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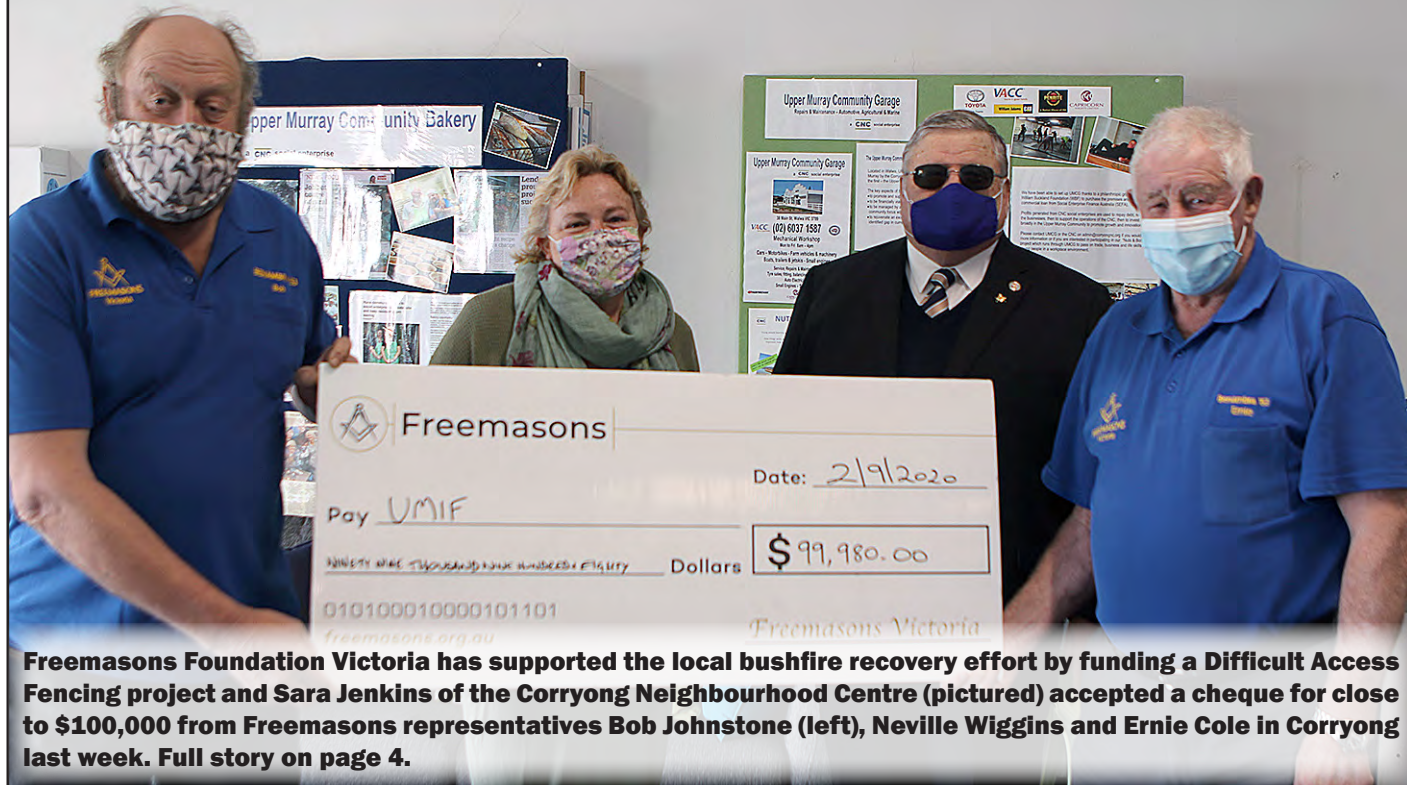
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**TONIGHT**

## A 100 GRAND GESTURE



Freemasons Foundation Victoria has supported the local bushfire recovery effort by funding a Difficult Access Fencing project and Sara Jenkins of the Corryong Neighbourhood Centre (pictured) accepted a cheque for close to \$100,000 from Freemasons representatives Bob Johnstone (left), Neville Wiggins and Ernie Cole in Corryong last week. Full story on page 4.

## NOT HAPPY DAN!

Pressure is mounting on Victorian Premier, Daniel Andrews, to further ease stage 3 restrictions in rural areas now that the case rate average for

Covid-19 is below five per day.

Premier Andrews announced on Sunday that regional Victoria would move to the Second

Step of his roadmap for recovery. From 11:59pm on 13 September, people living alone and single parents will also be able to have a bubble.

Up to five people will be able to gather together in outdoor public places, up to a maximum of two households.

Outdoor pools and

playgrounds in regional Victoria will also open and religious services can be conducted outside with a maximum of five people, plus a faith leader.

Schools and students will begin a staged return to onsite learning from term four.

The announcement drew widespread criticism from the Prime Minister and regional politicians.

Member for Indi, Helen Haines, said "I'm disappointed that the road map to re-opening regional Victoria shows little change in the short term."

"I'm hearing from businesses and everyday people that they had hoped for a broader easing of restrictions in regional areas where there are no active cases of Covid-19 and haven't been for some time."

The Towong Shire has recorded no cases during the pandemic.

Tania Maxwell, Member for Northern Victoria, said she was bitterly disappointed by the announcement of the roadmap for regional Victoria.

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Coopers Pale Ale 24pk .....	\$47
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# “The people coughing, the people gasping for air - it was terrifying.”

Sam was admitted to the COVID ward, struggling to breathe, to the sound of others around him coughing and gasping for air. One by one, he watched patients get taken into negative pressure rooms, sealed off by multiple doors, with no support network.

As a healthcare worker who's now recovering at home, Sam's hope is that in this fight against coronavirus, we all understand that we are the front line.

We all have a part to play by staying home to help stop the spread of the virus. If you have symptoms - please get tested. Payments of \$450 are available to help you stay home and wait for your test result.

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**To learn more of Sam's story go to  
[vic.gov.au/CORONAVIRUS](https://vic.gov.au/CORONAVIRUS)**

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# Upper Murray Community Recovery

Weekly Recovery Update - 10 September 2020

## Small business financial counselling

Support for small businesses and sole traders experiencing the dual impact of bushfires and COVID-19 can seek assistance from financial counsellors on the Small Business Bushfire Financial Counselling Support Line. The service provides free, independent, non-judgmental and confidential advice about managing business and personal debt, disputing matters in external dispute resolution schemes, or renegotiating repayment arrangements on tax, lease, utility, supply or any other business debt. They can also provide information on grant or loan options to keep business going or to support a restructure. To access the free advice, call 1800 413 828 or go to [www.smallbusinessbushfire.org.au](http://www.smallbusinessbushfire.org.au)

## Parks Victoria bush fire recovery update

Parks Vic is providing an update on bushfire recovery works in Upper Murray parks in an online information session on Wednesday 16 September, 1-2pm. Register through Council's Facebook page or [eventbrite.com.au/e/bushfire-recovery-community-information-session-corryong-tickets-](http://eventbrite.com.au/e/bushfire-recovery-community-information-session-corryong-tickets-)



Jessica Davison from the Australian Red Cross took Council's Recovery Team through Psychological First Aid training last week. Jessica (left) at the Upper Murray Community Recovery Hub with Jai Edwards and Tanya Aramini. See story P5.

# Red Cross further extends grants

The Red Cross is continuing to see people seeking assistance for the first time so they are extending the deadline for grants until September 30 to ensure everyone who is eligible can access funds.

- Initial emergency grant (\$20k) for people whose homes were destroyed;
- Bereavement grants (up to \$50k) to help the next-of-kin of people who died in the fires;
- Repair grants (\$10K) to help home owner occupiers to repair homes and water tanks;
- Injury grants (\$7.5k or \$15k) to help people injured in the fires; and
- Re-establishment grants (\$10k-\$40k) to help people who lost their homes to find a safe place to live.

To apply go to [redcross.org.au/grants](http://redcross.org.au/grants) or call 1800 733 276.

## Join our Outdoor Team over spring and summer

Thanks to the State Government's Working for Victoria Program, Council is looking for 12 new crew members who love the outdoors and supporting their community to fill six-month contract roles. The roles may involve tree planting, gardening, maintenance, mowing, cleaning public facilities, and supporting the

delivery of projects and community initiatives during COVID-19. The roles are based in either Tallangatta or Corryong and involve travel across the Shire.

Six other roles are also available; Program Manager, HR Officer, Engineer/Project Manager and Artists in Residence.

Apply today at [www.vic.gov.au/workingforvictoria](http://www.vic.gov.au/workingforvictoria).

## Upper Murray Community Recovery Hub:

Call 1800 518 222 or email [recovery@towong.vic.gov.au](mailto:recovery@towong.vic.gov.au). While the Recovery Hub is currently closed to drop-in visits, recovery work continues remotely.

## Bushfire Recovery Victoria:

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# Walwa school life goes on

*Despite lockdown restrictions, staff and students at Walwa Primary School are coping as best they can.*

*Principal, Steve Lynch, reports:-*

#### Helen Haines' visit

It was great to have a visit from member for Indi on Wednesday 5th August to see how we were doing after the bushfires and COVID-19 and also how we were affected by the border closures.

Helen also visited the Walwa Bush Nursing Centre (WBNC) and Walwa Store before also attending a meeting of the Walwa Recovery Committee which has been recently formed for the community.

Helen then mentioned the Upper Murray and Walwa Primary School in Parliament and praised the community for their efforts in overcoming the Black Summer Fires and COVID-19 to forge ahead and recover.

#### Towong Bushfire Recovery Grants

Walwa Primary School has been successful in

obtaining a grant from the Towong Shire Bushfire Recovery Grants program. In round 1 of the program we have received \$5000 towards new readers, to help the students keep up with their learning after being stressed by the bushfires. The grant is also going towards building a bird hide in the school grounds so we can watch all of the lovely birds that visit us regularly.

WBNC has also applied on our behalf for a paediatric defibrillator for the school. It will be placed outside so it can be used by the community as well at any time. Sandi Grieve, CEO, is also a member of our school council and successfully applied on our behalf. We are lucky to have such support in the community.

#### Remote/home learning

Walwa students have been back in remote learning at home for five weeks again. This will continue until the end of term and first week back of term 4. After that, the students will return to

school again. The children have been checking in more regularly online this time and have been doing very well, all things considered.

Some students have been attending the school occasionally. This has helped them socially to feel connected after the disjoint year we have had.

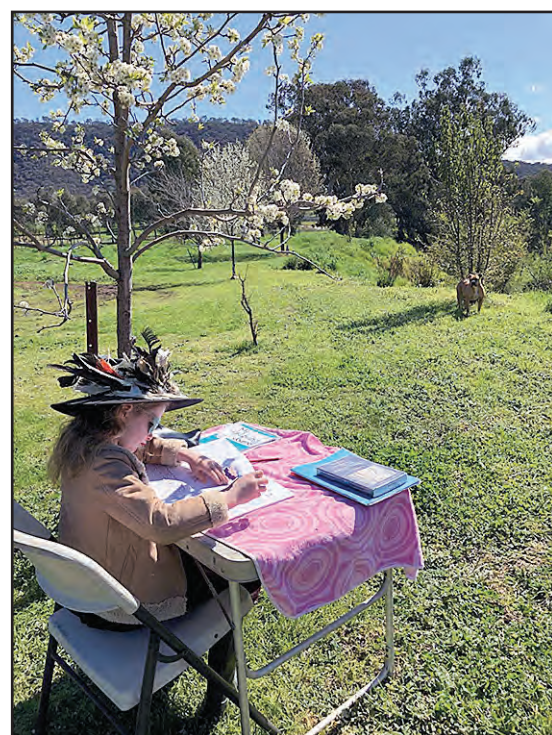
#### Generous donations

Avenel Primary School and Rotary Club of Preston have each donated \$1000 to the school in relation to the bushfires. Avenel principal, Ross Davis, said students will email the school outlining how they raised the funds.

The Cann family, related to Nankervis's in this area, have also donated \$500 in memory of their late mother. We will be working on various environmental and gardening projects with these funds and looking to upgrade our tennis courts.

#### Student Excellence Program

We have received a small grant from the Victorian Department of Education under the



**Walwa student, Mirani Nixon, makes the most of home learning in scenic surrounds.**

Student Excellence Program.

So far two of our girls, who are working 1-2 years ahead in maths and reading, have been receiving some extension tutoring from Vic Citroen, who has been working

with them once per week to build on an extend their skills. Vic has 'stretched' the girls' minds and challenged them to their limits. It is great to see them working hard at their advanced level of achievement.

## Tough fencing tasks made easier

Eight months after the summer bushfires, most property owners in the Upper Murray have made progress with clearing and replacing their fences but many still have small sections of inaccessible areas such as steep, rocky segments, creek gullies and heavy bushland which remain uncleared and a real barrier to finishing their fencing and moving forward.

Freemasons Foundation Victoria has now come to their aid by funding a Difficult Access Fencing project to assist with clearing remote areas.

Project initiator, Bob Johnstone, was accompanied by Phil Coulston, Ernie Cole and Neville Wiggins

from Freemasons Victoria in Corryong last week to present a cheque for \$99,880.00 to Corryong Neighbourhood Centre (CNC) co-ordinator, Sara Jenkins.

"The CNC is donating its time and resources to administer the project while the Freemasons Victoria representatives will be doing the leg work," Sara said.

"They'll be assessing the properties and organising the contractors and equipment and overseeing the clearing work. All the funds will be going directly to the contractors doing the work."

The 40 property owners who put in an expression of interest for

the project in May have been contacted by email or text asking for an update on their difficult access fencing situation.

"We ask them to get those responses back to the CNC as quickly as possible so we can complete the planning and get the clearing started," Sara said.

"There have already been delays and we would like to get things moving as quickly as possible, while it is still relevant to those who need it.

"We also want to hear from anyone who did not put in an expression of interest but would like assistance with difficult access areas which need clearing.

"They should contact

us as soon as possible through Facebook, on 02 6076 2176 or email sara@corryongnc.org.

"We are trying to keep the paperwork to a minimum and streamline the processes so we have excavators and dozers on the ground in the next few weeks.

"A huge thanks goes to Bob and his team and Freemasons Victoria for making this valuable contribution to the Upper Murray recovery process," Sara added.

The funding will be administered by the CNC through the Upper Murray Innovation Fund (UMIF) - FRRR Bushfire Donation Account. UMIF is the Community Foundation branch of the CNC.

## Calls to ease lockdown

*Cont. from page 1.*

"I am fully aware of the health risks that the coronavirus presents," Dr Haines said, "however the very restrictive roadmap presented by the government is devastating for thousands of regional businesses, many of which have been just holding on for the last six weeks.

The Member for Northern Victoria, Tim Quilty, said the roadmap to recovery was more like a highway to hell.

Rural Councils Victoria (RCV) is calling on the government to take into account the reality in rural areas and to immediately begin easing lockdowns in rural communities where no Covid-19 is circulating.

COVID-19



## NSW-VIC border changes take effect.

On Friday 4 September, a single border region was reinstated.

This means that more people living on the NSW-Victoria border can go to work, school, provide care, buy groceries and access necessary services.

However, border residents are still encouraged to access local services, and work from home where possible.

New border region resident permits are available online, but if you have an existing border zone permit, it's still valid until its expiry date.

Remember to always follow your state's COVID-19 guidelines. If you are asked to stay home, you must. If you have any symptoms of COVID-19, stay home and get tested.

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# Pop online to get the big picture

Snowy Hydro has launched a new digital pop-up book showcasing the Snowy 2.0 renewable energy project for a younger generation.

Bringing to life the engineering and purpose of Snowy 2.0 in a lively and interactive way, the pop-up book is designed to engage and inform young people.

"It is an exciting online resource that will help spark community interest in the huge pumped-hydro project by explaining the journey from water to wire," said Snowy Hydro CEO, Paul Broad.

"The Snowy Mountains Scheme is an iconic part of Australia, however, not every child can visit the mountains so our challenge is to bring the experience to them.

"As Australia moves to a renewable energy future, it is important for young people to understand how energy is made. This digital pop-up book brings Snowy 2.0 to life for children. It is fun and interactive, as well as being educational.

"We are also looking to inspire the next generation of Snowy Hydro scientists, engineers, apprentices and trainees. Who knows,



Thes digital pop-up book brings Snowy 2.0 to life for children.

maybe the pop-up book will kick start a young person's passion for energy and science?"

Kids and their parents can access the pop-up book on the Snowy Hydro website and enjoy the animations that explain how the scheme works, where Snowy 2.0 fits into the energy mix and the

scale of this important regional project.

"The Snowy 2.0 digital pop-up book makes it easy to see the 'big picture' and how important Snowy 2.0 will be as we transition to a low-carbon emissions future," Mr Broad said.

The pop-up book takes users through the Snowy 2.0 project in a cascading

series of tiles featuring animated characters and colourful graphics, clickable elements, videos and a project timeline.

The pop-up book is the first stage of Snowy's online education website, the Next Generation Education Hub, which is set to launch later this year. The website will

bring the power of water and renewable energy into classrooms and living rooms across the country.

People can also sign up for the Snowy Hydro e-newsletter and connect via social media.

To experience the Snowy 2.0 digital pop-up book visit [popupbook.snowyhydro.com.au](http://popupbook.snowyhydro.com.au).

# Check for distress signals and act

Across the world, people have become familiar with RUOK? Day, which acknowledges the struggle with mental health and encourages you to check in those you care about.

Now more than ever, it is important to understand the signs that people may not be okay and to know how to respond.

Never has it been more important to ask, "RUOK?"

You don't have to be an expert to keep the conversation going when someone says they're not but by knowing what to say, you can help someone feel supported and access the right help long before they're in crisis.

You can make a positive difference in

someone's life, just by showing you care.

Last week, Jessica Davison from the Red Cross, joined the local Bushfire Recovery Team and took them through psychological first aid training. The training provides tools to help people to know the signs when someone is not okay and what to say when someone acknowledges they are struggling.

Ms Davison said there were common emotional and physical distress reactions that could be experienced in the days, weeks, months and even years after a crisis event.

"People may experience guilt, sadness, relief, anxiety, confusion, uncertainty and hopelessness," she said.

"Even physical symptoms like feeling numb, increased heartbeat, sweating, shaking, trembling or shortness of breath are not unusual.

"Making decisions, comprehending complex information and communicating clearly can be difficult and it's common to feel completely overwhelmed."

Stress is a normal part of everyday life but when it becomes 'distress' and people are not able to cope with everyday life, it can lead to physical and emotional suffering.

"Don't be afraid to ask RUOK?," Ms Davison said.

"Then be prepared to listen. You may be the difference in someone's life."



Jessica Davison has joined the Bushfire Recovery Team to support mental health.

If you or someone you care about is struggling, call Corryong Health on 6076 3200, Beyond Blue on 1300 224 636 or Lifeline on 1300 104 211.

# Bank blackmailed after documents find

A former Corryong real estate agent has pleaded guilty in the County Court to a charge of blackmailing the ANZ bank after he found boxes of customers' financial records in the vacated building.

After finding the cache of documents, the co-owner of the former bank branch in Corryong,

Scott Burgess, decided to demand \$25,000 from ANZ in exchange for not exposing the security breach to the media.

The documents were scheduled to be shredded but the bank inadvertently left them behind when it vacated the building.

Mr Burgess, 42, emailed the former

branch manager on February 19, 2019 saying "If you would like them destroyed, then ANZ would need to pay \$25,000."

The court was told that Mr Burgess had not been happy with how the bank had left the state of the lawn and what he said were unsolicited alterations to

the building.

The blackmail plan backfired when police and the bank arranged a sting, emailing the defendant with an offer to pay the \$25,000 in exchange for the documents.

The swap took place on February 28 but when Mr Burgess left the bank's Wodonga branch, ANZ reversed

the transaction and he was arrested.

Bizarrely, a day later he contacted the bank again to say he had found more confidential documents and they would have to pay a "holding cost" to get them back. The bank refused.

Judge Gerard Mullaly will sentence Mr Burgess later this month.

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# Health technology increases safety

Corryong Health is improving its telehealth services to ensure that people do not need to unnecessarily come to the hospital.

"This does not replace the need to provide face-to-face medical, mental health and allied health services to the community," Corryong Health CEO, Dominic Sandilands, said.

"However, we also must reduce people coming to the hospital where ever possible to keep people safe from COVID-19 - particularly our staff and our

residents.

"The improvements we are making are to introduce a secure booking system; allocating GP and allied health time to telehealth visits; upgrading our video conferencing facilities; and enabling bulk-billing for telehealth services..

"This approach will make service access easier, safer and more convenient, while ensuring that people have the choice of attending in person or via telehealth," Mr Sandilands said.

Corryong Health

is now providing 25 per cent of its total outpatient services as telehealth visits.

"This reflects a genuine commitment by our community to remaining safe," Mr Sandilands added.

"Towong Shire is one of three local government areas to not have had a positive COVID-19 case and these efforts will help ensure that we remain that way.

**Photo: Dr Hannah Mason conducting a telehealth visit.**



## Card holders can get cut on water bill

North East Water is putting measures in place to assist customers who may be experiencing hardship.

"We aware that many customers are experiencing significant financial hardship as a result of the coronavirus pandemic," said Manager Customer Services, Deb Mackinlay.

"Since the start of the outbreak, the corporation has seen a steady rise in the number of people applying for assistance in paying their account.

"For those experiencing financial difficulty, we want their water bill to be the least of their concerns.

"Many people who are new to unemployment might not know that concession card holders are entitled to reduced utility bills.

"A concession reduces a water bill considerably, however it needs to be registered on the account before it can be deducted.

"It's an easy process - it can be done on our website or by calling our contact centre."

Ms Mackinlay added "We also have a number of other ways we can help through our hardship

programs.

"For instance, the Utility Relief Grant scheme is funded by the Victorian government and allows customers to access up to \$650 to go towards their bills.

"The scheme is available to concession card holders but customers can also apply if they're part of a low-income household.

"Additionally, we may be able to offer flexible payment plans or put people in touch with free, locally based financial counsellors.

"During this period we have also stopped all supply restrictions measures for customers who cannot pay their bills," Ms Mackinlay added.

"The most important message for customers is to let us know if they are having difficulty paying their account so we can work out the best way to help."

North East Water's support team is available via web chat at [www.newater.com.au/help](http://www.newater.com.au/help), where customers can also request a callback or people can contact the team on 1300 361 633.

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# Portrait proceeds support fire recovery

By Honor Auchinleck

In the aftermath of the January fires prominent Melbourne graphic artist George Petrou's donation of his portrait of Banjo Paterson to the Man from Snowy River Bush Festival (MFSRBF) is the very stuff of generosity that warms hearts in a year from hell.

George has used his talents to paint a series of portraits commemorating Australia's Victoria Cross recipients. Further demonstrating his deep

historical interests, he painted twelve prominent Australian citizens who were all linked by the WWI Australian official war photographer, Sir Hubert Wilkins MC & Bar.

Brilliantly supported by his wife Zola and photographer daughter Grace, George has taken his exhibition out into regional Australia displaying it in regional centres such as Albury, Dubbo, Townsville and Cairns.

His sensitive portrayal of Banjo Paterson was a part of the exhibition of the Twelve Prominent Australians including giant figures such as well-known WWII humanitarian surgeon and prisoner of war, Sir Edward 'Weary' Dunlop AC CMG OBE; early aviator Sir Charles Kingsford Smith MC AFC who bought the fated Fokker Southern Cross from Sir Hubert Wilkins; and cattleman Sir Sidney Kidman. George gave his extraordinary likeness of the 'Weary' Dunlop to be auctioned to raise funds for the Totally and Permanently Incapacitated (TPI) Ex-Servicemen & Women's Association of Victoria Inc.

George brings his own remarkable story to his art. George and his wife Zola's origins lie in Greek-Cypriot heritage. Perhaps it is their deep rooted experience of Cyprus with fires and some of the terrifying political problems that have plagued the island, have given George and his family a heightened ability to see suffering and need in their adopted county.

In this year's Queen's Birthday Honours, George was awarded an OAM for his services to art and to



Portrait painter, George Petrou, with history buff Honor Auchinleck and husband Mark. Photo: Grace Petrou.

returned servicemen.

The proceeds from Michael C Madden's fine accompanying volume *The Victoria Cross: Australia Remembers* are being donated to the TPI Association of Victoria Inc. As the TPI state president wrote in the foreword of Michael's book 'the need for TPI Victoria is as important now as it was when it was founded over 90 years ago' in 1926.

In 1932 renowned landscape painter and WWI official war artist, Sir Arthur Streeton, visited the Upper Murray where he painted the view the Murray Valley and the snow-covered Australian Alps from Farran's Lookout. About three years ago the painting was auctioned in London for a huge sum.

Archibald Prize winner and official WWII artist,

Ernest Buckmaster, is also reputed to have drawn inspiration from the Upper Murray and some of his works are said to hang in local houses.

Where George Petrou is different is his ability to use his art to respond to human need and never has such a good news story been as important as in 2020. Big Sky Publishing, the publisher of *The Victoria Cross: Australia Remembers* has commissioned George to produce a book about the twelve prominent Australians featured in his exhibition.

The proceeds from sales of the book at the Man from Snowy River Bush Festival will go to bushfire victims.



## Things are looking up at 'The Bottom'

While the strict lockdown restrictions have stifled many businesses, two locals have taken the plunge to re-open the Corryong Hotel Motel, at least for takeaway meals and beverages.

Khanocoban couple, Peter 'Pockets' Kasuba and Wendy Kirley, are excited about officially opening the doors of the 'Bottom Pub' for business today and cannot wait to have locals call in for a drink, chat and a meal.

"Unfortunately, due to Covid-19 restrictions this will take a little longer and we ask that people keep waiting patiently for this to happen," Wendy said.

"In the meantime, we will be open for takeaway dinners and beverages only."

The hotel will be open seven days a week

from 4pm to 5pm. Check the website [corryonghotelmotel.com.au](http://corryonghotelmotel.com.au) or the notice on the front door for the limited, changing menu and hours of operation during restrictions. Phone order in ahead of time on 02 6076 1004.

"We both cannot wait for the time to return to normal so that we can open and welcome everybody into the pub and we look forward to making new friends," Wendy added.

"We would also like to welcome our chef Nick on board."



## Corryong Neighbourhood Centre

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## DEATHS

## WATERS

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Late of Corryong.  
Passed away peacefully on 2nd September, 2020 at Corryong. Aged 75 years.  
Beloved wife of Ray Waters OAM.

Dearly loved mother of Kerri and Stuart, mother-in-law of Brett and Julie.

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Loving daughter of Eileen and Leslie Bryant (both dec.).

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## Breeder offers best value bulls

The Gadd family will reach a significant milestone in the beef industry when they conduct their 50th consecutive annual on-property sale next Friday, 18th September.

Mike Gadd, principal of The Glen Pastoral at Walwa, has participated in the running of all 50 sales.

In the early days as it was the junior member of the family partnership, Mervyn Gadd & Sons and since 1985, as the manager and owner along with his wife Joy.

Mike and Joy took over The Glen in 1985, along with about half of the registered herd of Murray Grey cattle from the family partnership. Mike has managed the breeding and marketing program since 1975 and in the early 2000s, re-invented the business from a Murray Grey breeding program to predominantly Angus breeding stock supplying registered, performance recorded bulls to commercial Angus herds.

Mike said "In my experience, the most successful breeding



Lot 7, The Glen Keystone Q32 is one of a draft of bulls to be offered in The Glen's 50th annual sale next week.

programs are usually based on an astute cattleman's practical knowledge, skill and experience, blended with sensible use of modern breeding technologies."

Over the past 50 years, The Glen has consigned registered cattle to all Australian States and has exported cattle and genetics to contribute to breeding programs in UK, USA, Canada, NZ, South Africa, Argentina, Japan, Russia, China and Kazakhstan.

These days, The Glen's

focus is on providing herd improving bulls to commercial Angus breeders at commercially realistic and affordable prices.

The 60 bulls to be offered next Friday are fully performance recorded for all fertility, growth and carcass traits and have EBVs enhanced by genomics analysis. The bulls are vet checked for breeding soundness and structure are semen tested, fully guaranteed and ready for work.

The sale will

be interfaced with AuctionsPlus, but prospective purchasers are also welcome to attend the sale at "Glenview" 3091 Shelley Road, Walwa.

"Covid-19 protocols will be strictly adhered to ensuring visitors safety and wellbeing," Mike said.

The bulls will be on display from 10am the morning of the sale and any day prior to the sale by appointment with Mike on 0427 371 347.

Bulls are delivered free of charge throughout the Upper Murray district.

## Bull prices continue to soar

Beef producers chasing easy calving high growth bulls paid to a top of \$31,000, setting a new record for the stud at the Reiland Angus spring bull sale on Friday.

Held on-property at Tumut by the Lucas family, the sale drew 55 registered buyers from the Upper Murray, Riverina, NSW southern slopes, northern NSW, NSW southern highlands and Victoria.

The sale was interfaced with AuctionsPlus, with



Sam Lucas with Graham Houston who bought 10 bulls at the Reiland Angus spring sale.

all bulls presented in a video format and buyers seated according to social

distancing regulations.

A total of 67 bulls were offered and sold to a top of \$31,000, a gross of \$696,500 and a new record average of \$10,395 - a rise of \$4192 on last year's spring sale.

The \$31,000 price tag eclipsed the previous record of \$28,000 set in autumn 2020.

A total of nine bulls were sold via AuctionsPlus.

Reiland Angus co-principal, Mark Lucas, said the reviews on the bulls by clients in terms of data and presentation had been heartwarming.

"Buyers wanted bulls with shape but more importantly low birthweight with good growth," he said.

"A semen company has expressed significant interest in the top price bull and he will be used in a major AI program this year along with a joining over Reiland registered and commercial heifers."

Repeat clients Tom and Chris Hughes, Bannister Station of Crookwell, outlaid the top price for Reiland Q-Stratisphere Q16, a 17-month-old son of Stoney Point Reality M911.

Weighing 644kg,

Stratisphere was genomically tested and regarded by Mr Lucas as one of the best bulls offered for sale in 2020 with a birthweight at +2.7kg and 600 day growth at +127kg.

Reiland retained 50 per cent semen and marketing rights in the young sire.

Second top price was \$17,000 paid by repeat clients Graham and Judy Houston of Burrowye for Reiland Quiz Q15, a son of Esslemont Lotto L3.

The 17-month-old bull weighed 650kg and was a curve bender with a birthweight of +4.7kg and 600 day growth of +127, intramuscular fat of +3.0 and eye muscle area of +6.9sqcm.

Reiland retained a 50 per cent semen share and marketing rights in Quiz.

Mr and Mrs Houston bought six bulls for Houston Pastoral Company to a top of \$16,000 and four for Towong Pty Ltd to a top of \$17,000.

Mr Lucas said Reiland Angus would celebrate 50 years of Angus breeding in 2021 followed by an on-property sale of elite registered females in 2022.

## TENDERS



## Panel of Preferred Suppliers Supply of Services

Snowy Valley Council invites tenders for the Panel of Preferred Suppliers - Supply of Services on a standing offer agreement for:

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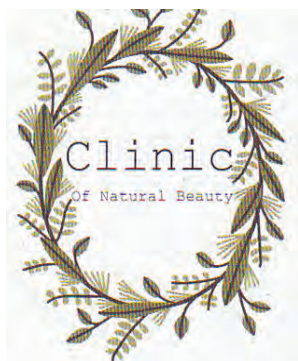
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**Paull & Scollard****Upper Murray Sport****Bulldogs hold the trump card**

The future of football and netball in the Upper Murray will be decided at a league meeting on September 28th.

The options are to continue as a stand-alone competition, with a minimum of four clubs competing or adoption of an alternative concept for football and netball involving a merged Upper Murray club competing in the Tallangatta & District Football League (TDFL).

Following the 2019 season, clubs were asked about their intentions for 2020 with Cudgewa, Tumbarumba and Corryong indicating their commitment to a local competition.

Border-Walwa went into recess over the summer and the Federal club was undecided.

Bullioh had applied to join the TDFL in 2020 but its submission was

rejected, meaning it could not re-apply for two years. It is understood that the Dogs had also been involved in discussions with at least one TDFL club about a merger.

At this stage, Bullioh has not signalled its intentions for next season and ultimately, the Dogs could hold the key to a local league continuing.

Corryong club president, Owen Johnstone, told the *Courier* on Monday that the Demons want to see the Upper Murray league continue - albeit senior football only - and a full presentation to this effect was made to club members at a meeting last night.

"We are just waiting to see what Bullioh and Federals are doing and hopefully we can get at least four clubs competing next year," he said.

"It is looking more likely though that Bullioh will hold the trump card."

Conversely, Federal president, Craig Sheather, said the Swans priority was having suitable pathways

for junior development and this could only be achieved by entering an Upper Murray club in the TDFL.

"We made the decision late last year that we could not commit to an Upper Murray competition," he said.

"I just can't contemplate a club without any kids around."

"We are in favour of a merger because we need to fix the junior competition."

"The working party proposal for an alternative concept was moved by the league president and seconded by Cudgewa and carried unanimously."

There has been talk of arch rivals Corryong and Federals merging and continuing in the Upper Murray league but there have been no discussions between the clubs in this regard, which is understandable given the different directions they are taking.

League president, Gordon Nicholas, has written to the clubs outlining the next phases



The Swans and Demons are steering different courses for the future.

for consideration of the 'One Vision' merger proposal.

They will receive the final Working Party Report and feedback from an online survey this week.

Clubs will be required to submit any notices of motion for the September 28 meeting by next Friday,

September 18.

"In your and your club's considerations, please respect all individuals and opinions as while they will vary, everyone has the best interest of football and netball in the Upper Murray as their highest priority," Mr Nicholas said.

**Bowls club plans for a modified season**

At this time of the year we would normally be looking forward to the opening of a new bowling season. Of course, due to the Covid-19 crisis that can't happen yet.

We're keeping an eye on the restrictions and hope that soon there will be a sufficient change to them

for us to start playing. It seems pretty unlikely that the pennant competition will get underway for a while.

At present there is a bit of work happening on the green - working bees, spraying etc. Later in the month the green will be available for roll-ups. We

can play in small groups, of our own organising, so that's something we should do.

As restrictions are lifted we also hope to get Business Bowls underway.

The club would like to thank all the business houses that have stuck with us with sponsorship

for this season - it is very much appreciated. Also, thanks to those members who have renewed their membership and if you haven't yet, this is a reminder that there will be bowls soon!

Looking forward to seeing you on the green!

~ The Hammer

**Feedback sought on new sport**

Community interest in the formation of a croquet club in Corryong is now being gauged.

"I am interested in setting up a croquet green as another source of recreation in our town," said organiser, Sylvia

Montgomery.

"Croquet is a unique pursuit which caters for both the sports minded and recreational players. It can be played throughout the year and is suitable for all ages from school children to individuals in their 90s.

"It provides an option for people who aren't catered for in other sports and could give our community a new initiative for exercise and social interaction."

Association Croquet (AC) is the traditional

form of the popular garden game. It is best described as a 'race' in which the players attempt to be the first to complete the course of hoops and the peg with both the balls of their team. Contact Sylvia on 0428 762 356.

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