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Council forges ahead with street works

Towong Shire Council is facing further controversy after the removal of trees in Corryong's CBD on Tuesday in preparation for Stage 2 of its streetscape project.

The tree lopping drew broad criticism on social media and council has been quick to respond, posting the following information on Tuesday night:-

"As works resumed today on the Corryong CBD Streetscape project, we recognise there have been concerns regarding

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the removal of trees on Hanson Street, between the Jardine and Donaldson Street roundabouts.

"The planting plan for the CBD has been developed in line with community feedback received during the consultation process. This includes the planting of 15 new trees to replace the seven trees that will be removed across the north and south sides of the street.

will include species Urbanite Ash, Crepe Myrtle, Ornamental Pear -Red Spire, Flowering Pink Cherry species have been chosen suggestions streetscape" through RUBY'S SERIOL IT'S THE GET SERIOUS SALE! **Come and check out the SERIOUSLY** reduced prices! Or make a **SERIOUS** offer!

from community and an external landscaping consultant and have been selected for their colour, size, non-invasive root system and shade.

"If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to us at info@towong. vic.gov.au or call 1300 365 222. Alternatively, you can drop into the Corryong Library every Wednesday from 2pm to 3pm, where you can speak directly with the project manager. "For details on works, please refer to

"The replacement landscaping and planting the Corryong CBD Streetscape Plan and council received a report Planting Plan on our and Chinese Elm. These website: www.tinyurl. com/corryong-cbd-**SERIOUSLY** special prices on Bulk Buys! 17 Hanson St., Corryong / 02 6076 1343

The latest controversy comes on the back of a community petition regarding safety concerns over the project.

After considering the petition at a Special Meeting last Wednesday, council gave the green light to proceeding with the Corryong CBD Streetscape project, with minimal change.

In response to the petition expressing concerns about a widened footpath impacting vehicle access and manoeuvrability in parking bays along Hanson Street, that addressed the issues and also presented a range of five options, which was considered at the special meeting. A motion for option two passed with a vote of 3-2 in favour. Towong mayor, Cr Andrew Whitehead, said that all possibilities were discussed at length before voting on this decision. "We considered all available options and as a result, councillors decided option two was the most viable because it balanced community concerns, cost-effectiveness and the project's overarching objectives," he said. Cont. on page 2.

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Streetscape moves to next stage

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Option two maintains the original design but introduces a manoeuvring space behind parking bays, supports a reduced speed limit of 40km/h between the Donalson and Jardine Street roundabouts and commits to developing a plan that will expand parking spaces in the CBD.

In making its decision, considered council the findings from an independent Road Safety community Audit, feedback - both in the community consultation stage of the project and more recently by way of the petition - and further engagement with other community members and businesses during construction.

Cr Whitehead acknow-

ledged that there was a diversity of views on the project within the community.

"We understand that opinions on the streetscape upgrade vary," he said.

"Unfortunately, we know this decision will not appease everyone but we believe that this project will have lasting benefits for the entire community."

The streetscape project aims to revitalise the CBD, improve street presentation and foster economic activity and tourism.

"Council believes that the renewed streetscape with its wider footpaths, wider parking bays, pedestrian crossing and new street furniture, will play a key role in revitalising the CBD," Cr Whitehead said.

s "The Corryong n Streetscape Project is a e significant step toward revitalising the heart of t Corryong, embodying the collective vision for a vibrant and inviting community space."

The focus is now on watermain installation from stage two through to stage four.

"We anticipate this work to last three to four weeks but is subject to any potential challenges we may come across underground," Cr Whitehead said.

"While this particular work won't affect business access, it will temporarily limit parking bays in the confined work area.

"We will continue to provide businesses and the wider community with timely updates."



The grapevine

Club Corner:- The jackpot at The Club Corryong this Friday is \$3750. Last week's winner was Peter McNamara (\$10).

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Bingo news:- Recommences Wednesday January 24th at the The Club Corryong at 1pm, eyes down at 1.30pm. The cost is \$15 a day plus raffle tickets if you wish. Should you require a lift ring Jan on 0438 761 420 or Fay on 0448 826 775. We don't play for money but great little prizes. Some days winners can go home with 10 prizes as well as the jackpot! Afternoon tea and more fellowship follows the bingo session.

Visitor Information Centre snippet:-Approximately 65 pilots participated in the Corryong Hang Gliding Cup this January. We put the question to them as to whether pilots were strictly hang gliders or paragliders or if they ever flew both? While some pilots wouldn't dream of trading in one for the other, apparently some pilots are 'biwingual'!

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Highlighting Heritage: **'The First to Fall: The Malcolm Chisholm Story'**

Some films tell their own stories. The Man from Snowy River Bush Festival commissioned 'The First to Fall: The Malcolm Chisholm Story'.

While some still argue that Malcolm was one of the first Australians to be killed in action overseas, it seems that he was indeed the first.

Tumbarumba filmmaker John Riddell's production focuses on the theme of the 2024 Bush Festival, 'The Call of the High Country'. Malcolm was a young, career Army officer who did not live to hear The Call of the High Country'. The story is a tragedy but has some positive twists.

The film also throws light on the story of Malcolm's mother, Emma Isabel Chisholm Mitchell) from (née Station. Bringenbrong The one time livewire, matchmaker and social networker, Emma Isabel was so grief-stricken by her elder son's death that she requested her ashes be interred near Malcolm. Accordingly, her ashes are contained in a veiled urn set on an inscribed marble slab in the communal cemetery in the small northern French village of Ligny-en-Cambresis.

While Malcolm was the first of over 60,000 Australians to fall in World War One, his mother was the first of countless wives, mothers, sisters and daughters whose lives were to be changed for ever by the loss of a loved one or loved ones in the War. In the early years of the First World War, there was little or no help for the bereaved families until the setting up of an office for the Bureau for the Missing and Wounded at the end of 1914 in London.

Together with Lady Helen Munro Ferguson, the wife of the Governor General Lady Edith Bridges helped set up and became the inaugural President of the Friendly Union of Soldiers' Wives and Mothers' to provide support for wives and families of the 1st AIF. The Returned Service League was not established until 1916 with Legacy following until 1923. A larger film production could have incorporated a much wider story, but the budget was limited.

Wanting to see their son's resting place and concerned for the ongoing maintenance of his grave before returning to Australia, Malcolm's parents Dr and Mrs William Chisholm visited Ligny-en-Cambresis in July 1919. They were so shocked by the devastation of the village, loss of life, suffering, poverty and disease brought about by the war, the family set up an annuity for Ligny-en-Cambresis. This initiative was primarily to support the families of local French servicemen and it was concluded with the German invasion of France in May 1940. Where some wartime accounts tend to be biased towards one side or another, this film also throws light on the French experience.

Meanwhile, in the Upper Murray, Malcolm's younger brother Colin took up Malcolm's inheritance of Khancoban Station after his uncle John Mitchell's death in 1922. Malcolm and Colin's cousin Tom Mitchell from Towong Hill remembered Colin as part of the fall out from World War One as he was unable to achieve the successes he sought due to his wartime injuries. Colin went on to serve in the local 8th (Indi) Light Horse, commanding the Regiment from 1940 -1942. Regiment.

If was commemorative artist George Petrou OAM who painted the portrait of Banjo Paterson hanging in the Festival Office. By a complete coincidence George also painted a portrait of Malcolm Chisholm. In an interview with John Riddell in his studio, while painting, George recounts how he heard about Malcolm Chisholm's story and how eventually he found out about Malcolm's link with the Upper Murray.

When the festival board agreed to buy the portrait of Banjo, George offered to 'sweeten the deal' by including a high quality copy of the portrait at a greatly reduced price. Meanwhile, much to the delight of the ANZAC Association in Ligny-en-Cambresis (L'ANZAC-Cambresis), George had made arrangements to donate his original painting of Malcolm to Ligny-en-Cambresis at the 2023 Anzac Commemorations.

The film is a story of philanthropy set against the tragedy of war and of ongoing generosity enabling the preservation of heritage in our communities. It is also a story about how commemorative art links two communities located half a world away from one another.

The copy of Malcolm's portrait now hangs in the RSL Hall. The film 'The First to Fall - The Malcolm Chisholm Story' is running on the big screen in The Corryong Brew in the Corryong Memorial Hall. It will be shown in other locations locally in the lead up to Anzac Day. Filmmaker John Riddell and his French Canadian wife Annemarie have produced a version with French subtitles which will be shown in some French schools near Ligny-en-

Cambresis and possible in Villers-Bretonneux, the town in France with which Victoria has a particularly close association. It will show also in England at the Lancashire Infantry Museum on the anniversary of Malcolm's death on 27 August each year. This August will mark the 110th year since his passing.

The Malcolm Chisholm Story is one of many stories of wartime sacrifice and grief.

Thanks to George's philanthropy and The Man from Snowy River Bush Festival commissioning the film, Malcolm's story and the portrait bring a story home to the Upper Murray.

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Letter to the Editor:-

Letter **Petition raised** safety concerns

Recently a group of community members put together a petition regarding the concerns that we, and many others in the community, have about Towong Shire's plans for Hanson Street. We thought it was time we provided some more detail about the events surrounding this petition.

In early December several members of the local community including Col Smedlev. Matt Spurgeon, Ray Gresch and I attended a meeting hosted by Towong Shire to discuss the CBD Streetscape project and were disappointed with the response we received. The first section of new guttering had just been installed and we were hearing a lot of concern from other community members which mirrored our own about the substantial changes being made to our main street. We looked at our alternatives and decided to

try our hand at a petition to let our community express our concerns.

We wrote the petition which was broken into four sections - one for each of the main problems we saw with the designs. With hindsight, this was unnecessarily confusing but ultimately didn't make a significant difference to the outcome.

We distributed the petition among several local businesses who kindly hosted it despite the inconvenience this caused during the pre-Christmas rush. Our aim was to present the petition to council for consideration at the meeting on 20th December, since this allowed an opportunity for council to reflect on the situation over the Christmas break in the

construction schedule. This gave us only five days collecting signatures before we had to submit the petition. Despite this rushed effort, 161 people signed Section 1 of the petition regarding footpath

width and we submitted this section to council. The other sections did not attract as many signatories so we decided not to submit them at that stage. Council was quite

receptive and invited us to meet with them prior to their scheduled meeting on the 20th of December. This allowed us to discuss our concerns not only

about the gutter position but also the other issues detailed below. As a result, over the Christmas break shire staff developed a range of options for council to consider and an independent expert was engaged to assess the

safety of the new design. Council then invited us back to discuss the results of these actions on the 8th of January prior to the Special Meeting on the 10th of January where a decision was made by Council 3-2 to proceed with construction of the original design. We understand that

a reluctance to incur further cost and delay and concerns about failing to meet the conditions of the state government grant funding the works were primary considerations in the decision. Nonetheless, we were disappointed by this outcome.

Our main concerns about the CBD Streetscape project are:-

1. Gutter position. To at least 161 of us in the community, the existing footpath seems quite adequate. Widening it to the detriment of space available to load and manoeuvre vehicles safely in the street seems counterproductive.

2. Loss of parking spaces. Prior to this project commencing there were 88 angled roadside parking spaces available in the CBD block of Hanson Street. The Streetscape project will reduce this to 70, a reduction of over 20 per cent. The current capacity struggles to cope with busy periods of a normal week. This move will significantly impact the ability of the



community and visitors to access businesses in the CBD.

Part of this capacity loss is due to a widening of the parking spaces from 2.6m to 2.8m, which we feel has some merit. This alone would reduce every 14 spaces to 13, reducing the original 88 spaces by about six spaces.

Most of the lost spaces will be consumed by the inclusion of more vegetation and street furniture in the parking area and by the new pedestrian crossing. Vegetation is very fashionable for reducing ambient temperature by preventing heat being absorbed by hard surfaces in the street. We are not sure that this subtlety will be appreciated by someone having to lug their groceries half a block to their car because they can't get a park, however.

The Wheeler Street carpark is generally under used but this is not surprising. It is very tight and not ideal for the large 4WD vehicles many of us drive. Additionally, most of the parking spaces are up a flight of steps which restricts access. A suggestion of providing parking spaces in the Donaldson Street median came up in discussion but we think these would be too far away from most of the shops to provide much

2 of the CBD Streetscape project in the next few weeks.

3. Median strip trees. We think trees planted in the median will restrict visibility and increase the risk to pedestrians crossing the street at points other than the designated pedestrian crossing. The reduced width of the traffic lane will further exacerbate this problem by forcing vehicles closer to the trees. Also, the vegetation around the ends of the pedestrian crossing will make it difficult for drivers to spot pedestrians until they walk out onto

the crossing.

Unfortunately, there seems to be little more our group can do to influence the course of the CBD Streetscape project, however we are also concerned about the upcoming works in western Hanson Street. These works will reduce the double traffic lanes in the divided section down to a single lane in either direction. At the same time the new truck bypass will see heavy trucks merging and diverging from Hanson Street about halfway along this section and the double lanes would seem to be ideal to ensure this happens safely and smoothly. We understand that VicRoads policies may have an impact on the design. We have written to the Minister for Roads to clarify their position but are yet to receive any response. Re-activating the fourth part of our petition, which covers this issue, may be a way of averting this move. Another issue which

to light is Towong Shire's

plan to lower the speed limit for the entire length of Hanson Street/Towong Road to 40km/h. We are unable to understand the need for or advantage of such a move. This project is still open for community consultation and comment can be made via Towong Shire's website.

proposal as part of the 2030

Thanks to all of you who supported our efforts. Ultimately, however, it is the job of our elected councillors to reflect the views of our community in decisions to guide the operations of Towong Shire. Addressing concerns about council activities should be a community member's first port of call.

We would also like to clarify a comment in the article on the front page of last week's Corryong Courier (January 11, 2024), specifically "It is understood that the petitioner representatives expressed a preference for Option 3." Towong Shire CEO Juliana Phelps told us that Option 4 – retaining the existing gutter position - was unlikely to meet the criteria of the grant providing substantial funding for the project.

We then suggested that Options 1 & 2 -the gutter position as per the design - were unlikely to be acceptable to the community. We further



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TALLANGATTA When: Sunday 11 February Where: Tallangatta Library (TICC) Time: 10.00am – 3.00pm



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value.

Mayor Andrew Whitehead suggested that our discussions had prompted council to investigate the provision of off-street parking behind the supermarket and adjoining shops. This would be an excellent solution which has been well proven elsewhere. However, the timeline for such a project is unclear. In the meantime, we will see a substantial reduction in parking capacity in Hanson Street from the commencement of Stage

commented that Option 3 may be worthy of further investigation as being less unacceptable. As per our petition, our preference has always been to retain the existing gutter position.

Brett Findlay, On behalf of the has more recently come streetscape petition group.

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Obituary: Phyllis Doreen Boardman Devoted mother showed great community spirit

Phyllis was the first born of Alf and Edith Eastlake on December 5th, 1927 and was a sister to Joyce (Miller).

family lived The in a house behind the garage owned by Alf in Corryong's main street Corryong the (now Newsagency).

Phyllis attended school in Corryong and upon leaving, she worked for Hood & Braham Solicitors Roy until marrying Boardman in June 1949.

The couple had four sons – Bruce, Gary, Ian (dec.) and Neil - and Phyllis became a stay-athome mother to look after them.

The family resided in a house in Towong Road before moving in 1963 to a dairy farm on Cabramurra Road, owned by her father

from

It was at this time that Phyllis began her long association with several community organisations. She became a member of the Church of England Guild at Khancoban and also served in the vestry. She was a 25-year member of the school Mothers' Union and a 20-year-

member of Red Cross. Following Roy's death, Phyllis moved back to Corryong and became involved with the Corryong Bowls Club, the Corryong Garden Club, Anglican Church, Meals on Wheels, the local line-dancing club - and anything else that was going!

great love of music. Phyllis also enjoyed cooking and her family and friends were the beneficiaries of her prowess in the kitchen. Phyllis was not averse

to having a 'flutter on the ponies' and was also involved with a syndicate that owned a racehorse called Fiery Embers, which always gave her a thrill when it raced. Although it had a few wins and places, she never made a fortune but she sure had a lot of fun.

Phyllis was a staunch, one-eyed supporter of the Federal Football Club and her hobbies included knitting, reading and cleaning up (using fire!). On one occasion, she

decided to clean up the long grass in the orchard by burning it, not taking into account the close



shed. Of course, the orchard fire burnt out but the blaze continued on its merry way towards the wood shed before the family arrived with wet hessian bags to extinguish it. However, she learnt little from the experience and fire remained one of her 'go-to' gardening tools!

Phyllis was not known as the best of listeners, nor was she always politically correct but she had strong opinions and was not afraid to express them which set the scene for some lively discussions.

left Phyllis often notes (instructions) but poignantly, a recently penned note read:

"I did my best for all of you, loved you and your wives and my grandsons and their wives and girlfriends.

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Phyllis will be fondly remembered for her forthrightness, strong work ethic, community spirit, raucous sense of humour, loyalty to her friends and devotion to family.

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entertainment and had a Focus goes on regional housing

In her younger days

she also found the local

dances a great source of

Leaders local, state and federal

government including Member for Indi, Helen Haines, along with representatives from industry, peak bodies and the not-for-profit sector will gather in Canberra next month as part of a collective effort to discuss solutions to regional Australia's housing needs.

The National Regional Housing Summit, an initiative of the Regional Australia Institute (RAI), the Real Estate Institute of Australia and Master Builders Australia supported by the Bendigo and Adelaide Bank, Australian Forest the Products Association, and the National Farmers Federation - will be held at Old Parliament House on February 9.

RAI CEO, Liz Ritchie, said a significant societal shift was underway in Australia and it was vital decision makers planned, funded and implemented programs and policies that recognised that.

"Data shows us that over the last decade the number of people choosing a life in regional Australia has been growing," she said. The pandemic supercharged this momentum and more and more people are 'voting with their feet', choosing the regions as the place they want to live, work and play. Capital city to regional relocations remain almost 12 per cent above the pre-pandemic average and a further 3.5 million people have reported a desire to move regionally. This surge in people, combined with strong regional job growth and the role regional Australia will play in the nation's transition to nett zero, are putting pressure on regional housing like never seen before. "At the same time, it must be recognised the challenges the regions with housing face are often different to metropolitan Australia. These challenges also vary region to region, so

a bespoke approach is needed." Ms Ritchie said the

and rental availability

across the various regional

housing market types,

highlighting examples of

regional housing success stories across the country,

which others may be able

to use as a model in their

is far from homogenous

and what might work in

Bendigo, likely won't in

Bowen or Broken Hill. A

one-size-fits-all approach

does not work and in

some instances can cause

"Adaptable initiatives

that allow for place-based

input need to be at the

heart of addressing this

issue, which is putting a

stall on the regions' ability

to thrive," Ms Ritchie said.

western Queensland the

Quilpie Shire Council has

devised a unique grant

scheme to attract new

private investment in the

region, while in regional

Victoria the Pyrenees

"For example, in

unintended

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consequences.

Shire has successfully overseen the development of a new subdivision to summit will focus on revitalise one of its small home ownership, social communities. and affordable housing,

Ms Ritchie said the RAI's Regionalisation Ambition - a 10-year, 20goal framework designed to help decision-makers preparing for an Australia where more people live in our regions - aims to see by 2032, the regional rental vacancy rate increase to above three per cent and for annual building

us there is much work that needs to be done to achieve that but regional leaders are finding innovative and collaborative ways to combat a shortfall of housing and there are many lessons we can learn from them," Ms

'This summit provides a unique opportunity for collaboration across government, industry, and the not-for-profit sector to shift their gaze to the regions and set the wheels in motion for 2024 to ensure real change is made this year on regional housing.

approvals to keep pace with population growth. "Current data shows

Ritchieadded.



John Hossack

Let the community know what your group is up to

With the start of a new year, the Corryong Neighbourhood Centre (CNC) is reminding people about the availability of the Community Calendar which can be found online http://uppermurray at comm unitycalendar.org.

The calendar provides a substantial platform to plan, advertise and inform the community about upcoming events, services and activities. You can include social events, meeting dates, recovery work and workshops

occurring in the region. The calendar is managed through the CNC but users create their own posts. To post to the calendar, you need to create an account in the webpage and then email the CNC to get access

permission. us if you come across any difficulties or with suggestions for improvements changes," said CNC Coordinator, Sara Jenkins.

calendar@corryongnc. "Please also contact org call 02 6076 2176 or message through Facebook.

"The programming for and the calendar is provided pro bono by ex RMIT students, who have For enquiries, email generously continued to

support the project after it was delayed by the pandemic," Sara added.

"Thanks to the Corryong CRC, there will also be a snapshot of the to be included and the calendar events for the following week in the Corryong Courier each

week, as a reminder and also for those who may not have access to digital information.

"We want everyone more people who use the calendar the better it will be."

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Golf club rises from the ashes

synthetic grass greens at the Corryong Golf Club has created plenty of interest in golfing circles, not only locally but also at a state and national level.

Andrew Young tells of the club's change of fortunes in an article published in the November issue of the 'GolfAustralia' magazine.

When fire ravaged the East Coast of Australia in 2019/20, the border of Corryong town suffered greatly. And, while significant damage was done to the golf course on the outskirts of town, the club's bounce back has been remarkable, headlined by the development of nine artificial grass greens which officially opened for play earlier this month.

The facility improvements also included the construction of a new deck at the Corryong Sporting Complex, which overlooks the ninth green of the revamped golf course.

Situated 120 kilometers East of Albury-Wodonga, Corryong Golf Club has had sand greens throughout its history, but after fire burnt through the whole course, the club's members and committee rallied behind the idea of a total transformation to the putting surfaces.

"It's been an ambition for probably about ten years," said club vicecaptain Richard Bennetts.

"It was a tough time (when the fires came through), but one of the good things to come from it was bushfire recovery grants. The club persisted and was ultimately successful in securing one of those to install artificial turf greens."

The golf course upgrade was part funded by the Victorian government's Local Economic Recovery grant program, while the Border Trust Community Foundation helped to cover the cost of the broader club improvements.

> The club received

The installation of \$327,004 in recovery grants, which along with donations from other local charitable organisations, made the entire project possible.

> In a message to the club, Minister for Emergency Services, Jaclyn Symes reaffirmed how important it is to help clubs like Corryong to bounce back from disaster. "We know that

> recovery from major disasters takes time and grants like these help communities to get back on their feet," Ms Symes said.

"We're proud to see the results in Corryong and stand by the community as they progress in their recovery.'

The course - which acted as a buffer for the town during the fires, resulting in the loss of only one residence - was closed for an extended period. First the fires, then storm damage, immediately followed by the pandemic, mean golfers didn't tee it up at Corryong for two vears.

While this gave the course a chance to regenerate, members and the committee sprang into action to plan for the renovations.

A dedicated working group was established, particularly for the greens project, as the club found a way forward.

Together, the team of volunteers worked tirelessly to bring the project to life. An effort recognised by golf club

president, Kelly Galbraith, at the official launch dinner of the new greens. "From the very

inception of this project, this journey has been fuelled by passion and a shared vision for enhancing our community spaces," Galbraith said. "A heartfelt thank

you to all who offered general assistance, advice or a helping hand when needed. Your support is what has held this project together."

To that end, the club's due diligence throughout the project has helped to ensure a particularly playable - and sustainable - finished product.

They spoke to clubs around the country, particularly in Western Australia, conversations which helped to ensure that the greens were properly constructed with the base material – which

is largely recycled glass. As a consequence, no bacteria or organic matter can grow underneath, so the putting surfaces stays nice and level.

Designed like grass greens, with undulations and up to four possible pin placements, members and guests have enjoyed rolling their putts on the new surfaces at Corryong.

"We haven't had a single negative comment," Bennetts smiled. Everyone has been impressed with them.

"It's a pretty big achievement. You can already see the benefit

Club continues development

The Corryong Golf Club has implemented a number of innovations since opening its new synthetic grass greens which allows more people to play golf at a time that suits them.

The club has partnered with Vendi Golf to install an online booking system for its two new golf carts, a tap 'n' go green fees payment system and a vending machine which sells golfing accessories as well as refreshments and snacks. The 'virtual pro shop' allows people to play from sunup to sundown most days of the week (excluding competition days - check the club's Facebook page for details), at an all-day play fee of \$22.



The golf course has a new lease of life following the 2019-20 Black Summer bushfires.

to the community, it's already having an impact.

"The number of people playing has increased quite dramatically and we are getting interest from all around the place, with people wanting to play the

new greens and see what they're like."

A full field of 3-player Ambrose teams played on the opening day, while a course record, 76, was promptly set on just the second official day of

The new greens have generated plenty of interest with young golfers too, and the club is working with local schools to implement a formal youth development program.

competition.

CLUB WEBSITE: https://www.golfnsw.org. au/golf-clubs/corryonggolf-club/

CLUB Facebook page: https://www.facebook. com/

Activating Lake Hume **Draft Masterplan** Have your s

We're pleased to share that the draft plan for the Activating Lake Hume Masterplan is ready for your feedback!

This masterplan was developed in collaboration with the community and guides the future development around Lake Hume, aiming to

To view the plan and provide feedback, scan the QR code



elevate it into one of Towong Shire's ultimate recreation destinations.

Key points identified in the plan are:

- Strategies to boost visitation
- Initiatives for community benefits
- Job creation opportunities
- Activation of local entrepreneurship
- The plan highlights key projects set to transform Lake Hume into the ultimate recreation destination!



below.

Feedback closes on Friday 9 February 2024.



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The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held in Corryong on Wednesday 24 January commencing at 10.30am.

The agenda and requirements for Public Question Time can be found prior to the meeting by calling 1300 365 222 or on our website at:

tinyurl.com/january-council-meeting

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POSITIONS VACANT



🟂 Upper Murray Sport 👔 Maccas given protected status

Efforts to protect Macquarie perch are being bolstered with the endangered species given protected status, banning their taking by recreational fishers from two remaining Victorian waterways.

Fisheries Victorian Authority (VFA) CEO, Travis Dowling, said taking of the native fish, commonly known as 'maccas', had been prohibited as part of an effort to give wild populations the best chance to be reestablished.

"We're serious about

bringing maccas and this will ensure the population at Lake Dartmouth can flourish in years to come," Mr Dowling said.

"The decision complements significant investment from the government, Victorian along with a range of partner agencies, to ensure maccas have a bright future in Victoria."

Previously, Macquarie perch had a bag limit of one in Lake Dartmouth which is home to an active breeding population of the fish - and a bag limit of two in Upper Coliban

Reservoir.

In 2023 the VFA began a three-year partnership worth \$3.7 million led by the federal and Victorian governments to crack the code on how to reliably breed Macquarie perch in captivity.

Recovery of the species is also being boosted by \$15m worth of development at the VFA's Snobs Creek and Arcadia hatcheries, funded by the Victorian government's Go Fishing and Boating Victoria plan. The ongoing work will see all Murray cod production move to Arcadia, freeing up



capacity at Snobs Creek to maximise Macquarie perch breeding.

"It's all about bringing

back fisheries for maccas

in the future and returning these beautiful fish to their former glory in Victoria's rivers and lakes," Mr Dowling said.

Welaregang

After

consistently

scoring 18 points over

recent weeks for minor

placings, that score was

enough for Tony Jarvis

to win last week's 9 @ 9

summer competition, two

points ahead of Bill Bond.

play conservative golf and

stick to the fairways, as the

grass in the 'rough' was a

lot longer than normal due

leading the pack with 29

Paul Land is still

competition

to a mower breakdown.

The

The nine players had to

orryong makes pennant run

rounds With two remaining in the regular Zone Hills season, Welaregang sits on top of the ladder on eight points but with a chasing pack of

four teams on six points, berths in the final are still up for grabs. faces

Welaregang other top contenders in Holbrook and defending

POSITIONS VACANT



Home Care and Community Care

Corryong Health is currently recruiting for two exciting roles in the Community Care Team. Home and Community Administration Officer

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champion Khancoban in its final rubbers, while Corryong is in still in the hunt and faces two teams below it in the run home in Batlow and Adelong. Tumbarumba remains

in the mix also on six points and Batlow is still a mathematical chance. La

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Holbrook 6	15	
Corryong 6	13	
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R6 21/1/24 @ 7:30 Walwa

v Tumbarumba 8:00 Holbrook v W/gang 8:30 Adelong v Khancoban 9:00 Batlow v Corryong

Corryong It was a busy time on the course over

the weekend with the women's summer championships starting on Saturday followed by the monthly medal



Results

Wednesday 10/01Men's Social Triples winners: Mal Jarvis, Leif Kamba & visitor Mick Johnson.

Thursday. 11/01Ladies Club singles: Four great singles matches were played, with two of them being very close and long. **R1:-** Mandy Gleeson

comps put \$5 entry and competition on Sunday, along with many groups scorecards in the green taking advantage of the fees box. Saturday & Sunday comps and 18 hole fine weather to have a monthly medals are for hit. men and women.

The monthly medal was a close run affair with Mark Collins taking the honours by one shot from Belinda Attree (who blew her chances with a dozen on one hole!).

Coming up

Saturday 20/1/24: Foursomes Men's Championships (2023) r 8.30 hit-off. 21/1/24: Ambrose (SOP) - back 9 at 8.30am for 9am hit-off / Pennant @

Walwa. 26/1/24 Friday (Australia

Saturday & Sunday 27-28/1/24: Stableford front 9 anytime / 27/1 Walwa 500 3-Person

Ambrose. Notes: For 9 hole

Rotary 10-9, Thougla Triers d Ring-Ins 11-9, Post Office d Legends 17-

41 Khancoban - bye

Draw R13 20/1/24

top spot on the ladder.

Results R12

UM Tennis

Results & Draw

Cudgewa Nth v Corryong

(draw - shortage of

Cudgewa 63 d Biggara

players for both teams)

Cudgewa v Khancoban Corryong v Biggara Cudgewa Nth - bye

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44 Demons24 71 57 Fire Brigade 21 41

points, while Bill Bond (21) and Bill Sheather Day): (18) have closed the gap in Stableford – back 9 at recent weeks. 10am for 10.30am hitoff. continues this Saturday at 9am, while on Sunday the Rob Cox led pennant team heads to Walwa to take on Holbrook in a bid to retain

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District Cricket Results R12 131/24 Batlow 7/217 off 40 overs (Floyd Cross 152 n.o.) d Facons 7/116 off 24 All Starts 5/125 (Matthew Byatt 56, Zach Richards 43) off 39 overs d Rosewood 6/124 off 40 Draw R13 3/2/24 All Stars v Tooma Rosewood v Falcons Batlow- bye

*** AUSSIE! AUSSIE! AUSSIE! 0-10: Good Onya **Are you True Blue?** 11-20: Fair Dinkum 21-30: You Beaut : 17. 24. The CSIRO radio In which year was the : 9. **28.** Which artist famously 1. Which Australian In 1907, who became AFL founded? city is 'sister cities' the first Australian and telescope Murriyang, painted a series of with Christchurch, non-English player to also known as The works from his home 2. True or false: wombats New Zealand? win Wimbledon? Dish, is located in studio in the Sydney are marsupials? which New South suburb of Lavender Bay 10. What 2016 song was 18. Who played the leads 3. In which state or Wales town? in the '70s and '80s'? singer Amy Shark's in the 1997 film Oscar territory is Kakadu breakthrough hit? and Lucinda? **25.** Which psychedelic Who was treasurer National Park? 29. Which state or rock band's albums of Australia when the 11. Which 19. Which of 4. include Nonagon Australian dollar was Australian bird territory is home to these is not Infinity (2016) floated in 1983? is the world's the famous Barossa one of and Fishing for largest Valley wine region? 30. What is Australia's Australia's kingfisher? Fishies (2019)? oldest train station? 'big things': 20. Which former PM **26.** Daisy Pearce is now a) The Big 12. Who wrote declared himself 'the the head coach of Pineapple, the books Big global handball king' b) The Big which AFLW team? Little Lies and in 2019? Cane Toad or Nine Perfect 27. In which year did 21. What creature is also c) The Big Possum? Strangers? Lleyton Hewitt win known as Glauert's 5. Which iconic **Bennelong Point** his first Grand Slam 13. seadragon? Australian food is is home to which tournament? 22. Which literary celebrated on July 21? famous building? magazine's name In which month 6. Harold Holt 14. is derived from the does the Australian disappeared from Turrbal word Open typically which beach in 1967? for the land take place? 15. Which Australian on which

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- You'll see this 5. on and off the court(5)
- Greeted(3) 6. 40-40(5)
- 7. Following(5) 8.
- Hitting back 9. and forth (5)
- 14. Intelligent(5) **24.** Players often stay in one of these (5) **15.** Aptitude (5)
- 17. Suitable(3) **27.** Amount of players 19. Forehand, backhand e.g.(4) 28. Hit the ball before 20. Bright colours
- SOLUTION often seen in tennis attire(4)

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D. 2023

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3. Which FA Women's Super League club does Kerr play for? A. Arsenal B. Chelsea C. Manchester United D. Wes Ham United

4. What is the name of the Matildas documentary featuring Kerr? A. World Cup Legacy B. Dare to Dream

C. Till it's Done D. The World at Our Feet

5. What is the first book in Sam Kerr's Kicking Goals series for kids? A. Sports Day B. Cup Countdown C. Finals Fever D. The Flip Out

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Using the nine letters in the grid, how many words of four letters or more can you list?

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Upper Murray Sport 🕅 Pilots gather for laidback event

The Corryong Cup Hang Gliding Competition 2024 concuded on the weekend with 65 pilots attending from all over Australia and Norway, Germany, Austria and Ireland.

The aim of the Corryong event is to foster learning in a relaxed environment as well as to improve competition flying skills while having fun.

Tracey Meyer, president of HG Comps which organises the competition, thanked the generosity and understanding of local land owners including the winner of the land owner prize Edward from Tintaldra.

"Thanks to the Bendigo Bank (Community Bank Mt Beauty & District & Corryong Business Service Centre) for their generous funding of \$7,650.54," she added, "which allowed us to purchase new banners to indicate wind strength and

direction in goal, bombout and on launch, which will be used for many years to come.

"These funds were also used to purchase Bendigo Bank branded event T-shirts for all attendees.

"A mid-week fund raising event was run at the Tintaldra Hotel raising a record amount of \$6700 for the Corryong Emergency Services." Results

Floater: 1st Amber Cy; 2nd Brett Huggan; 3rd Conner Hansen

Floater V: 1st Andy Schmidt; 2nd Donny Gardner; 3rd James Wynd Sport: 1st Troy Horton; 2nd Mark Jeffree; 3rd Adrian Conner

Open A: 1st Steve Crosbie; 2nd Mitch Butler; 3rd Steve Docherty

Open B: 1st Dustan Hansen; 2nd Jay Kubiel; 3rd John Harriott

Trevor Scott 'Hold My Bundy' Award: Brett Davis

Steve 'Missy' Elliot Spirit of the Comp Award: Brett & Dela Huggan

Team Mugs Award (aggregate winning team): Old Sausages

The final day of competition was on Saturday followed by a presentation dinner at the Colac Colac Caravan Park.

"Thanks to Paul and Melissa and the Corryong Rotary Club for hosting the event," Tracey added. "We are always on

the lookout for ways



we can work in with the community and welcome any suggestions and comments to help improve the experience for everyone involved."

competition you can check out the Corryong Cup Hang Gliding Competition Facebook page or the website www.hgcomps. com.au/corryong. Local people interested

in becoming involved as team drivers should email corryongcup@ hgcomps.com.au or call the competition director, Phillip Campbell, on 0438 428 569.

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A strong field of 20 arrowsmiths competed in the Singles Championships at the Corryong Hotel Motel on Tuesday and the competition was hot.

Results: 1st semi: Ethan Low d Greg Wheeler; 2nd

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semi: Henry Byrne d Liam McCallum. Grand Final: H Byrne d E Low 2-1.	- Shelley Henry 134; Highest peg: Men - Peter 'Pockets' Kasuba 118 / Women - Shelley Henry	Ringers 12 P/Pointers 12 Bottoms Up 8 Walwa 4 Draw, P7 23/1/24	82.6 68.0

Sharpshooters:- Highest score: Men - Brendon McCallum & Greg Wheeler 140 / Women

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