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## LORNE UNDER A STAR-LIT CANOPY

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# THE GREAT OCEAN ROAD

## New Taskforce - The grand old icon is in dire trouble

More than 20 different agencies have a say on what should or should not be done with the Great Ocean Road. The road needs constant and expensive repairs, experts warn of overuse by traffic, especially tourist buses, and traffic at times is the stuff of nightmares.

Our much-loved icon which stretches over 243 km along the Surf Coast, and is promoted as one of Australia's most recognisable tourist destinations is sick and tired and very much in need of urgent rejuvenation. And if something is not done, and done soon, its reputation will certainly suffer.

The newly appointed co-chair of Great Ocean Road Taskforce, Terry Mulder said that the GOR is now at the 'very tipping point' at which action had to be taken.

Allowing the situation to continue, Mr Mulder said, tourism could suffer in terms of lost reputation in the face of deteriorating road surface, lack of adequate facilities such as parking, toilets and other amenities, and road use congestion.

What's at stake is 5.1 million visitors who flocked to the GOR (2016-17), spending \$1.3 billion and generating employment for about 9,200 people. Projected figures for visitations over the next ten to 20 years are staggering.

After years of ignoring the problem, the Victorian Government has at long last allocated \$1.3 million to form a bi-partisan Taskforce – the other co-chair is Peter Batchelor – to make a detailed study on GOR problems and come up with possible solution to make the highway viable in 20-30 years' time.

Guest speaker at a Committee for Lorne luncheon recently, Mr Mulder said that Taskforce had until early next year to gather and analyse community feedback and report back to the Government.

Mr Mulder said that the biggest problem facing the GOR was the large number of agencies, all faced with the task of responsibilities in looking after sections of the highway.



Terry Mulder

Major agencies included VicRoads, VicParks, GORCC as well as various Shires along the whole section of the GOR.

What the Taskforce will provide is a single 'over-arching governance' agency to take on the responsibilities of looking after the GOR.

Although Mr Mulder did not say much in terms of possible solutions, he said that the prime objective of the Taskforce now was input – from individuals, organisations, shop-keepers, businesses, local government agencies, in fact from anyone who has an interest in the Great Ocean Road.

You can make a submission three ways – online <https://engage.vic.gov.au/great-ocean-road>; in person through community forums and/or completing a feedback form, or a written submission by:

- Uploading a written submission from <https://engage.vic.gov.au/great-ocean-road>
- Emailing a written submission to [greatoceanroad.taskforce@delwp.vic.gov.au](mailto:greatoceanroad.taskforce@delwp.vic.gov.au)
- Or posting a written submission  
Great Ocean Road Taskforce Project Manager,  
Dept. of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, Barwon South West, Level 4, State Government Offices,  
30-38 Lt Malop Street, Geelong, Victoria 3220

## Vital repairs on the GOR

The Great Ocean Road is to be closed around Mount Defiance Lookout between May 28 and May 31 (four days) for VicRoads to carry out vital geotechnical, drainage and asphalt repairs.

Motorists will be directed to a detour route from Lorne through Deans Marsh, then Barwon Downs, Forrest to Skenes Creek.

A VicRoad spokesperson said that because of the age of the GOR, there is a pressing need to make extensive repairs to a 2km section of the road at Mount Defiance.

This is a section of the road that is high and narrow, in an area where there is not enough room to safely run traffic alongside machinery and road work.

VicRoads has planned what it calls a 'four day/night roadwork blitz', though access to all towns will remain open while the detour is in place.

For information, VicRoads (03) 5225 2501  
Email: [greatoceanroad@roads.vic.gov.au](mailto:greatoceanroad@roads.vic.gov.au)

## Front page

For those keen on photography, local identity Ian Walding took the picture on April 2, at 23.05pm between Mr Defiance and Jamieson River on the Great Ocean Road. Other specifications include Canon 6D mk 2, Canon 17-35mm 2.8 at 17mm, ISO 4000 exposure 30 sec. using a Manfrotto Tripod.

# ELECTORAL CHANGES

## Who was May Cox?

It's more than likely the Federal seat of Corangamite will be changed to Cox – the bureaucrats at the Electoral Commission seem to think that the old name is inappropriate as Lake Corangamite has been taken out of the electorate – but Lorne has a strong link with the new name and should take pride in the achievements of the formidable May Cox.

The jokers are already out in force – most notably in the Geelong Advertiser which recently asked readers for alternative names – but it's hard to grasp that this sort of juvenile conduct still exists today, especially in a major Australian regional newspaper.

Nudge-nudge, wink-wink, 'the member for Cox' – get it?

Sarah Henderson at present holds the federal seat of Corangamite for the Liberals but should Parliament ratify the newly-named electorate later this year, Libby Coker, well-known on the Surf Coast Shire Council as a long-time councillor and mayor, has already put her hand up to nominate for Labor.

Henderson, a member of the Geelong-based Henderson family (the family also has a house in Lorne) which has been most active in past State and Federal politics, is a lawyer and a Walkley Award winning television journalist who has held Corangamite for two terms.

She has indicated that she will contest the seat.

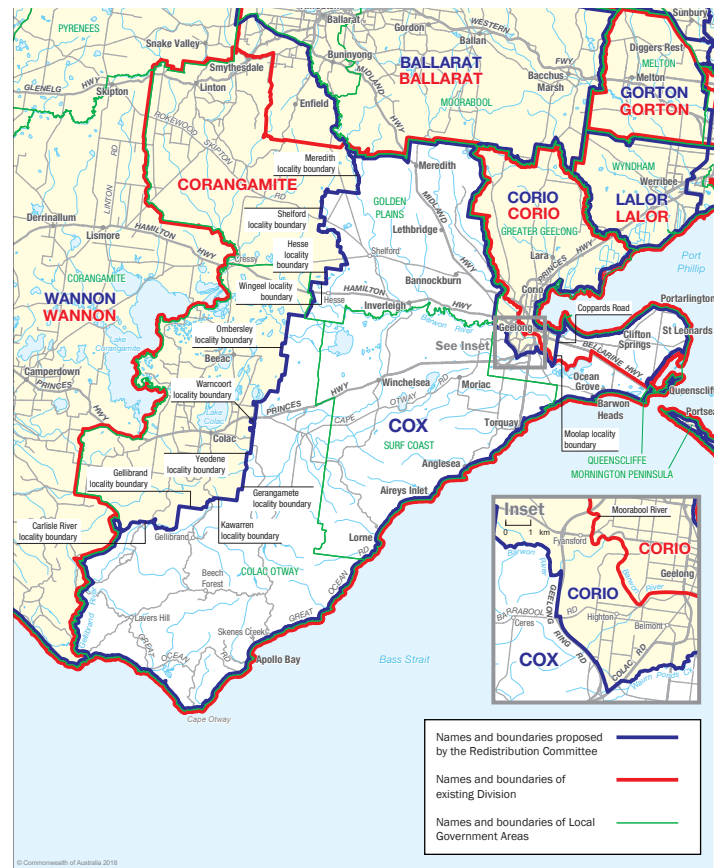
The newly minted Cox electorate will in effect cut out a considerable chunk of the western part of the present boundaries, including Colac, and greatly alter the voting mix in and around Geelong. With part of Corangamite absorbed by Wannon, Cox will spread from the Golden Plains to the outskirts of Geelong and then south-west into the Otways parallel to the coast and well past Cape Otway.

The May Cox link with Lorne is strong. Born in Melbourne in 1883, and she was already a powerful swimmer when she was appointed as a teacher in 1899 to the Albert Park State School which had by this time a reputation for successful competitive swimming.

One of her pupils and star swimmers was Frank Beaurepaire and when she was appointed in 1910 as Supervisor of Swimming and Lifesaving with the Victorian Education Department, Beaurepaire joined her in a series of programs and other promotions to further the skills of children in swimming and lifesaving.

During the First World War she was involved in various fund-raising and other patriotic activities (she is said to have organised teachers and students to knit 59,000 socks); she is credited with raising considerable monies for soldier's needs.

After the war, she continued her swimming and lifesaving activities and Frank Beaurepaire (later Sir Frank) and his sister Lillian (Lily), born in Lorne on September 15, 1893, the two would often accompany Cox on her promotional tours in Victoria, and give swimming and diving demonstrations.



Both Sir Frank and Lillian would become Olympians – Sir Frank gained silver and bronze in London, 1908, Antwerp, 1920 and Paris, 1924, and Lillian represented Australia at Antwerp. Lillian of course became a Lorne legend with her exuberant and fun-loving antics when working at the family guest house and the Grand Pacific Hotel, diving off the Lorne Pier and saving the occasional swimmer in trouble on Louttit Bay.

In 1929, Cox and Sir Frank launched the 'Learn to Swim' campaign, sponsored by The Herald and Weekly Times and thousands of children in Victoria and beyond owed their swimming skills to this program. They also co-authored a book for swimming instructors.

Her efforts resulted in swimming being incorporated in physical educational programs in Victoria and New South Wales and without a doubt formed the basis of Australia's strength as a formidable swimming nation, a reputation it enjoys to this day.

Cox retired in 1938 and married Arthur Lloyd, then moved to Mosman in Sydney. She died in 1953.

Considering her outstanding achievements and friendship with Sir Frank and Lillian Beaurepaire, Lorne voters should be proud in belonging to an electorate named after such an outstanding Australian.

The Electoral Commission draft is now open for further submission with the final distribution to be released in July. - JV

# MODEL BOATS

Echoes of the small boy we all once used to be live on – in all men. We may not listen to them often ... or enough ... but they are there.

These sounds, smells, and sights of youth: the whittle of pocket knife on pine or willow; the pungent smell of Airfix glue; the slow twirl of a plastic plane suspended from a bedroom ceiling ... these evocative memories are awakening at the Men's Shed as autumn glides toward winter.

Yes ... the Men's Shed is re-entering the word of model-making but, this time, it is with more than just show pieces in mind: a fleet of T37's is front and centre of the winter agenda.

Cast your thoughts back to the Erskine River Model Yacht Regattas of the last few years! The ERMYSR was 'hatched' between long time part-time local, John Agar, and his daughter Penny Whitehead – Penny of the earlier days of Love Lorne – as they sought a way to better use the Erskine pond after the demise of the paddle-boats. What better than to indulge John's passion for model boats and model boat building and hold an annual Luxembourg gardens 'sail-a-thon' on the pond.

Three highly successful annual events followed. The competition was hot, both in the 4-9 and the 10-15 age-group sail-off, and in the open class events where both sail and powered events were held. Even injury could not dull the will to win as, flamed into desperation, our local councilor drove his powerboat at 60 km/hr into his shin – and was unceremoniously carted off to hospital for sutures.

Pete Spring and Tony Wolfenden built T37's from scratch – beautiful, stately radio-controlled sailing craft – to vie for the ultimate prize. John Agar – some may say he cheated! – purchased a carbon-fibre Volvo 3 x 1 racing yacht from Stockmaritime in Hamburg at vast expense but, not knowing how to charge the battery, missed the starting gun.

Then tragedy struck! The fourth year – dogged by inclement weather – led to several on-again, off-again false starts to hold the event. The vagaries of wind and rain interrupted the event.

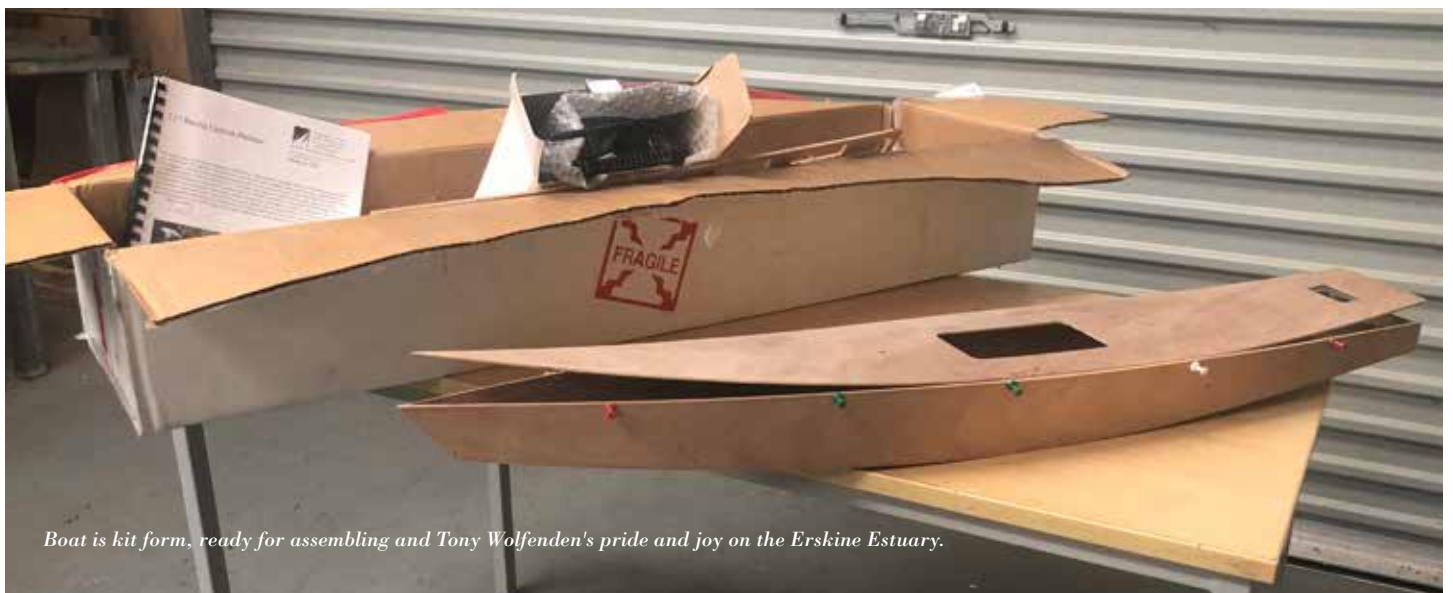


Boats stood ready, but unused, on mantel shelves and in garages. It looked as if the ERMYSR was to be a wistful memory of the past.

Enter the Lorne and District Men's Shed! Recognising the essence of fun the event had stirred, recognising their inner small boy, and keen to foster and grow the camaraderie of the Shed, a new Shed project has emerged. Modeling knives are being sharpened, sandpaper purchased, plans dissected, and the differences in sailcloth discussed, as the Sheddors prepare their craft for the next regatta – an event they plan to revitalize.

The chosen craft (or several of them) is to be the T37 Tippecanoe racing sloop ... <http://www.tippecanoeboats.com/t37-racing-sloop-2> ... a fine craft, and not too difficult to build as Pete Spring will attest. Well done, Sheddors. You will have lots of fun, and you will restore a unique event to the Erskine Pond. Watch this space for further news about 'the date of sailing'.

- John Agar



*Boat is kit form, ready for assembling and Tony Wolfenden's pride and joy on the Erskine Estuary.*

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# THE LOUTTIT LOOP

Wow! Amazing Easter eh? Three days of gridlocked traffic – where do they all go? Events galore and perfect weather. What about the cheeky professional group who blew into town on Saturday and set up beach volleyball nets along the beach amongst the Easter Market and the sculptures and charged folk to use “their” courts to play?? After a few balls crashed onto the beautiful white faces of one sculpt on the sand, they were finally officially evicted!

*Good Friday started very badly at North Lorne when a tourist from Keilor Downs posed to be photographed on a big rock near Stony Creek with her back to the ocean and was taken by a breaking wave. Fortunately some brave beach walkers managed to get her to shore, while others called OOO and two wonderful girls (identified only as pink Tshirt lass and Aqua Tshirt lass) started CPR on her, which they continued frantically for about 45 minutes (even after the Paramedics tried the defibrillator). She was taken unconscious to the helicopter and after more treatment finally breathed again on her own. She is still critical in the Royal Melb Hosp. The reason for this sad tale is to remind you never to turn your back on the sea, not to go out on the rocks without a lifejacket, to sincerely thank those who saved her from the ocean, and to the two wonderful girls whose lives will have been altered in a major way by this experience, and others who assisted on the beach – like Rita Costa who tried to comfort the shocked relatives. Every day we observe folk out on those same rocks!*

Have the Amy Gillett Foundation changed the name of their big annual bike ride to The Great Ocean and Otway Classic Ride? Seems that way if one reads the small print. Some 4,000 riders with 90 kilometres of closed roads and heaps of disruption for little towns along the way. Some of the \$s raised provided that permanent flashing light on Deans Marsh Road warning us that there ARE bike riders ahead???

*The sad passing of Lucy Porritt reminds us that a generation of very special folk is diminishing. Lucy was an active member of the Monday Quilting Group and her last projects included crocheting beautifully around the edges of handkerchiefs. Lucy and Raymond started bowling in 1995 when the Club was down on the beachfront. She loved her bowls and made many friends at the away games. She specially loved getting the teapots and cups and saucers out for the players afternoon tea, and was quite devastated when the Club changed over to mugs and an urn and a do-it-yourself arrangement. Lucy truly loved being in the kitchen and that was her favourite place. She'll be remembered and missed.*

A bit of a shock one afternoon to come across a graffiti ‘artist’ working in the Stony Creek underpass, as others have done.

Had a chat and he reckons he was doing this big piece in memory of his mate who had passed away. On returning from my walk, I praised his skills and use of colour and asked if he had thought of doing an art course. “Yes, that’s my aim!” Hope he does. He’s a good looking young boy with a gentle way, working alone in broad daylight and very talented.

*So the Electoral folk may change our area’s label from Corangamite to Cox and rejig the borders to even out the numbers. Congratulations to Deborah Campbell who wrote an excellent piece in the Surf Coast Times on what an appropriate choice May was and what a strong, useful and fascinating life she had.*

Let’s hope GORCC’s new CEO Vanessa Schernickau can help our eroding foreshore. She comes with a good basket of skills and experience in business, local government, human resources, community development, and Crown land management so fingers crossed she’s got the goods to do the job of looking after all the area on the beach side of the GOR in the Surf Coast Shire! She lives in Aireys Inlet and has worked with GORCC before so here’s hoping.

*At last GORCC are making a few attempts to save the area of the Cypress Trees at North Lorne car park. Locals have been nagging for piles of rocks to be dumped there as it’s so obvious that where this has been done there is an uneroded area and the “no rocks” part is collapsing at a horrifying rate. Two fences have been erected. We are also losing one of the Cypress Trees there which, after battling easterlies for many, many years, has been judged dangerous and will go – despite the persistent efforts of Rick Addison over the years to try and get some anti erosion steps taken and proactive work on these beautiful historic trees.*

It’s hard to believe, but someone unscrewed and STOLE the container for the rolls of dog poo bags from the steps at that same car park. DOH???

*Great that massive works at an upgrade of our 60 year old Allen Reservoir are almost completed. Well timed renovations as this dam is the sole supplier of our drinking water. Thanks Barwon Water.*

No thanks to DELWP! Birgitte Hutchens emailed re the closing of Erskine Falls and Allenvale Roads for burnoffs on Anzac Day! Come On! Couldn’t wait one more day? Our biggest tourist attractions taken out on a holiday! Unbelievable. Ha Ha – we were saved by a bit of rain the previous day so the planned burn had to be postponed. Birgitte has the enviable title of Community Based Bushfire Management Facilitator, Forest & Fire Strategic Planning and Partnerships! I’m trying to make something from that CBBMFF&FSPP but, like scrabble, need a few more vowels to play with.

*We now have a dry cleaning agency in town – at Dee Stewart’s shop - Beachouse Gifts. Dee sees a need and fixes it. Go girl!*

Lorne’s Football and Netball Clubs have an urgent appeal for voluntary workers on home match days. Help! Fun to be involved as well as watch the game. See President Ken at the hardware shop, or ring Kev on 0410 400032.

Lil’s out of here – off to see the big wide world. Seeya in July....Lillian.

# FROM OUR COUNCILLOR

For the Lorne Ward Cr Clive Goldsworthy - 0400 756 854 [lorneward.information@gmail.com](mailto:lorneward.information@gmail.com)



## Surf Coast Shire – Draft Budget – Have your say!

Last Tuesday 24th April the Council resolved to place the 2018-19 Budget on public display to seek community comments and submissions by 24th May 2018.

The document is 100 pages and provides extensive financial

information, I have summarised key points below.

- Residential rates will increase by 2.25% in line with the State Government's rate capping regime.
- Waste charges will increase by 8% equivalent to about \$30.00 due to the changes in recycling markets and deliver planned improvements to waste services and rehabilitation at Anglesea landfill site.
- Capital Works \$24.1 million spread over 64 projects across the shire.
- Asset renewal allocation of \$7 million
- Council borrowings are projected to increase by \$3 million to \$20.2 million by June 2019
- The Lorne Structure Plan, stage two - \$160,000.

## Equity Considerations across the Shire

I regularly have discussions on the question of equity across the Shire "Is Lorne receiving their fair share?" The budget document provides important information on this topic. Appendix F – Equity Considerations, page 93 – 98.

Consideration of rate contribution is an important element in the notion of equity although rate income does also need to fund "whole of Shire" expenditure. The table below shows Ward Rate Contribution relative to Total Project Allocation.

Ward	Rates	%	Projects	%
Anglesea	\$10.2m	23%	\$1.2m	8%
Lorne	\$6.6m	15%	\$0.8m	6%
Torquay	\$22.2m	51%	\$10.3	69%
Winchelsea	\$5.0m	11%	\$2.6m	17%
Whole of Shire		0	\$9.5m	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$44.0M</b>	<b>100%</b>		<b>100%</b>

## Community Consultation

Individuals and community groups are invited to submit their requests for services, support and infrastructure through the budget consultation process.

Copies of the draft Budget are available on the Shire's website, submission can also be lodged on line via [www.surfcoast.vic.gov.au/budget](http://www.surfcoast.vic.gov.au/budget)

Please contact me if you would like to discuss the budget or require any assistance with your submission.

## Challenges in recycling

Waste collection has been making the news following China's move to limit its intake of recyclable materials. The move has affected several countries, let alone individual municipalities. A number of Councils in Australia have made headlines by opting to put recycling aside and send all their rubbish to landfill.

In the Surf Coast Shire it is business as usual. Our materials are being processed as normal and we all need to continue sorting recyclables as we do now. Our communities have a strong awareness and appreciation of waste collection and recycling objectives, demonstrated by the very low rates of contamination we record.

## ANZAC Day

Great to see so many people attending the ANZAC day services in Lorne, paying tribute to all who have served our country. The attendance continues to grow year on year. Special thanks to the Lorne RSL for their organisation and leadership.

## Dates to Remember

- Lorne's May Music Festival Weekend. 4th – 6th May 2018.
- Lorne Football Netball Club – Home games. 5th & 26th May
- Great Ocean Road Running Festival 20th – 21st May

## Lorne Senior Citizens Club Inc.

### Notice Of Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Lorne Senior Citizens Club will be held at :

Time : 1.00 PM

Date : Wednesday 30th May 2018.

Where: Lorne Senior Citizens Community Centre

Agenda : • To confirmed minutes of the AGM held 2017 • President's report • Treasurer's report • Election of Office Bearers: President, Secretary, Treasurer • General Business: Confirm the membership fee for 2018. Confirm the change of name from Lorne Senior Citizens Club Inc to Lorne Connect. Confirm the updated model rules i.e. constitution. Confirm change of name in the constitution to Lorne Connect Inc. AGM to close.

General discussion For further information please contact : Pam Fulton – President Wendy Hutchison – Secretary PO Box 246 Lorne 3232 [lorneseniorecitizens@gmail.com](mailto:lorneseniorecitizens@gmail.com)

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*For more information about LorneCare contact:*  
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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**Dear Editor**

**Praise of Tiny Houses**

How fantastic was the coverage of “Tiny Houses” in April’s Lorne Independent?

So beautifully designed and positioned. Perfect for so many folk. Especially in this town bereft of such accommodation.

One feels a community garden and a tastefully designed row of storage sheds could be positioned in the cluster also. In Sweden in such developments one’s car can only come in to unload and then must return to the communal car park.

“But we’ve got nowhere to put them!” is the Lorne call. **BALONEY.**

Just beyond Point Grey at the very outskirts of Lorne on the way to Wye River is a very large piece of almost cleared bush land. It has been studied before in various community think tanks. However, if our Shire devoted its energies to developing it as they have in Torquay North we could fit in hundreds of houses. **OMG!**

But if they took their foot off the greedy developers pedal and allowed the construction of laddidah houses along the front ocean facing strip, but with a cluster of these wonderful tiny houses at the rear, it would be an innovative and tasteful small step to providing some cute suitable accommodation for our town. **Dream on!**

**Sue Grant  
Lorne**

**Dear Editor**

**Another take on tiny houses**

I too think tiny houses have a place in Lorne (Lorne Independent, April 2018), but I see them filling a slightly different niche. Many of the houses now being built (or modified) in Lorne are designed to accommodate a crowd.

The actual rate of occupation of most of them, however, is such that they will be full for just 2-4 weeks of the year (at best). The classic solution to the problem of a crowded house was to build a bungalow. Why not reimagine the bungalow as a tiny house?

Points in favour include a lower environmental footprint than that involved in expanding or rebuilding a house, a lower financial cost, and the possibility that the bungalow/tiny house could be used for the rest of the year as rental accommodation. That is if the occupants of the main house don’t move into the tiny one themselves. There is a lot to be said for small – less to maintain, clean, heat or cool.

**Mary Lush,  
Lorne**

**Dear Editor**

**Thank you ALL for the use of the Lorne foreshore.**

We hope Lorne Sculpture Biennale 2018 surprised, delighted and intrigued.

Each event creates dialogue even debate.

It’s pleasing to hear words like ‘it’s my favourite event in Lorne’

The Biennale brings a nice energy to town.

Special thanks to our fabulous team of volunteers, sad to see them go, a super thanks to Marion & Barry Church who have headed up the vollies since 2007. The Men’s Shedder’s with their inaugural winning entry, the Aquatic club, HAH Café, Len Tank and Lorne Electrics, GORCC especially Caleb Hurrell, Phil Brown and Rod Rau. The quick response team, we could not have done without you guys, thank you.

LSB 2020 is planning to return the event to Oct/Nov.

With gratitude

**Graeme Wilkie  
QDOS**

**Dear Editor**

**Another Lorne icon in danger**

Following to my letter in the April addition of the Lorne Independent, I can inform interested parties that I was contacted by GORCC’s Mr David Petty who then referred me to Mr Caleb Hurrell, GORCC’s Coastal Reserves Manager.

We discussed the matter of both the trees removal and the erosion of the embankment. Unfortunately, the tree to be removed has been judged unsafe to the general public and due to the immediate strip of coastal area being considered a low priority not a lot will be done there to stop the erosion. It was explained to me that a placement of rocks to the embankment is not a solution.

GORCC has agreed to construct a “fence” of wire and stakes, like the one that they erected recently in front of the existing pine tree root systems, along the full length of the car park at the beach level to assist with the tides and to prevent beach goers from walking down the face of the embankment. This “fence” is currently under construction. It is also GORCC’s intention to monitor the situation over the next two years with photo points having been set up on site.

I have asked if it were possible for a replacement pine to be planted in place of the one to be removed but will need to wait and see if that happens and what effect the “fences” have.

I’m of the view that Mother Nature will in time win out and the remaining trees will be undermined and taken out to sea and another Lorne Icon lost.

**Ric Addison.  
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## Football and Netball are back!

Lorne's senior football team showed really good form on Saturday 21st April with a 29 point win over South Colac. This was an important first win for the Dolphins after having lost the opening two rounds of the season.

In the first round of the season Lorne sustained a heavy loss to last year's premiers Birregurra and in fact did not look as though they were match prepared. The eleven goal loss was a true reflection of the difference in the teams on this day. In round two Lorne travelled to Simpson and narrowly lost in windy, wet conditions which made it difficult to play with any real system.

However in round three Lorne began the match with great intensity and purpose and led by 23 points at quarter time. South Colac fought back well in the second quarter to reduce the margin to just 2 points. Both teams played well in the third quarter, with the margin at the last change being 3 points. The final quarter belonged to Lorne who pulled away to win 11.11:77 to 6.12:48. Lewis Hollmer was outstanding and was a source of inspiration in the ruck and around the ground including kicking 3 goals. Kane Smartt, Tim Andrews, and James Fisher providing a tall target at full forward, each contributed 2 goals.

Lorne's reserves team also had an impressive win over South Colac 17.15:117 to 3.6:24. Miah Atwell kicked four goals – not a bad effort after having coached and been co-ordinator of two under-age teams during the morning. This young mid-forties bloke still performed his duties assisting with the senior team later in the day – well done Miah!

Lorne still is in desperate need of volunteers on match days. If you think you could be of assistance on (even some) Saturdays or throughout the week, you can contact Kevin van Deuren on 0410 400 032 or Paul McMaster on 0431 474 969. You will be given the training and support that you need. I look forward to seeing you all at the matches. Go Dolphins!

## Tennis

Lorne Country Club held its annual Easter Tennis Tournament on Sunday 1st April. Twenty two players, aged from 11 years to mid-seventies) took part in the mixed 'round robin' tournament which was held on a perfect still sunny day. The tennis was of a very good standard and highly competitive. Winners on the day were Ashley Batty, Austin Batty, and Matt and his son Will from Albury Tennis Club. Lorne Foodworks generously supplied morning tea and a barbecue lunch – free of charge! A big thank you to those tennis members who volunteered their time to prepare the courts and conduct the tournament. The photo on page 17, shows the happy players celebrating after the event.

## Ladies Golf

The weather has been too good to stay indoors, perfect weather for golf. Join our friendly Tuesday morning group of Ladies, we commence play at 8.30 a.m and you can play 9 or 18 holes. All levels of players are welcome, including visitors to Lorne.

The Otway Pennant this year was won by Clifton Springs, with Lorne coming in a close second. The Otway Shield was hosted and played at Lorne on the 16th April. Lorne won - Congratulations to the winning team, Rose Wyles, Caz Bartholomew, Jenni Miller and Chris Angus. Well played and thank you to all the girls who participated in the Pennant, it was a great season.



This month Lorne will be represented at Torquay and Lara golf clubs.

If you require any further information on our Ladies activities please contact our captain, Caz Bartholomew on 0419317011.

Happy hitting  
Lesley Goldsworthy - Lady President

**Remember to tell us who you would like to see in Sportsbriefs!!!**

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# EDITORIAL

With all the discussion about the Great Ocean Road, amazingly enough there is no real decision, set in stone as it were, on exactly where the highway starts or indeed where it officially ends.

All sorts of phrases are thrown about with one delusional character, a politician unfortunately, sprouting that the GOR actually started its journey at Werribee and ended it at the 'Twelve' Apostle car-park. No, he was not joking ....

When Terry Mulder recently addressed the Committee for Lorne luncheon, at question time Henry Love's voice boomed out: "that the Great Ocean Road officially started at the arch!"

Henry, Lorne's great warrior against rubber band bureaucracy – the way things get stretched to meet an often self-interest target – had it right: the Great Ocean Road does not view the ocean fully until it reaches Anglesea.

Indeed, the archway with its clear announcement above the motorway, 'Great Ocean Road' at Eastern View makes it plain (in English at this point but who knows with the number of Chinese visitors increasing dramatically each year) that this is where it starts. Henry told the luncheon that his grandfather was one of the workers who helped in the construction.

The Victorian Country Road Board formed in 1915 understood the benefits in building a road to open the coastal region south-west of Geelong but it wasn't until the Geelong Mayor Howard Hitchcock put together a privately funded Trust that things really started to happen.

With the end of World War I, it was obvious that returning soldiers could provide the much needed man-power to undertake such a huge project. Worked started in 1919 and by 1936 it was judged to be sufficiently workable to be handed over formally to the State Government.

It is important to remember though that only a section, primarily around Mt Defiance was worked on by returned soldiers; Victoria's road authority finished other sections.

It was without doubt a magnificent achievement. In 1934 the highway was gazetted as the 'Great Ocean' Road and by 1962, the Tourist Development Authority bestowed upon it the title "One of the world's great scenic roads."

With its growing reputation, small hamlets became thriving towns and the tourist dollar hovered large up in the sky. With the development of the Surf Coast, the carpetbaggers also moved in – organising swimming, running, cycling, surfing and whatever – each promising their event, with the magic 'Great Ocean Road' words attached, would benefit the local economy.

But we know all that!

With all the hoopla surrounding the Great Ocean Road, all of us are rather fond of the old 'icon'. It's showing a bit of wear and tear. It's in desperate need of a bit of a spruce up, but we all love it passionately. So let's hope Terry Mulder and his co-chair in the Taskforce, Peter Batchelor can come up with a workable solution - one authority to take over the administration of whole of the highway, and thereby solve its problems.

Working out where indeed the GOR starts and finishes – really and truly without bull...t – would be a good start to the project. - JV

What's important to you about your local health service?



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# HIGH STANDARD IN LIONS EASTER ART SHOW

Although the number of artists and artworks was down considerably from past shows, standards were high and those on offer did not disappoint.

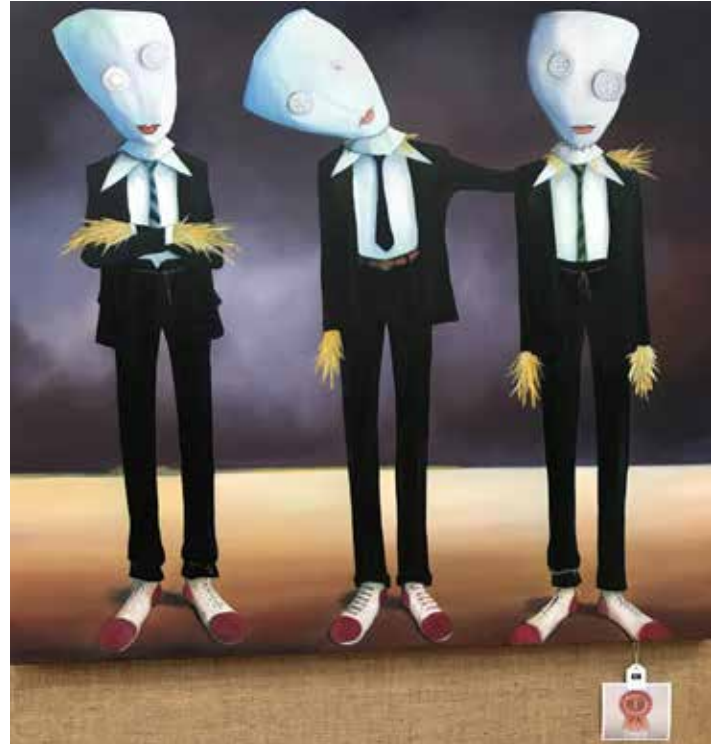
There were other art shows along the Surf Coast and the immediate hinterland during the Easter holiday period, and this may have contributed to the low number of artworks on display.

A prominent Surf Coast artist and herself a multi-award winner at the Lions Lorne Easter Show, Susan Sutton judged the five categories, each attracting considerable prize money.

William Linford's provocative image of three "Strawmen" was awarded Best Oil and \$500 and in the Best Watercolour category, Valerie Wheeler was awarded first prize for her study "Blackbird" (\$500 prize money).

Well-known Geelong artist Faye Owen won first prize with "A Country Lane" in the Best Pastel section (\$500), with Peter Wendt winning Best Acrylic with "Encroaching Oceans" and Lucy Watts taking out the Best Other Medium prize with "Lorne".

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## Why should I get the flu shot?

Vaccination experts recommend that everyone over six months of age get vaccinated to reduce their chance of getting the flu.

Every year the flu vaccine changes to match the flu virus that is most likely to be around during the flu season. Getting vaccinated every year is the best way of preventing the flu and any associated illness.

There is emerging evidence that the flu vaccine gives the most protection within the first three to four months after it is given. It's important to make sure you are protected in time for when the flu is most common, from around June to September.

## Who is eligible for the free flu shot under the National Immunisation Program?

The vaccine is free under the National Immunisation Program for people who are more likely to be affected by complications from the flu. This includes:

- People 65 years and over
- Older people aged 65 years and over are more likely to be affected by complications associated with seasonal flu.
- Pregnant women
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- People with certain medical conditions such as heart disease, severe asthma, chronic lung conditions, impaired immunity, diabetes, kidney disease, blood disorders and children aged six months to 10 years on long-term aspirin therapy.

## New flu vaccines for people aged 65 years and over

This year, there are two new vaccines available to provide better protection for people aged 65 years and over.

If you are aged 65 years or over, speak to your doctor or vaccination provider to find out more about receiving one of the new vaccines. These vaccines cannot be given to people aged under 65 years.

## Flu vaccines for children


All flu vaccines are age-specific. Let your doctor know the age of your child before they get their flu vaccine. This will make sure they receive the correct dose and brand.

If your child is aged six months to less than nine years and has never had the flu vaccine before, experts recommend they have two doses in the first year they receive the vaccine. They should have the doses at least four weeks apart. After that only one flu vaccine dose is needed each year.

When a child receives the flu vaccine and pneumococcal vaccine (Prevenar 13) together, they may be more likely to develop a fever. Speak to your doctor or vaccination provider if you have any concerns.

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# THE HUMBLE ONION

Doug Williams

In the late 70s and during the 1980s when I was head gardener at Lorne's historic Varna we grew miniature garlic in the rose beds to deter insect pests like thrip. Many gardeners prepare garlic spray for the same purpose and this can be an effective way to keep plants free of insect invasion. Although it will not kill them as an insecticide will it has the advantage of being an organic and non-polluting deterrent. Garlic is in the onion family and of this I was recently reminded when I was sent a YouTube clip of Tony Abbott eating an onion in support of the Tasmanian onion industry in March, 2015. Raw. A brown onion with the skin on <sup>1</sup>.

Shallots, spring onions (also called scallions<sup>2</sup>), white onions, red (or purple) onions, leeks and garlic are all members of the onion family. As though in some vast diaspora, the onion has spread across the globe to become an indispensable component in the cuisine of every nation and culture. And also in the folklore. A Turkish legend has it that when Satan was booted out of Heaven garlic sprouted where his left foot landed on Earth and onion at his right foot. We all know that garlic is effective against not only colds and flu but also against vampires because we have learnt this from watching Dracula movies. Who says pop culture isn't educational? Anyone who knows their onions will tell you that of all the plants in all the market places, in all the world this vegetable possesses the most beneficial qualities of any in the whole vegetable kingdom. It is highly nutritious and has a great many medicinal properties as recognised in most traditional cultures - Chinese, for example and Ayurvedic medicines utilise them. Conventional health researches credit it as an anti-oxidant, as a diuretic and as helpful in lowering blood pressure. The full list of the onion's therapeutic benefits is a long one indeed.

Long too is the history of the onion itself which grows wild in Central Asia but may have originated in the Middle East where it was in use in prehistoric times some 7,000 years back. In the statutes of the Mesopotamians of 3,000 BC provision was made for the needy to receive a monthly ration of bread and onions. In this era it was a foodstuff low in prestige - the poor weren't being doled out dates or olives or pomegranates - and would have been eaten raw, so maybe Tony was on to something down there in Tassie. Later it was discovered by archaeologists in the eye sockets of some pharaohs (Ramses IV, 1160 BC), so by this time in history the onion had gained considerable prestige. Not so humble now and no longer merely a staple food, it was considered a respectable offering at rituals and religious ceremonies.



For the Egyptians the concentric circles of the onion represented eternal life. Yet its reputation suffered the vagaries of time and by the Roman era it was once again back to being on a par with beer and bread - low in status but a staple of the Plebeians.<sup>3</sup> One source I found reveals the following :

*In Pompeii those "lowly vendors" who sold onions were rejected from the guild of fruit and vegetable vendors, and had to form their own guild. In the brothels of Pompeii, however, onions were held in high regard. Archaeologists discovered a basket of overcooked onions in the ruins of one of the city's best-loved brothels<sup>4</sup>*

By the Middle Ages it was back high in the charts again in Europe where it was to be found growing in the gardens of the Emperor Charlemagne and the onion's status in legend as a health adjunct and as an important foodstuff was once again well consolidated.

There is no great mystery involved in growing onions. They are a cool climate crop which should be treated as an annual despite being a biennial or perennial plant. Under ground the bulb begins to swell to maturity according to day length and ones planted in spring (in well prepared soil) can be harvested in autumn as the days shorten in length. They can be left in the ground to overwinter and then harvested in spring if you wish. And some people like to eat them with their skin on.

1. This was in 2015. Abbott was in Tasmania promoting that state's onion growers.
2. In making this list I don't want to forget to mention *Green Onions* which was a huge hit for Booker T and the MGs in 1966.2
3. Plebeians were the common folk of Roman society, patricians were the toffs.
4. [www.vegparadise.com/highestperch312.html](http://www.vegparadise.com/highestperch312.html)

# AQUATIC CLUB

## Committee notes

Keith Miller - Commodore

Easter has come and gone again and this year it was a ripper with everyone out enjoying the beautiful weather.

We were kept busy at the club with big crowds checking out the Biennale Sculptures and calling in for refreshments before walking back into town.

On Easter Sunday, we held a fishing competition which was followed by a beautiful roast lunch and then later in the afternoon we had live music with local rock legend Ron Holmer and his NDY band. Everyone had a great time dancing the night away.

On Monday we hosted the Biennale Sculpture Awards with their committee and volunteers enjoying a barbecue and refreshments.

A big congratulations to the Lorne Men's Shed who won the People's Choice for their sculpture Cousta Memories. The shed boys put their heart and soul into it, so all their challenging work paid off. Well Done!!!

At our April monthly meeting, our committee decided to install FOX SPORT to our two TV's in the club house. We will sign up for a 12 month contract and see if it's popular with our members or not.

We've had a couple of members boats break down recently and would like to thank Paul Staley, Tony Spears and Ralph DeBon for responding immediately and towing them both safely back to shore.

Once on shore the reason for Ric Addison's break down was established that there was as much water in the petrol tank as there was petrol. This is the second time that this has happened to Ric in four months. Ric's boat was stripped down again, the petrol and water drained from the tank and the tank removed from the boat and the s.s. tank inspected for leaks. None were found in the inspection.

One could only conclude by the near equal amount of water to petrol drained from the tank that water has been added by an unknown person.

Any one doing this foolish and irresponsible act is potentially risking people's lives. A locked petrol cap is now proposed for the boat filling Point.

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### Upcoming Events

On Sunday the 6th of May we will be holding our first Winter Fishing Competition for the year. All fish must be weighed in by 12.30pm. At 1.00pm we will have a mixed grill for all competitors and members - All Welcome!

We desperately need more juniors to have a crack at our fishing comps so any members out there with kids or grand kids please get involved! We give out generous prizes at the end of each comp.

### Courtesy Bus

We will be running our bus on Friday and Saturday evenings for the rest of this year. We are going to do a roster for volunteer drivers so anyone who can help out please contact myself or Hutch which would be greatly appreciated.

Please put our bus phone number in your phones. It's 0498 03 1234.

### Coffee and Bait

Jason our world-famous barista will be operating Thursdays until Mondays, until further notice, while the weather holds. Drop in and check out his sensational coffee, tea, hot chocolate, energy balls, muffins and muesli.

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### Fishing Report

The fishing is about as good as it gets here at the moment. I'm updating our fish records board every second day with some great fish being caught. The weather has been near perfect and with the water sitting on 18.5 degrees just about every type of fish is on the chew.

Bag limits of good size snapper are being reported daily and big gummies, whiting and flathead are plentiful.

A couple of keen anglers have been targeting sharks off the pier at night.

They set up a rig using a bag of sand for a sinker and injecting a big salmon or mackerel with tuna oil. They then paddle it out a couple of hundred meters from the end of the pier and settle in for the night. When they hook into a shark, the bag of sand breaks off and the fight begins. They are using very heavy big game rods and reels and have been catching bronze whalers up to 2.5 meters long.

Sammy the Seal is still living under the pier and getting fatter every day by expertly removing fish from frustrated anglers' hooks. Sometimes he waits for the fish to get a metre or so above the water and then grabs it in mid-air putting on a great show for the tourists.

### Unusual Fish Caught Locally



This is a Sunfish or Mola Mola. One of these was accidentally caught and released off Lorne recently. They are the largest bony fish on our planet growing up to one tonne. Manta Rays and Whale Sharks are bigger but have cartilage instead of bones. They are found in all our oceans but are quite rare in our waters.

They live on jellyfish and because of its poor nutritional value they have to consume huge quantities.

They have few natural predators, but sharks, killer whales and sea lions do consume them. In some Asian countries they are regarded as a delicacy.

I have dived with them at a place called Crystal Bay in Indonesia where they regularly visit a cleaning station to have a small fish called 'cleaner wrasse' remove parasites from them.

### Fishing Competition Results

Our third Major Fishing Competition for the year was held on Easter Sunday which was kindly sponsored by PETER RYAN ESSENTIAL FINANCIAL PLANNING

We had perfect conditions with 20 anglers and 17 fish weighed in.

We had a tie for first place with Marianne McGannon and John Mousaferiadis both weighing in a leatherjacket exactly the same length and weight earning 2814 points.

The runner Up was Andrew Clarke with a 600g King George Whiting earning 2654 points.

### Point Grey Report

Not a lot to report on the Point Grey Redevelopment from our last report.

We are still awaiting to be advised by GORCC of the winner of the design competition, and when known will give us the opportunity to meet with the winner and discuss their design to ensure our LAAC requirements are met.

As soon as this important step is reached we will advise every one of the outcomes.

With the appointment of GORCC 's new CEO Ms Vanessa Schernickau, an introductory meeting is proposed on Wednesday 18 April with our Commodore and Vice Commodore and Vanessa to familiarise her with our club, its members and the club's needs.

We will keep you posted.

Below: Past Commodore Edward Stribling was at the Club recently.



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# AN UNHEALTHY MIX - TEENAGERS AND ALCOHOL

A survey by the Australian Government National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) has found that 90% of Australian secondary-school students have tried alcohol by the age of 14. Around 70% of 17-year-old students had consumed alcohol in the month before the survey.

Alcohol acts as a central nervous system (CNS) depressant, and alcohol-related harm comes from a combination of the amount of alcohol consumed and various other factors such as age, gender, body size, nutrition, drinking experience, and social factors. Alcohol consumption affects not only the person drinking, but everyone in the community. It is estimated that alcohol costs the Australian community over \$15 billion a year. These costs relate to health problems, accidents, crime, violence, social issues, and loss of productivity.

The Australian Guidelines to Reduce Health Risks from Drinking state 'for children and young people under 18 years of age, not drinking is the safest option' and that 'children under 15 years of age are at greatest risk of harm from drinking.' These guidelines are based on health risks to teenagers however there are also legal and social risks.

For adolescents, drinking alcohol contributes to the three leading causes of death for this age group – unintentional injuries, homicide, and suicide. In addition, over 50% of alcohol-related serious road injuries occur in the 15–24-year-old age bracket. According to the NHMRC, alcohol consumption in teenagers also contributes to physical injuries, risky sexual behaviour, antisocial behaviour, and poor academic performance. Studies show the earlier alcohol consumption starts, the greater the chance of becoming a regular drinker, and the greater the likelihood of adverse physical and mental health conditions/consequences.

Every year, 'schoolies' events are covered in the media. Many of the incidents highlight the immediate negative consequences that can occur from binge drinking, such as physical injury from alcohol-fuelled violence.

Developmental and social issues for the teenager, their peers, and their family can be less obvious as they arise over time.

Parents, and other significant adults, can positively influence teenagers to make wise choices regarding alcohol, and help them to reduce the risk of harm from alcohol. These adults can help even if the teenager has already started drinking.

Guideline 3 (Children and young people under 18 years of age) of the Australian Guidelines to Reduce Health Risks from Drinking suggest the following:

- Setting a good example through own alcohol behaviours
- Rewarding responsible behaviour and attitudes towards alcohol
- Talking about strategies to deal with peer pressure regarding alcohol
- Discussing the alcohol-related health issues as well as the legal consequences

It is often said Australians love a drink. We can also show love for our children by helping them to avoid the harm alcohol can cause them when drinking starts at an early age.

Your local community pharmacy is your health destination. Your local pharmacist can give you more information about the effects of alcohol, including interactions with medicines, and where to seek counselling about alcohol-related problems.

You can get more detailed information on alcohol from the Self Care Fact Card titled Alcohol available from pharmacies providing the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia's Self Care health information.

For the nearest Self Care pharmacy location phone the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia on 1300 369 772, or go to [www.psa.org.au](http://www.psa.org.au) 'Supporting practice' then 'Self Care', and then 'Find a Self Care pharmacy'.



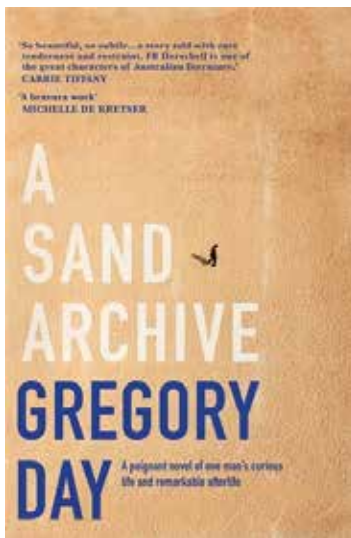
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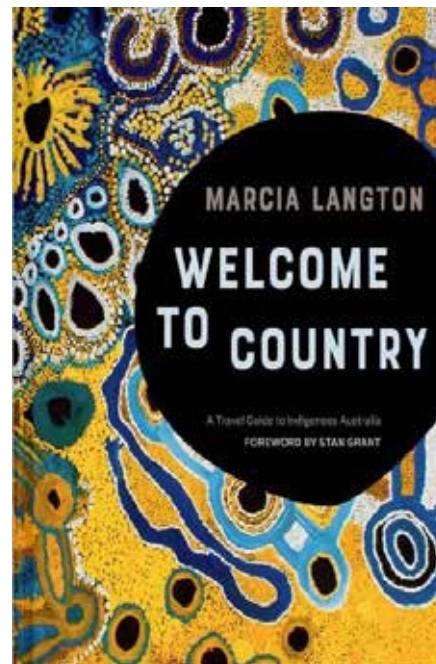
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