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CLUNES COMMUNITY NEWS

*Monthly newsletter of the Clunes Tourist and
Development Association*

CTDA GROWTH

By Emma Beilharz

It was great to see one of my passions and reasons for joining the CTDA kick into gear on February 7 when, in conjunction with Neighbourhood House & the Go Local project, we launched our Business Development Workshops at BOOM.

At the 2022 CTDA AGM we redefined what the CTDA does and our roles within the community and to stakeholders. That is to promote tourism in, and development of, Clunes and district as a great place to live and work through:

- Community advocacy in matters affecting Clunes and its citizens
- Advocacy for maintenance, promotion and development of walking tracks and trails, tourist and wayfinding signage and interpretive exhibits
- Collaboration and coordination with other Clunes-based community organisations
- Provision of support, auspice arrangements and cross-promotion of local events
- Facilitating communication and active engagement amongst local businesses, and
- Collaborating and liaising with external stakeholders regarding tourism in Clunes and District

To facilitate the changes of role of the CTDA, we created a Business Development sub-committee, who will collaborate with Neighbourhood House, BOOM Clunes, the Go Local project and other community organisations and programs (where appropriate) to support local businesses in gaining further knowledge and business support, especially across the digital space, and to implement these skills into their businesses.

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MARKET UPDATE

By Chris Culvenor

The weather turned hot and dry in February but the market was held on a cool cloudy Sunday morning. There was a strong line up of regular and new stallholders supported by a good crowd.

Ray and Eric from Maryborough (Decades) entertained from 10.00 am and, tables and chairs were back for the first time in 3 years.

The wood raffle was again well supported, and Robert Lebreton from Clunes was the winner with a lucky ticket, number 9. Thanks to Eric from the band for drawing the raffle.

Additional winners of business vouchers were:

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| Timeless Harmony | Deb James |
| Opossessed | Spike Jones |
| Twankey's | Meredith Seamon |
| Clunes Newsagency | Fiona Mackenzie |
| Clunes IGA | Kira Poustie |

Thank you to all those who support the Market woodraffle and the local businesses who provide these vouchers.

The March market sees the return of Paul, Anne and Colvin "The Crazy Antz " and with a fine day it promises to be a big day in Clunes with The Historic Vehicle Show being held that same day at the Clunes Showgrounds.



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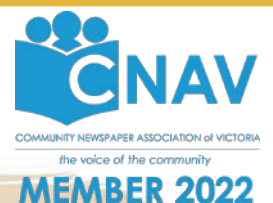
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WHAT'S ON IN MARCH!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26-February	27-February	28-February	1-March	2	3	4
	<p>Men's Shed, 10am Bootcamp, Foody Club, 5pm Meditation, Attitude, 5pm</p>	<p>Morning Walks, Collins Place, 8:30am Open House Dinner Chess Club, 6pm, Town Hall Lily Mason Yoga, 7pm, Attitude</p>	<p>Monthly Medal, Clunes GC Men's Shed, 10am Mobility Strength & Balance, Attitude, 10am Permaculture for Beginners, Attitude 2pm to 3:30pm Mad Chatters, Rose & Oak, 2pm Bootcamp, Foody Club, 5:30pm Film Night, The Last Picture Show.</p>	<p>Water Exercise, Clunes Pool, 12 - 1pm (subject to change-check Facebook) Clunes Artist Group, Attitude, 1 - 4pm</p>	<p>Ukulele, Attitude, 3 - 5pm</p>	<p>Clunes Artist Group, Attitude, 11am - 4pm Pétanque, 2 - 4pm, Collins Place</p>
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	<p>Men's Shed, 10am Bootcamp, Foody Club, 5pm Meditation, Attitude, 5pm</p>	<p>Morning Walks, Collins Place, 8:30am Open House Dinner Chess Club, 6pm, Town Hall Lily Mason Yoga, 7pm, Attitude</p>	<p>Men's Shed, 10am Mobility Strength & Balance, Attitude, 10am Crochet & Taffing, Attitude, 10 - 11:30am Watercolour, Attitude, 1:30 - 3:30pm Mad Chatters, Rose & Oak, 2 - 4pm Pairs 4888 Qualifying, Clunes Golf Club Bootcamp, Foody Club, 5:30pm</p>	<p>Water Exercise, Clunes Pool, 12 - 1pm (subject to change-check Facebook) Clunes Artist Group, Attitude, 1 - 4pm</p>	<p>Ukulele, Attitude, 3 - 5pm</p>	<p>Pétanque, 2 - 4pm, Collins Place</p>
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
 Pairs 4888 Qualifying, Clunes Golf Club	<p>Men's Shed, 10am Writers Group, 1pm, Attitude Bootcamp, Foody Club, 5pm Meditation, Attitude, 5pm Mahjong Games Night, Attitude, 7pm</p>	<p>Morning Walks, Collins Place, 8:30am Practical Philosophy, 2:30pm, Attitude Landcare Working Bee, Queens Park, 5 - 6pm Chess Club, 6pm, Town Hall Yoga, 7pm, Attitude</p>	<p>Men's Shed, 10am Mobility Strength & Balance, Attitude, 10am Permaculture for Beginners, Attitude 2pm to 3:30pm Mad Chatters, Rose & Oak, 2 - 4pm Bootcamp, Foody Club, 5:30pm Conversations, Booktown Festival, Sue Beal, Attitude, 7:30pm</p>	<p>Clunes Artist Group, Attitude, 1 - 4pm</p>	<p>Picnic at the Chinese Garden, Attitude, 9-45am For the Love of Books, Book discussion group, 1pm, BOOM Ukulele, Attitude, 3 - 5pm</p>	<p>Pétanque, 2 - 4pm, Collins Place</p>
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Cross-Country Event, Clunes GC	<p>Men's Shed, 10am Bootcamp, Foody Club, 5pm Meditation, Attitude, 5pm Clunes Book Club, Attitude, 7:30 - 9pm</p>	<p>Morning Walks, Collins Place, 8:30am Imprint, Attitude, 11am - 12:30pm Open House Dinner Chess Club, 6pm, Town Hall Lily Mason Yoga, 7pm, Attitude</p>	<p>Men's Shed, 10am Mobility Strength & Balance, Attitude, 10am Crochet & Taffing, Attitude, 10 - 11:30am Watercolour, Attitude, 1:30 - 3:30pm Mad Chatters, Rose & Oak 2 - 4pm Cross-Country Event, Clunes GC Bootcamp, Foody Club, 5:30pm</p>	<p>Clunes Artist Group, Attitude, 1 - 4pm</p>	<p>Ukulele, Attitude, 3 - 5pm</p>	<p>Pétanque, 2 - 4pm, Collins Place</p>
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BOOKTOWN 2023

By Creative Clunes Inc.

The Booktown Festival returns on new dates this year and will be held on the last weekend of March (Saturday 25 & Sunday 26 March). A new look Booktown Festival will take advantage of the autumn weather running from dawn to dark over two days.

The Booktown program has been extended to look at the many ways we tell stories – through books, film, music, theatre, songwriting, photography, and other visual arts, even the houses we make. This year will also feature first-hand stories arising out of ageing, small town crime, imagining other worlds, land management, women's business, and so much more.

The festival will continue to celebrate every aspect of the book – not just writing and reading – but making, illustrating, publishing, retailing, and sharing. Along with books on display and for sale, you'll find conversations with writers, storytellers, renowned authors, poets and wordsmiths. Head to the Booktown Festival website at clunesbooktown.com.au to see the program.

For the local artists and visitors there will also be a program of art form story crafting conversations with highly-regarded artists across all art forms.

New to the Booktown program will be an evening of live music in the old Central Garage (one of the main locations in Mad Max). The corrugated iron icon will resound with music from Kee'ahn, The Idiomatics, McNaMarr Project, The Footscray Gypsy Orchestra and there will be a David Bridie album launch to cap it off.

Locals get in free

As a local (postcode 3370) you do not have to pay to access the town over Festival weekend. Locals have never been asked to pay, and never will.

Residents of postcode 3370 can get free access by showing proof of address (bill, drivers licence etc.) at either the box office on Bailey St during the event or by visiting the Creative Clunes office at 70 Service St, Clunes between 9 and 5 from Monday – Wednesday.

Tickets for talks still have to be purchased (\$20), but festival precinct access is free.

Please be assured, if you need the newsagency or pharmacy during the Booktown weekend you will not have to pay to enter your own town!

Booktown's location

We are changing the layout of the festival to make it safer for staff, volunteers and the large number of visitors, particularly those queuing at entrances. This year, both Fraser and Bailey St will be closed and the main gates moved up to the Bailey St entrance (see map for entrances and fence lines). Our two main festival ticket entrances will be in Bailey Street and in front of the Town Hall.

Traffic moving through town will be detoured with signs directing them to take the existing bypass road along Victoria and West Street between the Talbot/Maryborough Road and Service Street.

When do roads close?

Bailey Street and Fraser Street will be closed to all through traffic from 8am Thursday 23 March 2023 to 12pm Monday 27 March 2023. Fraser St between the intersections of Service Street and Templeton Street and Bailey St in front of the town hall. Speed restrictions will also be in force for vehicles travelling through Clunes on major thoroughfares. All detours and closures will be well signed.

We understand that road closures are a challenge, and we strive to minimise disruption, especially to those with limited mobility. We have done our utmost to balance the need for the shortest possible road closures, against the safety and wellbeing of our (largely) volunteer setup and pack down crew. With an event that brings 12–15,000 people to town, there's a huge amount of work required along Bailey and Fraser St to get ready in a short time.

At all times, Fraser and Bailey St will be open for free to local residents. We encourage you to grab your wristband in advance to minimise any disruption.

Parking

Signage will be erected at various intersections to direct visitors vehicles to parking at:

- Clunes Showgrounds ● Clunes Primary School
- Community Centre ● Bottle Museum

Temporary accessibility parking spaces will be set up at:

- Attitude, 25 Fraser Street
- Next to the Club Hotel rear gate access
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CTDA BUSINESS WORKSHOPS

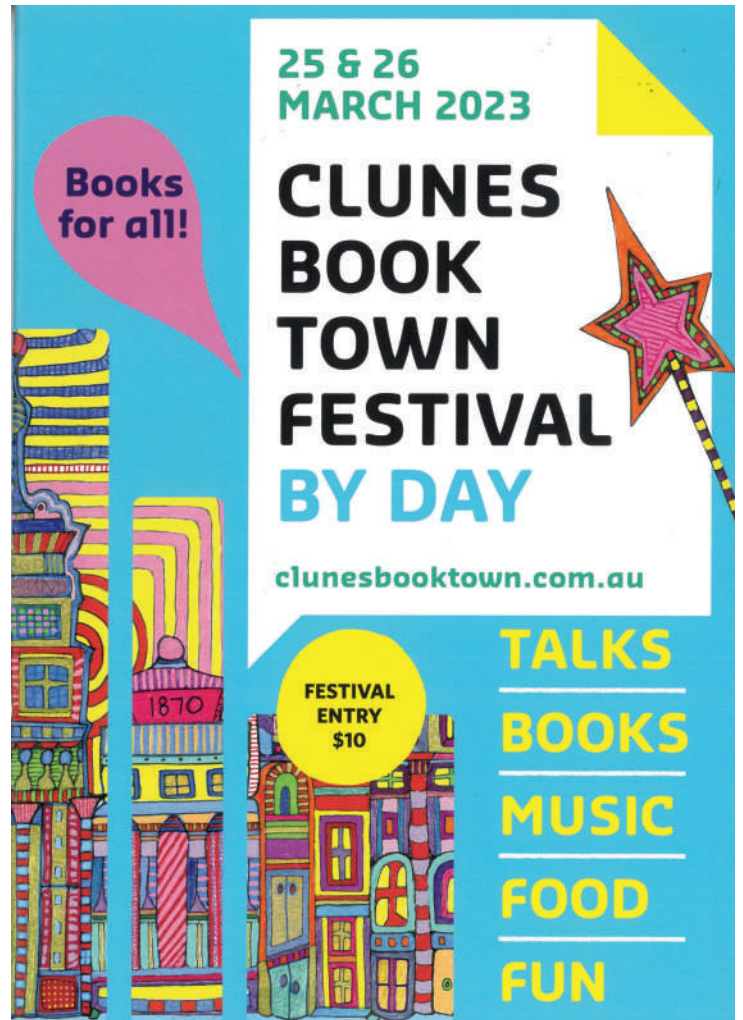
FROM PAGE 1

As part of the Go Local project, and a grant received, we curated a day of workshops to roll out for local businesses. The day saw 18 businesses attend two morning sessions to learn about Google Business Profile and target audiences from the knowledgeable Laura Hultgren of Business Empowered. This was followed by Annie Turner from Art Social House who came in to talk Instagram, Facebook and creating content. It was a great insight to see where businesses were at, and how our Business Development workshops can support their growth and digital skills in the future to assist in working together to promote Clunes as a great place to live and visit.

Our Business Development Workshops will be held on the last Tuesday of every month in the evening. Our next Workshop is being held on March 28 and hosted by The High Tea Mistress, 54 Fraser Street, Clunes 5:45pm arrival for 6pm sharp start – 8:30pm There is the option to also participate via Zoom For more details and to book <https://clunesvic.org.au/business-development/>

For more Business Development support and the latest news you can also join our private Facebook group (search for CTDA Business Development).

We look forward to updating you with our new Business Development discussions and workshops in the coming months.



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CLUNES PRIMARY

Sonia Jardine, Principal

There's a spring in our step as the 2023 school year is well underway. The 'farm' gate (as it's known) has been closed by Willow and Heidi. The sprinklers are on in the Kitchen Garden, and our entire school has finished their Fitness session with a walk around the Walking Track or a Walk to School from Queens Park. It's a Tuesday, so Mrs Mitchell has a cooking class this morning. Garden Club will run at lunchtime and volunteer community helper, Verena, from Allendale, will actively support our learning for the afternoon.

As a Health Promoting School, there's a strong focus on developing an understanding of the need for a healthy mind and a healthy body. At 10am daily, there's a short Fruit Break and there's a pause in the literacy lesson for all students to munch on a piece of fruit or veg.

Our school has benefitted from years of forward-thinking school community members that planted an orchard of fruit trees in our school yard. Now is the season where a student has only to reach up (hopefully) to take a peach, nectarine, blood plum, apricot, nashi, apple or pear. The orchard also has pomegranates (netted at the moment) and abundant blackberries.

We rely on this fruit (and our veggies) as the base ingredients for our weekly Kitchen Garden and Cooking Program.

Each Friday parent volunteers make up a platter of fruit and veggies for each classroom. The Webb and Kenna families have managed this task for many years. Thank you!

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CLUNES GOLF CLUB

By Brendan Butler

The absence of any significant rain this year has really dried the course out, even to the point where the few water hazards that we had come to think of as permanent in the wetness of 2022, are now more like stinky-mud-hole hazards and even more to be avoided than previously.

We have had a pleasing influx of new members this year, both on a full playing basis and social members and it is good to see different groups enjoying the course on most days there is no club event.

How does a golf club run? Course Maintenance: As all sports clubs will know, maintenance of course/field/greens/courts etc. is a perpetual activity. There are some things that happen at the golf club on a seasonal basis – application of fertiliser and gypsum – and others whose frequency varies with the season – mowing and watering (tees only), for instance. We have 2-3 members who take on organising and completing these. Other tasks we allocate to monthly working bees where over a few hours members will descend on the course to for necessary work: tree planting; development of new garden beds; clearing fallen sticks and limbs; cleaning the club house and surrounds; new sand on the scrapes. It is a lot of work but the benefits are there to be seen in the transformation of the course.

Scoring Methods – Stroke: As the name implies, STROKE is simply the sum of the number of strokes you take to get around a course. Our course is compilation of 18 holes of varying difficulty. We have 6x Par 3, 8x Par 4 and 4x Par 5 holes, meaning the total course is Par 70. This Par rating is an indication of the number of strokes a ‘scratch’ golfer (with a handicap of 0) should take to complete the course.

Monthly Medal Lawrie Lees, Christine O’Donnell and Phil Johnston are our Monthly Medallists so far for 2023 and will compete with other winners for the Medallist of the Year trophy in November.

Coming Events

Club Championships Qualifying Rounds March 8 and 12 are qualifying rounds for the CGC Pairs Four-Ball-Best-Ball (4BBB) Championship. The events are stableford matchplay and there will be a field of 8 for the singles (qualifying

rounds were held in February) and 4 pairs for the 4BBB championship finals.

Chicken Run: Every Thursday evening through March we will play a casual pairs event over 9 holes. We tee-off around 4:30-5:00pm with an emphasis on fun. Supper is provided and bar open after the game (around 6:30pm), and a roast or frozen chook from Clunes IGA to the winners. This is a great way to get into golf, or just relax on a Thursday evening.

Cross-Code Challenge: We are having a cross-code challenge with the Clunes Bowls Club: we will go there and play a game of bowls, and they will come to us and play a round of golf. Not sure whose gauntlet was thrown first, but ... they’re both ball games so how hard could it be?

We play a regular comp every Wednesday and Sunday, tee off is 10:00am. For something less formal, CGC Ferals host a more casual interpretation of the rules over 9 holes on Monday mornings (9:00am), as well as the Chicken Run on Thursday evenings from 5:00pm. All welcome.

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CLUNES FNC

By Kath Milne

There's plenty going on in the preseason.

Part A of the shedding has been done and we thank all those who gave their time and financial assistance to make it a reality. It's been two years since we got the ball rolling (it stopped rolling at different times) and here we are with scorers and players to reap the benefit of the new shed.

Many thanks to Stinchy, Richard and Milney for giving their time and expertise. Many thanks to those young fellows, James, Liam, Jordy and Brody who did plenty of the hard stuff like mixing concrete – not everyone's cup of tea – and they did it enthusiastically. Fabulous effort!!

To those who backed the idea with their financial support, we thank you for your generosity and patience. We hope you can all be there for Round One for the opening Clunes v Creswick match on April 22. Many thanks to the below for their support:

Christine and Andrew Spence
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Cyn and Craig Drewer
Lachy Wrigley and Molly Bedwell
Murray and Robyn Cook
Clunes Neighbourhood House
The Milne Family

We have much to be thankful, much to be proud, and we have much more that needs to be done.

Discussions have begun about the club investigating moving sites. An opportunity to hear about it and some open discussion was held at the community centre at the end of last year and also at Attitude on February 15. Hopefully some of you were able to get there. Nothing is concrete, but the ball is rolling. Again, we are ever so mindful that we are part of the community and keen for support and ideas.

Please see the price list below for memberships for Season 23. Payments can be made as of now. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

Training for seniors and juniors (mostly) is in full swing and you're most welcome to come on down and see how they're all going.

We have a newly-appointed canteen manager, Kristen McGavin. She comes with much enthusiasm and willingness to help the club. This is exactly the spirit we need so thank you, Kristen! Kristin's two boys and hubby are involved in the footy side of things, so we thank her for getting involved in the operations side of the club. Let's get around her so it's a successful and joyous experience.

There are some practice matches coming up so keep your eyes and ears out for those, too.

Remember, Round One is also Community Round, so save the date: April 22. All the best to everyone this year and if you would like to be involved in some way with the CFNC, check us out online at www.volunteeringlocal.org. Or talk to one of us about what you would like to do.

Go Clunes! Go Maggies!



THE POWER OF COLLABORATION

By Lana de Kort, Clunes Neighbourhood House

People and organisations alike thrive in an environment that is built on collaboration. When everybody comes together and works as one, tasks are made easier, good relationships are formed, productivity improves and sustainability is more likely.

The same outcomes occur when you collaborate in community.

Clunes has a history of collaboration that goes way back. You only need to spend time in the Clunes Museum flicking through the newspaper clippings and archives to see the evidence of a community that's regularly worked together to celebrate, progress or respond in a crisis.

History like this creates a pattern that gets replicated, generation after generation. While there might be times of disruption (even huge things like the 'P' word), the moment people have capacity or need, those old patterns kick back in – and the more they do, the better the results.

Strengthening Others

Making something happen is great, but strengthening others as you do it is where the real power of collaboration is evident. Our town's experience as collaborators means we

don't have to focus on 'how' we collaborate. Instead, our experience and trust means we can go that next step and look at collaborating in ways that build up others.

You don't have to look far to see some great current examples of what we mean:

Go Local Clunes: funded by Business Victoria, this project was a collaboration informed by local businesses from the very beginning. Delivered by BOOM Clunes/Clunes Neighbourhood House in collaboration with CTDA, this promotional campaign is now wrapping up. However, because the project was structured to strengthen relationships with local businesses and assist CTDA get their Business Network off the ground, the legacies from this will continue every month (see front page: CTDA workshops).

Clunes Former Free Lending Library: forget being reliant on funding or an organisation to make a difference. The story of this building's preservation is all about people power. Just a handful of community-minded (and determined) people over the generations, who scraped together to keep this building from falling down. Their work meant that last month, Clunes Neighbourhood House (for the first time in our 40-year history) moved into our very own, permanent home.

Collaboration doesn't happen by chance. In Clunes it might be in our DNA, but it's nurtured by the actions of all.





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Email: ckeast@ballaratanglican.org.au for baptisms, weddings & funerals

Clunes & District Agricultural Society Meet 8pm on 3rd Thur of month from Feb - Oct. Nov meet Thur before Show & Thur after. President: Jenny Redpath Ph. 0400 613 153; Secretary: Gayle Wrigley Ph. 0400 907 506; Homecrafts: Julie Spittle 0429 434 201. Website: www.clunesshow.com.au.

Clunes & District Young Farmers Meetings every 2nd Tues, 7.30pm at the Young Farmers club rooms at Show Grounds. A friendly, social environment for anyone aged 16-30. Contact: Jenny 0400 613 153

Clunes Angling Club All welcome. Meet on the first Monday each month 7.30pm, old SMB building

Clunes Artists' Group Meet 1st Saturday of the month starting 10.30am and every Thursday at 1pm as a working group. Venue: Attitude, 25 Fraser St. Enquiries: Marlene 0409 355 857

Clunes Bowling Club Social Bowls every Friday, 6pm arrival for a 6:30pm start. Contact Josh Polson 0417 300 969 or polsy1031@yahoo.com.au

Clunes Book Club Enq.: Karen: 5345 3703. Meets 7:30pm on the 3rd Mon of the month

Clunes Field & Game Enquiries: Eric 5345 3571

Clunes Football & Netball Club President Andrew Stinchcombe 0417354522, clunessmagpies@gmail.com

Clunes Golf Club Inc Ph: 5345 3499. Course 18 holes, sandscrapes, par 70, all year round play. Non members \$10 green fees for 18 holes. \$5 with Member. Under 16 free. Visitors welcome on Sunday/Wednesday competition days

Clunes Landcare and Waterways Group New members always welcome. Contact: Chris O'Donnell 0408 034 017 or cluneslandcare@gmail.com for information

Clunes Library at The Warehouse-Clunes, 36 Fraser St (next to Collins Place). Open Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri 10am-5pm, Sat 10am-1pm. Closed Tue & Sun. Ph: 5345 3359

Clunes Men's Shed Open 10am-12pm Mon, Wed & Fri, 18 Alliance St. A safe and friendly space for men to meet in a workshop setting. Enq.: Simon Andrewartha 0438 737 193

Clunes Museum Seeking volunteers to help catalogue the Collection in the Museum Workshop from 10am each Thursday. Committee meets every 2nd Thursday of the month, 10am, Ulumbarra Room, the Warehouse. Enquiries: 5345 3359 and leave message for Museum. Open M,W,Th,F 10am-5pm, Sat 10am-1pm, Sun 10am-2pm

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Clunes Neighbourhood House community programs, printing services, free internet, space available for hire. 6 Templeton St (former Free Lending Library building) Ph: 5345 4078, Email coordinator@clunesnh.org. Open 9.30-2 Tues-Thur. Website: www.clunesnh.org

Clunes Preschool 109 Fraser St. Enquiries: 5345 3228 or clunes.district.kin@kindergarten.vic.gov.au

Clunes Reconciliation Group Enq. Pat Hockey 0457 463 971 or pat@breaze.org.au

Clunes RSL Membership enquiries to the Secretary, Mr Lindsay Pritchard, on 0427 028 556.

Clunes Trekkers Regular weekly town walks for any fitness level. Varied bush walks for medium to experienced walkers. Contact: Lois Nichols on 0467 331 136

Clunes Writers' Group Meets on the second Monday of the month (including public holidays), at Attitude on the corner of Fraser and Templeton Streets from 1pm -3pm. For further information contact Patsy Skinner on 0407 377 610

Creative Clunes Inc. Organisers of the annual Clunes Booktown festival and monthly Booktown on Sunday author talks. Volunteers always welcome. Enquiries: 5345 3947 or at the Railway Station, Service St

Lee Medlyn Home of Bottles Management Committee Meets on the 3rd Monday of the month at the Bottle Museum, 70 Bailey Street, Clunes at 10.30am. Visitors welcome

Mad Chatters Club Meets every Wednesday at 2pm to 3.30pm for a casual get together at Rose & Oak café. New members are most welcome. Contact Carmel on 0421 635 369

Monday Night Netball Clunes Every Monday evening during school terms. 2 seasons per year. Enquiries: Lana 0427 781 080 or Liz 0429 453 808

Spare Parts Club Meets 1st Tues of month 2pm to 3:30pm, Clunes Community Health Centre. Enquiries: Georgina 5345 9150 or Barbara 0410 946 095

Tourello Red Cross Meetings as required. Please contact Janet Harrison for information on 5345 3060

Uniting Church St Andrew's. 12-14 Service St (Wesley Campus). Worship services at 11am on 2nd and 4th (Holy Communion) Sundays and last Sunday of school term at 4pm including meal and activities for all ages. Everyone welcome. Enquiries: Rev Rosemary Carter 0431 286 285 or rosemary.carter@internode.on.net

Yoga Classes At Clunes Attitude every Tuesday 7pm, and Chair Yoga Friday 11.30am. All levels welcome. Enquiries: Lily 0459 138 797 or lilymason75@gmail.com or www.lilymasonryoga.com

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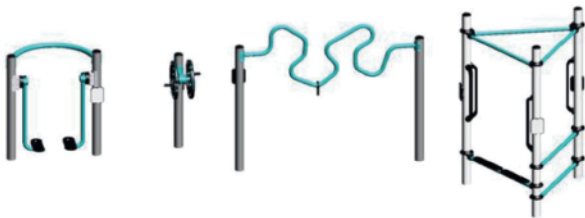
OUTDOOR EQUIPMENT

The installation of outdoor fitness equipment on Scenic Drive in Clunes will begin in March.

The all ages and abilities equipment will consist of:

- Aerobic walker (cardio)
- Dexterity bar (mobility)
- Hand cycle (arm strength, cardio)
- Push up bar (chest strength)
- Step up (leg strength, cardio)
- Chin up bar (back and arm strength).

Each piece will have a QR code link to a video demonstration of the equipment.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Council is a proud supporter of the following community events:

The annual Heather Mutimer International Women's Day event is on at 6pm on Wednesday 8 March at Daylesford Town Hall, acknowledging women who have made a difference in our Shire. RSVP at www.trybooking.com/CFVON

One of our region's biggest and most colourful events is the ChillOut Festival, which runs from Thursday 9 to Monday 13 March.

<https://chilloutfestival.com.au>

On Saturday 25 and Sunday 26 March, it's Clunes Booktown Festival featuring author and artist talks, workshops and live entertainment.

www.clunesbooktown.com.au

Creswick folk and roots festival CresFest is on from Friday 31 March to Sunday 2 April, with a weekend of music and dance. www.cresfest.com.au

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E-WASTE SALE TRIAL

Council has launched a six-month trial to sell low-cost and safe electrical items at the Daylesford Transfer Station. The electrical items have been disposed of as e-waste (which was banned from landfill in 2019). E-waste is any item with a plug, battery or cord that is no longer wanted. Collect a bargain from the Daylesford Transfer Station or drop off your e-waste to transfer stations in Creswick, Daylesford or Trentham.

BUSINESS WORKSHOPS

Small business operators have the opportunity to build skills and expertise over the coming months, with multiple face to face and online workshops, along with a visit from the Small Business Bus. Workshop topics include how to boost your social media and online presence, tips on cyber security and ways to generate cash flow. Find out more and register at www.hepburn.vic.gov.au/events

FREE COVID TESTS

We continue to partner with the Victorian Government to provide free Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) to community members. Due to a change in eligibility requirements, we can now supply free RATs to anyone in the community. Collect your free tests from our friendly customer service teams in Clunes, Creswick, Daylesford and Trentham. Please pop in and collect the tests when you are feeling well rather than when you're sick.

POOL SEASON

Thank you to everyone who cooled off at the Clunes Swimming Pool throughout summer. Follow Hepburn Council on Facebook for daily updates on hours of operation. Remember, under our weather policy the pool will be closed on cooler days. The aquatics season is set to wrap up on Monday 13 March.

Visit our website for more information.

www.hepburn.vic.gov.au/swimming-pools

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