



CORANGAMITE
SHIRE

CORANGAMITE SHIRE

news.

SUMMER 2017-2018 EDITION

- + Business profile - Timboon Fine Ice Cream
- + Six of the Best in Corangamite
- + Port Campbell Town Centre Project
- + Camperdown Cup - 150 years of racing
- + Skipton Kindergarten celebrates 50 years

MAYOR'S MESSAGE



Mayor Jo Beard with Deputy Mayor Neil Trotter

WELCOME TO THE SUMMER EDITION OF CORANGAMITE NEWS

I would like to thank my fellow Councillors for their support in electing me Mayor at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on Tuesday 28 November 2017.

I look forward to working with them as a team so we can achieve positive results for the people of Corangamite.

It's an honour to once again take on the role of Mayor, on behalf of the people of Corangamite.

Congratulations to Councillor Neil Trotter on being elected Corangamite's first Deputy Mayor.

Cr Trotter has been on Council for five years and his experience will be a great benefit in a role that will increase Council's ability to connect with the community so we can fully understand residents' needs and work towards achieving their priorities.

It's important as well, that we remain stable as a Council and protect our culture which is committed to sound decision making, thorough processes and respect.

We have a very strong vision for the future of the Shire and have put a lot of plans in place

to ensure a secure future for all of our towns and communities.

Council will continue to advocate strongly for our disgraceful arterial roads to be brought up to a standard that ensures the safety of our residents and visitors, as well as keeping our dairy tankers, freight vehicles and other transport operators economically viable.

We are also committed to growing tourism business through building the Glenample Visitor Experience Centre at the Twelve Apostles, the Port Campbell Town Centre Project, extending the Twelve Apostles Trail from Timboon to Port Campbell, and infrastructure upgrades that will attract investors.

It's business as usual, and that business is building a stronger Corangamite Shire.

Mayor Jo Beard



Cr Jo Beard (Mayor)
South Central Ward

jo.beard@corangamite.vic.gov.au
M. 0417 369 457



Cr Neil Trotter (Deputy Mayor)
South West Ward

neil.trotter@corangamite.vic.gov.au
M. 0407 101 872



Cr Ruth Gstrein
Central Ward

ruth.gstrein@corangamite.vic.gov.au
M. 0407 320 283



Cr Bev McArthur
Central Ward

bev.mcarthur@corangamite.vic.gov.au
M. 0427 268 422



Cr Helen Durant
Central Ward

helen.durant@corangamite.vic.gov.au
M. 0427 115 783



Cr Lesley Brown
North Ward

lesley.brown@corangamite.vic.gov.au
M. 0428 594 684



Cr Simon Illingworth
Coastal Ward

simon.illingworth@corangamite.vic.gov.au
M. 0427 167 661

Merry
Christmas
and Happy
New Year

**FROM ALL OF US HERE AT
CORANGAMITE SHIRE**

OUR OFFICES WILL BE
CLOSED FROM 1 PM, FRIDAY
22 DECEMBER. RE-OPENING
TUESDAY 2 JANUARY 2018.

PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE
FOR MORE DETAILS.



Director Works & Services Brooke Love with Federal Minister for Infrastructure & Transport Darren Chester



ROAD FUNDING CAMPAIGN GAINS TRACTION

Facebook videos calling for urgent repairs to State-managed roads in the Corangamite Shire were viewed more than 50,000 times during October and November.

The social media campaign is only one element of Council's broad strategy to advocate for safer roads.

Other methods include one-on-one meetings with state and federal ministers, brochures for key decision makers, in-depth case studies and meticulously prepared funding applications.

Additionally, Corangamite Shire co-operates with Glenelg, Moyne and Southern Grampians Shires and the City of Warrnambool as the Great South Coast Regional Partnership to lobby for funding and projects to build a secure future for our region.

Director Works and Services Brooke Love attended the National Local Roads and Transport Congress in Albany, Western Australia, where she gave Federal Minister for Infrastructure and Transport Darren Chester a detailed report on our region's needs.

Priorities include \$8.4 million for Lavers Hill Cobden Road, \$2 million for the Lismore Skipton Road and \$1.75 million for Terang Mortlake Road.

Another \$29 million is needed for the Great Ocean Road North-South Loop.

More than 2.6 million people visit the Twelve Apostles each year and 68% of them

return via the inland roads that service our communities and keep our farm produce flowing.

Improvements are desperately needed on the Cobden Port Campbell Road, Princetown Road and Timboon Colac Road to improve the safety of locals who use this route every day.

Other key roads need to be widened and strengthened to handle heavier weight loads of road trains that lower costs and reduce heavy traffic.

They include Timboon Curdievale Road [\$850,000] and Foxhow Berrybank Road [\$1.65 million].

Corangamite Shire has also committed to the Shipwreck Coast Master Plan and is advocating for several projects to benefit the Shire by attracting tourism business.

These include seeking \$50-\$60 million to build the Glenample Visitor Experience Centre at the Twelve Apostles, \$10 million for the building of the Port Campbell Urban Design Project, and \$4 million to help with infrastructure upgrades - such as road improvements, electricity, water supply and waste treatment facilities and NBN connection - that will attract major private investments.

Council is also advocating for \$8 million to extend the Twelve Apostles Trail from Timboon to Port Campbell which would attract a lucrative cycling market.



TO WATCH THE VIDEOS GO TO CORANGAMITE SHIRE'S FACEBOOK PAGE

Then there is \$1 million needed for the Camperdown Theatre Royal upgrade plus funding to protect other much-loved heritage sites across the Shire.

Council is also supporting South West Health Care in its quest for \$32 million to redevelop its Camperdown Hospital to ensure the best care for Corangamite residents.

It's not just bricks and mortar: Council is strongly advocating for strategic leadership, including an energy policy that protects and compensates landowners; NBN connection; and establishment of a dedicated Great Ocean Road Authority to cut bureaucracy and red tape so we can get on with building a stronger future, together.

WHAT CAN I DO?

We're all in this together. Write, or get on the phone to your local member and let them know these aren't council problems, they're voters' problems. Our safety and livelihoods are all at stake and, together, we can bring about positive change.

SUMMER FUN



SIX OF THE BEST

WHY GO AWAY FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS WHEN THERE IS SO MUCH TO DO AT HOME?

1. GO PLATYPUS SPOTTING

A wildlife survey has confirmed that platypuses are breeding in Mount Emu Creek right in the heart of Skipton. Seeing one of the shy little mammals in the wild can be a real thrill. Stewart Park is a great place to look for these unique creatures. Pack a picnic lunch or take the cricket bat and ball so you can make a day of it.

2. CLIMB A MOUNTAIN

Take in the awesome view and catch a cool breeze from the top of Mount Elephant outside Derrinallum. Nature lovers can look out for the 32 species of birds that have been spotted on the mountain. The gates are open from 1 pm to 4 pm each Sunday. There are plenty of other peaks where outdoorsy types can enjoy a walk or keen photographers can get a shot across the Volcanic Lakes and Plains region. You can have lunch at the Mount Noorat Hotel after climbing that peak or one of Camperdown's many pubs or cafes after Mount Leura.

3. FIND A BARGAIN

Find that hidden treasure or indulge a sentimental memory at one of the many second hand shops across the Shire. There's the Op Shop in Derrinallum, the Skipton Community Shop, Tops Opportunity Shop in Timboon, and the Uniting Church and

St Mary's Anglican Church op shops and in Cobden. Skipton Bric a Brac is also worth a look. In Terang you will find the Terang Community Op Shop and the Good Old Days Quilt Shop which also stocks collectibles and fabrics.

Camperdown offerings range from leadlight windows and cast iron fireplaces at Lawrie Voutier Building Demolition and Recyclers, steel garden sculptures to Bakelite radios at Element Bazaar, furniture, motoring memorabilia and more at Oakbrook Collectables, furniture, glassware and other bric a brac at the Mammoth Mart.

Those on a budget can browse through Lifeline and the Sunnyside shop while those with more to spend can find top end antiques at the Leura Hotel. Just down the highway, the massive array of furniture and collectibles at the Pombo Mart in Pomorneit can take a day to explore.

4. FEEL THE NEED FOR SPEED

Petrol heads will be in their element at Simpson Speedway on 27 December when drivers from around the country contest the Sprintcar Eureka Series Formula 500 [Speedweek].

On 13 January Super Rods and Sedans will tear up the same track in the 360 Sprintcar All Start Challenge \$10,000.

On 3 February the Super Rods will vie for the Podger Memorial and a round of Junior Sedans will be held along with Standard Saloons and Vintage competitions.

The Wingless Sprints Victorian Title will hit Simpson on 17 February with VSA Sprintcars and Marsh Mods.

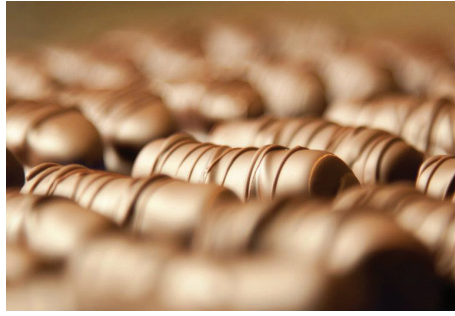
The pistons will be pumping at Mid-Western Speedway at Darlington. A Formula 500 Speedweek event will be held on Saturday 30 December and in the new year the Victorian Junior Sedan Title will be contested on the weekend of 6-7 January.

The following Saturday there will be a Junior Sedan Speedweek event at Darlington.

5. GET OUT ON THE WATER

Make sure you take your life jacket and sunscreen when you go paddling, sailing or fishing on the Shire's magnificent lakes. There are boat ramps, toilets and a picnic area at the South Beach Reserve on Bullen Merri Lake, Camperdown where you can try your luck for rainbow or brown trout, Chinook salmon, and golden and silver perch or Australian bass.

Small boats can be launched at the northern end of shallow Colongulac Lake, Camperdown, which contains short-finned eels and common galaxias.



Clockwise from left: Mount Noorat, Lake Purrumbete, Lake Tooliorook, GORGE Chocolates, Newtons Ridge, Apostle Whey Cheese, Berry World Timboon, Lake Bullen Merri, Stewart Park Skipton

visit12apostles.com.au

Lake Purrumbete at Koallah offers up brown, rainbow and brook trout, Chinook salmon, redfin and eels.

Lake Tooliorook at Lismore attracts a lot of anglers hunting redfin, brown and rainbow trout, and short-finned eels. Nearby Lake Gnarpurt has eels and sometimes rainbow trout in the northwest corner if Lake Tooliorook overflows.

Bank fishing is permitted at the Lismore Golf Course dam, where you might hook a redfin or eel or, if you're lucky, a rainbow trout.

Get your fishing licence at Terang Bait and Tackle or the Terang Co-op, Benallack's Sports Power or the BP in Camperdown, the Cobden roadhouse or Lake Purrumbete Caravan Park, or from <https://vfa.vic.gov.au>.

6. GOURMET TRAIL

Corangamite Shire boasts some of the country's most fertile agricultural land so it's no surprise there's a wealth of boutique food and drink to be enjoyed.

The 12 Apostles Gourmet Trail is a great place to start exploring. The Place of Wonder is a shared permaculture-style garden at Newfield. It offers seasonal vegetarian banquets for groups of four to 12, holds workshops and open days, and meal boxes for local subscribers.

iamvolcaniclakesandplains.com.au

Those with a sweet tooth should visit GORGE Chocolates at Cooriemungle where they can choose from 40 varieties made with quality Belgian Chocolate.

Inland at Jancourt East, Lynda Page has been making fudge for more than 20 years using her own homemade, labour intensive recipe. Three years ago she went professional and now sells a dozen varieties under the Dairylicious Farm Fudge name.

Also at Cooriemungle, Newtons Ridge Estate Vineyard and Winery produces an outstanding selection of red and white wines. The cellar door is open seven days a week from Boxing Day until the end of January.

What goes well with wine?

Just around the corner, Apostle Whey Cheese has a shelf full of awards for its blues and havartis and has recently added fresh milk and gelato to its menu.

Another artisan making the most of the Shire's rich dairy country, Timboon Cheesery is home to farmhouse cheese made by forth generation dairy processors and cheesemakers. It sells award-winning dairy and cheeses from Schulz Organic Dairy and Timboon Dairy.

Also in Timboon you can try 24 flavours of ice-cream and sorbet at Timboon Fine Ice Cream.

You could even do learn to make ice-cream at the Sundae School classes.

Just next door, the Timboon Railway Shed Distillery makes a single malt that renowned whisky expert Jim Murray deemed one of the best in Australia.

Just up the hill, Berry World Timboon makes strawberry jam, sweet strawberry chili sauce, strawberry dessert sauce and a unique strawberry relish. You can pick your own and the cafe serves chocolate dipped strawberries, Wholesome Pantry paleo treats, very berry ice cream sundaes and decadent thick-shakes.

Aldo's Olives at Cobden produces table olives are available as plain, garlic or chili marinated. It also sells olive oil in 500ml and 250ml bottles.

For safety's sake, Sow and Piglets at the Port Campbell Hostel should be the last stop on the road trip. The brewery makes German and English-style ales and lagers. The regular brews are Promiscuous Ale, Bully Forbes dark lager, Two Mile IPA and Gurley Gold wheat beer with other flavours offered seasonally.



LEANNE BRIAN A QUARTER CENTURY CARING FOR CHILDREN

Leanne Brian must have been a member of hundreds of families over the past 25 years through Council's Family Day Care service.

"The best thing is getting to know the families, getting to know the children," she said of her job as an Early Childhood Educator.

"There have been many families with four or five children and I've cared for every one from baby through to school."

Leanne clocks up her silver anniversary in the profession in December and said while plenty of her former charges have grown up and are making their own way in the world, they still greet her fondly in the street.

"When I go to the supermarket, often the children are serving me.

"Sometimes, I don't recognise the child, but they pull me up and say hello."

Leanne started with Corangamite Shire Family Day Care at home, taking in a three-year-old when the youngest of her four children was four.

Fifteen years ago Corangamite Shire stepped up to fill a need for childcare at South West Health Care in Camperdown and Leanne moved to the Council-run facility at the hospital.

She has been based there ever since.

"There was no other care. The hospital was struggling for staff because of the lack of childcare."

Having child care on site allows flexibility of

hours for hospital staff. "I start with the early shift at 6:45 am and I'm here until 5:30 pm, seven days a fortnight," Leanne said.

"It's a real community here for the hospital.

"The children all go in and decorate the Christmas tree in the hospital."

There are also excursions to Apex Park and the library and, when the children are three and four years old, visits to Merindah Lodge Aged Care Facility.

"They're mainly babies, at the moment, but there's been a lot of really good interaction with the elderly," Leanne said.

Increased professionalism is one of the big changes Leanne has seen in the Family Day Care sector during her career.

"When I first started there were no qualifications. You just had to be good with kids," she said.

"I gained a lot of knowledge through qualifying for a Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care in 2012."

Some things might have changed but the main priorities remain the same: caring for the child and talking to the child.

"Number one is that they're happy when they first come through the door and they're happy when they go home."

Corangamite Shire Family Day Care congratulates Leanne on her twenty five years with our service.

FIRE DANGER PERIOD

NOW IN FORCE

WHAT ARE THE DOS AND DON'TS?

The Fire Danger Period (FDP) is set each year by the CFA and can differ for each municipality depending on conditions.

The FDP for Corangamite Shire started Monday 4 December 2017.

During the FDP, fire restrictions will be in force to help prevent fires from starting. You will need a permit or to comply with certain requirements before you light a fire in the open.

If you don't obtain a permit, you could be breaking the law and may be prosecuted. You must also notify ESTA (the Emergency Services Telecommunications Authority, which receives triple-zero calls) so brigades are not called out unnecessarily.

CAN I LIGHT A CAMP FIRE?

Camp fires are allowed, as long as they meet these requirements:

- are in a properly built fireplace or trench at least 30 cm deep
- the size of the fire cannot be more than one square metre
- a three metre perimeter must be clear of flammable material
- a person must be watching the fire at all times, and have the means to extinguish it
- the wind is not more than 10 km/h [observed if leaves and small twigs are in constant motion]

If you are on public land, check with the land manager to make sure you comply with their specific requirements.

Remember, all camp fires are banned during a Total Fire Ban Day.

For more details and a *Can I or Can't I* fact sheet from the CFA visit:

www.cfa.vic.gov.au/warningsrestrictions/can/

STAFF PROFILE

Building Works Officer

NEV COLLINS

1. How long have you been at the Shire?

Thirty-three years, since I was 27. I turned 60 last week. It's a long time in one place. I was the only bloke here originally – the Shire of Hampden it was when I joined. It was mainly street furniture and signs – finger boards. We would set them out to standard and router the wood to have a rebate which the black lettering was painted against the white.

2. What is your background?

I did my Carpentry and Joinery apprenticeship in five years with JER (John E Robinson), then I worked for myself. That ran into the '84 drought. The cockies all closed their books. I lived in Lismore at the time. I got the job here at the Shire. I don't think it was advertised at the time. It was word of mouth.

3. What does your role at the Shire involve?

I mainly organise our crew to respond to building jobs that are planned and the day-to-day things that come up.

Gradually our crew has grown. With the amalgamation it grew. We've been up to seven at some stages. There are four of us now. I prefer the hands-on stuff.

4. What do you enjoy most about your job?

I enjoy the guys. The challenge of doing little jobs – if you know you can do a small job and know you've done your best – that gives me satisfaction. As long as you walk away and it's repaired or you built it, that's good. I can drive around the Shire and see so many things I've worked on.

5. Are there any challenges facing Corangamite Shire maintenance?

Trying to get the dollars to do projects. Park furniture, for instance. We don't get there that much. And having enough time. We're always busy but you never seem to catch up. That's the nature of building. But with tools and equipment, we're streets ahead. We've always had staff at the top who recognise that without the right equipment you can't do a good job.



HELP US FIGHT WEEDS

Do your bit to control weeds on your side of the fence and help your rates dollars go further.

Council's Roadside Weed Control Program budget for 2017-18 has been increased to \$140,000, allowing Council to control more roadside weeds than ever before.

Many weeds in the Shire—such as Blackberry, Ragwort and St John's Wort flower, reproduce and grow more profusely during the warmer months and Council will be working to control them on roadsides in the south of the Shire during their active growth period.

These roadsides may be adjacent your property and controlling weeds on your land will help stop them spreading back, undoing Council's control work.

Invasive weed species have a negative impact on the environment and agricultural productivity in the region, outcompeting pasture and displacing native vegetation on our roadsides and reserves.

For more information and advice, please contact Agriculture Victoria on 136 186.



Ragwort



St John's Wort



Blackberry

WORKS SCHEDULE

DECEMBER 2017 - MARCH 2018

- Road rehabilitation on Castle Carey Road, Glenormiston (pictured below)
- Road rehabilitation on Mount Bute Road, Bradvale
- Road rehabilitation on Valley View Road, Princetown
- Road rehabilitation on Jancourt Road, Tesbury
- Kerb and channel replacement in William Street, Lismore
- Footpath construction on Lavers Hill-Cobden Road, Simpson, from the recreation reserve to the general store
- Footpath construction on Ewing Street, Terang, from Strong Street to Terang Fitness Centre



PORT CAMPBELL TOWN CENTRE PROJECT



HAVE YOUR SAY

A community information session is scheduled for 7 pm, Tuesday 9 January 2018, at Port Campbell Arts Space.

At this session residents will be able to review and provide feedback on the draft concept design. The design will also be available to view on our website.

We encourage everyone to come down, have a look, let us know what you think and have a chat to one of the team.

WE ARE HERE



Port Campbell is the heart of the Shipwreck coast and planning is under way to make it world class for locals and visitors to enjoy.

The Town Centre Project will build on the Shipwreck Coast Master Plan and the Port Campbell Community Plan to improve the function and amenity of the town centre.

A draft concept plan is being developed, based on community input gathered during workshops at the Surf Life Saving Club in October, and will be available at the community information session in January.

Key priorities include updating the Port Campbell streetscape, creating a “town green” on the foreshore, and improving walking paths to the National Park.

The existing streetscape in Lord Street was constructed in 2003–2004 and, while Council has recently undertaken temporary repairs to road and footpaths, the old surfaces need complete renewal rather than an increasing number of age-related repairs.

World-class design is a priority and while construction depends on Council obtaining external funding, it could commence in late 2018. For more information on the project and to keep informed, please visit Council’s website or contact Ian Gibb, Director Sustainable Development, on 5593 7162.

COMMUNITY MEMBERS’ INPUT & IDEAS HIGHLIGHTED A NUMBER OF DESIGN PRINCIPLES TO BE CONSIDERED.

WIDER TOWN

- Connected walking loops and lookouts between town centre and headlands
- Replace the old Great Ocean Road alignment from Cairns Street with a pedestrian trail and habitat planting
- Connection to proposed Port Campbell Creek Bridge through caravan park
- Landscape Morris Street and Great Ocean Road town entry points

FORESHORE

- Retain sea wall and upgrade older section
- Extend pedestrian space and seating under Norfolk Island pines
- Water treatment and storm water capture below public open space

LORD STREET

- Pedestrian priority with seating areas around clustered trees and clear crossing points. Parallel parking and no angle parking
- Create continuous “main street” appearance beyond Cairns Street
- Duplicate pine trees on the south of Lord Street

JETTY AREA

- Retention of ‘grassy knoll’ area next to Rocket Shed and upgrade to tie in with Lord Street
- Use Rocket Shed as interpretation node and link to headland trail

- Investigate cutting steps from jetty access road to headland trails
- Retain fisherman’s car park and use as turnaround loop from Lord Street

TREGEA STREET

- Green pathway for pedestrian priority
- Space for angle parking
- Street tree planting
- Screening of the caravan park interface
- Clear pedestrian connection to the estuary and proposed bridge crossing

HEADLAND

- Destination point within town loop walk
- Formalise lookouts

PUBLIC PURPOSE RESERVE & SHUTTLE AREA

- Replace tennis courts with town green
- New playground next to caravan park entry
- Shuttle drop-off/pick-up point on north side of the Great Ocean Road with bus pull-in area
- New Norfolk Island pines to reinforce sense of arrival at/departure from eastern edge of Lord Street
- Enhanced amenities and ‘embassy’ at the Public Purpose Reserve

VACANT COUNCIL LAND

- Build on the region’s gourmet reputation
- Long-term space for development of permanent businesses
- Short-term use of space for food retail ie. markets/food trucks/food events



Receive
**Corangamite
News**
by
email



Want to receive an electronic copy of Corangamite Shire News each quarter? Simply email us:
editor@corangamite.vic.gov.au

Yvonne Shady, current pupil Angus Kennedy, and his father Rod Kennedy [a former pupil of Yvonne's]

SKIPTON KINDERGARTEN CELEBRATES 50 YEARS

Over the past 50 years, two generations of children have been educated at Skipton Kindergarten and it's time to celebrate.

A commemorative tree will be planted at a family picnic at the kindergarten on Tuesday 12 December.

But for a thoughtful gesture - and the sharp eyes of teacher Robyn Hollick - the landmark occasion almost slipped under the radar.

"I happened upon it by accident," Robyn said.

"One of the mums gave me a book on the history and I saw the year it opened."

Robyn has organised the anniversary picnic and one of the guests looking forward to the day is foundation secretary and long-time educator Yvonne Shady.

Yvonne was one of the people at the meeting in 1966 that decided Skipton needed a kindergarten.

"In those days, because of the bureaucracy, we could only have a pre-school," she said.

Her father-in-law was the elder of the Presbyterian Church and she borrowed the church hall and opened with 18 children.

[This year, there are 10 four-year-olds and 13 three-year-olds.]

"After two years of heavy fundraising, we opened in 1968.

"When [Prime Minister Gough] Whitlam came in [in 1972], we put our name down to get a kinder and were fortunate enough to get funding."

As foundation secretary, Yvonne was heavily involved in establishing the building and buying furniture that was shipped in on the now-defunct train service.

"It was a very daunting job because we didn't have very much money," she said.

"I had three years as an infant teacher but because I wasn't a kinder teacher I had to go back to Toorak Teachers' College to study Early Childhood."

The kindergarten came under the management of Corangamite Shire Council in 2001.

Yvonne, who retired at the end of 2010 but stayed on casually for two years, has glowing praise for the current staff: Robyn and Assistant Educator Kerryn Cain.

"We're lucky we have very professional staff. They follow the early childhood philosophy: The children come first."

In her 45 years at the kindergarten, Yvonne taught hundreds of children, including two generations of some families.

Rod Kennedy was one of the first children at the kindergarten and his four children have also been through under Yvonne, Robyn and Kerryn's watchful eyes.

"I was born in 1974 so I would've come here in 1978. I must've been one of the first in this building," he said.

"Overlooking the reservoir, it's beautiful. We'd have pelicans and kookaburras.

"That's what I remember. It wasn't like school. It was fun."

"We've had four kids through here [Campbell Sara, Olivia and Angus]. Robyn and Kerryn have been sensational.

"The kids love them, we love them and what they do."

Rod was also full of praise for the enthusiastic and hardworking parents who do so much for the kinder.

Corangamite Shire Manager Community Services Matthew Dawson said Council was committed to operating the Skipton Kindergarten.

"Council is pleased to celebrate the history of the Skipton Kindergarten with our staff and the local community," Mr Dawson said.

"Kindergartens play an important role in the life of local communities."

OZACT PRESENTS

the tempest

LOCH ARD GORGE



20, 21, 26, 27 & 28 JANUARY

TICKETS: WWW.OZACT.COM

LOCAL BUSINESS PROFILE



TIMBOON FINE ICE CREAM

1A BARRETT STREET TIMBOON

After a hiatus while they established the Timboon Railway Shed Distillery in 2007, Timboon Fine Ice Cream Tim Marwood and Caroline Simmons are back concentrating on ice cream and have some high ambitions.

"In the last fortnight I've been in China and Caroline has been in Singapore to look at export markets," Tim said.

"We're building our new factory alongside the shop which we want to commence next year.

"To find that we need to find a greater market for our retail product to fund that building.

"We won't die wondering."

The Timboon Fine Ice Cream shop opened at Timboon early in 2017 and has exceeded Tim's expectations.

"Over the past year we've really been concentrating on getting the shop right and we've probably been busier in that than we'd anticipated.

"It was always going to be a bit of a risk. Even though we're an old business, it's still a new business open at that site.

"We've got three ice cream makers now. Rob Mitchell, Michelle Calcaterra and Jo Neal. Our shop managers are Carrie Brown and Danielle Picone. About 20 scooping staff, a new business partner, plus Caroline and myself."

Their four food trucks have attended 150 events, while Sundae School has gained a lot of interest.

"We're already taking a lot of bookings. We had people from the Special Development School to Probus clubs to scouts and we had the CFA in for a Christmas party.

Tim said the classes aimed to increase awareness about how budget ice creams are made versus how high-quality ice creams are, and the difference in value. "Everyone gets a big tub of ice cream and their own bespoke original sundae to eat on the spot."

Timboon Ice Creamery is open daily from 11 am-5 pm. Phone 03 5501 9736, visit www.timboonfineicecream.com.au or Find Timboon Fine Ice Cream on Facebook.



CAMPERDOWN

Open 2-6:30 pm during school term

12-8 pm weekends, public holidays and school holidays

LAP SWIMMING: 6 am-7:30 am
Mon, Wed & Fri.

COBDEN

Open 3-7 pm during school term

11 am-7 pm weekends, public holidays and school holidays

LAP SWIMMING: 6:30 am-7:30 am
Mon, Wed & Fri

LISMORE

Open 1:30-7 pm during school term

12:00-7 pm weekends, public holidays and school holidays

WATER AEROBICS: 10 am-11:30 am
Tues & Wed

SKIPTON

Open 2:30-7 pm during school term

11:30 am-7 pm weekends, public holidays and school holidays

LAP SWIMMING: 6 am-7:30 am
Tues & Thurs

TERANG

Open 2-6:30 pm during school term

11 am-7 pm weekends, public holidays and school holidays

LAP SWIMMING: 7-8 pm, Tues & Thurs

TIMBOON

Open 3-7 pm during school term

11:30 am-7 pm weekends, public holidays and school holidays

LAP SWIMMING: 6:30 am-8:30 am
Mon, Wed & Fri

SEASON TICKETS 2017-2018

FAMILY	\$160
ADULT	\$82
CHILD	\$72

FIND US ON FACEBOOK

Corangamite Shire Swimming Pools

EVENTS



**SATURDAY 26 JANUARY FROM 10 AM
TIMBOON & DISTRICT HALL**

Join us as we recognise the wonderful volunteers who help make our Shire a great place to live. Awards include Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year and Community Event of the Year.

www.corangamite.vic.gov.au

Far left: President Laurie Hickey; the grandstand

CAMPERDOWN CUP 150 YEARS OF RACING

Preparations for the running of the 150th Camperdown Cup on Saturday 20 January 2018 are rounding the final turn.

Committee President Laurie Hickey said the club was working hard to finish multiple upgrades before the big day, including restoration work on the 109-year-old grandstand, installing new starting stalls, track rail, signage bookies' shed, horse stalls and mounting yard fencing.

"The track is absolutely fantastic," Mr Hickey said.

He said the club would cater for 3500-4000 racegoers at a venue where they could almost get close enough to touch the horses in the \$20,000 Sungold Camperdown Cup.

"We're delighted to be supported by Sungold Milk. They've been absolutely fantastic to us for eight years," he said.

During those eight years a "less is more" approach has transformed the once-struggling Camperdown Turf Club to one of the best performing once-a-year race clubs in Victoria.

The club switched from two or three meetings a year to only one, on the third weekend each January, which has made it more financially sustainable.

"Because we have one meeting it gives the whole community a chance to plan their social calendar around the event," Mr Hickey said.

"We consider ourselves very much a community-based racing club.

"We rely very heavily on local support leading up to, on, and post race day.

"We like to engage local service clubs, sporting clubs and volunteers on our race day."

Mr Hickey said the committee was made up of 12 men and women who were determined to maintain Camperdown's established position in the racing hierarchy.

"The race day has eight races and this year the running of the 150th Camperdown Cup will be at 3:30 pm over 1600 metres."

Most country Cup races are over longer distances, but Mr Hickey said the shorter journey made for a more competitive event.

"One old trainer said: 'A mile Cup gives everyone a chance to win the Cup,'" he said.

A range of hospitality packages are available including the Community Cup Celebration Marquee, the Colts and Fillies enclosure for youthful racegoers.

There will be activities for children including the Wild Action Zoo with zoologist and TV presenter Chris Humfrey, Kelly Sports, a merry-go-round and more.

"Families can be assured that when they come along the younger members of the family will be fully engaged, away from the racing," Mr Hickey said.

Live entertainment will run through from the Cup until 7 pm with music by Peter Sharp and Tamara Hookway.

The Camperdown hospital will be one of the winners on Cup day, receiving \$10 from each ticket to the Community Cup Celebration Marquee and all money raised on the shuttle buses.

"We're going to have gold-coin-donation buses from Colac and Warrnambool and extra services through Camperdown," Committee President Laurie Hickey said.

Volunteer drivers will pilot the locally donated buses between Camperdown's motels, hotels and a central position near the clocktower.



From top: Fashion on the Fields host Alex Hecker; event ambassadors Neville Wilson and Sarah Wall.

WHAT'S ON : JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2018

JANUARY	WHAT, WHEN & WHERE	CONTACT
Monday 1 Jan	New Year's Day Races Kids' Day Out. From 1-6 pm	0400 557 625
Tuesday 2 Jan	Terang Harness Racing Club Summertime Fun Meet	5592 1785
	Timboon parkrun, 8am, every Saturday, 5 km free, timed run	parkrun.com.au/timboon
Saturday 6 Jan	Live music & dance, Cobden Civic Hall from 8:30 pm. Everybody welcome	0490 344 355
	Wall hanging exhibition, Port Campbell Arts Space, 6-7 January	5598 6444
	Cobden Miniature Railway from 11 am-4 pm. Every Sunday over school holidays	cobdenminiaturerail.org.au
Sunday 7 Jan	Camperdown Rotary Market, The Avenue, 9 am-2 pm	Pat Robertson on 0447 139 639
	Mt Elephant Open Day, 1-4 pm. Open every Sunday	mountelephant.com.au
Tuesday 9 Jan	Mutton Birds. Meet at Mutton Bird Island Viewing Platform, Loch Ard Gorge. 9 pm	summerbythesea.vic.gov.au
Wednesday 10 Jan	Film night 'The Whale Chasers' 7:30 pm, Port Campbell Arts Space	summerbythesea.vic.gov.au
Friday 12 Jan	Camperdown Car & Bike Show, 12-14 January	0499 022 505
Saturday 13 Jan	Shellseeker Art Exhibition, Port Campbell Arts Space, 13-14 January	5598 6444
Sunday 14 Jan	Penguin 'gawk' London Bridge, 9 pm. Meet on viewing platform	summerbythesea.vic.gov.au
Tuesday 16 Jan	Cobden Quilters. Every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month	Anne Box 5595 1112
	Natural History Walk with Helen Langley. 11 am-12:30 pm. Meet at Two Mile Bay carpark	summerbythesea.vic.gov.au
	Camperdown Cup 150 Years of Racing	0400 557 625
Saturday 20 Jan	Twelve Apostles Plunge. 1.2 km ocean swim in Port Campbell bay	shipwreckcoastswimseries.com.au
	The Tempest, Loch Ard Gorge. 20, 21, 26, 27 & 28 January	ozact.com for tickets
	Mobile cinema - Cobden outdoor pool	corangamite.vic.gov.au
Sunday 21 Jan	Penguin 'gawk' London Bridge, 9 pm. Meet on viewing platform	summerbythesea.vic.gov.au
Monday 22 Jan	Coast Kids Port Campbell. 10:30 am-noon. Meet at SLSC and look for Coastcare flag	summerbythesea.vic.gov.au
Tuesday 23 Jan	Council Meeting, 7 pm, Killara Centre, Camperdown. Agenda available on website	corangamite.vic.gov.au
Wednesday 24 Jan	Kids Coast Art with Marion Manifold. 10:30 am-12:30 pm. Port Campbell Arts Space	summerbythesea.vic.gov.au
	Film night 'Chasing Coral' 7:30 pm, Port Campbell Arts Space	summerbythesea.vic.gov.au
	AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS, TIMBOON HALL FROM 10 AM	corangamite.vic.gov.au
Friday 26 Jan	Triathlon. Timboon Pool	
	Cobrico Hall Dance	
	Market Day, Lismore. From 10 am on town median strip	Lismore Garden Club. 0455 042 945
Saturday 27 Jan	Art & Sculpture Exhibition, Port Campbell Arts Space 26, 27 & 28 January	5598 6444
	Mobile cinema Derrinallum	corangamite.vic.gov.au
FEBRUARY		
Thursday 1 Feb	Thursday Pictures 'Stranger than Fiction' Killara Centre, Camperdown from 7 pm	corangamitefilmsociety.com
Friday 2 Feb	U3A Corangamite AGM, 2:30 pm. Rose Room, Terang Hall. Afternoon tea provided	Gary Kimber 0439 079 098
	Terang Market Day. All Saints Church from 9 am-1 pm	0427 922 221
Saturday 3 Feb	Timboon parkrun, 8am, every Saturday, 5 km free, timed run	parkrun.com.au/timboon
	Live music & dance, Cobden Civic Hall from 8:30 pm. Everybody welcome	0490 344 355
Sunday 4 Feb	Camperdown Rotary Market, The Avenue, 9 am-2 pm	Pat Robertson on 0447 139 639
	Mt Elephant Open Day, 1-4 pm. Open every Sunday	mountelephant.com.au
Monday 5 Feb	Camperdown Playgroup starts, Every Monday from 9:30-11:30 am, Campbell Street	
	Darlington Art Group, 1-4 pm Darlington Hall. Everyone welcome	0407 056 020
Saturday 10 Feb	Skipton Market, 9 am-1 pm at the Mechanics Institute Hall	Jan Murphy 5340 2204
	SW Brick Club session, 10:30 am - noon at St Pauls Church, Camperdown	0409 608 717
Sunday 11 Feb	Shine for Samuel Charity Golf Day, Camperdown	0409 218 159
Friday 16 Feb	Cobrico Hall Prizza & Trivia Night	
Saturday 17 Feb	Terang Harness Racing Cup	teranghrc.com
	Eat Well Move Well Be Well Program. 17-23 February	corangamite.vic.gov.au
Friday 23 Feb	Terang & District Lions Club Fun Run / Walk	Find on Facebook
Saturday 24 Feb	Noorat Community Garage Sale, 8 am - 4 pm	0415 272 094
	Corangamite Relay for Life, Terang Rec Reserve, starts 5 pm Sat - 11 am Sun	1300 65 65 85
Sunday 25 Feb	Terang Community Park & Wetlands Working Bee	
Tuesday 27 Feb	Council Meeting, Killara Centre, Camperdown, 7 pm. Agenda available on website	corangamite.vic.gov.au