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# **Summer 2019 Newsletter**



The exciting news this quarter is that 3BBR is about to get some additional presenters from Vision Australia (Warragul) in the new year.

Vision Australia has provided on-air reading of local publications for many years to enable people with reduced vision to still keep abreast of local stories and issues. Sadly, VA is closing the Warragul service. To ensure the local content continues, some of the Warragul staff have agreed to conduct a daily program segment reading news articles from the local newspapers on 3BBR-FM for vision impaired people in this district.

The weekday transmissions are expected to start 20th January 2020 from 11am to 12 noon.

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# **Our Sponsors**



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# Our Latest Sponsor



Susan Parrish and Patrick Wakefield have been involved in the local Gippsland (and beyond) music scene for many years. Playing live music on a variety of instruments including guitar, flute, recorder, tin whistle and harmonica together with harmonious vocals, their unique sound is ever so popular and pleasant to listen to.

'In Harmony' best describes their music, which they draw from a variety of genres. Acoustic versions of ballads, rock n roll, folk, country and Irish are all included.

The songs they play are, for the most part, well known which is good for those who might enjoy singing along. Expect to hear music from the likes of Neil Diamond, Gordon Lightfoot, Willie Nelson, Marty Robbins as well as some classic Irish tunes and so much more.

Playing to concert style audiences, providing ambience or background music is what keeps this duo busy.

Our sponsors are very important to us and also to our listeners. They help to keep us on air. Please make them your first choice in fulfilling your needs, and don't forget to mention 3BBR-FM to them when you do.

### It's Your Newsletter

Note: The articles and opinions expressed in this newsletter do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the West Gippsland Community Radio Management Committee

Articles and photos for future editions should be passed to Mick Nicholls via email at

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For larger items (like numerous photos) ring Mick on 0408 682 704 to make arrangements involving USB stick or Cloud transfers.

NB: The deadline for submissions to be placed in the Autumn edition of this newsletter is 6pm on the 28th of February 2020

### **Random Events At The Station**





# **Station Awards**

The following members received awards at the 3BBR-FM AGM:

**20 years m/ship** - David Holroyd (right, with Councillor Mikaela Power )

15 years m/ship - Lorraine Cartledge

10 years m/ship - Robin Blackman, Peter Snape, Jill Boyce, Rod Wellard, Rosie Russo, Coralie Knight & Ted Coad

**5 years m/ship** - Angela Lia & Ingrid Perri **Special Service** - Russ Hughes (left), Greg Lia & Rob Stewart



# Jazz At Oak Street

Jazz every second Thursday evening has been a feature at 3BBR-FM for many years now. For most of that time, the show was carried by Ziggy Gizycki with guests from the Victorian Jazz Club and the Phillip Island Jazz Club.

Then around 10 years ago, Ziggy was joined at the mike by Coralie Knight. Both had a deep love of Trad Jazz and that blossomed into a more personal love that saw Ziggy and Coralie join together as a couple.

Sadly, Ziggy passed away a few years ago, but Coralie has continued Ziggy's legacy at the station and through the wider community. Moreover, Coralie has stamped her own style on the show which continues to be very popular with her audience. Coralie is pictured (right) with regular Robin Blackman from Phillip Island Jazz Club.



#### From The Christmas Crackers

**Q:** What did South Australia have before candles?

A: Electricity!

# President's Report by Rod Wellard



At the end of a year of significant change in all respects, on behalf of the Board I would like to express our thanks to all our volunteers, sponsors and especially our listeners. There is still more to do but we are heading in the right direction.

At this time of year, I offer my best wishes to you and your families for a happy, safe and Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

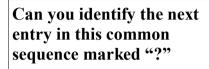


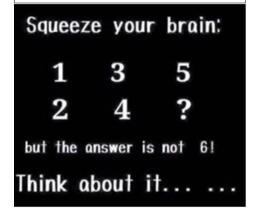


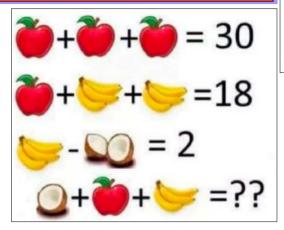
#### **Brain Food**

#### **Fruit Maths**

The task is to discover the value of each piece of fruit and then solve for the last line. This is where your algebra comes in handy (if you can still remember any of it)







What common item does the picture on the right represent?



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# **Christmas Carol Quiz**

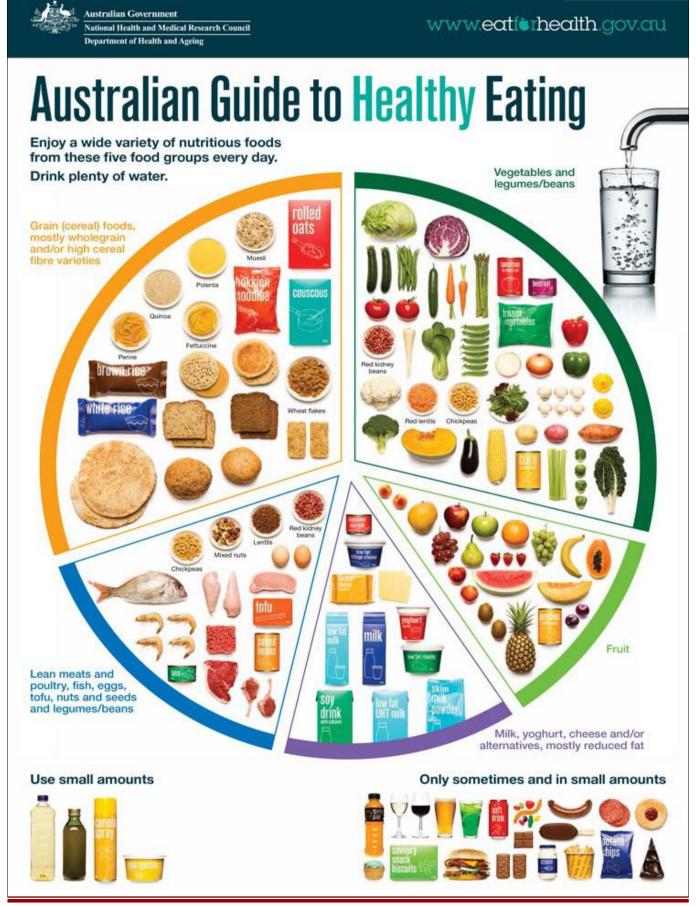
# All answers are on page 10

- 1. What is the opening line to 'Let it Snow'?
- 2. Which Christmas carol was originally written in Latin as Adeste Fideles?
- 3. What type of pudding do the carollers sing about in 'We Wish You a Merry Christmas'?
- 4. Which carol includes the lyrics, 'Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis'?
- 5. How many types of birds are mentioned in the Twelve Day of Christmas song?
- 6. In the words of the famous carol 'Hark the Herald Angels Sing', glory is proclaimed to the what?
- 7. Which Christmas carol is commonly known by the title 'Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire'?
- 8. Which famous Xmas song sends tidings of comfort and joy?
- 9. Which Christmas carol was composed by Rector Phillip Brooks following a pilgrimage to the Holy Land where he had felt mesmerized by the town in which Jesus was born?
- 10. Which song repeats the catchy lyrics, 'pa rum pum pum pum'?
- 11. Which famous Christmas carol was written as a poem by C. F. Alexander, the same inspirational poet credited with having composed the hymn 'All Things Bright and Beautiful'?
- 12. The famous song 'White Christmas' originally featured in which 1942 musical film starring Bing Crosby, Fred Astair and Virginia Dale?
- 13. Which Christmas carol includes the lyrics, 'They looked up and saw a star, Shining in the east beyond them far, And to the earth it gave great light, And so it continued both day and night'?
- 14. When did Good King Wenceslas last look out?
- 15. What is the final line of the famous 'Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer' song?
- 16. Which carol was originally composed by James Pierpoint in 1857 for Thanksgiving?
- 17. In the words of 'Away in a Manger', what was the Lord Jesus asleep on?
- 18. Which Christmas carol begins with the lyrics, 'Sleigh bells ring are you listening'?
- 19. What type of tree is mentioned in the Twelve Days of Christmas song?
- 20. Which Christmas carol includes the lyrics, 'From now on, our troubles will be out of sight'?

### **Health Matters**

As Xmas approaches, good health is not so much about eating less but about eating the right foods in the proportions indicated on the authoritative "pie" chart below.





# **Pics From The Christmas BBQ**

This year the 3BBR-FM Board decided to open up their usual Christmas gathering to include presenters, workers and members. These pics were taken at the sausage sizzle on 8th December. Special thanks to Graeme Marriott who did the cooking for us all.



The weather was kind, the mozzies stayed away, the food was delicious, the drinks flowed freely and all agreed it was an excellent gathering. Indeed a number of those attending stated a preference for doing more BBQs at the station.



# **Community Connections**



### **At The Garden & Home Expo**





3BBR-FM took a stall at the 2019 Garden & Home Expo at Lardner Park for the second year in a row. It proved an excellent vehicle to meet up with some of our regular listeners and also presented us to new potential listeners.

Strangely, we had difficulty giving away free raffle tickets to anyone who wanted them even when we explained that our raffle was free because we are a free to air community service. First prize was a \$150 voucher from Gippsland Travel (won by Reece Harrison). Second prize was a \$100 hamper (won by Laurel Goodwin—see historic story on page 10). Third prize was a \$50 voucher at the Warragul Country Club (won by Dawn).

**Above left:** Three generations of 3BBR volunteers in granddaughter Alex Kennedy, Daughter Nicole Kennedy (who does our facebook page) and Mother Jose Meyer (our hard working secretary who doubles as assistant editor).

**Above right:** Presenters Richard Reijmer (Smooth & Cool, Rare and Spicy) and Coralie Knight (Jazz at Oak Street) discussing 3BBR with people at the stall.

#### From The Christmas Crackers

**Q:** Why don't blind people sky dive?

A: Because it scares the crap out of their dogs

## **3BBR-FM Is Stepping Out For Stevie**

We recently received a lovely thank you note for our promotion throughout October of a Family Day being run in Longwarry for a little 5 year old girl, Stevie. She has never crawled, walked or spoken. She suffers a rare genetic mutation called Rett Syndrome which affects 1 in 15,000 children, predominately girls. There is no cure and very little research into the syndrome around the world.

Intensive physio, occupational and speech therapy can improve the child's quality of life and make it easier for the family to care for the sufferer for the rest of her life. The leading centre in the world for this type of therapy is in Sydney and the child is required to attend 3 one week blocks, spaced several months apart. Each week of therapy costs \$11,000., not counting accommodation costs.

To assist, several community fundraising events have been conducted and there are more next year, as Stevie's first week of therapy is in March 2020. Our promotion of a very big Family Day helped raise several thousands of dollars to go towards Stevie's first week of therapy. 3BBR provides a perfect vehicle to support such deserving causes.



# **Presenting Susan Burton**

A common response from 3BBR listeners that you meet on the street is "Oh I do love the music played by Susan Burton." Susan has been a presenter at the station for over ten years now. In her usual slot of 11am to 2pm on a Thursday, her eclectic blend of music is based on quality – be it popular classics, musicals, folk or pop.

Susan was the co-ordinator of
Warragul Community House when she was
interviewed by Lynn Wells about the
house activities over a decade ago. From
there, she listened to 3BBR and was
attracted by the type of music being
played. The clincher that brought her on
board as a presenter was the ability to
choose what is played on one's "show".
This contrasts with the more usual
circumstance in radio where the music to be
played is chosen by the librarian and the presenter
is just a disc jockey.

Susan's background is solidly classical. Her grandmother was a concert pianist, her father was an accomplished baritone who sang with Gracie Fields and her mother plays and sings lovely music. Susan learnt piano herself from age five and started singing lessons at age 20. She took singing lessons up again about the time she joined 3BBR and sang in concerts with her mother (and others) for some years, though she has finished with singing for now.

Born and bred in Warragul (though she moved away for some 40 years), Susan attended Macquarie University in Sydney where she completed degrees in Anthropology and



Comparative Sociology. Her working life involved office work in many far flung places like Hong Kong, Singapore and the UK.

From a personal perspective, Susan is strongly family oriented (she has two sisters) and she loves dogs - her current dog is a labradoodle. She has recently become engaged to Phill Hutchinson who has already met a few of the folk at 3BBR, though no wedding date has been set yet.

In making her selections for her time slot at 3BBR, Susan seeks music and songs she has not played for some time and thinks in terms of "I wouldn't mind listening to X or Y". In addition, she does a bit more mix-and-match now than she did in the past. Whatever her method of choosing, Susan has amassed quite a following of loyal listeners at 3BBR so well done indeed.

### **Sausage Sizzle Fund Raising**



Outside Woolworths in Warragul: "Clinkas", Graeme Marriott and Harvey Scott.



At the shift change: Graeme Marriott, Brian Giblin, Rod Wellard and "Clinkas".

## **Just For A Laugh**



#### **Christmas Traditions**

Teacher Ms. Jones was curious about how each of her students celebrated Christmas. She called on young Patrick Murphy, "Tell us, Patrick, what you do at Christmas time."

He replied, "Well, Ms. Jones, me and my twelve brothers and sisters go to midnight Mass and we sing hymns, then come home very late and we put mince pies by the back door and hang up our stockings. Then all excited, we go to bed and wait for Santa to come with all our toys."

"Very nice, Patrick" she said. "Now Jimmy Brown, what do you do at Christmas?"

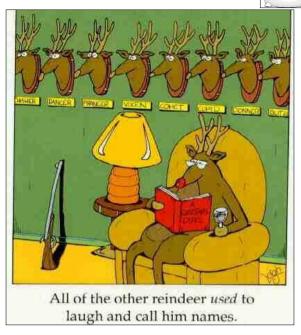
"Well, Ms. Jones, me and my sister also go to Church with Mum and Dad and we sing carols and get home ever so late. We put cookies and milk by the chimney and hang up our stockings. We hardly sleep waiting for Santa to bring our presents."

Noting there was a Jewish boy in the class and not wanting to leave him out of the discussion, she asked, "Izzie Cohen, what do you do at Christmas time?"

Izzie said, "Well, it's the same every year. Dad comes home from the office, we all pile into the Rolls Royce and drive to his toy factory. Once inside, we look at all the empty shelves and begin singing, 'What a Friend We Have in Jesus' then we leave for the Bahamas!"



The Year Santa Hired a Consultant



#### **Christmas Deaths**

Three men died on Christmas Eve and were met by Saint Peter at the pearly gates. "In honour of this holy season" Saint Peter said, "You must each possess something that symbolizes Christmas to get into heaven."

The first man fumbled through his pockets and pulled out a lighter. He flicked it on. "It represents a candle", he said. "You may pass through the pearly gates" Saint Peter said.

The second man reached into his pocket and pulled out a set of keys. He shook them and said, "They're bells." Saint Peter said "You may pass through the pearly gates".

The third man started searching desperately through his pockets and finally pulled out a pair of women's panties. St. Peter looked at the man with a raised eyebrow and asked, "And just what do those symbolize??

The man replied, "These are Carols."



### T'was The Night Before Christmas

T'was the night before Christmas and all through the house,

Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse. The stockings were hung by the chimney with care.

They'd been worn all week and needed the air.

### **Brain Food Answers**

#### Christmas Carols Quiz

- 1. Oh the weather outside is frightful
- 2. Come, All Ye Faithful
- 3. Figgy pudding
- 4. Ding Dong Merrily on High
- 5. Six types of birds: Partridge, Turtle Doves, French Hens, Calling Birds, Geese, and Swans
- 6. Newborn King
- 7. The Christmas Song
- 8. God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen
- 9. Little Town of Bethlehem
- 10. Little Drummer Boy
- 11. Once in Royal David's City
- 12. Holiday Inn
- 13. The First Noel
- 14. On the Feast of Stephen
- 15. You'll go down in history
- 16. Jingle Bells
- 17. Hay
- 18. Winter Wonderland
- 19. Pear tree
- 20. Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas

#### **Fruit Maths**

3 apples = 30, so 1 apple = 10.

10 + 2 bananas = 18,

so 2 bananas = 8 and 1 banana = 4

4-1 coconut = 2, so 1 coconut = 2

Therefore, 1/2 coconut + 1 apple + 1 banana

$$= 1 + 10 + 4 = 15$$

#### The Next in the Sequence:

It's easy when you see it now isn't it?



#### The Common Item Pictured:

Why, It's an eggplant of course





### **Historic Connection**

Winner of our 2nd prize hamper, Laurel Goodwin, (Left) has an important link with Drouin.

Her maiden name was McNeilly and her father ,Bob, is



pictured with cousin, Geoffrey, on the information board at Jackson Views Estate here in Drouin. They are grandsons of pioneer John McNeilly who settled there in 1870.

McNeilly Road and McNeilly wetlands are named after him.

The board commemorates the 160 Bhutan Cypress trees the grandsons planted along the L shaped driveway to the old homestead (now known as Bhutan Cypress Avenue).

