

FROM CLUNES TO DAMASCUS

by Susan Dirgham

My connection with Clunes began in the 1990s after Pauline Clemens and Ron Komisars established Clementine's. Pauline and I had been colleagues at La Trobe University's Language Centre and, after she moved to Clunes, I spent quite a few Christmases here with them - never helping as a waiter at the restaurant, but sometimes scrubbing pots in the kitchen, and always relishing Ron's cooking.

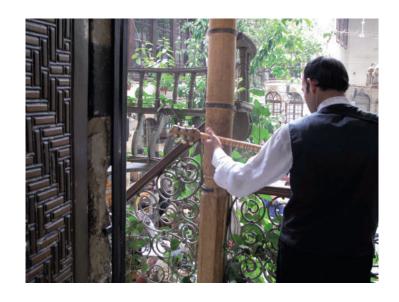
In 2003, I took up a contract to teach English at the British Council in Damascus, Syria, and in 2005, Pauline and Ron travelled to Syria to visit me on their first – and only – overseas trip together.

Like so many visitors, Pauline, Ron and I were enchanted by old Damascus. I've taken hundreds of photos of the old city, trying to capture some of its beauty, and I've also photographed scores of Syrians, particularly women, seeking to capture the warmth and diversity of Syria's people.

Now, I've brought some of those photos to Clunes for an exhibition at Cafe Fifty Two. They include an image of colourful glassware I saw in the Street called Straight – a street mentioned in the New Testament. Damascus is an ancient city indeed.

As an amateur photographer, I have also wandered the streets of Clunes, pleased and excited to take photos of the town.

Damascus and Clunes may seem worlds apart, but, for me, their history, beauty and people present our common humanity.



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MARKET UPDATE

by Chris Culvenor

The September market was held on a cloudy fine cool morning.

The first market of Spring saw a strong line up of stallholders supported by a good crowd. Graeme Elshaug of Fancy Chooks Newstead can be found right at the entrance to the market. To be able to buy a range of chooks has always been a guarantee, and Graeme has never missed a market since 2015.

The wood raffle was again sold out early with October's raffle having a head start.

Congratulations to yet another first-time winner Lindsay Semmens of Fairview Drive, Clunes, with number 34.

With thanks, a number of vouchers were again supplied by supporting local businesses and winners were:

Timeless Harmony Willo Keck
Clunes Newsagency Mary Wilson
Widow Twankies Peter Douglas
Clunes IGA Doris Miller
Rose and Oak Kate Knight
Opsessed Mick Sullivan

Thank you to stallholder Greg Little (Salami Shack) for drawing the raffle.

Thank you also to our local musicians Adrian Lutze and Doug Jefferys for a great morning of entertainment.

October will see the first market as daylight saving returns.

The music will be from Daniella and Tamara (The May Gardens) from Ballarat.

Next market October 8, 9am-1pm.

CLUNES COMMUNITY NEWS

Submissions of 300 words or fewer are welcome. Please send articles to the email address below. Submit text as Word files only. No PDFs.

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WHAT'S ON IN OCTOBER!

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CLUNES FNC

by Kath Milne

The Junior Presentation Night was a great success with the stadium/come function centre full. It was great to see so many in attendance. We thank the parents for their support and the invaluable role they play in making the club tick. Recipients of awards were gracious with their recognition, thanking coaches, parents, and teammates. We thank all those who made the night possible with over 160 meals being served. Thanks to Chris Coon for taking charge of the team in the kitchen and Jenny at The National for the lasagnas. All well received!

Four teams ended up in the finals with C grade and D grade being defeated in their elimination finals. B grade went straight to the Preliminary final and beat Bungaree so onto the Grand Final!! Clunes B grade was up against the talented B grade Learmonth team. Grand Final day was huge and we are very proud of our girls. While they didn't win, they made us proud and gave it their all. Learmonth 50 V Clunes 30. The Reserves footy played and won the elimination final by a point but went down by two goals in the next final. It was great to see so many support the teams and we thank those involved in those teams for all their hard work and commitment.

Central Highlands Best and Fairest night saw three of our players getting due recognition. Bree Lewis (D grade) and Alannah Trevisan (B grade) got Runner-up for the league in their respective grades. Fabulous achievement! Josh Thompson was named in the Team of the Year. Another fantastic accolade. Many of our players polled well this year; always an encouraging sign.

We had a great week with Worksafe and I encourage many of you to check out the video they made about us and our community (Country Club Hub and it's on the club page) Molly and Lachie were runners up in the Favorite Farmers competition and The Wrigley Family won the Volunteers of the Year Award. We are so proud and very lucky to have them in our community.

CFNC Senior Presentation night was on September 16 after the Grand Final; plenty to celebrate. The night was held at the Ballarat Golf Club, and it was great to see so many in attendance. Jaqui Featherston was the recipient of the Bull Millgate Service Award and Chris McLennan spoke with admiration and appreciation for the tireless years of work that Jaq has done for the CFNC. How lucky we are! Jamie McGuinness was named the Club person for 2023 and he gave many hours of his time to make the club a better place. The award winners for senior netball and football were also very grateful to their teammates, coaches and volunteers for all the effort that goes into making the season successful. It's great to know they're coming back next year and working towards getting closer to the "Prize"

Nick Hind was our guest for the night and he shared insights into his life and story as an AFL footballer. Mark Allen hosted the Q and A session, and all seemed to enjoy the opportunity to spend time with Nick. We thank him for his attendance, and it was fabulous to hear him talk about his love of Clunes, the club, and his ongoing keen interest in our progress.

We thank everyone who has played their part in creating the environment that we want at the Clunes Football Netball Club. We are seeking success on and off the court/field. We want people to strive and thrive at our club and make connections. While our facilities are hard work, the people in our club, players, parents, sponsors, and volunteers, continue making it a great place to be. Hopefully we continue to draw on this strength in numbers and keep heading in the right direction.

Go Clunes. Go Maggies.

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CLUB AWARDS 2023

Bull Millgate Service Award Jaqui Featherston
CFNC Club Person Award Jamie Mc Guinness

SENIOR AWARDS NETBALL

D Grade Perpetual Trophy – Donated by M and S Anderson.

Best and Fairest Bree Lewis
Runner Up Stacey Anderson
CUP award Tia Stinchcombe

C Grade perpetual Trophy – Donated by the Milne Family

Best and fairest Christine Hill and Jemma Del Papa

Runner up Chelsea Michael CUP award Jemma Del Papa

B Grade Perpetual

Best and Fairest Jess Thomson AND Alannah Trevisan

Runner Up Tegan Collins CUP award Abby Coon

A Grade Perpetual – Donated by the McLennan- Rimene

family

Best and Fairest Lauren Grace
Runner Up Jorja Bourke
CUP award Sally Woodland
Best Shooter Award Alannah Trevisan

SENIOR FOOTBALL AWARDS

Reserves Perpetual Trophy – Donated By the Stinchcombe Family

Best and Fairest Tyrese Nunn
Runner Up Paul Coon

Coaches Award Cameron Wrigley
CUP award Bailey Pickering
Leading goal kicker Lachlan Morganti

Senior Perpetual Trophy - Donated by H.J.Toole

Best and Fairest Matthew Kasparian
Runner Up John Simson
Best Backman Josh Thompson
Leading goal kicker John Fazio

Nicholas Hind CUP Award Brandyn Davidson Chris McLennan Players Award Matthew Kasparian

JUNIOR AWARDS

Netball

13 A Perpetual Trophy – Donated by BL Burt

Best and Fairest Ella McLure
Runner Up Ayva Allen
CUP Award Zarah Campbell

15s Perpetual Trophy - Donated by M and N

Keeshan

Best and Fairest Tatym Featherston
Runner Up Grace Deane
CUP Award Grace Deane

17s perpetual trophy – Donated by CA Burt

Best and Fairest Charli McLennan

Runner Up Bella Dean
CUP Award Chloe Hodge

Football Under 15

Best and Fairest Roman Kennedy
Runner Up Benji Featherston
Most improved Finley Maldonado

CUP Award Brett Coon
Leading Goalkicker Lucan Knowles

18s Perpetual trophy – Donated by Laurie Steart

Best and Fairest Matthew Ryan
Runner Up Dan Muir
Most improved Liam Flowers
CUP Award Kane Hatfield

Peter Hill Shield for most promising junior

Dylan Flowers

Hepburn Shire Team Spirit Award Shield

Tatym Featherston and Benji Featherston



NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

by Lana de Kort

Living and ageing well looks different to everyone, and it changes as we get older. Friends, community, activities, services and support play a significant role in helping us live our best at home. In research released by the Commissioner for Senior Victorians in 2020, eight attributes of ageing well were identified including respect, social engagement, financial and personal security, health autonomy and mobility.

Key findings from this research*, which involved more than 5000 respondents, included:

- 70% experienced some level of satisfaction with their quality of life as they aged, but significant numbers felt isolated, disconnected and disempowered. Factors reducing quality of life included the cost of engaging in activities (43%) and ageism and disrespect (28%)
- More than 40% said they were lonely, with one in five saying they lacked the "love and friendship" they wanted. Loneliness was consistently reported, regardless of gender, age and location
- 28% ranked ageism and disrespect as the factor most diminishing their quality of life the same result recorded for feeling unsafe in public places
 Seniors reported "digital discrimination" with many struggling to access health, support and other services online. A good reason for effective local, digital literacy support so ask us at Clunes Neighbourhood House, or the local library, about support
- Being able to get around was a major determinant of quality of life, with 92% of seniors rating personal mobility as critical to health, social wellbeing and independence. Seniors wanted more community transport and initiatives such as dedicated seniors car parking.

Clunes' recent transport survey saw an impressive 75 people share their thoughts – thank you! – which echoed the Commissioner's findings. Almost 76% of respondents said their lives would be improved if they could get around better. They further indicated that getting around wasn't just about cars, buses or trains, but also about the location of

footpaths, the quality of footpaths and even access to mobility scooter repairs.

Following a recent meeting hosted by the Clunes Men's Shed four community-led teams have been formed to help us advocate to better meet transport needs in Clunes. One team is looking at footpaths, and another is helping roll out a weekly swimming bus (visit www.clunesnh.org to find out more). A third team is working out how to advocate for disability bus services, and another is working with Central Highlands Rural Health and Clunes Neighbourhood House to better leverage the local medical appointments' car. Why the last one? Because of those who responded, more people used transport to go to medical appointments than they did to socialise!

If you are interested in being involved in any of these, or following our journey, visit www.clunesnh.org or email manager@clunesnh.org.

*Source: Ageing well in a changing world (seniorsonline.vic.gov.au)

THANKS FROM ROMA

Belatedly, I would like to thank all who attended my 87th birthday celebration on July 23rd at the RSL.

The many cards, best wishes and presents were a lovely surprise.

Again, many thanks.

Roma

PS: Next year? Who knows?



CLUNES PRIMARY JAPANESE DAY

by Sonia Jardine, Principal

Teaching our students Japanese as their Language Other than English has been a 25+ year commitment at Clunes Primary School. This year we welcomed local Clunes resident Sensei Tomomi Mori to Team Clunes PS and our students have been treated to an extensive program delivered by a dedicated and exemplary Japanese teacher.

Recently, Sensei Mori prepared a phenomenal Japanese Focus Day for the entire school. Sensei invited a very special guest, Ruri Sensei, who engaged the students with a calligraphy session. All students also participated in Hachimaki making, Paper Sumo, fan making, a Japanese-based Scavenger Hunt and several Japanese sports including the Typhoon game, Tamaire Game and Tail Hunt Game.

All students were invited to taste-test sushi which proved to be very popular, especially for PrepD and 5/6B class members. The day was thoroughly enjoyed by all.



BOOKTOWN AGM

by Sue Beal

CREATIVE CLUNES Inc, managers of the Clunes Booktown Festival, the Ceramics Award, and annual events, held their annual General Meeting on September 16 at 2:30pm at Attitude.

Sixteen people attended to hear reports from Chairperson Kadir Hussain, CEO, Sue Beal, and CFO, Jon Hawkes. The reports highlighted the success of the 2022 Ceramics Award, the 2023 Clunes Booktown Festival, and the 2023 Chillout Festival event at Attitude. The Chair explained that, due to severely reduced funding, there will need to be a significantly reduced festival program for 2024. The Board will continue to seek funding for the event so they can deliver as full a program as possible. It was agreed there will be some changes to the Thursday road closures which will keep staff and volunteers safe while limiting the impact on Fraser Street businesses as much as possible. A meeting will be organised with all local businesses in October to talk through the changes.

A new Board was elected;

Kadir Hussain Chairperson Warren Wiggins Treasurer Nick Basset Secretary Jennifer Audsley Ordinary Member Tom Brooker Ordinary Member **Shelley Hinton** Ordinary Member Jacqui Horwood Ordinary Member Rory Brooker Ordinary Member Victoria Reeves Ordinary Member

Two people from the local community responded to the invitation to come at 4:30pm for a report on the events and the AGM, so a very informal discussion over drinks and a light supper was enjoyed by all.



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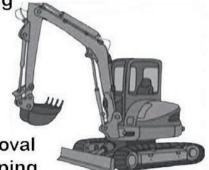
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CLUNES GOLF CLUB

by Brendon Butler

Golf at the Clunes course continues to be almost perfect. Conditions of the course and the weather have combined to provide a superb playing environment.

2023 Eclectic

Our 2023 Eclectic event started in July. Competitors nominate three rounds – off the longest tees, the blues, because there's a trophy at stake – with their best score on each hole over the three rounds aggregated. While there was a lot of movement in the leaderboard over the course of the competition, Dean Marshall and Allan Worthington were tied at the top after the three rounds. This is unprecedented for this competition at Clunes GC and Allan and Dean played a fourth eclectic round (after which they remained tied) and a subsequent fifth round to decide the event.

In the end, Dean Marshall emerged victorious and is our 2023 Eclectic Champion. Congratulations to Dean and Allan on their performance.

Return of the Chicken Run

Our Chicken Run event will recommence on Thursday evenings from the commencement of daylight saving. The first game will be Thursday October 5 and we will tee-off around 5pm every Thursday through to the end of daylight saving in April 2024.

The Chicken Run is a 9-hole pairs game. Technically, we play a variation of the 'ambrose' format (or 'scramble' if you're American), but the point is that the emphasis is on fun. The prize for the winning pair each week is a roast or frozen chook (each) from Clunes IGA. After the game – around 6:30pm – we enjoy a light supper and a bit of socialising. This is a great way to get into golf, or just relax on a Thursday evening.

Monthly Medal

Gerard Giltinan won the September Monthly Medal, his first at Clunes. Congratulations, Gerard.

We play a regular comp every Wednesday and Sunday. Tee off is 10am. CGC Ferals host a more casual 9 hole game on Monday and Friday mornings at 10am, while CGC Berals invite any women to join them on Tuesdays at 10am for as many casual holes of golf as you feel like on the day. From October 2023 to April 2024, teeing off from 4:30-5pm, we play a casual 9-hole pairs game on Thursday evening – The Chicken Run. All welcome.

Follow events at the Club on Facebook.

FISHING TALES

By Peggy Moore

Spring is here and we are back to fishing after our winter recess. Last month we welcomed three new members to the club: Carl, Cheryl and Pat. We look forward to sharing fishing tales with them on our outings.

Fishing results: September 24 competition at Newlyn results will be in next month's newsletter. Over winter some of our members holidayed away with many catches (far too many to list) as far away as the Northern Territory and South Australia.

The club has been busy planning additional activities, starting with the October display in the Clunes Museum window. Please check it out.

We will have an information desk set up at the Clunes Show in November, so you can come and find out more about the club, fishing, and have a chat with our members and share your own fishing story.

Next competition:

October 14 and 15 Newbridge camping weekend.

Club meeting: First Monday of each month at 7.30pm. Contact Ken by phone 0428 118 446, clunesanglers@gmail.com or Facebook.



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I REMEMBER WHEN ...

Sunday October 1 2.30-4pm Malcolm Hull leads Judith Fawcett OAM, John Drife and Jane Lesock through their stories of the CFA, the Show,

CTDA, Museum and more.

AI? SHOULD WE BE SCARED, EXCITED?

Sunday October 29 2.30-4pm

Artificial Intelligence is moving fast. Federation University expert Professor Peter Vamplew will bring us up to speed.

TALKING CLIMATE

Sunday November 12 2.30-4pm

Share an afternoon tea talking about our changing climate and what we can do to lessen its effects.

WHAT'S THE BUZZ?

Sunday November 19 3pm

Bring your curiosity as Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) disciplines specialist Julian Kennard talks (and shows) all things drones and their applications to daily life.

RON HATELEY CREEK WALK

Saturday October 7 3-8pm

Clean up between the ford and Bob's foot bridge. End the day with a BBQ and campfire. BBQ free, BYO drinks. Meet at Bob's footbridge.

SCOTTISH FIDDLERS

Saturday October 21 7-10pm

Melbourne Scottish Fiddle Club performs at the Clunes Town Hall. \$40. Drinks at bar prices. Presented with Mulberry Manse. To book:

https://www.trybooking.com/CKKZG

HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT?

Saturday November 18 10am-4pm

Visit the Clunes Show pavilion where Attitude,

Neighbourhood House and Central Highlands Rural Health combine with the groups and clubs of Clunes to showcase our activities.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sunday December 10 4.30-8pm.

Celebrate with Attitude as we wrap up our

Sundays@Attitude for the year. First drink and BBQ free.

DAY TRIPS

Buses leave Attitude at 10am

Lunch and tastings at own cost. Spaces limited. Bookings essential – see back page

FAMOUS WINERY TOUR

Wednesday October 11. Guided by Mick Sullivan.

LAMBLEY GARDENS & NURSERY

Wednesday October 25. Join a private half-day tour with David Glenn.

OP SHOP EXTRAVAGANZA

Wednesday November 15. Hit up the Howitt Street op shops with a break for lunch. Guided by Sandra Nichols.

INDIGENOUS HERITAGE SITES

Wednesday November 29. Visit the Maternity Tree, the Stone Wells and the Loop Tree. Flat, bush terrain of about 1 km at two sites. You'll need good walking shoes and your own picnic lunch.

FILM NIGHTS

FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH 7.30pm

Drinks at bar prices. BYO supper.

October 4

BARRY LYNDON (1975)

Voted top 12 greatest film for sight and sound. Directed by Stanley Kubrick.

November 1

RIFIFI (1955)

French crime film by blacklisted director Jules Dassin. One of the greatest works of French film noir.

December 6

HAIRSPRAY (1988)

A 'pleasantly plump' teenager pursues stardom and rallies against racism. Comedy directed by John Waters

Workshops

WRITING YOUR OWN STORY WITH CARMEL BIRD

Saturday November 11 2-4pm

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Wednesdays at the

Footy Club, Mondays and Fridays at Attitude, all 5.30-6.30pm. \$5 a week. Oct 2-27 and Nov 7-Dec 15. Contact Victoria at projects@clunesnh.org or pop into the Neighbourhood House.

CLUNES TREKKERS

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MEDITATION

Mondays 4-5pm Sandra: 0438 415 715

PÉTANQUE

Saturdays 2pm Collins Place. Gary: 0414 888 955

YOGA

Tuesdays 7-8pm

Restore your balance inside and out. Cost applies. Lily: 0459 138 797.

NEW TO THE FITNESS & FUN PROGRAM!

SWIMMING BUS

Thursdays 9.30am-12.30pm. Pick up at Attitude. Oct 5-14 Dec. Places limited, so book early. Contact Victoria at projects@clunesnh.org or pop into the Neighbourhood House.

LOCAL GROUPS

ARTIST GROUP

Thursdays 1-4pm and first Saturday of the month Noon-4pm, not Christmas week. Marlene: 0409 355 857.

BOOK CLUB

Third Monday of the month 7.30-9.30PM in conjunction with Ballarat Library. Lois: 0467 331 136

CROCHET GROUP

Second & fourth Wednesdays of the month 10-11.30AM. Judi: 0435 258 430

FOR THE LOVE OF BOOKS

Third Friday of month 1-2pm at BOOM 28 Fraser St. Email: projects@clunesnh.org

GARDEN CLUB

Oct 3 10am Newstead Natives. Nov 7 10am Diedre's Garden. Dec 7 6pm Christmas party at Attitude. Deirdre: 0425 707 972.

GAMES NIGHT

Fourth Thursday of the month from 7pm. Mahjong, 500, Scrabble.

IMPRINT ATTITUDE PUBLISHING

Meeting irregularly to finalise A Thirst For Gold.... Tess: 0414 483 348

MAD CHATTERS

Wednesdays 2pm at Rose & Oak (Oct), Twankey's (Nov) and Cafe 52 (Dec). For newcomers and locals. Carmel: 0421 635 369

MAHJONG

Mondays 5.30-7.30pm. Sue: 0417 562 258

MEN'S SHED

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 10am-Noon at 18 Alliance St. Simon: 0438 737 193



CTDA Membership

Thanks for your interest in joining the Clunes Tourist and Development Association.

Please complete this form to state that you wish to become a member of the CTDA, and let us know of anything you would like to be involved in.

If you have any questions, please email membership@clunesvic.org.au *Required

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Last Name*				
Agreements*	I agree to comply with the rules of the an incorporated association. Person 1	, · · —		
	I support the purposes of the CTDA: To promote tourism in, and development of Clunes and district.			
	Person 1	Person 2		
Phone				
Membership Fees*	Your application will be considered and if accepted you will be notified by email and an invoice for payment of membership fees will be attached. \$25 per year for individuals \$50 per year for Business			
Interests	Please tell us if you would like to be			
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CLUNES SHOW

Finally – It's on! Get your entries ready and mark the calendar for the 160th Clunes Show.

After three long years without a Show, this year it's ON! The 160th Clunes Show will be held at the Clunes Showgrounds on Saturday November 18, 2023.

Homecrafts entries

If you have any exhibits for the Homecrafts Pavilion, now is the time to be thinking about it. Here are some sections you might wish to enter: Pantry, photography, short stories or handwriting, sewing, knitting, crochet, needlework, garden produce, flowers, plants, cookery, art, craft. Or you might like to enter the scarecrow competition.

Come on, kids. There are so many sections for you to enter, too!

Please check the website at www.clunesshow.com.au for the competitions schedule.

Entries close November 7 (Flowers and plants close November 14) and can be left at the Clunes Newsagency with entry fees.

For any homecrafts enquiries please contact Helen 03 5345 3856 or Julie on 0429 434 201.

Show Program

Show Day promises an action packed program. We have live music throughout the day on the stage, local food and wines, the Midlands Axemen woodchopping display, and the Clunes Strongman Exhibition. Why not try your hand at heading a crop on the virtual reality header simulator or admire the beautiful Sandy Creek Clydesdales?

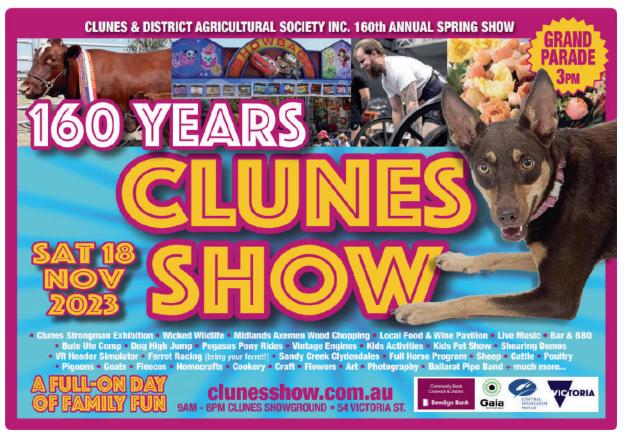
The kids will love Wicked Wildlife, the Giant Sand Pit, face painting, Pegasus Pony Rides, ferret racing, Professor Wallace's Puppets, Aston the Train, and so much more. And don't forget to bring your pet along for the Pet Show at 1pm.

The Dog High Jump and shearing demos are always a crowd favourite. There will be animals galore to check out and a full equestrian program on the arena during the day.'

Be there for the roar of the Bute Utes at 12pm (it's the 25th Anniversary for that competition, too!) and the Grand Parade at 3pm.

Get a team together for the Tug-o-war, try the Keg Throw and don't forget the Ladies Woodsplit. The competition will be fierce.

Clunes, we've missed you!



COMMUNITY GROUPS

Clunes Tourist & Development Association, publishers of this newsletter, organisers of the Clunes Market and other community events. Proudly promoting your community organisations. Details on our website: www.clunesvic.org.au. For meeting times and locations, contact: secretary@clunesvic.org. All CTDA members welcome.

All Nations Masonic Lodge: Meet on the first Tuesday of the month, except January. New members most welcome. Contact: Martin Jones, Secretary 0418 103 722 or martin.jones2@bigpond.com

Anglican Church, St Paul's. Templeton Street: Regular services first and third Sundays of each month at 10am. All welcome. Weddings and funerals by appointment. Contact: Fr. Chris Keast 0427 911 792

Clunes & District Agricultural Society: Meet 8pm on the third Thursday of the month from February to October. November: Thursday before and Thursday after Clunes Show. Contact: Jenny Redpath, President 0400 613 513; Gayle Wrigley, Secretary 0400 907 506; Julie Spittle, Homecrafts 0429 434 201. Website: www.clunesshow.com.au

Clunes & District Young Farmers: Meet 7:30pm on the second Tuesday of the month at the Young Farmers club rooms at the Showgrounds. A friendly, social environment for anyone aged 16-30. Contact: Jenny 0400 613 513

Clunes Angling Club: Meet 7:30pm on the first Monday of the month in the old School of Mines Building. All welcome. Contact: Ken 0428 118 446 or clunesanglers@gmail.com

Clunes Artists Group: Meet 12pm on the first Saturday of the month, and every Thursday at 1pm as a working group at Attitude, 25 Fraser Street. Contact: Marlene 0409 355 857

Clunes Bowling Club: Social bowls every Friday at 6pm for a 6:30pm start. Contact: John Polson 0417 300 969 or polsy1031@yahoo.com.au

Clunes Football & Netball Club: Contact: Andrew Stinchcombe, President 0417 354 522 or clunesmagpies@gmail.com

Clunes Golf Club Inc. 18-hole course with sandscrapes, year-round play and a 70 par. \$10 green fees for 18 holes, \$5 with a member and under 16 free. Visitors welcome on Sunday and Wednesday competition days. Contact: 5345 3499, email: clunesgolf@gmail.com or search Clunes Golf Club on Facebook

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

Clunes Library: Open Monday to Friday (closed Tuesday) 10am-5pm and Saturday 10am-1pm. Closed Sunday. The Warehouse, 36 Fraser Street (next to Collins Place). Contact: 5345 3359

Clunes Men's Shed: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10am-12pm. 18 Alliance Street. A safe and friendly space for men to meet in a workshop setting. Contact: Simon Andrewartha 0438 737 193

Clunes Museum 36 Fraser Street. Open Monday to Friday (closed Tuesdays) 10am-5pm, Sat 10am-1pm and some Sundays. Contact info@clunesmuseum.org or website www.clunesmuseum.org.au 03 53453 359. Monthly member meetings held at the Warehouse every second Thursday of each month at 10am. Open for everyone to attend. New members and volunteers welcome. The Clunes Museum Discovery magazine is also available at the local newsagency.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Clunes Neighbourhood House. Free Lending Library, 6 Templeton Street. Open Monday to Friday 9am-3pm. Community programs, printing services, free internet, space available for hire. Contact: 5345 3228 or co-ordinator@clunesnh.org. Website: www.clunesnh.org

Clunes & District Preschool. 109 Fraser Street. Contact: 5345 3228 or clunes.district.kin@kindergarten.vic.gov.au

Clunes RSL. Contact: Mr Lindsay Pritchard 0427 028 556

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

Clunes Writers Group: Meets 1-3pm on the second Monday of the month (including public holidays) at Attitude, 25 Fraser Street. Contact: Sandra Nichols 0438 415 715

Creative Clunes Inc. Organisers of the annual Clunes Booktown Festival. Contact: 5345 3947 or at the Railway Station, Service Street

Creswick-Clunes Uniting Church, St Andrew's. 130 Albert Street, Creswick. Services every Sunday at 9:30am. Contact: 5345 2031 or congregation secretary on 5345 2806

Lee Medlyn House of Bottles: Victors welcome. Management Committee meets on the third Monday of the month at the Bottle Museum, 70 Bailey Street

Mad Chatters Club: Meets 2pm-3:30pm every Wednesday at Rose & Oak Cafe for a casual chat. New members are most welcome. Contact: Carmel 0421 635 369

Monday Night Netball Clunes: Every Monday evening during school terms for two seasons a year. Contact: Emily 0409 423 104

Spare Parts Club: Meets 2-3:30pm on the first Tuesday of the month at the Clunes Community Health Centre, Service Street. Contact Georgina 5345 9150 or Barbara 0410 946 095

Tourello Red Cross: Meetings as required. Contact: Janet Harrison 5345 3060

Yoga: Classes every Tuesday 7-8pm. Attitude, 25 Fraser Street. \$20 casual. All levels are welcome. Contact: Lily 0459 138 797 or lilymason75@gmail.com





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Council news







🕞 🖨 OPEN SPACE MASTERPLAN

Thank you to everyone who provided feedback on the draft masterplans for Queens Park and Pioneer Park, and who expressed interest in joining the Clunes Recreation Provision Feasibility Project Advisory Group. The draft masterplans and a summary of next steps are available at https://participate.hepburn.vic.gov.au/ clunes-open-space-masterplan









CLUNES ORGANICS BINS

The Clunes Food Organics Garden Organics (FOGO) trial has been going for some time with great success in diverting organic waste from landfill. We are interested to speak with community members who have been using the service successfully, to assit us with the possible Shire-wide roll out. Please email bins@hepburn.vic.gov.au











Integrated Transport Strategy - We invite the community to complete a survey on how you use transport within our Shire. Transport is a major issue in the Shire, and good transport is critical to the liveability

of our region. The survey covers everything from walking and accessibility, through to public transport and roads. Responses will help to inform our Integrated Transport Strategy, which will guide Council's focus on transport in the Shire over the next ten years. This work is part of our strategic planning project Future Hepburn. Complete the survey at https://participate. hepburn.vic.gov.au/future-hepburn

Early Years Survey - We have a survey open for families using Early Years services within the Shire. We want to understand the services that people use, the hours and style of care that families need, whether services are available and more. This work is funded by the Victorian Government in line with the Best Start, Best Life Early Years Reform. Complete the survey at https:// participate.hepburn.vic.gov.au/early-years-survey







Thank you to those Clunes residents who registered for the Future Hepburn Engagement Pool. From this pool of interested community members we have randomly selected people to be on Community Panels. Throughout October and November we will be hosting these Community Panels to help draft our township structure plans. For updates on the Future Hepburn Project visit https://participate.hepburn.vic.gov.au/future-hepburn







Council is once again supporting the Victorian Seniors Festival program, with lots of fun and free events planned in October for people aged 55+ years. For more information on what's on and to book your free tickets visit www.hepburn.vic.gov.au/events







RESPECTFUL BEHAVIOUR

Council has issued a statement regarding some concerning aggressive behaviour directed at Hepburn Shire staff – a very worrying trend that is on the increase and reaching unprecedented levels. Please remember that respectful behaviour is non-negotiable and is expected when the community interacts with staff.

We acknowledge that we don't always get things right and sometimes mistakes are made, but that does not excuse poor behaviour towards staff. If we get things wrong, let us know in a respectful way through the many mechanisms available and we'll do what we can to put things right. Read our full statement at www.hepburn. vic.gov.au









ARE YOU FIRE READY?

As we move into warmer weather it's an imprtant time to start preparing for the upcoming fire season. For information on how to prepare your property for the fire danger period visit www.cfa.vic.gov.au

Free Green Waste - Don't forget that throughout November you can dispose of green waste for free at our transfer stations in Trentham, Daylesford and Creswick. It's our way of helping you to get your property ready for the fire danger period.

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Jared Tallent Junior Sportsperson

AWARD 2023

Nominations are now open for the 2023 Jared Tallent Junior Sportsperson Award.

The award recipient receives a \$500 bank account to assist them to achieve their sporting goals.

Criteria is available from the Community Bank Creswick & District branch or by emailing admin@cdfsl.com.au. Submit your written nomination by 5pm on 31st December 2023.

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