, please phone club secretary Liam Durkin on 0402 556 338, email trafalgarcricketclub@gmail.com, or visit the clubs public Facebook page.

The Trafalgar Cricket Club will begin its 2021-22 campaign next month.



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