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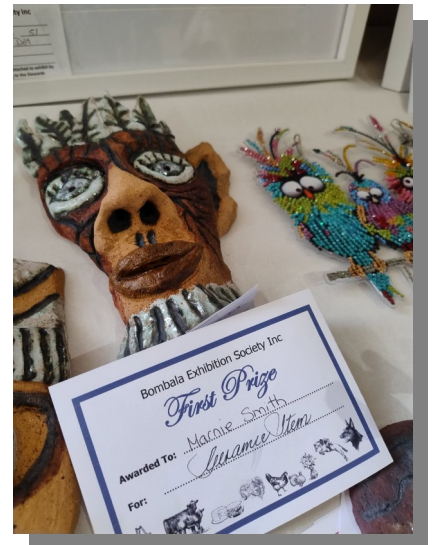
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Next deadline: May 21st



A few of the ceramic workshop items that did very well at the Bombala Show
Pictured below is Tully, who was one of the prizewinners
We are most impressed with the work that came out of this workshop.





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Please keep your old glass bottles for Robert too as he is a passionate collector.

Bobcat contractor for hire

Slashing, clearing, small earthworks, levelling, preparation for sheds, carports, water tanks and paving and clean ups
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Handy Man available
call Peter on 0492888057



Wallabia Wildlife Shelter

Rehabilitation and rescue of injured and orphaned native wildlife
Call Joe or Rena

0497200927
24 hours

Tattler Contributions: We welcome your articles, news, reports on local groups, photos from local events, milestones, interesting stories, poems, biographies, births, deaths, historical items, and more. We also welcome any letters to the editors.

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FOR HIRE

The Tubbut Neighbourhood House has the following for Hire:
Trailer—\$5.00 per day
Wood Splitter—\$10.00 per day
You can also borrow many of our gadgets:
Laminator, recording VHS to DVD player, Laptop, tablet, digital photo scanner, convert photos, slides or negatives to digital, record records to USB

Delegate Multi-Purpose Service

11 Craigie St, Delegate
(02) 64598000

The Delegate MPS Assessment and Treatment Care Centre (ATCC)

ATCC

The Delegate MPS Assessment and Treatment Care Centre (ATCC) is not an Emergency Department, for all Emergency type presentations please proceed to the nearest Emergency Department at the Bombala MPS, or phone 000 for an Ambulance. The ATCC is open Monday to Friday 8.30am to 4pm, please call Delegate MPS (02) 64598000 to make an appointment. Outside of these hours, please consider if your presentation is an Emergency and therefore not for Delegate MPS.

Our nurse-led ATCC is offering:

- Wound Care
- Nursing Assessments
- Blood Pressure readings
- Blood Sugar readings
- Suture or Clip removal
- Injections with Doctors written order
- Other procedures that do not require a doctor

Pathology

Wednesday 9:30am-10:30am. No appointment necessary. Not available on public holidays

Other Community Health Services Available on request

- Dietician
- Diabetes Educator
- Immunisations
- Podiatry
- Child and Family Health Nurse
- Generalist Community Health Nurse
- Women's Health Nurse

To refer to any of the above please ring Community Health Central Intake Team on
ph. 1800 999 880

Victorian Visits

Community Nurse Visits Victorian Clients every fortnight. For referral or information ring ORBOST Regional Health (03) 51546666 or Delegate Community Health Nurse on (02) 64598000

Local Concreter—Tubbut and surrounds

All types of concrete work—slabs, driveways, paths, sheds, repairs and more

17 years experience

Contact: Jason 0413633255

Email: twojsconcreting@gmail.com

Tubbut Neighbourhood House

What makes Neighbourhood Houses so great?

Neighbourhood Houses are the heart of our communities. They bring people together to connect, learn and contribute to their local community through social, educational, recreational and support activities.

Also commonly known as community centres, learning centres, community houses or neighbourhood centres, these inclusive community-based organisations welcome people of all ages, abilities and walks of life, creating opportunities for people to enrich their lives through connections they might not otherwise make.

There are over 400 Neighbourhood Houses across Victoria, but no two Neighbourhood Houses are ever the same. Guided by a community development approach, they each engage and respond to the needs and priorities of the communities they serve

Kokedama—Moss Ball Workshop

at Bonang Hall on the 7th of May

10 am

BYO Plant and lunch

(We will have a few tube stock plants that can be purchased on the day)

Kokedama is a traditional Japanese art form—meaning "moss ball"—where a plant's root system is wrapped in soil and moss, then secured with twine, creating a hanging or sculptural "living bauble"

The best plants for kokedama are small, hardy, moisture-loving, and slow-growing houseplants with compact root systems, such as Pothos, Ferns, Peace Lilies, Nerve Plants (Fittonia), and Spider Plants. These plants thrive in the constant moisture provided by the moss ball and tolerate the restricted soil space.

Best Plants to use

- **Trailing/Hanging:** Pothos (Devil's Ivy), Philodendron, Spider Plants, Creeping Fig.
- **Vertical/Small:** Ferns (Rabbit's Foot, Staghorn, Asparagus), Nerve Plants, Anthurium, Peace Lily, Chinese Money Plant (Pilea).
- **Bonsai/Woody:** Small Ficus or Japanese Maple.

Key Selection Tips

- **Avoid Succulents:** Avoid cacti and succulents, as the required moist moss medium will cause them to rot.
- **Start Small:** Use 2–4 inch potted plants (tubestock) to ensure the moss ball remains a manageable size.
- **Humidity Needs:** Choose plants that thrive in high humidity and damp conditions, as the moss acts like a sponge.
- **Light Conditions:** Match the plant to the lighting in your home (e.g., ferns for low-light, Pothos for bright-indirect).

Every second Thursday (library bus day) we are at the Bonang Hall doing crafts.

BYO or use or paints, macrame, silk painting and card making supplies. Every other Thursday we are at Tubbut doing the same.

(Let us know what you want to do so we can bring the supplies on the day)

Tuesdays are tech days, come in and use our computers and internet.

Wednesdays come along for social interaction with other community members. Exchange ideas for future activities and groups. Bring a cake... make one here even. Exchange recipes, garden produce and seeds. Have excess craft products..... do a swap with others.

We have a mosaic workshop coming up soon. Stay tuned for more information

The Guess Who picture in last months Tattler was Alan Neven
Created by Jamie Antonio

Wellness Space

The Errinundra to Snowy Wellbeing Space is a health clinic serving the communities of Goongerah, Tubbut and Bendoc.

Led by a community Nurse Care Coordinator, the clinic visits:

**Goongerah on Tuesdays
7023 Bonang Rd, Goongerah**

**Tubbut on Wednesdays
2584 McKillops Rd, Tubbut**

**Bendoc on Thursdays
Dowling Street, Bendoc**

**For more information or to make an appointment call
0456 167 011**

If you would like to book a time out of business hours, or if the Wellbeing Space day in your area does not suit you, the Community Nurse Care Coordinator may be able to arrange an appointment that is easier for you to attend.

Services include:

Health education

Health checks and health care plans

Telehealth appointments and support

Pathology

Wound care, dressings, suture removal

Urine analysis

Help filling medical forms, My Aged Care and Home Care Packages

Hosting service providers such as GPs, Women's Health Nurse

Mental health support via referral

Help navigating health services

Other services will be added as they become available.

If you have any questions about the services available at the Errinundra to Snowy Wellbeing Spaces call 0456 167 011.

Orbost Regional Health Xray Service

Important Change – The X RAY Service will run Tuesday of each week starting 24th March

MAY 2026

Wednesday 6th – Acupuncture at Tubbut and Bendoc

Thursday 7th – Nurse Steph & Vaccs Nurse at Bendoc
Acupuncture at Goongerah

Tuesday 12th – Nurse Birgit at Goongerah

Wednesday 13th – Nurse Birgit at Tubbut

Thursday - 14th Nurse Steph at Bendoc
Physiotherapy at Bendoc

Wednesday 20th – Acupuncture at Bendoc and Tubbut

Thursday 21st – Nurse Steph at Bendoc
Acupuncture at Goongerah

Tuesday 26th – Nurse Birgit at Goongerah

Wednesday 27th Nurse Birgit & Vaccs Nurse at Tubbut

Thursday 28th – Nurse Steph at Bendoc

Wellness Space



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No more long commutes for quality healthcare, we bring the clinic to you **AT NO COST**

WELCOME TO OUR NEW ONLINE BOOKING PLATFORM

You are still welcome to book directly through Tama- 0448 639 754 or your local Community Centre



OR Use this Link to book. <https://www.picktime.com/home/E2S>

See the calendar for dates of attending Nurse in your community, book an appointment or just pop in to see them. Physiotherapist Nicole will be in Bendoc in May, and Tubbut in June.

The Dental Bus is coming to Bendoc!

BOOKINGS TAKEN NOW

The mobile dental bus will be visiting Bendoc in the E2S region, bringing essential oral health services directly to the local community. This visit is designed to improve access to dental care for residents who may find it difficult to travel, offering a convenient and welcoming setting for routine dental support close to home.

The dental bus is equipped to provide general dental check-ups, basic treatments, and oral health advice for people of all ages. Friendly dental professionals will be on hand to help identify concerns early, promote good dental hygiene, and connect patients with further care if needed. The visit is a great opportunity for Bendoc community members to look after their oral health and maintain healthy smiles.

VACCINATION NURSE COMING BEFORE WINTER

Goongerah 28th April

Bendoc 7th May

Tubbut 27th May

Katy Radic is a skilled and approachable vaccination nurse who will be visiting the E2S region to support community immunisation needs. With experience delivering a wide range of vaccines across different age groups, Katy focuses on making the vaccination process clear, comfortable and stress-free. Her visit provides a convenient opportunity for individuals and families to review their immunisation status and access recommended vaccines locally.

During her visit, Katy can administer vaccinations for influenza (flu), COVID-19, shingles, pneumonia, and key childhood vaccines. She is also able to provide protection against whooping cough and tetanus, which are especially important for adults, carers, and those in close contact with young children. Katy is happy to answer questions and offer guidance on vaccine timing and suitability, helping people in the E2S region stay protected and up to date with their immunisations.

FOR BOOKINGS OR ENQUIRIES CALL TAMA: or book online

WHEN BOOKING PLEASE STATE WHICH VACCINATIONS YOU REQUIRE

The Local Rag

A LITTLE HISTORY FROM DELEGATE RIVER

From the Local Rag November
1979

On 19th February, 1908 a public meeting was held in Mr. J. McDonald's shed and the following gentlemen were present - Messrs. Anderson, H. Allen, J. McDonald, C. Dickenson, C. Morrison, W. Allen, A. Morrison, H. Morrison, P. Foley, E. Allen, S. Mead, S. Johnson, W. Johnson, R. Crawford. It was decided to endeavour to erect a public hall.

With public donations and proceeds from two dances held in the above-mentioned shed, and a Government Grant of £20 it was considered that sufficient money was available to make a start.

The school building having been destroyed by fire, permission was granted by the Education Department for the building to be erected on the school allotment.

On 17th October, 1908 tenders were called for the erection of the building. Four tenders were received, and that of Mr. A. McDonald - £19 - was accepted.

On 3rd February, 1909, a general meeting was called to elect office bearers and form a Hall Committee. Mr. F. Allen was elected Secretary, W. Allen, Treasurer, C. Deckenon, President, and Mr. Buckland, Vice-President.

The Committee was - C. Morrison, J. McDonald, S. Mead, W. Mead, E. Clark, R. Crawford, W. Bagley, O. Taylor, A. Eppelstun, W. Baker, P. Foley, J. Marriot and F. Matthews, and the Trustees C. Morrison, J. McDonald and W. Allen.

It was decided to celebrate the opening on the () Having an all night ball which proved to be an outstanding success due to the assistance given by the local residents. Some of the charges noted at later functions were - Single ticket 3/6, double 5/6, extra lady 1/6. For another dance, an offer of 25/-, made by Morris to cater for 50 couples, was accepted. Rates for hire of the hall were 15/- a night or 10/- for a half-night.

In June 1911 the hall was leased for a term to a skating promoter at a rental of 2/6 a night.

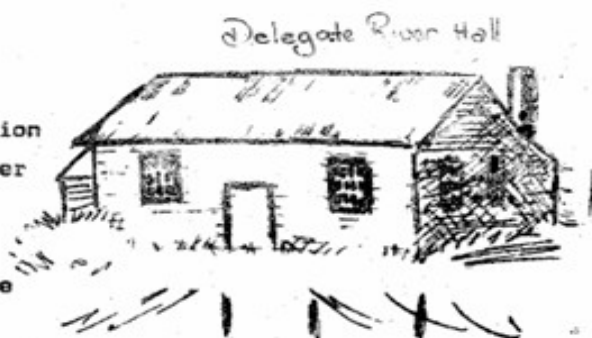
This hall was also rented by the Education Department and used as a school - being Number 3452.

In 1936 the building was shifted to a new site near the highway, and additions were made. The building continued to be used as a school and public hall for many years. In the early 1970's owing to lack

of public interest and the dis-repair of the building, it was decided to dispose of it. Subsequently, tenders were called for removal. Although the hall has gone, the shed where that first public meeting was held - built in the late 1890's with split slabs - is still being used to-day.



J. McDonald's Shed



Delegate River Hall

Protecting services, projects and jobs amid fuel price volatility

East Gippsland Shire Council is taking proactive steps to protect essential services, critical projects and local employment by responding to the ongoing impacts of fuel price volatility across key Council contracts.

Mayor Cr Jodie Ashworth said Council recognised that fuel price fluctuations were placing significant pressure on contractors who deliver important services and projects across the shire on behalf of Council

"Council relies on a wide range of contractors to deliver essential works and services for our community such as waste management and road maintenance, and many of those contracts are impacted by fuel cost increases we are all feeling as a result of the conflict in the Middle East," Cr Ashworth said.

"The reality is that current contracts were not designed for the kind of rapid and sustained fuel price changes we're seeing. A decision at Tuesday's Council Meeting to work fairly and transparently with contractors will manage the risk of these particularly exposed contracts, keep projects moving and protect local jobs.

" Cr Ashworth said the measures were also about ensuring services were not disrupted or projects left unfinished due to commercial pressures beyond contractors' control.

"We want to avoid situations where vital services are put at risk or projects stall midway because escalating fuel costs make them unviable," Cr Ashworth said. "Supporting the continuity of services is in the best interests of our community, particularly when many of our contractors are local businesses that provide employment across East Gippsland.

" Council has resolved to give the Chief Executive Officer delegated authority to vary existing particularly exposed capital and operational contracts, where appropriate, to include fuel and petroleum product price adjustment mechanisms that respond only to abnormal market conditions.

Cr Ashworth said Council's focus remained on responsible financial management while responding pragmatically to extraordinary circumstances.

"This is about managing Council well — making decisions that are efficient, responsive and in line with the challenges our community and local businesses are facing. The approach is designed to manage risk in a rapidly changing market while ensuring value for Council and continuity of services for the community.



Future Planning for Seniors Workshop

Seniors Rights Victoria



Join us for this information packed workshop!

Everyone has the right to make their own decisions. However there might be a time when a person is unable to make decisions due to injury or illness and someone else needs to make decisions.

This free workshop guides you through having conversations with those close to you about these times, choosing someone you trust to make decisions in the future and the legal documents you can choose to put in place, like an Enduring Power of Attorney.

During the workshop you'll have the opportunity to start an Advance Care Directive writing down your choices and preferences. Those attending will receive a free booklet Your Voice Trust Your Choice and handouts including the Take Control Booklet and Advance Care Directive.

Bairnsdale Library
Monday 18 May
10.30 am – 12.00 pm

Lakes Entrance Service Centre
Tuesday 19 May
10.00 am – 11.30 am

Mallacoota Service Centre
Wednesday 20 May
2.00 pm – 3.30 pm

Orbost Service Centre
Tuesday 19 May
1.00 pm – 2.30 pm

Paynesville Service Centre
Monday 18 May
2.00 pm – 3.30 pm

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Mobile Library

Bendoc -Recreation Reserve
10.30am- 11.30am

Bonang- Hall
12.30pm-1.30pm

Goongerah -Hall
2.45pm -3.45pm

May – Thursday 7th and 21th

June 4th and 18th

News from the Shire

Farmers under pressure as ASAC calls for urgent government action on pest animals

Farmers across East Gippsland and eastern Victoria are facing escalating costs and mounting pressure as pest animal populations surge, prompting calls for urgent, coordinated government action.

The Agricultural Sector Advisory Committee (ASAC) is urging state and federal governments to step up investment and coordination, warning that unmanaged populations of deer, feral pigs, and wild dogs and dingoes are placing unsustainable strain on farming businesses and regional communities.

ASAC acknowledged the recent Victorian Government funding announcement for wild pig management as a positive step in addressing pest animal impacts across the region and looks forward to further support that delivers tangible outcomes for the sector.

However, it says sustained, long-term and coordinated investment is still required to match the scale of the issue.

Farmers across the region are reporting ongoing livestock losses, pasture damage and rising control costs, with some experiencing weekly stock losses or considering leaving the industry altogether. These impacts are threatening agricultural productivity, food security and the long-term viability of farming enterprises.

Evidence presented through ASAC indicates that in some areas, producers are experiencing weekly stock losses, abandoning enterprises or facing unsustainable grazing pressure due to unmanaged deer populations.

ASAC is elevating these first-hand accounts to ensure the lived experiences of farming communities are reflected in state and national policy settings, highlighting critical gaps in monitoring, population control, cross-border coordination and long-term investment.

ASAC member Eddie Mauger said the situation was reaching a tipping point.

"Farmers are exhausted, financially burdened and facing daily uncertainty," Mr Mauger said. "Pest animals are not a fringe issue – they are undermining food production, threatening regional jobs and impacting the mental health of entire communities. Government action needs to match the scale of the problem."

ASAC is calling for:

- Stronger cross-tenure and cross-border coordination with New South Wales
- Long-term, strategic funding aligned with population growth rates
- Effective tools for wild dog control, including the reinstatement or replacement of previously successful programs
- Expanded feral pig surveillance and control to prevent further spread
- Modernised monitoring systems shared across agencies and communities
- Recognition of the social and mental health impacts on farming families

Landholders across East Gippsland say current programs remain fragmented and under-resourced, despite the availability of proven technologies and successful models in other regions.

Case studies collected through ASAC highlight recurring losses of lambs, calves and working dogs, along with costs running into the thousands of dollars for pasture damage and fencing repairs.

These ongoing challenges are placing significant strain on farming families and, in some cases, prompting producers to consider leaving the industry. ASAC emphasises that farmers are not seeking special treatment – they are seeking practical, timely support to protect their businesses, contribute to Australia's food supply and sustain the economic strength of regional Victoria.

"Government has the opportunity right now to partner with us and deliver meaningful, evidence-based action," Mr Mauger said.

"Our communities are ready to work with all levels of government, but we need policy certainty, adequate resourcing and a coordinated, whole-of-landscape approach."

For more information or to arrange interviews with ASAC representatives or impacted farmers, please contact Council's Agricultural Assistance team.

News from the Shire

CALLING ALL YOUNG CREATIVES, YOUTH ART PRIZE 2026 ENTRIES OPEN

Do you or a young person you know have a creative spark? The 2026 East Gippsland Youth Art Prize is now open, inviting young artists from across the region to share their work, tell their stories and see their ideas come to life in a real gallery space.

Open to people aged 12 to 25 who live, study or work in East Gippsland, the Youth Art Prize is all about celebrating creativity, individuality and youth expression – whether that's through painting, photography, digital art, film or 3D works.

Mayor Cr Jodie Ashworth said the competition is an exciting opportunity for young people to step into the spotlight and showcase their talents.

"This is your chance to put your creativity on display and be part of something bigger," Cr Ashworth said.

"We know there is incredible talent right across East Gippsland, and the Youth Art Prize is about giving young people a platform to be seen, heard and celebrated."

More than just a competition, the Youth Art Prize gives participants the experience of being an exhibiting artist, with selected works displayed at the Brabuwooloon Gallery at The Forge Theatre and Arts Hub in Bairnsdale.

There are also cash prizes up for grabs, including category awards, a People's Choice Award and an overall Judges' Choice prize.

Taking part in the arts can help build confidence, creativity and problem-solving skills – and this is an opportunity for young people to share their perspective with the wider community, outside of school or the classroom.

Entries are free, with one original artwork permitted per artist.

Key dates: • Entries open: Wednesday 25 March 2026, 5.00 pm

• Entries close: Friday 7 August 2026, 5.00 pm •
Exhibition launch and winners announced: Thursday 20 August 2026, from 5.00 pm

• Location: Brabuwooloon Gallery, The Forge Theatre and Arts Hub, 80 McKean Street, Bairnsdale (speeches commence at 5.30 pm)

Winners will also be announced online via BraveArts.

New online tool helps residents navigate planning process

Residents looking to build, renovate or extend their homes, as well as new and expanding local businesses, now have an easier way to understand planning requirements, as East Gippsland Shire Council launches a new online planning enquiry tool.

The tool, called myLot, is available on Council's website and provides 24/7 access to early planning guidance, helping residents and businesses understand whether a planning permit may be required for projects.

It's like having a planning assistant in your pocket. Mayor Cr Jodie Ashworth said the tool was designed to make the planning process easier to understand, particularly for people unfamiliar with Council requirements.

"For many residents and businesses, knowing where to start can be the hardest part of the planning process.

"This tool provides clear, easy-to-understand information, helping people understand what may be required before taking the next step." Mayor Cr Ashworth said.

myLot guides users through a series of simple questions and provides tailored information based on Council's planning scheme. It can assist with enquiries relating to sheds, decks, extensions, renovations, and granny flats.

Mayor Ashworth said the tool would complement Council's Planning team and does not replace professional assessment or advice.

"We know that in the past, the planning process has been a source of frustration for some in our community. This technology will help guide people through the initial stages more quickly and smoothly.

Our Planning team will continue to assess applications and provide expert advice; this tool is designed to answer early questions and help residents and businesses come to Council better prepared."

The introduction of myLot will also help reduce delays in the planning process by encouraging more complete and informed applications.

The new tool is available now and can be accessed via Council's website.

Word Search

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Sudoku

The aim of Sudoku is to complete the entire grid using the numbers 1-9. Each number can only be used once in each row, once in each column, and once in each of the 3×3 boxes. Visit www.sudokuoftheday.com for further tips and help about how to play – and good luck!

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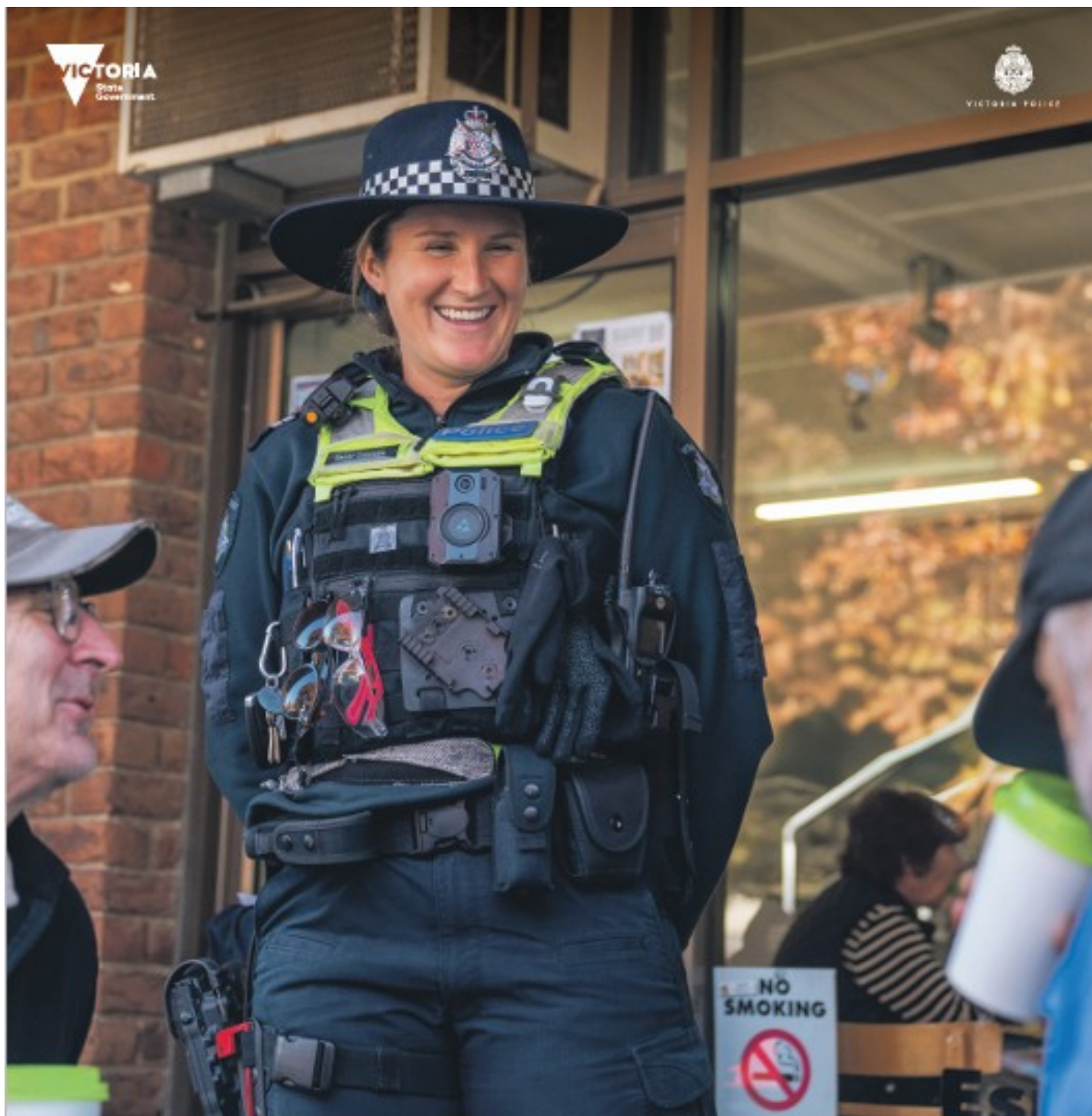
“I generally avoid temptation unless I can’t resist it”

Mae West

“A computer once beat me at chess, but it was no match for me at kickboxing.”

— Emo Philips

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