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## DECEMBER EVENTS

### 8 CUPPA CONVERSATIONS

Guest speaker Andrew Wilson, author of "Old Sea Dogs of Tasmania" 10.30am-12.30pm. FREE. Ph: 6264 0300

### 9 GEEVESTON CHRISTMAS PARADE

Floats line up on School Road and head to Heritage Park via Church Street. Jumping Castle – Carols by Candlelight – Santa - Australian Army Band (Tas) – BBQ (gold coin donation). The parade will be followed by Carols in the Park so please bring a chair, candle and enjoy the night! 6pm-9pm. For further details please contact **Amelia on 0488 922 679**

### 9 FESTIVAL OF CAROLS HUONVILLE

7pm - 10pm Huonville Town Hall FREE

### 10 BBQ & CAROLS AT GLEN HUON PARK

BBQ 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm  
Santa 7:15 pm to 8pm  
Music 8pm to 9pm

### 11 DOVER CHRISTMAS PARADE

Starts at Dover Fire Station.  
11.15am

### 17 FRANKLIN CHRISTMAS PARADE AND FESTIVAL

5pm Parade on foreshore. Festival until 8.30 on Village Green.

## Business catch up

A small group of business leaders from the Huon Valley joined Commissioner Adriana Taylor recently to meet and discuss ways of stimulating business in the Valley.

"Healthy businesses mean healthy communities. The strength of your business has a direct impact on the quality of life for your employees and their families in the Valley.

"Council is committed to working with you to achieve better outcomes for the residents of the Valley. If there's any way we can help you negotiate planning or development applications or provide advice, we will," Commissioner Taylor said.



Terry Bennett & Howard Hansen



Andrew Smith & Adriana Taylor



Aiden & Mark Direen & Naomi Clark-Port



Ambrose & Dianne Coad & James Lord



Kerrie & Stephen Duggan & Jess Crowley



Matthew Grimsey & Michael Mitchell

## FREE Strength classes for Seniors

It's a fact of life - you have to keep moving. Our modern lifestyles require us to sit for long periods of time. Research is now pointing to sitting a lot being detrimental to our health - especially our core muscles.

The Council is providing **EASY STRENGTH MOVES FOR SENIORS** classes until January 26. Come along and do some exercise that will strengthen your core and allow you to do all the things you need to enjoy life, like picking up your grandkids or putting things away on a high shelf. A lack of mobility affects your lifestyle. These classes are designed to keep you strong and active. The classes are held in the Huonville Town Hall and are FREE. Thursdays from 11.30am to 12.30pm. Phone 03 6264 0300 to book your place.

## FREE BOOKS

Have you nabbed a free book from the Little Free Libraries?

These libraries are essentially giant letter boxes filled with books that are borrowed and lent by members of the public.

There is an established library in Geeveston. The Cygnet Little Free Library has recently been constructed and installed by the Port Cygnet Men's Shed - at Loongana Park, Cygnet.

The Geeveston Community Centre's successful literacy awareness grant (part of 26Ten Community Literacy Awareness Project), Little Free Libraries of the Huon Valley, was made possible through a Huon Aquaculture 'Helping Hands' community grant.

For further information on the Little Free Libraries of the Huon Valley, contact Lucy at Geeveston Community Centre Inc (GeCo) on 6297 1616.



## It disappeared without a trace...

Over one hundred years ago – on 14 September 1914 - Australia's first submarine AE1 disappeared while patrolling the seas near present day New Guinea. No trace of the vessel or its 35 hands has ever been found to this day.

This story is now being told in War at Sea – the Navy in WWI an eight panel exhibition at Huon LINC on tour from the Australian National Maritime Museum, opening Monday 5 December.

The experiences of Australian sailors in World War I has largely been overshadowed by the stories of soldiers on the Western Front or at Gallipoli. This panel exhibition draws on the personal accounts of Navy servicemen – through their diaries, mementoes, ship's logs and letters home – to tell their incredible stories of bravery and sacrifice amidst the drudgery of life at sea, patrolling, blockading and escorting troopships.

The War at Sea – the Navy in WWI exhibition – FREE ENTRY – Monday December 5 until Friday January 6 – Huon LINC, Skinner Drive Huonville.

## Tasmanian Young Achiever Awards - Nominations close soon

The 2017 Young Achiever Awards are now open for nominations.

**Nominations close Thursday 8 December, 2016.**

The Awards provide an excellent platform to recognise and celebrate the achievements of young Tasmanians across a diverse range of fields.

The 2017 Awards will recognise finalists in seven categories:

- Community service
- Arts and fashion
- Teaching excellence
- Sports
- Service to the disability sector
- Aboriginal achievement; and
- Health.

Category winners each receive \$1,000 and a trophy, and one of the seven category winners will be selected as the overall winner and is named the Premier's Young Achiever of the Year.

Entry into the Young Achiever Awards is free and open to all men and women up to 29 years of age as of 31 December 2016, with nominations closing Thursday 8 December, 2016.

Further information, including nomination forms can be found online at:

<http://www.awardsaustralia.com/young-achiever-awards/tas>



### Award for Dover Beach

Dover Beach won the Community Action and Wellbeing award at the 2016 Australian Sustainable Cities presentation held in Victoria recently.

The Awards are from Keep Australia Beautiful – the independent litter prevention program.

Council would like to thank the volunteers from Dover and the Port Esperance Coast Care group who did so much work towards this award. Congratulations.

Commissioner Adriana Taylor and HVC's Lisa Plohl with the Dover Beach Award

## COUNCIL DECISIONS

### RV SITE GEEVESTON

Council resolved to begin community consultation with a Community Engagement Plan to determine support for the development of a private Recreational Vehicle site in Heritage Park in Geeveston.

### EOI CYGNET MEDICAL SERVICES

Council have called for Expressions of Interest for the lease of the Cygnet Medical Services building. Council has had notification of interest from private enterprises keen to operate from the premises. We are considering providing the building to a private operator on commercial terms, provided they guarantee they will continue to provide services into the future.

### AUSTRALIA DAY MARKET FEES

Council set the fees for the Australia Day market to be held as part of Australia Day celebrations in Franklin next year. The market will run from 8am to 4pm. For example, the cost of a 3 metre by 3 metre non powered site is \$40. Powered sites cost \$15 extra. If anyone is interested in having a stall at next year's January celebrations please contact Council on 03 6264 0300.

**MINUTES AND MORE INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON THE COUNCIL'S WEBSITE.**

**THE NEXT ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 14 DECEMBER AT 6PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HUONVILLE, FOLLOWED BY THE AGM AT 7PM.**

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