



Newsletter #3

May 2021

We're here to give a voice to the views and recovery goals of all Corryong community members

Chair report

“Recovery is a marathon, not a sprint!” I have heard this many times and the longer that I work with the Corryong Community Recovery committee and Corryong community the more this rings true.

Being involved in the CRC and supported by Towong Shire, Bushfire Recovery Victoria and the community has helped me to see that some things can be replaced but many will be changed forever - in the end what we want is to rebuild what we can and reinvigorate our community. This newsletter contains some information about opportunities to rebuild and reinvigoration.

There are a plethora of grant opportunities available. To be successful in a grant application you need a well defined project – much more than a “thought bubble”. To assist the community to be successful in grant applications Corryong CRC has developed a set of guidelines for organisations seeking the support of the CRC in their applications. Letters of support can be crucial, and in some cases essential, for a successful grant application. The guidelines and a proforma for grant funding endorsement can be found on our webpage <https://uppermurrayrecovery.com/home/corryong-crc/>

Opportunities for grants come along at regular intervals. Organisations are encouraged to share their project ideas with the CRC and the Recovery Hub team. We may be able to assist you to find suitable grant opportunities for your project. We encourage community representatives to join in the series of grant workshops in June – more details about grant opportunities and the workshops can be found elsewhere in this newsletter.

We are currently working with Towong Shire on the Community Emergency Plan. This is being informed by feedback obtained by the community surveys last year and the various debrief sessions which have been held in Corryong and other communities. When this is ready, a draft will be shared with the community for further comment and feedback.

Progress is also being made to develop a multiplatform community calendar. This will allow individual groups to enter their events into a master calendar which will be available to the whole community. Corryong Neighbourhood Centre will coordinate the calendar project. As a suitable product does not currently exist, negotiations are currently underway for this to be done as a master’s project at a Victorian university.

Last week was “Volunteers week”. It was an official time to recognise all those who volunteer in the community. The Upper Murray has the highest rate of volunteers (33%) in Victoria. Thank you to our whole community for everything that you do to support one another.

Priorities for Corryong

The mission of the Corryong CRC is to ensure Corryong community members, groups and organisations have access to the information and resources they need to implement local recovery activities and programs that will create a safe, healthy and resilient community.

We have carefully analysed the community survey responses and have identified the following five top priorities for the Corryong Community:

- **Support community groups** to organise and present events and gatherings— including the development, Implementation and distribution of a **community calendar**.
- **Advocate for the community recovery needs** with relevant agencies – including improvements to emergency / relief Infrastructure and providing input and feedback on the community emergency plan.
- **Advocate for the development of the primary school site** - represent and inform the community on the Primary School Site Project Steering Group.
- **Advocate for the development of industry and business** opportunities (in accordance with the Upper Murray Economic Development Plan) including the setting up of a Corryong Chamber of Commerce.
- **Advocate for the development of tourism** opportunities and attractions.

Some Grant Opportunities

Risk and Resilience Grants Program
2 June 2021 (\$10,000 - \$250,000)

FRRR Round 5 – closes 8 June
(\$20,000)

The Tomorrow Fund – closes 9 June
(\$5,000 - \$100,000)

Bushfire Recovery Victoria Local Economic Recovery – opens 26 July 2021

Black Summer Recovery Grants Program – opens July 2021

Bushfire Recovery Grants for Community Facilities 30th June 2022
(\$50,000)

Victorian Bushfire Appeal – no closing date

Grant Writing Workshops

Corryong CRC has been working with Bushfire Recovery Victoria to bring three 90 minute workshops to Corryong. They are designed to be done as a full course; however workshops 1 and 3 can be taken as standalone.

Workshop 1, “Getting ready for a grant”, will focus on identifying the need and developing the project through to making sure that the project is aligned with a particular grant. Workshop 2, “Writing a compelling grant application”, will look at how to unpack grant guidelines and write a successful grant application. Workshop 3, “Managing your funded project”, will help you to understand the grant contract, monitor your project budget and acquit your grant effectively.

The workshops will be run by Pat Grosse (The Community Entrepreneur), who has over 30 years of funding experience including mentoring and training. The workshops are suitable for representatives of CRCs and community organisations wishing to develop capacity to turn project ideas into compelling grant applications.

To register your interest in these workshops please contact jamie.meyer@brv.vic.gov.au.



CORRYONG MURAL MENTORING PROGRAM
EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

APPLICATIONS EXTENDED!

THE OPPORTUNITY
Artist **Kirily Anderson** will be designing and painting a mural in Corryong in Spring, 2021. This mural will be themed on the diverse flora and fauna of the local environment. An opportunity exists for a budding Upper Murray artist (or collaborative pair) between the age of 16 - 25 to undertake a menteeship under Kirily for the duration of the program.

Corryong Mural Mentoring Program is supported by Regional Arts Victoria, and jointly funded by the Victorian Government and Commonwealth Government under the Commonwealth-State Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA)



THE PROGRAM
The mentee will receive:

- 11 sessions on key elements such as mural design process, working to a brief, materials and budgeting. These sessions will take place in-person or via Zoom between June - September.
- Five days of practical mentoring during the installation of the mural in September.

THE MENTEE
The mentee:

- Has a passion for art.
- Has a very keen interest in creating murals.
- Can commit and be available for all of the 11 pre-work sessions, as well as the practical sessions during 13 - 24 September 2021.

HOW TO APPLY
Please complete the online selection criteria at www.surveymonkey.com/r/SFZ2HKS and email 3 examples of recent artwork to studio@kirilyanderson.com no later than **Sunday 13 June**. Applicants will be notified of the outcome no later than **Friday 18 June**.

Grant Successes

Redevelopment of the Corryong Memorial Hall

The Corryong Memorial Hall Committee celebrated the official opening of the redevelopment of the Hall with a lunch on Wednesday 28th April, 2021. Official Guest, Senator Jane Hume, Federal Minister for Superannuation, Financial Services and Digital Economy congratulated the Committee on their achievements so far. The redevelopment project was funded by community fundraising and a grant from the Department of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development and Communication.



From left – Cheryl Smedley, Sheril Wilson, Agnes Potochnik, Ilma Clarke, Senator Jane Hume, Austin Nicholas

Mural of our Emergency Workers



A life sized mural on the eastern wall of the Memorial Hall commemorates our local 'First Responders' Emergency Services, (Police, State Emergency Service SES, Country Fire Brigade CFA, DELWP and Ambulance Victoria). The mural was unveiled at the Anzac Day Dawn Service in recognition of all the emergency workers that responded to the 2019/2020 bushfires.

The mural was funded by the Towong Shire Community Recovery Grant which was awarded to the Corryong RSL Sub-Branch

Confident Netballers!

Federal Football Netball Club has received a \$10,000 Bushfire Relief Grant from the Confident Girls Foundation. This grant will allow the club to pay for all netballer's registrations, purchase new uniforms, (including new training singlets for all netballers), provide all junior netballers with a new netball and buy various pieces of netball training equipment and supplies.

The Federal Football Netball Club is thrilled to have received this grant. "This has been a huge benefit to our netball members who are all thoroughly enjoying being back on the court this year. Thank you Confident Girls Foundation, we are so grateful!"



Solar Panels on the Memorial Hall and the RSL Hall

The Committees from the Memorial Hall and the RSL Sub-Branch worked together to install a large solar system for the benefit of both halls. An application for a Bushfire Recovery Victoria Community Grant was successful, so the project to install solar panels on both halls could be accomplished.

Defibrillator for FoodShare

Corryong FoodShare now has a Defibrillator located at the rear of the FoodShare building, corner of Donaldson Street and Strzeleci Way, for community use. The installation of the Defibrillator was funded by the Victorian Bushfire Appeal.



Corryong CRC

Corryong CRC meets on Tuesdays at 5:00pm at the Recovery Hub (old primary school) in Corryong. Please contact Kaye Nankervis at the Recovery Hub on 1800 518 222 to find out more about the Corryong CRC. Our meeting days are advertised in the Corryong Courier. Our next meetings will be on Tuesday 15th June and Tuesday 20th July. Committee: Carol Allen, Mark Collins (Communications), Maurie Foun, Chic Hewatt, Ros McKenzie, Amanda Meagher (Deputy Chair), Thea Newton, Karen Paton, Cathy Ross (Chair), Warwick Ross, Sheril Wilson (Treasurer)

Diary Dates

~~**Wednesday 2nd June** – 6:30pm Upper Murray Farmers Night with Nelson Twins. To register contact Ag Warehouse / Towong Shire Council postponed due to Covid lockdown.~~

Saturday 5th June – Football comedy night. \$25.
To book contact Federals Football Netball Club

Sunday 13th June – Family movie- To register contact Corryong Health **02 6076 3200**

Tuesday 15th June – Men’s Health Dinner. Dr Max Higgs “You Can’t kick Start a Rocking Horse!” 5:30pm. Corryong Youth Club Hall. To register contact Corryong Health **02 6076 3200**

Thursday 17th June – Grant workshop – Getting Ready for a Grant. 5:30-7:00. Upper Murray Recovery Hub. To register contact jamie.meyer@brv.vic.gov.au.

Tuesday 22nd June – Grant workshop – Writing a compelling grant application. 5:30-7:00. Upper Murray Recovery Hub. To register contact jamie.meyer@brv.vic.gov.au.

Thursday 24th June – Grant workshop – Managing your funded project. 5:30-7:00. Upper Murray Recovery Hub. To register contact jamie.meyer@brv.vic.gov.au.

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Corryong LARO Kaye Nankervis can be contacted via the Upper Murray Recovery Hub 1800 518 222

Contact Details for Support:

Upper Murray Community Recovery Hub:
1800 518 222

Bushfire Recovery Victoria: 1800 560 760

Beyond Blue: 1300 224 636

Standby (after suicide support):
0439 173 310

Headspace (12-25 year olds):
1800 650 890 02 6055 9555

24/7 Mental Health Line for North East & Border Mental Health Team: 1300 104 211

Corryong Health 02 6076 3200

Upper Murray Recovery Website

Webpages for all the Upper Murray Recovery Committees can be found at www.uppermurrayrecovery.com



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