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Manor Gardens member Ann Worsley said "For many residents this is the only family that they have, and to see it shut down breaks my heart". (PS)

# **Manor Gardens** surprise closure

Members of the community care centre Manor Gardens in Kingston were left in shock and disbelief when a surprise closure of the centre was announced on Monday, January 10.

Members were asked to attend a meeting regarding the facility, whereupon two employees of the Manor Gardens owner operators Respect and Masonic Aged Care informed attendees of the closure.

For members like Ann Worsley who lost her husband three years ago, Manor Gardens provided a social and friendly atmosphere where she could forget her worries; the highlight of her week.

"I've been a member for three years and in that time, I have made many friends, and staff made us feel as though we were part of their family" said Ann.

"For so many residents this is the only family that they have, and to see it shut down breaks my heart."

Manor Gardens was originally established in the early 1990's when the Rotary Club pressed for a facility to help care for individuals in their later lives and people with degenerative diseases, funded by state or federal funding.

After funding was granted by Federal government, the purpose-built house on 3 Manor Gardens Drive, Kingston was built.

As there was a shortfall in funding, and in order to

get the facility fully up and running, many community members chipped in with goods and financial support to finalise the project.

The Kingborough Council ran Manor Gardens until 2018, when the facility was put up for tender, citing financial reasons.

Masonic Care Tasmania won that tender and have recently merged with Respect, whose head office is based in Ulverstone.

In a statement from Respect regarding the closure, Managing Director and CEO Jason Binder said their decision to close Manor Gardens Day Therapy Centre was not take lightly.

"However, due to several ongoing key challenges, we felt it necessary to discontinue its services," Mr

"Across recent years and, despite the best efforts of staff and management, the Centre has experienced reduced numbers of local clients looking to access its services, staff shortages as well as ongoing impacts as a result of COVID.

"We appreciate the impact this will have on the clients of Manor Gardens, and as part of the process we are committed to assisting all of those impacted to transition to alternate aged care solutions.

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# **Changing Places**

Kingborough now has a certified Changing Place located in the Community Hub which is accessible with a MLAK key.

Kingborough Mayor, Paula Wriedt said the newly certified Changing Place is a welcomed addition to the Community Hub's facility.

"The Changing Place is a unisex accessible adult change facility for community members who required more specialised equipment," Cr Wriedt said.

"Some people living with disability require more equipment to allow them to comfortably be able to visit and use our community facilities.

"The Changing Place is a dedicated space which includes a ceiling hoist, height adjustable adult size change table, a toilet with grab rails, screens for privacy and is a large enough for an assistant," Cr

"This is Kingborough's first Changing Places facility and one of only four in Tasmania.

"I am proud that it is located in our centralised Community Hub for anyone with a MLAK key.

"This facility allows residents the chance to participate in events at the Community Hub as well as Kingston Park."

"As Chair to the Disability Inclusion and Access Advisory Committee for Council, I understand the importance of providing facilities that are supported with accessible equipment ensuring all in our community can enjoy getting out about in Kingborough.'

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# Kingston Beach Golf Club celebrates centenary

Kingston Beach Golf Club will be celebrating its 100th birthday with a gala open day on Sunday,

It will be a day promoting golf as a fun and social activity for people of all ages and abilities.

Club PGA Professional Daniel Gawley says everyone is invited to join in the celebrations, with the club arranging several 'golfing activities' for both experienced golfers and people new to the sport.

Putting and chipping activities will be organised by Assistant PGA Professional Christian Rainey.

BBQ and refreshments will be available throughout the day and there will be a number of presentations for visitors to discover the history of the club.

The official opening will occur at 12noon. Club President David Patmore said, "We want the day

"The people of Kingborough are fortunate to have one of the leading golf courses in Tasmania right on their

"For the past two years the club has hosted the Tasmanian Open Championship and has received accolades from golfers all around Australia."

Club Vice President Diane Cook who is co-ordinating the event with fellow club members Tony Lorkin and Tim Johns said that the event is a wonderful opportunity to invite families and friends and reach out and showcase a much-loved recreational facility for the community of

Diane Cook has been newly appointed to this role and said that "I am very keen to encourage more participation of female golfers in the club and make golf more accessible as a fun and social activity for people of all ages and Many golfers of world renown have played Kingston Beach, though the club is best known as the home of the Toogood brothers (Peter and John) who, along with Len Nettlefold, were champion world-class golfers during the fifties and sixties.

Club President David Patmore suggested when asked about the event, "What better motivation to get you and your friends off the couch and join in the fun day of

"A 2020 scientific study conducted in Sweden showed that golfers live an average of five years longer than

"So, the morale of the story is, if you want to live longer and enjoy better health and wellbeing, I suggest you drop down to Kingston Beach Golf Club on Sunday 22 January and join us in the Centenary Open Day celebrations." The Open Day will be held from 9.30am to 2.30pm.



Kingston Beach Golf Club has had many charity fundraising events over the years. Pictured are the members and guests of the very successful fundraising event for breast cancer. (PS)



For the past two years the Tasmanian Open Golf Championship has been hosted at the Kingston Beach course. Course Superintendent Tom Filtness and his team of Dads Army volunteers have done a remarkable job keeping the course in tip-top condition. (PS)

### **LETTERS TO** THE EDITOR

#### **Exacerbated congestion** Dear Editor,

The festive season exacerbated the congestion at the entrance to Channel Court from Hutchins St.

It amazes me that any shopping centre manager would welcome a customer proof barrier at any entrance, but someone somewhere seems to think customers are a nuisance to be kept out.

The most significant problem is that the speed hump is too aggressive, threatening damage to any vehicle daring to enter. I suspect that some four wheel drive vehicles that

negotiate bush tracks easily still struggle with this speed Next, the corners are aggressively bulbous, forcing

vehicles entering into the path of vehicles leaving. Collisions seem to be rare, but the black marks on the

kerbs indicate that tyres are sacrificed often. And, almost as a sick joke, the sign advising tall vehicles

that they are too tall is at the end of a long, narrow alley, past two speed humps, where it is almost impossible to turn around to exit from this entrance to try another, less customer hostile, entrance.

> **Keith Anderson Kingston**

#### A privilege not a right

Dear Editor,

This happened Thursday evening the 12th January, while driving home at 6.30pm.

I must say it is a privilege and not a right at my age to

This lady decided to cross the road between two work vehicles, I could not see her and she couldn't see me.

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# Outcry over closure

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Sandra Lazarus, whose husband Will has been attending the Manor Gardens facility for a year, says that for carers it was an opportunity to take the weight off their shoulders for a brief respite, and somewhere that they knew their loved ones were being well looked after and having a great day.

"It was like a happy family, where all members had lovely food cooked for them and staff were always welcoming and willing to help out," Sandra said.

"To see it end will affect so many lives.

"We were called last week regarding an upcoming meeting, saying they would like members, family and carers to attend a morning tea.

"We never expected to hear what we heard next.

"Two ladies from the parent companies Masonic and Respect stood at the front of the attendees and said they will be closing the facility from mid-

Senator Catryna Bilyk, when reached out for comment, said she was "concerned about the reported closure of Manor Gardens Kingston and understand this would come as a shock to its clients"

"I have sought urgent advice from the Department of Health on the issue and will continue to listen to the concerns of clients and their families," Senator

"I understand the Department is working with

Manor Gardens Kingston to clarify the situation and provide further advice to affected clients."

The Department of Health was advised of an intent by Manor Gardens Kingston to withdraw from some service delivery on January 10.

Under these circumstances, Manor Gardens Kingston is required to deliver these services until alternative arrangements can be made to ensure continuity of care for clients.

Following this notification, processes to transition affected clients to a new provider has commenced. Managing Director and CEO of Respect Jason Binder said "We appreciate the role that Manor Gardens played in people's lives so when sharing this news, we felt it was important to hold a face-toface meeting with our clients and their families in the first instance"

"This allowed us to answer questions and provide more information to those in attendance.

"Since then, a formal letter has been sent out to all clients which details our decision and the support we will provide them."

The decision came as a shock to Kingborough Council and its Mayor Paula Wriedt who, when asked for comment, said she was "bitterly disappointed that the organisation didn't have the courtesy to let Council know of its plans, given the significance of this service to residents of Kingborough".

"Manor Gardens has provided valuable respite,

and sack and hoop races at Middleton on Green. (PS)

social and dementia support services to residents of Kingborough for many years," said Cr Wriedt.

"Kingborough Council transferred Manor Gardens to Masonic Homes in 2018 and has not been involved in its operations since then.

"On hearing of the closure, Council has reached out to the organisation but has not had any reply to date.

"I can appreciate that this news is devastating for clients of the program and their families, who have all been surprised by this announcement.

"It would also be a shock for staff, who are highly committed to their clients and the services they have been providing.

"Council supports a range of activities and programs to inform and connect older residents in Kingborough, including regular Seniors and Dementia Friendly Cafés.

"The Kingborough Volunteer Program also assists people aged 65 and over who need basic support services to continue to live in the community with

"There are also a range of other community organisations who operate within Kingborough and neighbouring municipalities that may be able to assist clients and I would encourage their loved ones to reach out to some of these services."

If you or anyone you know is affected by the closure, please feel free to write a letter to the Editor at editorial @kchronicle.com and tell us your story.

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Now it's on again with gumboot throwing contests and a tug-of-war competition between north and south Middleton in the line-up of events at Middleton on Saturday, February 4.

Green-fingered gardeners and self-sufficiency enthusiasts will be catered for with talks by experts on cheese making, soap making, bee keeping and growing culinary and medicinal herbs.

As part of a wide-ranging programme there will be demonstrations of shearing, blacksmithing, weaving and the keeping of goats and poultry.

There will also be an opportunity to vote in the Scarecrow Competition which has long been a summer feature in the Channel.

Gloria Lonergan, one of the event organisers and a long-time Channel resident, said the event was a chance to remember what life was like in the Channel in the days before television, computers and mobile phones with traditional games recalling the simple delights of old-fashioned country fairs.

Middleton Country Fair was one of the social highlights of the Channel and raised thousands for community projects but was a casualty first of the Huon Valley bushfire and then COVID, but organisers are confident that the new event will be a more than adequate replacement.

Middleton on the Green begins at 11am. Entry is by gold coin donation with a raffle.

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# From fine arts to fishing

Jess Thompson grew up on the water on the north coast of New South Wales – she is a keen fisher and got her open water dive certificate when she was just 15, but it took some time for her to figure out that she wasn't going to be happy working anywhere but on the water.

She had almost finished a university degree in fine arts when she swapped paint brush for high-vis and scored herself a job as a deck hand, working on ferries.

When COVID hit, Jess decided to use lockdown to do some extra study to get her engineering certificate, accruing enough sea time to secure her Master 5 about a year ago, giving her the confidence to apply for a job at Huon as a net cleaner.

Jess says there has been a lot to learn as a net cleaner, using state of the art machinery, but when the opportunity arose to undertake dive training, she was excited to be able to broaden her skill base.

"I always wanted to dive, but I didn't expect to get the

"I've only been here for a year, and I still feel like I have a lot to learn, but upskilling gives the team some

"We can easily rotate to fill requirements and I'm happy to do that, because it keeps it interesting, and I think it really keeps you on your toes.

"Aquaculture is one of those places where there's so much to learn.

There's lots of different areas to work in and I'm still asking questions all the time.

"Aquaculture has traditionally been a male dominated industry, especially in on-water roles, but Jess says it's time to start breaking down those stereotypes.

"It should be really normalised for women to be in this industry, because women are just as capable of doing this job," she said.

"If you think smarter and not harder, it's absolutely attainable – be safe, practise and do your drills and make sure you're confident in doing any given task. We have all the equipment and standard operating procedures and I don't think there is anything women can't do.

"I've learnt so much – life skills, not just work skills, it has made me a more confident and independent person."

While Jess is content in her current roles for now, she is also thinking about her future career goals.

Currently working toward her Master 4, she can see plenty of options for a long-term career in aquaculture. "At the moment though, I'm just happy on the job that I'm doing," she said.

"Accruing my sea time, enjoying the diving and working with some awesome people who have helped me along the way."

## Seniors café coming soon

By popular demand, Kingborough Council will be holding Seniors cafés at the Kingborough Community Hub in the coming weeks.

Seniors cafés are pop-up morning teas for seniors from the Kingborough region to socialise, enjoy a coffee and hear from an expert guest speaker.

Coffees are prepared by young people who have recently completed a barista course as part of a Get Ready for Work program run by Kingborough Council.

Each café will feature a guest speaker.

On Friday, January 20, a gardening expert will share

plant care tips.

On Tuesday, January 24, a local dietician will talk about how to improve gut health for seniors.

The cafés create an opportunity for seniors to meet and socialise, while learning a new skill that promotes a healthy lifestyle.

For enquiries or bookings, please contact 6211 8200 or book online at cafeforseniors.eventbrite.com.au.

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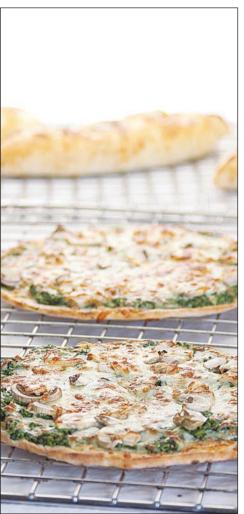
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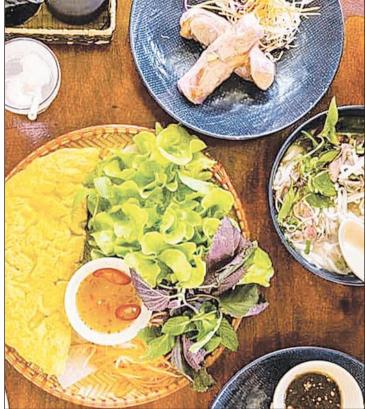
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Soaring vaulted timber ceilings in the main living space create a warm and impressive room, large enough for the whole family and perfectly positioned to enjoy the outdoor entertaining areas.

A large open-plan kitchen and dining room benefits from lots of natural light with plenty of space to accommodate a second living area that will undoubtedly become a favourite gathering place for a busy family.

With ample bench space, cabinetry and pantry cupboard, the beautifully appointed kitchen will be the home chef's delight.

The lovely and very spacious master suite has direct access to the courtyard and benefits from a walk-in robe, large ensuite and additional study.

Two further, good-sized bedrooms have built-in

wardrobes and share the main bathroom that's modern and bright.

With both internal and additional external access, the attached one-bedroom unit with recently fitted kitchen offers endless flexible options.

Currently used as the reception area and change-room for the private pool hire business 'Pura Vida', the space would also be ideal for extended family living, guest accommodation or rental income STCA.

Through to the stunning, architect-designed pool pavilion that houses the ten metre, mineral salt pool and truly elevates the property to the next level.

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# FIRE AWARENESS

# Sparking the conversations that matter

Although many parts of Tasmania experienced warm weather finally hits the state. their wettest spring on record, the threat of bushfire remains present and growing as the

Parts of Tasmania are particularly vulnerable to bushfire, including areas in Kingborough.

Sparking Conversations team Chris Salter and Amelia Burgess. (PS)



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A new bushfire resilience project called Sparking Conversations, Igniting Action is working with communities within Kingborough and the other greater Hobart areas to help residents prepare for bushfire.

The two-year pilot project aims to help people understand the bushfire risks in their area and how they can better prepare their homes, families and communities for bushfires.

Chris Salter and Milly Burgess have been visiting Kingborough residents in Bonnet Hill, Leslie Vale

"Each of these communities live in a bushfire-prone area, and could be threatened by direct flames or embers if a bushfire were to occur," said Chris.

Chris and Milly want to help connect neighbours in these Kingborough areas so they can prepare for bushfire as a community.

For tips on how to prepare for bushfire, sign up for Sparking Conversations email updates at sparkingconversations.com.au.

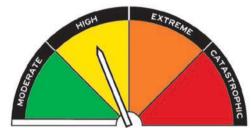
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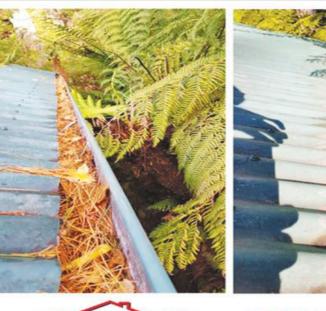


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# FIRE AWARENESS

## Professionally cleaned gutters in time for bushfire season







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Debris in gutters act as kindling for embers (in the 'before' image on left). Gutter-Vac Southern Pine needles gathered in a roof gutter for four months were removed during professional cleaning by Tasmania professionally removed the debris (shown in 'after' image on right). (PS)

**Gutter-Vac Southern Tasmania.** (PS)

Chris and Therese from Gutter-Vac Southern Tasmania recommend homes in bush fire prone areas have roof gutters professionally cleaned before summer arrives.

"Debris in gutters acts as kindling for embers to start house fires," said

- "You don't want full gutters when fires are on the horizon.
- "Just because we've had a wet winter, we can't be complacent.

"Leaves become tinder-dry over summer."

Bushfire and Natural Hazards, Cooperative Research Centre CEO Dr Richard Thornton is quoted in an ABC news article advising the public that "any day in an environment where it is dry, where you have high winds, warmer temperatures, low humidity, will be a day that a fire can start that could potentially impact communities".

"Residents who live in high-risk areas are urged to put together a fire plan and take practical steps around the home," said Chris and Therese. "Scarily, 90 per cent of homes in a bushfire are lost due to an ember

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attack, whereby spot fires are ignited by twigs, leaves or bark embers

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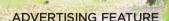




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# FIRE AWARENESS



# Bird proofing that looks great

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Lachlan launched Gutter Knight Tasmania with the loss of homes during the Dunalley bushfires in mind.

"I wanted a premium gutter guard system for my home because I knew that falling embers were the leading cause of home loss during bushfire," said Lachlan.

"I was unhappy with the products and services available. "I saw a business opportunity where I could provide a quality safety measure and peace of mind for Tasmanians.

"Fast forward to today and we have Gutter Knight Tasmania, the experts in all things gutter guard."

Lachlan had no idea when he began Gutter Knight Tasmania that bird proofing would become their most sought-after service.

"We have a problem with starlings and sparrows in Tasmania that get in through the gutters to nest in peoples' roof cavities," Lachlan said.

"They bring nesting materials and lice but mostly they are just noisy.

"People with birds in the roof know what a nuisance they can be.

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"Our customers love the peace and quiet it provides. "Of course, all our products are fire rated to strict Australian standards so our customers receive the pro-

tection from bushfire embers we originally intended. "And it will keep the leaves out of your gutters as well." Gutter Knight Tasmania serves the community state wide, from Flinders Island to Franklin, Dover to Devonport. Quotes are free and advice is shared with enthusiasm. "I love serving our community here in Tasmania," said Lachlan

"I know that with every job we do, we leave the home safer and healthier than we found it."

Contact Lachlan on 0425 240 699 and follow Gutter Knight Tasmania on Facebook.



Gutter Knight Tasmania solves many problems, but mostly it's about keeping out the birds. (PS)

# Be ready this bushfire season

Tasmania Fire Service has been preparing for the upcoming bushfire season and is ready to respond when bushfires do occur, but it is also important for Tasmanian communities to make sure they're ready too.

"During recent months, we have had lots of wet weather, but this means people should be even more vigilant in preparing for bushfires, because the growth we have experienced can turn into fuel for bushfires," said TFS Chief Officer, Dermot Barry.

You and your loved ones' safety and survival during a bushfire will depend on how prepared you are, and the

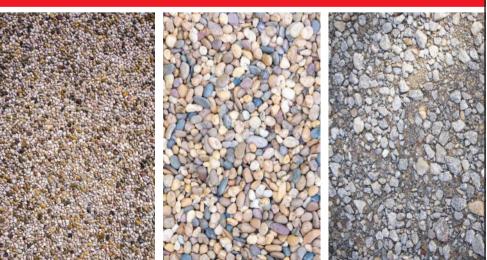
Our message to Tasmanians is simple, it is time to prepare a bushfire plan for your household.

Spending as little as five minutes preparing a bushfire plan could save your life and the lives of those you love. Go to fire.tas.gov.au to access the bushfire plan template and the Bushfire Safety Guide and download and print these so you can access them quickly in an emergency.

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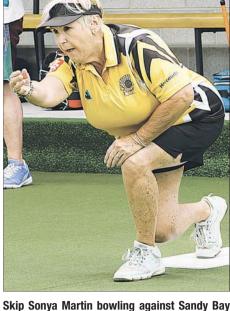
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in Division 1 game in Donald Hazell Indoor Centre. See page 16 for results. (PS)



Therese Direen about to put a bowl down during **Division 1 competition in Donald Hazell Indoor** Centre. (PS)

#### **GOLF RESULTS**

#### **North West Bay Golf Club**

Monthly Medal, Tuesday, January 10 18 holes

Division 1: D. Muir 72, M. Roberts 77, S. Hall, 79, J. Palfreyman 80.

Division 2: T. Moon 77, C/b O. Kraus 77, Y. Jarman 78, E. Collins 80.

#### 9 holes

E. Murray 12, J. Cooper 11 c/b A. Kruimink 11, E. Phillips 9.

Winner monthly medal: D. Muir 72

#### Wednesday Stableford, Wednesday, January 11

Division 1: K. Van Driezum 37, M. Christian 36. Division 2: R. King 36, M. Moon 35.

Ball winners: M. Cullen, K. Michael 36, W. Su, M. Oakley, G. McCulloch 35, P. Chatterton, H. Botha, C. James, P. Traill, K. Woods 34, F. Kohl 32.

Nearest the pins: 7th G. McCulloch 240cm, 10th H. Botha 51cm, 14th G. McCulloch 97cm. Birdies: 7th G. McCulloch, 10th H. Botha, 14th G.

McCulloch, F. Kohl. Fagle: 17th G. Young

Super pin: G. McCulloch.

#### Red Stableford, Thursday, January 12 18 holes

T. Moon 33 c/b O. Kraus 33, K. Batchelor 31, D Banks 28 c/b M. Roberts 31.

#### 9 holes

M. Cormack 15, P. Irvine, c/b E. Murray, c/b M. Helm 13.

#### Saturday Stableford, Saturday, January 14

A Grade: B. Stanway 37, V. Bullard 37. B Grade: G. Vansant 39, J. Dare 38.

C Grade: P. Traill 39, R. Ferguson 39. Ball winners: G. Young, A. Fisher 37, D. Muir, E Gardiner, D. Gofton, C. James, C. Gates 36, T.

Jennings, D. Sinnitt, R. Seaburn, M. Glock, B. Rolf 35. Nearest the pins: 7th C. Gates 222cm, 10th L. Bowden 615cm. 14th K. Michael 44cm.

Birdies: 14th B. Stanway, R. Seaburn, K. Michael.

Super pin: C. Gates.

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## Support for additional community food programs

Applications are now open for the Tasmanian Government's first Community Garden Grants Program for Neighbourhood Houses.

Minister for Community Services and Development, Nic Street highlighted the importance of Tasmanian community food programs.

"We know many Tasmanian household budgets are stretched, and that we need to facilitate multiple avenues for Tasmanians to access healthy and nutritious food," Minister Street said.

"This grant program is designed to increase access to healthy and nutritious food by assisting Neighbourhood Houses to establish or maintain community gardens.

"We have taken specific action to address demand including our \$5 million Cost of Living Booster Package in August.

"This included significant additional one-off funding for food providers and emergency relief programs, as well as extra funding to help Foodbank and Loaves and Fishes purchase new trucks and vans for their transport and deliveries," Minister Street continued.

A total of \$100,000 is available for Neighbourhood Houses to apply for grants of a maximum of \$5,000.

The Rockliff Liberal Government will continue working with community partners to develop their Tasmanian Food Security Action Plan 2022-24, in an effort to build longer term food security resilience.

This Action Plan will be released in coming months, and follows the Food Relief to Food Resilience Strategy released in 2021.

SUDOKU

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CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU SUPPLIED

**SUDOKU** 

Last week's answers

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CROSSWORD

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#### **ACROSS**

- 1. Yeild (4)
- 7. Dog (9)
- 8. Fever (4)
- 9. Aspersion (4) 10. Implement (4)
- 11. Fish (4)
- 14. Liqueur (10)
- 16. Plague (10) 19. Dagger (4)
- 22. Terminate (4) 24. Variety (4)
- 25. Portion (4)
- 26. Subdue (9)
- 27. Network (4)

- 1. Fastener (5)
- 2. Intoxicated (5)
- 3. Yachtsman (6) 4. Refrain (6)
- 5. Close (4)
- 6. Meet (9)
- 12. Spur (9) 13. Give out (4)
- 15. Notice (4)
- 17. Medicament (6)
- 18. Relation (6) 20. Angry (5)
- 21. Sailing Boat (5)
- 23. Harbour (4)

#### **ACROSS**

1. Does everything wither in this English shire? (4). 7. How to remind yourself to do some forging? (4,1,4). 8. Shelter in which one is engrossed (4). 9. Don't change a word (4). 10. But it gives work to an actor (4). 11. Maybe this will shut you up! (4). 14. Quantity you get for fifty British pence? (4,1,5). 16. What a silly ass hasn't got? (5,5). 19. Change gear in a fury (4). 22. Some deft strokes show they're very good swimmers (4). 24. It's very ceremonious and correct-sounding (4). 25. I'm back on the street and it's very damp (4). 26. What the railwayman wears? (5-4). 27. A man and a woman (4).

#### **DOWN**

1. Keep an eye on one of your valuables (5). 2. It has connections with golf (5). 3. Pop's allowed up though rather pale (6). 4. She's out of breath (6). 5. A game to have during the break? (4). 6. Trying hard to get Buck practising for the fight (9). 12. Extremely well, as the best pupils are (2,3,4). 13. So it could be shut (4). 15. Finished in a superior position (4). 17. Emphasise that the female vocalist is without a song (6). 18. Back in and tease the silly fool (6). 20. She's an expert and about fifty-one (5). 21. There will be more in the next ration (5). 23. A container for loot (4).

#### **CROSSWORD** - Last week's answers

#### OUICK PUZZLE

Across - 7, Affectionate. 8, Bedlam. 9, Bucket. 10, Ada-mant. 12, Trick. 15, Crush. 16, Rupture. 18, Starch. 20, Laurel. 22, Disconsolate. Down - 1, Offender. 2, Sell. 3, Stamina. 4, Lobby. 5, Baccarat. 6, Sere. 11, Mistress. 13, Corvette. 14, Cutlass. 17, Throw. 19, Tidy. 21, Ugly.

#### **CRYPTIC PUZZLE**

Across - 7, Companion-way. 8, S-ketch. 9, B-ill-ed. 10, Adam-ant. 12, Hitch. 15, Snake(s and ladders). 16, Lag-ging. 18, Charge. 20, Sitter. 22, Closing words. Down - 1, Looked in. 2, Spot (rev.). 3, Inching. 4, Combs. 5, Sw-i'll-ing. 6, By-R.E. 11, Make room. 13, Con-ten-d(ame)s. 14, Passage. 17, Devil. 19, Hock. 21, Toot (rev.).



The editorial team at Kingborough Chronicle would like to make a correction to the January 10 issue's

back page article concerning the A Grade Indigenous Heritage Round. The game was created in

Pictured is the Kettering team with their shirts designed by Club Captain Cameron Wheatley, who has Indigenous heritage. (PS

# **Competitive start** to the new year

After the Christmas and New Year break in the Bowls Tasmania South pennant competition Kingborough Bowls and Community Club members are happy that the pennant competition has recommenced.

Overall results of competition up until the holiday break shows that Kingborough teams have been very

Kingborough has 14 teams in the pennant competition. In the Saturday Open Gender competition, Kingborough had seven teams competing with six of these teams holding top four positions.

The Premier Division team was in second place, Division 1 was also second, Division 3 was in first place, Division 4 and Division 5 in fourth and Division 6 Red in second place.

Kingborough has four teams in the Men's Midweek Wednesday Competition with two of these teams in the top four.

Division 1 is in first place on their ladder and in Division 4, Kingborough 1 is sitting in third place.

In the Women's Thursday Competition, Kingborough have three teams, all of which are in the top four on the ladder. Division 1 is in first place, Division 2 is third place and Division 3 is in fourth place.

In the last Saturday Competition played before the Christmas break, on December 17 Kingborough's Premier Division team hosted the visiting Cremorne team in the Donald Hazell Indoor Centre.

Each team won two of the four rinks played with Kingborough winning overall 95 shots to Cremorne's

Division 1 travelled away to Rosny Park Bowls Club where again both teams won two of the four rinks played but this time the Kingborough team was defeated over all by Rosny 80 shots to 68 shots.

Division 3 hosted a team from Brighton Bowls Club at Margate where they defeated their guests on all four rinks played, winning overall 100 shots to 73

Division 4 travelled away to the Sorell Bowls Club where in a tight game each team won on two of the four rinks played, with Kingborough managing a three-shot overall win, defeats Sorell 72 shots to 69 shots.

Division 5 had a runaway game against Oatlands Bowls Club team when they hosted them at Margate.

Kingborough won on all three rinks played and defeated the visitors overall 75 shots to 38 shots. Division 6 Blue Kingborough 2 hosted Sandy Bay at Margate where they defeated the visitors overall 70 shots to 46 shots, winning on all three rinks played.

In Division 6 Red Kingborough 1 travelled away to Orford Bowls Club where they defeated their hosts overall 62 shots to 58 shots with Kingborough winning on two of the three rinks played.

The first Bowls Tasmania South Competitions after the Christmas/New Year break with the Thursday Women's games played on January 12.

In a game between Kingborough and Sandy Bay in Division 1 was expected to be a block buster with the two teams being in first and second place on the com-

Kingborough took advantage of the home game and all three local rinks consolidated and overran the visiting team. winning on all three rinks played, for an overall demolition of the Bay defeating them 85 shots to 40 shots.

Division 2 also had a whitewash win when they travelled away to the New Norfolk Bowls Club where they defeated their host on all three rinks played for an overall 65 shots to 49 shots win.

Division 3 travelled away to the St Johns Bowl Club at New Town where they had a struggle on their hands.

They only managed to win on one of the three rinks played and were defeated by the host club 57 shots to

Maureen Sculthorpe with Pam Rosevear, Elaine Cockshutt and Fiona Hickey was Kingborough's



On Sunday the Kingborough Knights Black team played Clarence at Twin Ovals. Kingborough (3-54) defeated Clarence (8-52) by seven wickets. (PS Carolyn Whitehouse)



On Saturday the Snug Scudetts played Slab Road at Snug. The Scudetts celebrated their first win ever, scoring 4-71 to Roadies 4-70. The Scudetts are now third on the ladder with the Roadies now second of the four participating teams. (PS Carolyn Whitel



children's entertainment and family fun.



It was a big day at Snug with the annual Indigenous round between the Snug Scuds and the Kettering Mariners for the putalina Shield. Colleen Frost did the Welcome to Country while Trisha Hodge with Achilles and Cj Everett conducted the smoking ceremony. The Scuds (8-234) defeated the Mariners (93). Cam Wheatley was the Mariners' best bowler taking 3 wickets for 33 from his 10 overs. Jesse Hemingway was top scorer with 72 runs while Aaron Schwesinger made 42. (PS Ca

## **Celebrate at Adventure Bay**

'Australia Day at Adventure Bay' is an inclusive. all-day event to celebrate Australia Day with local musicians, performers, producers and businesses.

The Bruny Bowls and Community Club Inc. again successfully applied for an Australia Day Community Grant in 2023 through the National Australia Day Council (NADC).

Following the 2022 event, feedback has encouraged and inspired the community to make the 2023 event even bigger and better.

Patrons will be treated to live music, children's entertainment, food and refreshments.

Engagement and participation by the entire Bruny Island community and beyond is welcomed and

The Bruny Bowls and Community Club Inc. is the main

organiser and will be supported by members of the Community Services team at Kingborough Council.

An exciting and varied line up of bands, singers and entertainment has been secured and these include: The Blue Brothers Revival Band, Australian Made, The Great Anticipaters, Mezzanine, The Firmm and Gary and Anita.

Families with children will also be well catered for, with family entertainment including Rookie Rollers, games, balloon twister, face painter, puppet show, tattooist, magic show and a multitude of food and refreshments

These elements will ensure the event is hugely popular and will attract visitors to the island from near and far, making it the pinnacle of their holiday itinerary.