

Just as one thinks that the winter months have Lorne in slow down mode, the Queen's Birthday long weekend presents itself just as quickly as the end of financial year looms behind it. An action packed weekend coming up with something on offer for all, the Lions Club Foreshore Market and the local football and netball on Saturday plus the Men's Shed opening and the Country Club's 4BBB tournament on Sunday. A good winter weekend weather period is predicted, so come and join us

I have mentioned in previous columns that the Stribling Reserve Master planning process is underway and being delivered as a partnership between the Committee for Lorne (CfL) on behalf of the Lorne Community and the Surfcoast Shire. This "land mark" planning exercise is an exciting step forward for our Community as we "pilot" a program unique to our Surfcoast Shire Statutory Planning processes.

Please be advised that over the coming weeks Expressions of Interest will be called for individuals representing various stakeholders to be part of one of five different working groups. The CfL as the project owner, is committed to doing all we can to ensure total transparency for this project and urge interested community members to "roll your sleeves up", get involved and help make this community asset even greater for our future generations.

Furthermore, if you are a permanent or non permanent resident living adjacent or nearby the Reserve, this will be the perfect opportunity for you to have your input. The success of this project is paramount to the CfL as we look to be involved in future planning processes to ensure they are aligned to our Aspirations for Lorne document.

For those unaware the Great Ocean Road Coast Committee (GORCC) Manager of Coastal Reserves Rod Goring, is retiring after 22 years of service on the coast. Rod has been a great servant of GORCC and the coastal environment is a better place as a result of Rod's passion for the environment in which has lived and worked. Rod has always been one to assist where he can with many community needs on our Crown Reserves and I know from past experience with the Lorne Surf Club his efforts have been greatly appreciated.

On behalf of the Lorne Community, thank you Rod for your outstanding contribution to our unique coastal environment. We hope the future is kind to you and that you get as much enjoyment from your future years as your commitment deserves!

Having returned from abroad, the twenty ninth annual staging of the "Murray River Challenge" saw Peter Wheal presented with Cup in the beautiful environment of the Denerau Yacht Club, Fiji. The memorable presentation by Viliame Leqa brought the curtain down on another chapter of memories and his special request for a minute's silence for each of Allan Green and Mark Trickey was a fitting finale.

Jan Stewart
Chairman
Committee for Lorne





LORNE TO GET A DOSE OF MEN'S HEALTH THIS JUNE

Lorne will come together to celebrate the Grand Opening of the Lorne and District Men's Shed at the start of National Men's Health Week on Sunday June 12

The Lorne and District Men's Shed will be officially opened on Queen's Birthday weekend Sunday June 12 from Midday after nearly 3 years of dedication and thousands of hours of work by the passionate committee and active local supporters.

Men's Shed Committee President Allan Walls couldn't be more delighted with the result saying "the completed project is truly remarkable with great practical and architectural features. We are looking forward to cutting the ribbon, opening the doors and showing the community precisely how the shed will become the epicentre for men's health in our region"

The Lorne Op Shop heads an expansive list of sponsors who have been dedicated to fundraising or providing in-kind support for the project. George Dragavitch from GD Constructions, Len Tank from Lorne Electrics and Ken Hosking from Lorne Home Hardware have been unwavering in their support throughout the construction period. The Victorian Government's Department of Human Services and the Surf Coast Shire are also key sponsors.

Allan continued "There are over sixty key sponsors and donors who we will be thanking at the Shed's Grand Opening on Sunday June 12. We will also celebrate Lorne's unique culture of volunteerism and giving without which we wouldn't have had such overwhelming support"

The Men's Shed initiative is a Beyond Blue program designed to reduce men's social isolation while supporting health objectives by gathering men together for workshop sessions, a coffee and chat, a creative hands-on project or just generally keeping them physically and mentally active.

Fittingly, the launch on Sunday June 12, also marks the beginning of National Men's Health Week that aims to start a national conversation about men's health with a particular focus on well-being of boys and men. National Men's Week also provides a platform for challenging and debating key issues in men's health



and to raise the profile of men, their health outcomes and health needs each June.

"Men's Health Week celebrates the strengths of men, their contributions, diverse skills and vital role they play in society. It is as much a week of engagement with a healthy serving of health on side. Just like what we aim to offer year-round at the Lorne and District Men's Shed" said Allan.

The Grand Opening is a free, public event and Allan encourages everyone to join in from 12 noon to celebrate the new initiative. Lorne Larder will provide a complimentary light lunch.

"The Lorne and District Men's Shed will open with more than seventy active members. We would encourage men of any age, in and around Lorne to call in and pick up a membership application. Annual fees are \$50 and we will be running a variety of health and creativity programs throughout the year. Young or old, we hope to hear from you!" said Allan.

The Lorne and District Men's Shed is contactable via Facebook, email lornemensshed@gmail.com, or mail PO Box 384, LORNE 3232 or join us at the Grand Opening to collect a membership application. The shed is located within Lorne's Stribling Oval precinct on the corner of William and Otway Streets.

Susannah Sprague & Allan Walls







ANGELA QUII

COMMUNITY PROFILE

This is the familiar story of someone coming annually to Lorne for holidays, falling in love with the environment then one day, on their reluctant return to Melbourne asking themselves why not move down permanently.

In 1989 this is exactly what Angela did. Investigating job opportunities in the town, her timing turned out to be spot on because the new Cumberland was missing someone with her payroll and accounts experience. She was offered the position and 27 years later she is still there!

After a year she met her husband Kevin Van Deuren (at the Lorne Hotel). After five years he was commuting to Lorne on weekends while Angela was working in Lorne so they bought a house half way, in Geelong. They had their children, two beautiful girls, sold Geelong and in 2004 rebuilt their house in Lorne to live in permanently.

Angela's bookkeeping skills have been valued by various local organisations and businesses including Secretary of the the Aquatic Club, working with the Bowls Club, The Lions Village, Smyths Real Estate as well as helping out a few of the tradesmen in town. Angela assists in co-ordinating Netball for the Lorne Football/Netball Club.

Although Angela loves living by the water she hasn't been in it for 15 years. The closest she gets to it is having a husband who is president of the Surf Club. She has been known at odd times to exhibit some Irish dancing skills due to her Irish ancestry.

Angela loves to travel and will be heading to Ireland to visit relatives later in the year.

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LORNE WARD EVENTS CALENDAR

JUNE

- 11 **Lorne Foreshore Market,** 9am 4pm
- Lorne vs South Colac football and netball, at Stribling Reserve, juniors matches from 9am, seniors

at 2pm

12 Lorne & District Men's
Shed – Grand Opening.
Stribling Reserve, Cnr William and
Otway Streets, Lorne. Sunday
June 12, 2016. 12.00pm 2.00pm. The opening of the Lorne
and District Men's Shed is a free

2.00pm. The opening of the Lorne and District Men's Shed is a free event encouraging the community to come together and learn how this facility will become a regional epicentre for men's health. Light luncheon served. All welcome

Lorne Op Shop AGM.
The 2016 Annual General
Meeting of the Lorne Community
and Hospital Auxiliary (The Lorne
Op Shop) will be held at 11.45 am
on Thursday 30 June 2016 at the
Lorne Community House.

Please forward the dates of your Lorne Ward community event via the contact details at the bottom of this page.

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