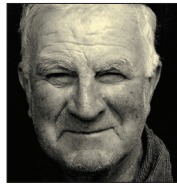




Faerie tales



Vale Bill



Artist of the month



Vale Ant



Gardening with Kaz

T H E T R E N T H A M TRUMPET



from the editor

Welcome to our winter season of The Trumpet. We sadly have two more vales to report on this month. Ant Brown and Bill Hickey ... gone but far from forgotten.

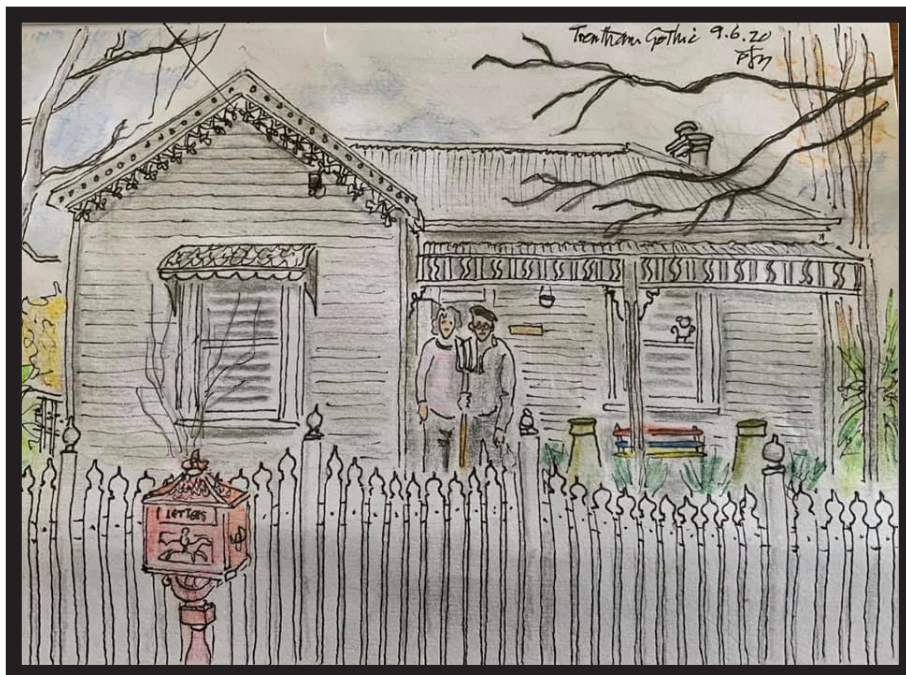
Life in isolation is slowly easing as we inch towards whatever the 'new normal' will be. The Australian Government Department of Health recommends that everyone can help build a COVIDSafe Australia as restrictions ease, by continuing to practise good hygiene at all times. Not only preventing the virus from spreading but also diminishing an equally scary list of communicable diseases and infections.

Keep washing your hands.

There appear to be more goings-on along the tracks in our forest. Keep a lookout for little doors and comfy chairs to rest and reflect. Please let us know if you come across anything of interest.

We are continuing with our 2020 focus on sustainability, and to that end would love some homegrown examples to share and learn from. Rachel Carson's seminal work, *Silent Spring*, was published almost 60 years ago and this quote from Carson, referring to her generation, begs the question of ours ...

"We in this generation must come to terms with nature, and I think we're challenged as mankind has never been challenged before to prove our maturity and our mastery, not of nature, but of ourselves."



Trentham Sketchbook Sketch by PJY.

A meaningful example of that maturity and commitment to address the Climate Crisis can be seen in the work being undertaken by the Trentham Sustainability Group. How lucky are we to have so many in our community, working their collective bottoms off, to secure a future for our 'children's children's children'.

Hepburn Shire Council's meeting Tuesday 16 June, at 6pm might be worth a peek via the Shire website. Trentham Community Hub and the TNC will be getting an airing. Democracy at play? Let's see ...

Last, but by no means least, a big thank you to all who continue to support our local businesses, and those needing help with everything, from firewood to meals to a friendly 'hello, how are you going?' There's a lot to love and be thankful for about this community.

Don't forget to wash your hands ...

cheers
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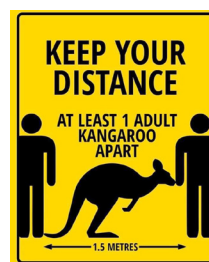
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- Provide a platform to express considered views and concerns
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Since the bank's establishment back in 2011, sponsorships and grants to the local and surrounding community have exceeded \$200,000.

Who have we supported over the past decade?

Our bank has supported a number of clubs, committees, community groups and individuals in need. This list is just an indication of the support Cool Country Community Enterprises Ltd has given and continues to give to the communities in Trentham and surrounding districts.

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We've also invested in special projects like Dancing a Jig with Dad, the Trentham Community Plan, the Seniors' Lunch at TNC and provided a number of Educational Scholarships.

What about outside Trentham?

We have also supported Groups and projects in surrounding Communities during this period, including:

Tylden CFA, Tylden Primary School, Tylden Hall, Woodend Hesket Football Club, Woodend Toy Library, Macedon

Ranges Sustainability Living Festival, Daylesford Macedon Ranges Open Studio, Bullarto Primary School, Blackwood Easter Carnival,

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braised beef ribs

(serves 4)

This is a perfect dish for the wintry weather we have been having lately.

Ingredients

- 4 beef ribs (allow one per person)
- 1-2 tbsp olive oil
- 1 onion, diced
- 1 small carrot, diced
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/2 red chilli, chopped
(or 1/2 teaspoon chilli flakes, to taste)
- 2 anchovies, chopped
- 1 tbsp tomato paste
- 1 cup white wine (or red if you prefer)
- 2 cups beef stock
- 1 tbsp Worcestershire sauce
- 1 tbsp tomato sauce (home-made, optional)
- 1 sprig each of thyme and rosemary

Instructions

Preheat the oven to 150c.

In a heavy pan heat the olive oil and brown the ribs nicely. Put them on a plate, reduce the heat and add the onions and cook gently until soft, about 10 minutes. Add the carrot and cook for a further 5 minutes.

Add garlic, chilli, anchovy and tomato paste and cook for 2 minutes.

Add wine, sizzle for one minute then add back the the beef ribs. Add Worcestershire sauce, tomato sauce and beef stock use enough to just cover the ribs.

Cook for 3 hours, turning a couple of times. Take it out of the oven and let it sit for about 15 minutes so the fat can rise to the top. Use a ladle to remove as much fat as you can. Taste and season if necessary, then reheat it gently on the stove.

I served this on a bed of pureed cauliflower.

Light the fire. Open a bottle of red.

Jen Clarke



tea is for trentham

In 2019 I moved from the Castlemaine region to Trentham with my wife and two young children. We were pleasantly surprised to discover an old family connection to the town. My Great Aunt Doris and Great Uncle Jack lived in Trentham in the 1950s and 60s. Jack and Doris Dehne had a drapery store in High Street. Jack was president of the hospital board for a number of years, and they were both, at different times, president of the Trentham Golf Club. This new-found piece of family history heightened our love for this town even more. Once we had settled in, I started up a small business that I'd had been chipping away at for some time, the Cup & Sorcerer Tea Company.

My tea journey began in my early 20s when I was travelling through the Fujian and Guangdong Provinces of China. Up until this point of my life, most of my understanding of Chinese rituals had come from the Shark Fin House in Little Bourke Street, Melbourne, over a basket of steamed prawn dumplings. To find myself standing in a back street of a small Chinese village watching children run past snacking on chicken feet was quite an eye opener for me. I was invited by an enthusiastic local to sit down for tea. He knew about as many words in English as I did in Mandarin, close to zilch. The tea ceremony, or Gongfu Cha, as I later learned it was called, was something entirely new for me. I was ushered to an elaborately carved, low-set tea table where I sat and gazed at this ridiculously friendly bloke. He went through the whole routine; the warming of the pot, rinsing the oolong tea pellets to cast away any impurities and to awaken the tea leaf, sanitising the tiny tea cups, and eventually offering me a multitude of thimble-sized tastings. It was the flavour experience of the tea that really blew my mind. I remember drinking the tea, which looking back now, I realise was Ti Guan Yin, or Iron Goddess of Mercy oolong. It had the aroma of orchids and lilies, the liquid had a thick velvety viscosity, and the taste was intensely buttery with hints of grilled yellow stone fruit and mineral/vegetal notes. But the craziest thing was that when the tea was finished, every time I swallowed, my saliva tasted like sugarcane and this sweetness continued in the back of my throat for at least 20 minutes. I have heard that in China (and other big tea producing countries) the very highest grades of tea are extremely hard to acquire as a foreigner, they are not generally exported and they go straight to the elite members of the country for a hefty price tag.

I guess this Chinese experience really stuck with me because some ten years later, I decided to study the art of tea. I studied with the Australian Tea Masters where I became a certified Tea Master and Tea Blender, essentially a sommelier of tea. Once I had completed all the tea training that existed in Australia, my thirst for knowledge had only grown and I wanted more. I decided that the best thing to do was get some hands-on experience. So with a faithful teapot in my backpack I began to travel and explore tea plantations around the world.

I journeyed to the only tea plantation in Europe, in the Azores, a remote archipelago of volcanic islands about 1300 km off the coast of Portugal. I followed tea trails in Sri Lanka, picking

tea leaves with the pickers, jumping from factory to factory and viewing the stages of production.

In Japan, I explored organic co-ops near Mount Fuji and went in search of the very first Yabukita tree (the Yabukita cultivar is used for approximately 85% of all Japanese tea). It felt a bit like a wild goose chase but I eventually found the original mother tree. I also went in search of an increasingly rare type of pan-roasted sencha called Kamairicha. I had many Japanese people laughing at me when I said I was looking for Kamairicha, but I eventually tracked some down in a town called Takachiho on Kyushu island.

In Taiwan I was inspired by the teahouses both old and modern. I was in heaven, drinking my favourite, Pingling Pouchong in Pingling and reaching the majestic heights of Mt Ali, where some of the finest oolongs in Taiwan hail from. Here I also discovered another rarity, a ten year aged black mountain oolong that tasted like bananas and cream.

When my tea travels had reached an end, I returned home and happened to meet my wife-to-be. I was unsure of what to do next with my wealth of tea knowledge. I began supplying my family and friends with an orange and cardamom chai blend that I had created, despite never being much of a chai drinker myself. People kept telling me how much they loved it because it was a smooth and soothing blend reminiscent of middle eastern desserts, and that it was not overloaded with star anise like so many other chai teas on the market. Eventually I gave in to popular demand and decided that I should hatch a small tea company and start to sell the stuff. But this idea was thrust onto the backburner after I experienced the joys and juggles of parenthood. In the meantime, I was invited to judge the Australian Golden Leaf Tea Awards and the Australian Tea Masters Cup. It was only when we moved to Trentham that I felt like I was ready to get the tea biz moving. And voila! The Cup & Sorcerer Tea Company was born.

My orange and cardamom 'Hobgoblin Chai' is available from Atelier Chocolat and Ruby Goose Foods in Trentham.

Zac Brennan

www.cupandsorcerer.com



RAFFLE FOR THE FARMERS



What started as a local art raffle by the team at the Little Gallery to help support drought affected farmers ended up being a convoy of 9 trucks full of donated hay from the farmers of the Trentham region.

The generosity of the Trentham community was heart warming with a flurry of donated hay and fuel meant that the small town of Lake Cargelligo in the drought stricken area of central NSW for their much needed feed for their stock and horses.

The motley crew consisted of musicians, artists, truck drivers and few Trentham locals tossed in, all of who donated their time and expertise asking for nothing in return. The talk of the hay run and its uniqueness spread like wild fire and Cloud 9 wanted to document the run.

Daniel Butterworth and Little Gallery's Rose Wilson held an exhibition of painted portraits of the Lake Cargelligo farmers, which created a buzz in the township. Donna Fisk a renowned country singer from Trentham put on a great concert.

The good folk of Lake Cargelligo embraced the crew with kindness and hospitality; a town that felt forgotten had a resurgence of optimism and hope that someone outside their community cared. From farmers helping farmers through art and music, giving joy and purpose to a community which undoubtedly created a special bond between the two townships.

artist of the month



The coronavirus lockdown has inadvertently given Trentham art photographer, Mike Rutherford, the longest-running exhibition of his career. His show opened at the Cosmo Hotel in early January and still adorns the walls four months later.

But while the audience there has been fairly thin during lockdown, Mike has found new outlets via two prestigious exhibitions elsewhere. His distinctive work has been accepted into the esteemed Chania International Photography Festival in Crete and the Percival Prize in Brisbane. He is also at a tentative stage with plans for an exhibition in Mumbai, a cultural hub in India.

While art photography is not in major vogue with collectors in Australia, India has a burgeoning, wealthy middle class which loves collecting fine photography with the same zeal as do Europeans and North Americans.

As with many artists, Mike has found that life in lockdown doesn't keep him away from his work. However, specialist art shipping of large pieces can be a challenge, as the normal arts courier he uses needs full trucks, hard to get at the moment, to make an interstate departure worthwhile.

Mike started his photography career as a commercial photographer after completing studies in illustrative photography at RMIT. He worked with advertising agencies and graphic designers while based at different times in the UK, USA and Singapore as well as at home in Melbourne. The appeal of commercial work, which often demanded creative compromises demanded by clients, eventually jaded and he set his cameras aside, not missing the pungent chemical smells that went with the work in the pre-digital age.

He worked in other fields and had meanwhile been introduced to Trentham and its attractive quietness, clean air and space about 14 years ago by a mutual friend. Real estate here was cheap then and he ended up owning a run-down wreck in town which only became a self-restoration project about three or four years ago. Trentham was a weekend home for a long while, with him always amazed how crowded Melbourne seemed when he returned there.

As well as discovering the town, Mike rekindled his love of photography, this time as an art photographer with full control over the creative output. He likes his work to have some sort of social theme – for example, maybe something to do with climate change.

"I like the first impression to be a bit of a mystery," he said.

"I hope people have to have a think about what they are looking at".

While he was never a big user of social media, he has found a good reception for his work via Facebook. And social media has been an uplifting experience, giving him a channel for rekindling old relationships with old friends in advertising and commercial photography. He has been delighted to find that many former acquaintances have also turned to the arts and has enjoyed that they have been generous sharing their knowledge and feedback.

Peter Young

The Great Realisation

by Probably Tom Foolery (abridged)

“It was a world of waste and wonder, of poverty and plenty,
Back before we understood why hindsight’s 2020
You see, the people came up with companies to trade across all lands
But they swelled and got much bigger than we ever could have planned
We always had our wants, but now, it got so quick
You could have anything you dreamed of, in a day and with a click
We noticed families had stopped talking, that’s not to say they never spoke
But the meaning must have melted and the work life balance broke
And the children’s eyes grew squarer and every toddler had a phone
They filtered out the imperfections, but amidst the noise, they felt alone.
And every day the skies grew thicker, ‘till you couldn’t see the stars,
So, we flew in planes to find them, while down below we filled our cars.
We drove around all day in circles, we’d forgotten how to run
We swapped the grass for tarmac, shrunk the parks ‘till there were none
We filled the sea with plastic because our waste was never capped
Until, each day when you went fishing, you’d pull them out already wrapped
And while we drank and smoked and gambled, our leaders taught us why
It’s best to not upset the lobbies, more convenient to die
But then in 2020, a new virus came our way,
The governments reacted and told us all to hide away
But while we were all hidden, amidst the fear and all the while,
The people dusted off their instincts, they remembered how to smile
They started clapping to say thank you and calling up their mums
And while the car keys gathered dust, they would look forward to their runs
And with the skies less full of voyagers, the earth began to breathe
And the beaches bore new wildlife that scuttled off into the seas
Some people started dancing, some were singing, some were baking
We’d grown so used to bad news, but some good news was in the making
And so when we found the cure and were allowed to go outside
We all preferred the world we found to the one we’d left behind
Old habits became extinct and they made way for the new
And every simple act of kindness was now given its due”
“But why did it take us so long to bring the people back together?”
“Well, sometimes you’ve got to get sick, my boy, before you start feeling better
Now, lie down and dream of tomorrow and all the things that we can do
And who knows, if you dream hard enough, maybe some of them will come true
We now call it The Great Realisation and yes, since then, there have been many
But that’s the story of how it started and why hindsight’s 2020”

words in winter

poetry, short story & 50 word story competition

Words in Winter 

The Great Realisation on page 9 will hopefully serve as inspiration to get your Words in Winter 'in isolation' writer on, for our poetry, short story and 50 word story competition. Entries close 31 July. Winners to be published in our September edition.

\$250 Poetry prize

\$250 Short Story prize

\$100 1st and \$50 2nd - 50 Word Story prize

Theme: In Isolation ...

Name:

Address:

Phone:

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Title of Poem, Short Story & 50 Word Story

Poetry max' is 50 lines, Short Story max' is 500 words, 50 Word Story is ... 50 words, excluding title

Poems and stories must be with the Trentham Neighbourhood Centre or emailed to the Trentham Trumpet by 31 July. There is no entry fee for any of the Words in Winter competitions this year.

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Keep the Trentham and Districts Life Activities Club in mind over the coming months, as restrictions on social activities due to the Corona Virus, very gradually begin to ease.

As we are able to become more social, the Trentham and Districts Life Activities Club is a great way to meet new people and exercise your body and mind.

With activities including Garden, Walking, Foodies and Craft Groups, Mahjong, Ladies and Mens Petanque, Scrabble, Music Lovers, Horse Riding, Chinese Exercises/Qijong and the Jigsaw Library, there is surely something to interest everyone.

A return to our normal lives is highly anticipated by all of us, so be in touch with Club President Di Claussen on **54241689**, or

Secretary Gaye Lovelock

email gaye.lovelock@gmail.com or

mobile 0411 150 114 for more information.

website www.life.org.au

(click on Trentham in the list of clubs)

New members are always welcome, as are new ideas for club activities.

Remember

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kyneton croquet club

With the easing of COVID-19 restrictions, croquet is one of the first sports to get back into action.

The Kyneton Croquet Club began social games again from the beginning of June.

Being a non-contact sport with no more than 8 players on a lawn at one time, there is plenty of room to spread out. Croquet is quite a tactical game that combines both mental and physical fitness. It's not just a case of tapping a ball through a hoop. Ladies and men play on equal terms in croquet.

The Club plays every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday from 1:00pm at the lawns on the corner of Ebdon and Donnithorne Streets in Kyneton. New players of all ages and abilities are all welcome. For more information, contact Len Baker on **5422 7094**

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sports



AFL Victoria and Netball Victoria has announced their Return to Play guidelines on 18/05/20. The Club Committee is to hold a meeting on 21/05/20 to discuss the announcement and to provide guidelines and a statement on how we will recommence training as a club. Please keep an eye out on our social media pages and website for updates as soon as they are available. For the time being we encourage players to continue their personal training regime.

We thank everyone for their understanding and patience throughout this rapidly evolving situation, we are doing our best at updating everyone as information becomes available. Our main aim is to ensure safety of our players, coaches, support personnel and overall community.

The Weekly Draw is continuing and there are still a few numbers available. For your chance to win \$500 every week contact Sam Whitehouse on 0438 686 794 to secure a number. Keep posted on our Facebook page for throwback photos and club profiles.

Finally, THANK YOU to our sponsors who continue to support our Club through these challenging times, we are so grateful for your contribution. We ask where possible please support our great sponsors.

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TRENTHAM SAINTS CLUB PROFILE

LUKE WHITEHOUSE

NAME: Luke Whitehouse
 AGE: 28
 OCCUPATION: Plumber
 NICKNAME: SexFace/Borris
 NUMBER/ POSITION: 12/ Forward
 ROLE AT TDFNC: Player
 FAVOURITE THING ABOUT TDFNC: The atmosphere/ Froffies
 HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN AT TDFNC: 19 Years (Other clubs for 3 years)
 AFL TEAM: Carlton
 PRE-GAME RITUAL/ SUPERSTITION: Chicken Schnitty, Cheese & Gravy Roll
 FAVOURITE TV SHOW: Friday Night Lights/ Law Abiding Citizen
 WHAT WOULD YOU SPEND YOUR LAST \$20 ON: Zinger Box & Drumsticks
 WHO WOULD YOU WANT TO SHARE A ROOM
 WITH ON FOOTY/NETBALL TRIP AND WHY: Murph because I know he would be sleeping all weekend
 WHO AT THE CLUB IS...
 SMARTEST: James Gray
 FUNNIEST: Liam Chant (Funny to laugh at)
 MOST ANNOYING: Johnny Iro
 BEST LOOKING: Coach Dowling
 COACHES PET: Josh Eastley
 SOMETHING THAT ANNOYS YOU: When the boys don't shower
 SOMETHING NO ONE KNOWS ABOUT YOU: Nothing, I am an open book
 3 PEOPLE YOU WOULD INVITE FOR DINNER: Jennifer Aniston, Brendan Fevola, Tim Riggins

TRENTHAM SAINTS CLUB PROFILE

HAYLEY

NAME: Hayley Bourke
 AGE: 19
 OCCUPATION: Outdoor Rec Leader
 NICKNAME: Haylz/ Hay
 NUMBER/ POSITION: GS
 ROLE AT TDFNC: Player
 FAVOURITE THING ABOUT TDFNC: The community atmosphere & the functions
 HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN AT TDFNC: 8 Years
 AFL TEAM: Carlton
 PRE-GAME RITUAL/ SUPERSTITION: Wearing a certain pair of socks and underwear
 FAVOURITE TV SHOW: Friends or Gossip Girl
 WHAT WOULD YOU SPEND YOUR LAST \$20 ON: A sprite
 WHO WOULD YOU WANT TO SHARE A ROOM
 WITH ON FOOTY/NETBALL TRIP AND WHY: Miky because she is the most fun
 WHO AT THE CLUB IS...
 SMARTEST: Brooke Healy
 FUNNIEST: Anyone but Cello
 MOST ANNOYING: Riley
 BEST LOOKING: No one
 COACHES PET: Elly Rose
 SOMETHING THAT ANNOYS YOU: Riley taking too long to make pizza
 SOMETHING NO ONE KNOWS ABOUT YOU: I'm not sure
 3 PEOPLE YOU WOULD INVITE FOR DINNER: Tom Holland, Taylor Swift & John Cena

saskia post prize

next month



Saskia had the ability through her work and script writing to give something extra. Something not heard through words, or through actions. It was something she threw into the air for us to absorb or inhale at a deeper level. Today we may call it the X Factor.

The great Spanish artist Miro stated:

“... you can look at a picture for a week and never think of it again. You can also look at a picture for a second and think of it for the rest of your life. More than the picture itself, what counts is what it throws into the air, what it exhales.....”

An accomplished art work is like an unfinished circle which leaves its completion to the viewer.

I saw Andrew Greet's entry No. 96, 'Still Isolating' as I made my way through the Instagram images. And for the next two days the image kept appearing in my mind with questions.

- The feeling of isolation is there, but who or what is isolated?
- The house seems abandoned, but the bins are brand new.
- Where does the driveway lead to?
- The bins remain huddled by the roadside that leads nowhere.



As well as a perception of 'isolation' Andrew's work throws into the air a tension of uncertainty. The unanswered questions are hidden within a silent image which has more to articulate through the placement of the objects within the painting.

Bronwyn Bain

councilor's corner

15 May, 2020

Good day to all residents in Coliban Ward. The frosts have started to really set in Trentham, but it is so beautiful, and on most occasions, is usually followed up with a lovely, sunny, if cold, day. The kangaroos have found the six carpet roses I planted several weeks ago, just perfect for their tastes, demolished all of them. Oh well, I should have known better. Interestingly, they left virtually everything else (Australian and exotics) alone, only nibbling at the birch trees.

Trentham Community Hub/Centre Project Advisory Group

We met via virtual meeting early in May. It was a highly productive meeting with a full agenda. A very rough design was presented to the PAG in order to focus on what a refurbished Mechanics Hall and new community hub could look like and how the various services can all fit in. The architect is carefully re-working and refining one of the last and most popular iterations developed several years ago. There was general consensus about the sizing, layout, functionality and natural light, that the original roof lines should enhance the street facade of the original building, and that a foyer area and decking would resolve the problem of a very steep drop to the north and east of the building). There was opportunity for accessible car parking, including on High Street. There was not a consensus about whether the hall was big enough, the stage area, the main entrance off High Street and functionality, particularly the location of the cleaners store.

Improvements that were suggested included: the location of the library service desk, increased flexibility of hall space, consolidation of two of the meeting rooms, larger opening between the hall and foyer and reducing the Visitors Information Centre area and perhaps improving its location, and looking at where the children's garden should be located to ensure a sunnier location.

We progressed to discussing a community engagement plan once a draft design and plan was presented to Council, which should happen after the June, 2020 Council meeting. All PAG members are aware of the budgetary issues, and the need to come in as close as possible to the figure allocated by Council.

The PAG is working collaboratively and the community should be proud of the work it is doing. We all bring our own beliefs and opinions to the table. Everyone listens respectfully and considers all views and we even change our minds when a good case is presented.

Trentham Streetscape works

As residents can see as they walk around there are markings on the footpaths of the intersection of High and Market Streets signifying that works have commenced. I am sure that all those who are cautious walking on the slate footpath will be relieved that the slate is going to be removed. The plans and sketches for this intersection are widely publicised in hard copy newspapers and newsletters, as well as on the Council's website.

Trentham Early Learning Centre

Residents will see that work has commenced on the construction of the extended Early Learning Centre. Fencing has been erected and a builders hut installed. Residents will see that work stalled for a few weeks because of a building permit issue. It is anticipated that works will take about six months to complete.

Cr Licia Kokocinski

Coliban Ward Councillor & Mayor

vale ant

anthony (ant) brown

25 May 1972 – 30 April 2020

Ant's lasting memories on family and friends from a lifetime in Trentham and surrounds is clear from these heartfelt comments on the Trentham Connections Facebook page and TJ Scott tributes.

Anthony has been our wonderful neighbour for many years. We are deeply saddened to hear of his passing. He always had a wave and a smile for us. We often saw him coming and going with Ricky on his knee or with his head stuck out the window, which made us laugh. He was a cheeky bugger too, we were chatting the other month whilst we were planting a tree in our front garden and as we were standing back to admire it, he said 'you know it's not in the middle', I said you could of told us earlier, he just laughed, he was right too, it's not in the middle. Our thoughts and blessings are with you and your family Kath at this time. **All our love Tammy, Warren and Scott**

Our sincere condolences to the Brown family. Anthony was always a friendly face and a reliable worker. He will be greatly missed. Ian & Denise

Condolence to all the Brown Family. Ant was a good hard-working bloke. Will miss the beers and chat at the Pig. **Tony and Mia**

Condolences to all. Ant was a great guy at High School looking out for us younger students when I first started yr7. Jacent

R.I.P Ant truly saddened thinking I will never see that cheeky smile and friendly face. Sincere heartfelt condolences to Kath Bill and family. He will be missed and remembered for many years to come by many. **xx Coreen**

Definitely gone too soon Ant. Thanks for being a mate. All sympathies to your family. Tom

We're shocked to hear this sad news about Anthony, the smiling man who always was ready to help anyone. We'll miss you at the Cosmo, we'll remember you and your good heart. **John and Allie**

Our condolences to all the Brown Family on the sad passing of Anthony. Ant was one of the first people to make us welcome in Trentham and was always ready for a chat. We have fond memories of a lovely man who will be missed. Ray & Dawn

Ant will be sadly missed, a true gentleman in every sense. Our friend and friend to so many – he will always hold a place in our hearts. Our deepest sympathy and condolences to the entire Brown family.

James and Emma

You will always be remembered Ant. Always reliable and always a hard worker. Rest in Peace Mate

I will miss him. Very moving and sad. **Simon**

Love and sympathy to all the Brown family. Ant was a good friend and he is such a loss. Jenny

Sending my love and sympathy to such an important Trentham family. **Rest in Peace Anthony, Maria**

My sincere condolences to all the Brown family. Anthony's sudden passing has been a great shock to everyone in Trentham. He will be so deeply missed. He was such a lovely man. He will not be forgotten.

May you all find comfort in the heart of your family, love Kelley

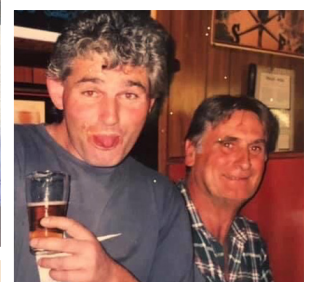
I went from kinder right through to year 12 with Anthony, a lovely guy, always smiling. Thinking of his family during this sad time. **Tracey**

It was so wonderful to see just over 80 other people were also watching and sharing the service. A testament to the man he was. Thank you for organizing this. And what a magnificent Trentham day for him and his loving family. RIP Ant. Elizabeth

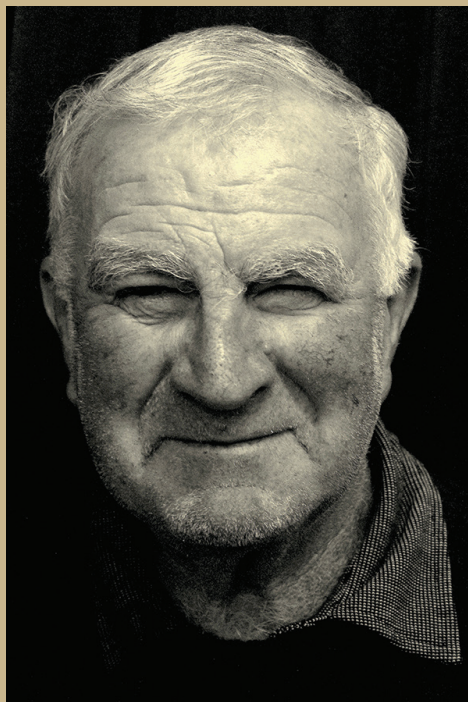
Ohh no. Really shocked and saddened to hear about Ant. I will miss him trying to tell me how to chop wood from the outside first. My empathy to all Ant's family. I lovely hearted man. I will miss him. Rest mate. **Cheers Clint**

Sending love and blessings to the Brown Family following Anthony's passing. He was a lovely man and will be fondly remembered by all in Trentham. He always took the time to stop to have a chat. Losing a loved family member is just so tough. Thinking if you all x Greg and Liz

A wonderful farewell for Anthony. Our thoughts are with the whole family. **RIP Rosalie**



vale bill



Tribute to Bill Hickey – 1940 to 2020
by Elizabeth Toomey & Susie Spence

Many people could write the story of William Thomas Hickey, known to all as Bill. But perhaps my memories of walking or riding to and from Sacred Heart School, East Trentham between 1950-54 go back further than most.

In the intervening years, many others from far and wide got to know the man who has been referred to over the last few days as - gentlemanly, supportive, generous, genuine and above all, an iconic presence in our district.

Bill passed away in his usual understated way, quietly in his sleep on Friday, 8 May 2020. With him has gone a considerable number of stories, recollections and much history of the district which he loved, served, understood and promoted during his lifetime.

Born to Jack and Edna (née Kennedy) on 8 April 1940, Bill lived all his life at 62 Chanters Lane, East Trentham. He attended school for only eight years, and not particularly successful ones by his own admission. However, what he lacked in reading and writing skills, he made up for in eloquence of speech which saw him serve Trentham/Tylden on Kyneton Shire Council from 1968-1995, where he was acknowledged for his 'down to earth manner, forthright participation in discussions, common sense, homespun philosophy, logic and sense of humour'. An entertaining and informative interview of Bill's early life by Ina Bertrand in 2007 is available in Trentham & District Historical Society (T&DHS) archives.

Always a farmer at heart, Bill's apprenticeship started early and by the time he was six or seven, with older brother John, was driving a dray, learning the life-cycle of potato growing, and caring for his father's beloved



william thomas (bill) hickey

Born to Jack and Edna (née Kennedy) on 8 April 1940

and passed away in his sleep on 8 May 2020.

Bill lived all his 80 years and one month at 62 Chanters Lane, East Trentham.

Clydesdales. Milking before and after school was a part of family life and eventually, Bill and John took up full-time dairying. It was a sad day when

Bill was forced to dispatch his herd on 3 November 2016, yet another nail in the coffin of serious farming in his beloved East Trentham.

Retirement didn't quite sit all that well with Bill, it made him feel "a little useless". He told me in recent times he missed "growing things" – perhaps he just didn't have enough time to develop that dream veggie garden he spoke of! However, one upside of this forced "early" retirement was that Bill then had to chat – and didn't he enjoy a chat!

Knowing so many people - oldies, locals, returnees, newcomers and visitors enabled Bill to keep in touch with most things going on. His ongoing interest and support of the T&DHS, among other community activities, was invaluable.

Bill Hickey enriched life in our little part of the world and with the constant love and support of Susie Spence – together, they contributed much to the district. Bill is gone, but not forgotten, Susie in her inevitable way, will continue to contribute while she, along with many others, will mourn a great loss in her life, and our lives.

Elizabeth Toomey



Storytelling was so important when there was no TV, and Bill and his brother John were very good at it. No person would leave if John, Bill, and the wonderful Paddy Walsh started to yarn. The country humour and play on words was always present. I remember the first expression that Bill said to me, 38 years ago, when

vale bill



he described someone as thinking “hygiene was a tall girl”. Many a person has fallen for his trick of hanging on to a fence and declaring the electric fence wasn’t working, whereupon they would grab the wire, and get the full zap. He loved doing that.

Bill adored his parents and learnt all his manners from them. Probably because he adored his mother, who died when he was 18, he always had a way of making women feel special, extending the same warmth and sincerity to men. Helping everyone was totally ingrained in his nature, as was his generosity.

Working hard all his life, he became very strong and gained confidence from that. Bill became known as the strong man of Trentham when in 1982 he competed and won the race of loading 8 x 150lb bags of potatoes onto a tray truck in 37 seconds. There have been many men who have regretted shaking hands with Bill, as his grip was crushing.

Despite losing most of the sight of one eye when a very small child, Bill was a wonderful observer of animals and people. He kept his distance from the farm animals but knew exactly what they were doing and almost thinking.

His observations of people’s mannerisms and little quirkish facial expressions were never missed.

When Bill became a Councillor, which was a way to do something other than look at the backend of cows, he worked on almost every committee in Trentham. In those days, having passable roads was a major concern. In Council, he learnt how to negotiate with other Councillors to achieve what he wanted for the community.

There are anecdotes of vets, who when a cow was in trouble, would simply say “ring Bill Hickey”. Bill was always forthcoming with farming advice for anyone in a spot of trouble or just wanting to learn new skills. His world was centred on Trentham and Kyneton, and he knew almost every inch of the place.

I know that it will be a long time before I stop thinking “I will ask Bill”. Of late, he had been slowly fading, was frustrated at not being able to be active, and this year worried by mild dementia. After my life with Bill, I will deeply miss him, as will many, but he left us in the best possible way, and for that, I am very grateful.

Rest in peace my dear Bill.

Susie Spence



The love for Bill is shown in these comments left on the Historical Society’s Facebook page and TJ Scott tributes with permission from Kirsty Hickey.

Vale Bill Hickey. Bill passed away peacefully in his sleep. He had his 80th birthday recently. Bill was a great friend and supporter of the T&DHS. We will miss him. Our thoughts are with Susie Spence and Bill’s family and friends.



That is very sad news. I was only talking to him on Wednesday and he seemed to be in great spirits picking some mushrooms along the side of the road just by his farm.

Pass on my regards to Susie.



Oh my goodness what sad news. Bill was a true gentleman with a kind heart. Sending our sympathy and love to all his family and friends.



I will miss Bill very much. I always loved his stories xxx

Will miss our chats at the pig!!
And that departing handshake.
RIP Legend.



RIP Bill, always greeted me with a smile, always up for a yarn, Sleep well Old friend.



Sad news. Bill has done an awful lot for the community over the years. Hopefully we can give him a proper send-off when restrictions are eased. Vale Bill and condolences to Susie and Bill’s family.



Love and Condolences to Chris, Kirsty Hickey and to the rest of the family. Another icon of the district gone. RIP Bill.



I am so sorry to hear about Bill’s passing. A past councillor and importantly, a true gentleman.

RIP Bill, always greeted me with a smile, always up for a yarn, Sleep well Old friend



The Bill story that I remember best dates back to 1982. Trentham Tourist Association had a Mr Muscle Competition, when 8 x 150lb bags of potatoes were to be lifted onto the tray of a semi.

Bill completed the task in 37.5 seconds. Al Dickerson in 44 secs and Ian Stewart in 46 secs. Bill was awarded a cup, sash and \$60 prize money which he asked to be donated Cancer Council. For this feat, Bill was written up in the newspapers as ‘strongest man in Trentham’.



vale bill



I was chatting to Bill. We talked about my dad. I will share a story that I think is relevant to the Historical Society....

As a boy dad would collect the mail from the place next to the Pig and Whistle. While doing this one day some Catholic boys let his tyres down. This is back when Catholic and Protestant differences mattered to some people. Well two big Catholic boys came over and pumped his tyres up for him.

The big boys were Bill Hickey and I think Pat Walsh, I could check with dad but Bill said, on Wednesday, it was Pat Walsh.

History, places and people bind us together and good deeds are remembered throughout our lives, into our twilight years. What we do matters and we are history.

Dad's not a young man but he has never forgotten the time the big boys, Bill and Pat, helped him.

Bill will Rest In Peace, in a beautiful place at Trentham.



Only last summer Bill gave me a hat to wear on a very sunny day at a function. He said 'keep it mate'. It is in my study to remind me of the wonderful conversations we had together in our short time here in Trentham. I will miss his strong handshake.



Oh Bill ! Too soon. God bless you
xxxx



I am saddened to hear of the passing of Bill Hickey. What a great bloke. He was always so supportive of me in my writings; always somewhere near at book launches and gatherings I was involved in. Bill's passing is another chip off the block of the history of Trentham. Good Aussie blokes like Bill are ever harder to find.



I considered Bill a local icon. He was always dropping around to help this Mexican farmer who had no idea about cattle to help out. What a wonderful man he was. We were absolutely blessed to meet him 15 years ago when I ploughed into one of his milkers on top of Hickeys Hill. He just laughed and was more worried about my car. What an absolute legend. Deepest deepest sympathies to you all.



Bill was such a nice man, iconic even; the classic farmer always had a smirk on his face and a joke in his kick bag. So welcoming and encouraging to a city slicker who specialised in doing everything in a manner that put my life sometimes in jeopardy.

Bill embraced life. His sense of humour and kindness warmed all he met. His jokes were memorable, his acts of kindness amazing and his contribution to the wider community significant. A life well lived.

In our hearts and memories, I will miss your stories. My condolences to all your loved ones and extended families. God bless xx



Great loss to a community like this when someone of his generation passes.

We are deeply saddened by this news. Bill was a wonderful man, so interesting to speak to & he had so

much knowledge to impart. He had smiling eyes, lovely smile and a great handshake. RIP Bill. Condolences to Susie Spence & Bill's family.



Our deepest sympathy to Chris, Mark and families – a life time of fun stories and laughter from our horse and buggy days at East Trentham school and homes in the forties till a couple of weeks ago. Sadly missed RIP



We all loved Bill and will miss him very much – a great man and always willing to lend a hand, never looking or asking for anything in return. He had a reverence about him that was just in control and so in the moment. May he Rest in Peace.



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Link to Bills funeral service

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Thankyou

health and wellness

winter challenges

Winter challenges us in so many ways.

We do what we can to avoid the common cold and the flu but for some this time of the year poses a greater challenge with reoccurring chest infections bronchitis, asthma, pleurisy, and pneumonia. It is not easy to identify if you have a common cold, the flu, bronchitis or anything else more sinister so to keep yourself safe and others safe it is best to stay home and rest when you feel unwell and be tested for Covid-19 if appropriate.

Now, more than ever we need to stay focused on preventing any type of infection from spreading to our lungs and to others. Now is not the time to let your guard down but to up your immune regulation regime and your self-care routine.

Covid-19 is not the only thing challenging our health this winter. Winter blues is common for a lot of us in Trentham and combined with our current stressful situation can lead many to a dark place. It is easy to get caught in overindulging our senses by eating too much of the wrong foods, drinking alcohol, smoking, taking drugs, watching too much TV and spending too much time on the computer. We are looking for anything to seemingly elevate our moods and block out our reality. Like the virus, our minds have taken over by making us believe that we need instant gratification to make us feel happy, safe, and content during this difficult time. We have adopted self-destructive habits to cope with life's challenges and not realising that some

of the things we love and make us feel good for the moment, make us feel worse in the long term. Wouldn't you love to feel better for longer rather than for the moment?

Prevention is often better than a cure but for most of us taking preventative measure to stay healthy may be dull and boring but remember that staying healthy means staying happy.

It is time to make that choice and change your dull and boring experiences relating to living a balanced and healthy lifestyle with exploring new and exciting flavours and activities that elevate vitality, clarity, and lightness. Adapting new habits is never easy but worth it to come alive.

If you are someone spending too much time on your own, engaging in negative self-talk and self-sabotaging behaviours now is the time to reach out.

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Self-care Activist

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home energy assessments & energy savvy upgrades

The following article was written by Hepburn Wind Community Energy for the Wombat Post to highlight Z-NET's Home Energy Assessments & Energy Savvy Upgrades program. It is reproduced here with permission. Hepburn Shire residents are encouraged to register for the program.

As the cold weather starts bearing down, many Hepburn Shire residents are home due to COVID-19, costing more to heat homes and stay well this winter.

A key issue for maintaining a comfortable and healthy home is the building fabric – i.e how the structure limits the transfer of cold and hot air from inside-out and vice versa. Poorly insulated floors, walls and ceilings mean that many homes leak hot air like a sieve. In fact, on the 10-star scale which is used across Australia to assess thermal performance, Victorian homes average 2-stars. These homes need more gas, wood or other systems to keep them warm, costing more to heat than the energy-efficient alternative.

Poor energy efficiency is not just bad for your bills, but also terrible for the environment. In the Hepburn Shire, emissions from households compromise the second-

largest emissions sector producing 89,143 tonnes of CO₂ each year. Most of these emissions come from electricity, petrol and gas – used to power, heat and travel to and from your home. More efficient buildings could reduce up to 50% of the electricity, gas and wood use in our homes as the diagram below shows.

This is why Hepburn Z-NET has co-ordinated new programs to help households improve their building fabric and lower Hepburn emissions. The Z-NET Hepburn Home Energy Assessments is a free audit service, funded through the Z-NET Climate Resilience Fund which is a collaborative fund set up to support community behaviour change programs. The key funders for this program are the Creswick Community and District Bank, Hepburn Wind and Hepburn Shire Council. This program has now managed to leverage State Government funding through the Energy Savvy Upgrades to support low-income households to improve their energy efficiency with subsidised upgrades of up to \$880 per household. Both programs are delivered by local sustainability group – Transition Creswick.

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Energy efficiency Building fabric upgrades

The technology

Improving the 'thermal fabric' of buildings (the walls, roofs and floors) can be an effective way of limiting the heating and cooling required to keep indoor spaces comfortable.

Key measures include: insulating walls, ceilings and floors, double glazing and shading windows, and draught proofing. The key measurement for residential thermal performance is heating and cooling demand, which in Australia is generally measured in a star rating of up to 10 stars (with the minimum for a new dwelling at 6 stars). The average of existing dwellings in Victoria is less than 2 Stars!



The opportunity

Most houses built before the year 2000 have limited or no insulation. Houses without insulation have poor thermal performance. Draughts and large glazed areas are also factors in poor thermal performance. An average house without insulation can be improved by 2 to 3 stars with insulation and some other basic efficiency measures. This equates to a 50% energy saving for space conditioning.

Potential energy savings of upgrades a base (1.4 star) home:

+ Roof insulation to R4 (3.5 star):	50% energy saving
+ Wall and subfloor insulation (5.5 star):	70% energy saving
+ Draught proofing, shading and double glazing (7 star):	80% energy saving

UP TO
50%
reduced
potential
contribution
to Z-NET
OF ELECTRICITY
GAS AND WOOD



Desirability

- > Low hanging fruit like draught proofing and most insulation achieves large savings at low cost and effort.
- > More intrusive measures become cost prohibitive.



Feasibility

- > It is relatively straightforward to insulate ceilings.
- > Insulation is more complex for walls and floors, but is still possible (e.g. using spray foam).
- > Draught proofing is a 'no brainer'.



Viability

- > Ceiling insulation costs around \$5-10 per sqm
- > Full retrofit of house from base to 5 star is possible and cost effective, however retrofits beyond 5 star may not be possible (or economic)
- > The average cost of double glazed glass is around \$15,000 per household.

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Gales's Home Energy Assessments & Energy Savvy Upgrades

Earlier this year, the first energy assessment and upgrade was completed for a Creswick resident – Gale. Through adding insulation, installing solar and implementing an array of drought-proofing actions, her home went from 5.8 stars to 10 according to the Victorian Residential Scorecard Rating (VRES) used to conduct the assessment. You can read the full case study [here](#).

If you are a Hepburn Shire resident and would like to make your home more comfortable and reduce your emissions at the same time, here are some steps you can take today:

1. Register now for the Z-NET Hepburn Home Energy Assessments and Energy Savvy Upgrades. Please register your interest for a free audit and subsidised retrofits by filling out this survey or sending an email to assessor@hepburnznet.org.au. Once assessments can commence you will be notified. Please note: only eligible for Hepburn Shire residents.

2. Get informed about energy efficiency via this webinar series held on 20/5 and 27/5. Hosted by the Central Victorian Green House Alliance, this webinar covers key actions you can take at home to improve the energy efficiency of your home and stay warm this winter.

Upcoming solar and battery webinars!

In addition to the ZNET Hepburn Home Energy Assessments and Energy Savvy Upgrades, another great way for to lower your homes emissions is through solar and/or battery.

Over May and June, the bulk-buy is hosting a series of online webinars, offering Hepburn Shire residents useful information about the systems available, the State Governments solar rebates and much more. You can register by clicking on the dates below.

- Thurs 21 May, Solar PV Webinar
- Thurs 28 May, Battery Webinar
- Thurs 4 June, Solar PV Webinar
- Thurs 11 June, Battery Webinar

Register here for home energy assessments & energy savvy upgrades

Jürgen Rhyon

on behalf of Z-NET Trentham representatives

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hello there chair



Tucked away on one of the Wombat State forest walking tracks, not far from the Trentham cemetery sits a chair. Not just any old chair as I once thought when I first passed it. In fact, my initial reaction was 'oh look what someone has dumped here'. For those who see it on their walks and adventures through the forest, it is actually known as the Happy Chair. Like many magical things in Trentham, no one knows how the Happy Chair got there. Occasionally it has been known to change location to a sunny spot or to admire the view before the sun goes down. The Happy Chair has been offering respite for walkers and a place for contemplation within the beauty of the forest for many months now. There is a diary and pen, neatly tucked into rainproof bags for those who wish to enjoy some time with the chair to share their thoughts and reflections or just to leave a message for others. What more encouragement could you want to explore the wonders of Wombat Forest than to adventure out to find the Happy Chair!

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community plan

trentham community plan 2020-2024

The March 2020 Draft Trentham Community Plan 2020-2024, advertised in Trumpet last month and downloadable from the Trentham Forum website, should be studied by Trentham folk young and old. Clearly much work has gone into developing the document.

It is interesting to compare this 2020 Plan and Appendices with the Community Discussion Draft Plan of September 2009. For example:

a) The Community Centre: in 2009 was number 5 on a list of priorities and sixth on a list of Community issues. In 2020, it has become number one Vision, and number one Action Plan priority.

b) An Indoor Sports Facility: in 2009 was fourth on a list of priorities and seventh on a list of Community issues. In 2020, it is not explicitly listed as a Vision or a priority but is mentioned in Appendix 7.

Some things have changed imperceptibly: in addition to 14A Victoria Street, Hepburn Shire Council is apparently the proprietor of 8A Camp Street,

by transfer from Kyneton Shire 2019 – (purchased from Messrs Higgins & Stevens in 1957).

The 2020 Plan would benefit from a more recent map: perhaps, from the edge of the golf club to the cemetery and from the Sports Ground to Gunyah Drive – with a conventional scale.

The reference to statistical analysis by Grand Canyon University provided in Appendix 5 of the 2020 Plan is useful. One issue they identify as impacting upon survey response rates is 'Trust'. It has been painfully noticeable that various groups in Trentham were, and some still are, suspicious of others. There seems to be a distinct possibility that results may be skewed if only the faithful respond (As was evident from the results of a privately funded survey and petition in Trentham in 2016). Among a list of core ethical principles that GCU considers important in survey research is "Respect" for the autonomy, decision-making and dignity of participants.

The Shire's Project Advisory Group dealing with the Trentham Community Centre is on a path to optimising the feasible. Most elements of the 2020 Trentham Community Plan seem sufficiently flexible to support groups within Trentham and Districts pursuing their disparate aims.

Dennis Trehwella

trentham sustainability group

sustainability action

As the Coronavirus rolls on, I hope you are all in good health. Many of us are hoping this crisis will be a catalyst for change to bring about a stronger, fairer and more resilient world.

Sustainability folks in Trentham and districts have been busy, thinking and planning action during the lock-down. Following our inspirational Community Conversation in March, a subsequent on-line Skills Audit and a Zoom meeting in late May, ideas for action have resulted in the formation of several Action Groups.

Currently, the groups for action are:

- Waste Recycling & Re-purposing
- Food & Farming (Trentham Food Hub)
 - Produce Exchange
 - Seed Savers Club
- Conservation & Biodiversity / Tree-planting (includes water resources & security)
- Community Energy & Sustainable Housing
- Letter Writing (lobbying for and representing the 'sustainability' message)
- Coordination & Communications
- Events Planning

There has never been a more important time for stronger action on climate change. Collectively and individually, we can all help heal the earth and all its inhabitants.

If you missed the Community Conversation in March or haven't taken part in the Skills Audit or recent Zoom meeting, it's not too late! You are welcome to join in at any time!!

If you'd like to catch up for a chat just email or give me a call ... I'd love to hear from you.

Glenda Holmes

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letter to the editor

your rates your town

Coliban ward ratepayers should know that Hepburn Council has released its proposed budget for 2020/2021. Ratepayers may make budget submissions by 25 June and council will conduct a meeting on 7 July to hear submissions.

The 2020/21 budget will increase our rates by a further 2%.

Coliban ward contributes 16% of council's rates revenue.

The budget provides \$12.156m for capital works – such as buildings, roads, equipment, etc. Coliban is assigned three projects worth \$515k – or 4% of the total capex budget. Over the past six years Coliban ward has been allocated an average 4% of capital works funds.

The three projects are \$200k for architects to draw up plans for the renovated Mechanics Hall (as an aside surely after 6 months' work we will soon hear about the advisory group's plans for the hall); \$200k for architects to draw up plans to modify the various buildings at the sports ground; and the remainder funds the completion of the kindergarten/child care facility.

The budget document does not identify any other projects or works for Trentham.

Quite clearly, and despite earlier promises, absolutely nothing has been done to address the entrenched inequity towards Coliban ward.

Should the good folk of Trentham wish to extend their remarkable generosity and continue to subsidise

projects in Daylesford, Creswick, Clunes and elsewhere then nothing need be done. **Silence can be maintained.**

Alternatively, should Trentham ratepayers be sick and tired of receiving far less than their fair share of expenditure on critical infrastructure and services then a loud and clear message should be sent to the mayor, councillors and CEO. After all, councillors are compelled by law to represent the community in their decision making, consider the diversity of interests and needs of the community, act with integrity, participate in the responsible allocation of resources through the annual budget and facilitate effective communication between council and the community.

The question could be asked - have council listened to the Trentham community and allocated resources responsibly?

Two observations to close with. **Trentham needs a strong community plan. An ambitious plan with vision. A plan embraced by the wider community..... to protect and enhance the place where we live.** Perhaps that would be one way in which external stakeholders, such as council, might start to take us seriously and might positively influence their decision making.

Secondly, an organisation that provides a clear, unified voice for Trentham would also be useful. **Civic leadership and effective representation of our interests are sadly lacking.**

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Trentham Neighbourhood Centre will be 30 years old on 13 June 2020. It is not always easy to identify the birthday of an organization – and this date has been chosen from several alternatives. The first grant application towards a Neighbourhood Centre was made in late 1989, and the first steering committee was chosen soon after that. But 13 June 1990 was the date of the official opening of 'Trentham Neighbourhood Centre'.

The earliest (undated) statement of purposes laid out the goals of the new organization:

To provide a place where:

1. people can meet in a warm and friendly atmosphere
2. people can take part in organising activities for themselves and the local community
3. people are encouraged to participate in their own education, recreation and the sharing of skills and resources
4. people can receive information, support and direction in time of need or crisis.

These are the principles that have guided TNC ever since, through changes in staff and committee, programmes and facilities. Despite fluctuations of fortune, there has been great progress across this 30-year history.

This short piece is the start of a commemorative programme, to record the history and acknowledge the people whose contributions have created the current TNC. There will be a longer article about the first decade in the Trentham Historical Society journal (Recorder) in August, and a booklet on the full history in time for the 30th anniversary of settling into the present building, in 1992.

Towards that, once the Covid19 crisis is over, there will be a number of interviews undertaken with people who have made significant contributions to that history or have memories they wish to share. If you have anything to offer to this project, please contact TNC's Manager, Tania Sawyer. If you have photographs that might be relevant, we would be particularly keen to hear from you.

Ina Bertrand

for the 30-year anniversary sub-committee

Photo contributed by Sue McBratney



gardening with kaz

Winter Tasks and Bare Root Plants

'There is no such thing as bad weather, only badly chosen clothes' was one of the most useful pieces of wisdom I received whilst working at Great Dixter House and Garden in the UK. Once you brace yourself, put on your winter woolies and get yourself outside, winter can be one of the most creative times to work in the garden.

It's at this time that you can re-organise and re-create the garden by splitting & dividing existing perennials and pruning many trees and shrubs to shape. It's also a great time to order a wider variety of deciduous plants like fruit trees and roses that might not be available at other times of the year.

A number of my Trentham clients have asked me to install box hedges, and now is the perfect time to plant bare rooted stock. My preference is for English box or *Buxus sempervirens* as it's always possible to find replacement plants, and it grows in both full sun and semi-shade. Bare-rooted plants come without soil attached so are easily transportable and usually available at a cheaper price.

I use box in my designs for its ability to create interesting shapes that remain in the garden all year round, despite our frosty Trentham climate. When people think of box it is often very formal gardens that come to mind. However, my preference is to use it to frame the garden and contrast with more exuberant planting. Try planting a sculptural 'cloud hedge', or using curved shapes that create movement and a sense of softness in the garden. The list of applications is endless, from elaborate knot-gardens to simple box spheres or cubes that punctuate the landscape and add an important evergreen element.

If planting a box hedge use either four or five plants per meter. Using five plants per meter ensures that the bottom of the hedge will look nice and full. Prepare the soil by digging and breaking up clumps, adding a little organic matter and also a handful of lime. They are easy, hardy and dependable plants to grow.

Spend some time this winter happily curled up on the couch poring over some garden books or scrolling through the internet for some ideas to use in your own little patch. Nothing like some inspiration to get you out into the garden!

Happy gardening,



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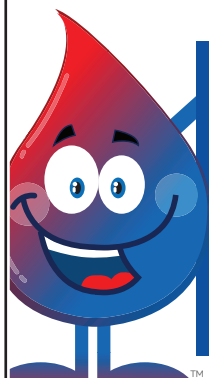
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TRENTHAM COMMUNITY HUB

MILESTONES

- Project Advisory Group meetings
- Architect engaged
- Reviewing previous designs and consultation

The progress of the Trentham Community Hub project is well underway. Perkins Architects has been engaged to complete the design, and is reviewing previous design work, including community feedback. The Project Advisory Group (PAG), made up of community members, has met a number of times. The PAG are:

- developing strategies to engage the broader community, and
- discussing key elements of the project to ensure the Trentham Community Hub meets the community's needs.

The Trentham Community Hub will include the library, visitor information centre, customer service, meeting and function rooms, and original main hall.

As the project progresses, the project team will be seeking input from the community. Stay tuned.



TRENTHAM EARLY LEARNING FACILITY

The Trentham Early Learning Facility has begun the construction phase. The works are expected to take about 6 months.

Some tree removal is required for bushfire safety rating. This tree removal has been minimised as much as possible, and will be offset with certified vegetation offsets.

The existing kindergarten services will continue to operate. We'd like to hear from you if you're thinking of utilising the increased services once the construction is complete – please email our service provider ecka@vic.chariot.net.au for more information.

For the project FAQs visit www.hepburn.vic.gov.au/trentham-early-learning/.

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Musk	06.29	10.24	15.24	17.29	09.19	14.19	17.24	09.19	14.19
Bullarto Service Station	06.34	10.29	15.29	17.34	09.24	14.24	17.29	09.24	14.24
Lyonville	06.38	10.33	15.33	17.38	09.28	14.28	17.33	09.28	14.28
Trentham (Milk Bar, Market St)	06.46	10.41	15.41	17.46	09.36	14.36	17.41	09.36	14.36
Tylden	06.56	10.51	15.51	17.56	09.46	14.46	17.51	09.46	14.46
Woodend Station	07.10	11.05	16.05	18.10	10.00	15.00	18.05	10.00	15.00
Woodend Station	08.35	11.20	16.30	18.35	10.15	16.30	19.15	10.15	16.30
Tylden	08.46	11.31	16.41	18.46	10.26	16.41	19.26	10.26	16.41
Trentham (Milk Bar, Market St)	08.57	11.42	16.52	18.57	10.37	16.52	19.37	10.37	16.52
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Tylden General Store	12:45	5:08	9:16	2:40
Trentham Milk Bar (Market St)	12:55	5:18	9:26	2:50
Tylden General Store	1:05	5:28	9:36	3:00
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