

Pleasant Hills Community Newsletter



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PLEASANT HILLS CWA

Members were very excited to learn that our small Pleasant Hills CWA Team had been named

Volunteer of the Year Team winners for the Riverina Region on 11th August! Three of us watched the Zoom Webinar. We are now looking forward to the finals, which if it's possible are to be held in Sydney on 3rd December, or failing that it will be another zoom webinar.

Our meeting was held the next day in Albury, with a good attendance of members plus a visitor.

We have been doing mini lamington drives on a more or less weekly basis for the past month to raise funds, since all our usual fund-raisers have been curtailed. Anyone wishing to purchase some can contact any of our members or Lyn on 0428690222. August is the month when we allocate our funds, and although COVID stopped us from making the larger amount of money we were aiming for, we've still managed to be able to give worthwhile amounts to several charities.

The CWA of NSW recently presented a cheque for \$36,400 to Endometriosis, being the money raised for the past 12 months. Endometriosis has been our State Medical Project for the past two years, again being nominated for this year which will be the final year.

The CWA Awareness Week will be held in NSW from 6th – 13th September, with our Meeting in Henty on the 9th. CWA of NSW advocacy efforts will centre around more help for Domestic Violence Victims. Applications for the State Education Grants are now available, closing on 30th September if anyone is interested.

Due to COVID, we can't hold our International Day at the school this year, so please note that our next Meeting will be in Henty on 9th September – again a date change because there is no Henty Field Days. In The Land Cookery, the Donna Latter cake was won by Eunice, second Lyn J, whilst Lyn won the Gluten free Caramel Walnut Slice (which, incidentally, is a very nice slice). Next month we are having Plain Butter Cake, Carrot & Ginger Loaf, and our Cookery Officer, Margaret would love everyone to have a go

at the Banana Bread. The recipes for the last two items are in the June Journal.

A reminder to all Office Bearers that your reports are due by 23rd September to the Riverina Group Officer. The postal voting results of the motions that would have been presented at our State Conference are in the August Journal.

People who enjoy knitting are encouraged to knit the little Pocket Koalas, the pattern of which is in the August Journal. The Show Catering Committee are hoping to put together a "CWA Centenary Showbag" for the 2022 Royal Easter Show, which is the CWA of NSW's Centenary Year, and it was thought these would be a nice addition.

The meeting closed and we enjoyed a social distancing lunch together.

Pleasant Hills Community Hotel

The Pub is going to remain closed for the foreseeable future, with the additional rules of a Covid Marshall having to be present and we can't afford to get a large fine that has occurred in the local area recently. The committee is having the discussion at each monthly meeting, and it is not being taken lightly.



With the pub being shut and the AGM being postponed in July we have decided to have the AGM at the next monthly committee meeting, which is on Wednesday 23rd September at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome. If you have anything that you want discussed, please come along or put your hand up to come on the committee with at least one current committee member stepping down.

The Community Pub is turning 21 next year and we are currently planning a birthday celebration which we hope can go ahead without the current restrictions that we currently have. This is pencilled in for the 27th February 2021.

School News and Reviews



SASS APPRECIATION WEEK

This week we celebrate School Administrative and Support (SAS) Staff appreciation week. SAS staff are key to the school's daily management and operations. They have a student-centred role, even if they don't work directly with students. The effective operations of the SAS staff maximise learning time, such as preparing resources for students and teachers to use and directly support the learning needs of students. They also provide administrative support for the school, such as managing finance, attendance, enrolment, and assets development. The effective management of the library and our beautiful school grounds that the students enjoy are also the responsibility of the School Administrative and Support Staff. We rely on our SAS staff daily, and we are incredibly grateful for the contributions they make to our wonderful team. Thank you Mrs Julianne Clancy, Mrs Liz Lane, and Mr Phil Salzke for your ongoing commitment to the students, staff and community at Pleasant Hills Public School.



COVID-19 UPDATE

Thank you to all those families who have been keeping their children home with flu like symptoms. With the new advice received from the NSW DoE, staff and students must stay at home and have a COVID test if they are unwell with flu like symptoms (i.e. fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, loss of taste, and loss of smell). They are unable to return to school until a negative test result has been received and their symptoms have resolved

NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK

Last week we were explorers of the sea. As part of National Science Week, The Deep Blue, K-2 students explored the life cycle and journey of marine turtles from a hatchling to an adult. Students in the Primary classroom researched marine environments and threats posed to our marine turtles



SERVICE OF THE WEEK

Is your child;

- feeling down or worried?
- not sleeping well or sleeping too much?
- finding it hard to concentrate?
- eating too much or too little?
- bullied? not coping at school?
- having difficulties with friendships or relationships?

Reach Out And Relax (ROAR) is free and confidential counselling for young people in the Lockhart Shire provided by Intereach. A referral can be made when working with me (Carly) as a Family Worker at Pleasant Hills Public School or can be done by you as a parent by calling 1300 488 226. You can contact me, Carly, on 0418 856 244 for further information or a chat about any support services you think might suit you and your family.

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Pleasant Hills Pre School

August started with some gardening, the children were given some rocks and they placed them near the sheds where the new lawn has been growing. They worked hard to move the rocks from Mrs Morey's trailer and placing them near their plants.

The children have been foraging from the garden to cook in the kitchen. They collect spinach, broccoli and carrots to make frittatas and chicken stir fry's. They are very popular with the children as they go back for seconds.

The preschool was given an old toaster for the children to pull apart and see what was inside. They enjoyed using the tools to do this. Mrs Klemke then brought some tools to preschool so they could make things with tins and wood.

On the rainy cold days, the children were stuck inside but they made the most of their time by completing lots of puzzles and making things in their new art space.

We are looking forward to the warmer weather spring will bring and the ability to spend more time outside each week at preschool.

Hills Happenings

Birthdays:

Happy 21st Birthday to Brittany Scholz for the 23rd September.



Get Well Wishes:

Wishing Amanda Male a speedy recovery after recent surgery.

CONDOLENCES:

Deepest sympathy to Prida McGee and family on the recent passing of Ian McGee.

Ian McGee 28/04/1953 - 13/08/2020.

Ian moved to Pleasant Hills with his wife Prida on 20 August 2012, and it became the home base for himself, 2 adult daughters and their families.

Ian was well known and well liked in the community. Always one to offer a hand or have a chat with at a local auction, Ian was a familiar face. And he was proud of his town.

Instrumental in Pleasant Hills gaining Tidy Towns status, as well as taking pride in the community garden, protecting the reserve and looking the wallabies and wildlife during the dry summer months, Ian always tried to do what was best for most.

There will be an informal memorial held at the Pleasant Hills Hall on September 17th. from 10am to 3.30pm, come in at your own convenience to pay respects offer condolences to Prida and his family. Light refreshments will be available.

Thank you,
Katie
(Prida and Ian's daughter)



Fire Brigade

Following the Fire Brigade AGM, the office bearers are;

- President: Anthony Male
- Vice President: Barry Terlich
- Secretary: Andrew Terlich
- Treasurer: James Clancy
- Captain: Grant Morey
- Senior Deputy: Peter Beckett
- Deputy Captains: B Lieschke, T Christie, D Clancy, T Terlich.
- Permit Officers: Grant Morey, Peter Beckett.

Thanks to Dennis for his time as secretary and thanks Andrew for taking on this position. Our new Munyaplah Rd shed is now complete, and we will have an opening when virus restrictions have eased!



Tennis Club

Coaching is back with Brock from Tennis 11 - we are all very excited about that. Brocks contact details are as follows if you are interested in contacting him in regards to coaching. 0408 066 506 brock@tennis11.com.au and you can find Tennis 11 on Facebook as well.

The Hume Country Tennis Associations Saturday competition is beginning soon. Pleasant Hills has submitted an adults team and a section 5 & 6 team again this season.

Season dates are as follows;

Saturday 10th October - Saturday the 12th December

Mid-Season Break

Saturday the 16th January - Saturday 27th February

Finals; 6th, 13th & 20th March 2021

Social tennis has begun again

We are holding it on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday's of the month at 9:30am and on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month at 10:30am.

Excluding school holidays.

Anyone is welcome to come along, gold coin donation for non-members.

The dates for September are as follows;

Wednesday 2nd September 9:30am

Friday 11th Sept 10:30am

Wednesday 16th Sept 9:30am

Friday 25th Sept 10:30am

Hope to see you there!

As always, follow us on Facebook to keep up with all the news.

Thanks

Renae

Secretary

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Pleasant Hills Hall

Watch this space. It is exciting to see work has started on the upgrade at Pleasant Hills Hall.

A very productive day was spent by several locals preparing the slab for the planned disabled toilet.



Pleasant Hills Patchwork Group

The next Patchwork Group meeting is Saturday 19th September. The topic suggested was Small Projects. This can be whatever you would like to make in a smaller project. Some suggestions were: Patchworked Ottoman, Triangular Pencil case, Table Runner, Placemats, Fabric covered padded Coat hangers, Double-sided Quilted Ironing Board Cover, Potholders, or anything really.

Of course, if you prefer you can continue working on your own project or any of our previous projects.

Please bring \$6 and your own lunch. Show and tell and your smile for a great day stitching.



Some Show and Tell from some of our Patchworkers whom have been very busy over the past month.

The Patchwork Group would sincerely like to send their condolences to our friend Prida and her family, on the passing of Ian.




On Aug 10th we collected 1914 containers which meant our compound is now completely full.

We want to hold another one soon but need to have the compound emptied by our recyclers (Drums Go Round) first. So hopefully we can get that organised before life gets busy in the paddocks again.

Remember this is the BEST way to deal with chemical drums and it is a mini fund raiser for the pub. Win, win.

Next year we would like to train up some new inspectors, so have a think about doing that.

Alison Campbell.

Hills History

MORGAN – MAN OF MANY NAMES

(Part 1)

The young man who eventually achieved notoriety in the border areas of New South Wales and Victoria as “Mad Dog” Morgan, had an early life which is richer in folklore than in documented fact.

Legend has the year of his birth as being 1831. His birthplace is supposed to be Applin. He was apparently deserted early in life but was found another home. He was able to gain some education, attending a school at Campbelltown. As a young man he preferred a solitary nomadic existence, going to the bush to live off the land for long periods. His preferred company was horses. His major dread was an irrational fear of darkness even when surrounded by company. In later life there was always a fear of being poisoned.

Morgan’s talent lay with horses. Stories were told of his remarkable ability of being able to approach, catch and mount unfamiliar horses. His restless nature took him far away from his home territory, south of the Murrumbidgee and then across the Murray.

In Victoria, he continued to lead a nomadic life, wandering the colony from the north eastern ranges to the western districts, picking up a variety of aliases on the way – John Smith, Sydney Bill, and Bill the Native. He was also known as Moran, which was supposed to be his family name.

He roamed the countryside, occasionally working for large landowners. He is thought to have conducted a store at Barker’s Creek and lived for a time in the scrub outside Avoca. It was in this part of Victoria that he appears to have begun a large-scale stealing of horses from the local squatters. They responded by chasing him on sight, and firing at him. On one occasion, a charge of shot caught him in the leg, inconveniencing him, but not sufficiently to prevent him from escaping into the bush. When he recovered the use of his leg, he sought out the squatter and horse whipped him.

Morgan’s career outside the law was handicapped by his appearance. Comparatively tall for his time, height emphasised by the lithe frame, it was the head perched on his shoulders which arrested the attention, with eyes like

eagles staring out from deep sunken pools, a savagely hooked eagle’s beak of a nose, and masses of deep brown hair which fell in luxurious locks from his head and face.

Not an easy man to overlook was Dan Morgan.

Source: *An Explorer’s Guide to Northeast Victoria* – Chris McLaughlin.



Dan Morgan, 1864

Happiness Truffles

One cup of confidence
One cup of love,
In a pan of happiness
Mix the above.

Add a pinch of tenderness
A tablespoon of trust,
Stir well in the sunshine
Roll out a loving crust.

Flour with contentment
Keep all free from strife
Fill with understanding
And bake well with your life.

CHOCOLATE SPIDERS

2 tablespoons crunchy peanut butter
200g. cooking chocolate
100g. Changs fried noodles

Use a double saucepan to melt chocolate, add peanut butter to form a smooth paste. Add noodles to mix. Spoon mixture onto tray and refrigerate to set.

Perhaps a Father’s Day treat children can make?

Our Backyard

Don't Believe Everything You See (or Hear)

Have you ever felt sick and tired of all the rubbish in the media and thought that you might watch something that is “real” to get some sanity back into your day? Something like a wildlife documentary. Well don't be fooled as many of these aren't as real as they appear to be. A recent podcast on Radio National called **99% Invisible** highlighted what is often a complete fraud in the making of wildlife documentaries.

We all can remember the footage of the cricket (sport) commentator reading from a script tapping his pencil of the desk to simulate the batsman hitting the ball followed by canned laughter; well, a wildlife sound person often has a bag of tricks something similar. Rolling the fingers on a board to simulate galloping horses or crunching up a piece of paper to create the sound of who knows how many animals doing how many different things. Sounds that we usually relate to cartoon creators. Sometimes the sounds have been pre-recorded from captive animals in zoos or wildlife parks. The next time you see sounds accompanying footage obviously filmed with a telescopic lens, ask yourself; “how come the sound is so clear when the animal is so far away?” Often the filming inside nests of birds or burrows of small animals have been created inside movie studios and the inhabitants introduced to them months before as their home (reminds me of the moon landings although in these cases the footage has been created. Mmm!) I

suppose these forms of filming are sort of real, but the commentator always tells us they were filmed in the wild to forge a mental illusion of reality.

One example given about wildlife that I have believed most of my life (as have many of you readers I would say did too), was the film of the herd of lemmings leaping off a cliff, creating the wildlife myth that ‘lemmings did this in an act of mass suicide’. Although lemmings are a very nervous species, in real life they don't do this. And who created this time-held illusion? Why no other than the World of Disney. There is one recent example (of many) that raises an eyebrow or two for me and that is the Attenborough footage of the snakes chasing a warthog but, in all respects, it could be true.

In a slightly different example of false filming, I remember a segment on Simon Townsend's *Wonderworld*, (understandingly the straw that broke the camel's back for the show) of an article that was allegedly filmed in Asia. In one scene the Sydney Harbour Bridge can be clearly seen in the background. Filmed in Townsend's back yard.

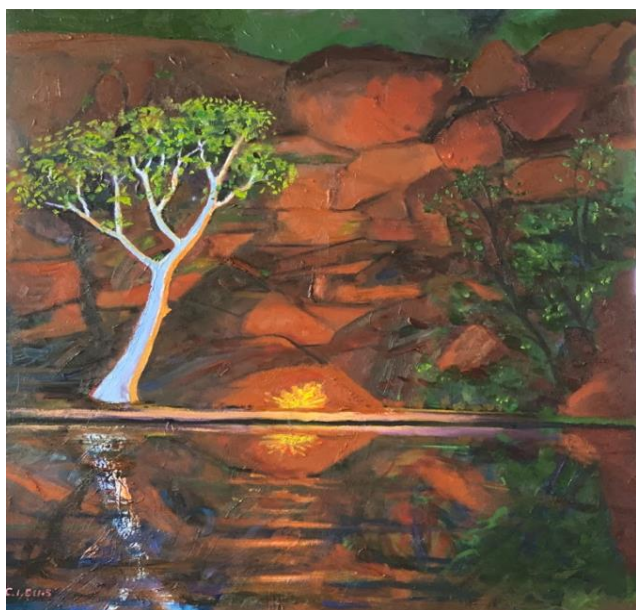
So next time you want a shot of reality, don't believe everything you see or hear, even in wildlife documentaries.



Well the currawongs have nearly all left Pleasant Hills for the year; a sure sign that spring is near. There is no shortage of applicants for their replacement in the ‘free food department’ though.

Bob Marshall.

Creative in Confinement
An Exhibition by Chris Ellis



Creative in Confinement contains a collection of work completed by Chris during the Covid19 shutdowns of 2020. Chris has taken this unexpected opportunity to explore new subject matter and experiment with new styles. Chris particularly loves to work in oils, the viscosity, the vibrant colours, and the beautiful lustre of the medium hold immense appeal.

Shake it Up Australia Foundation, the leading funder of Parkinson's Research in Australia, will receive 10% of proceeds from this exhibition and local group "Monkey Mia", who raise funds for Parkinson's research, will open the exhibition. You are invited to *Creative in Confinement* a solo exhibition by Chris Ellis.

Date: 3rd September 2020

Session 1: 5:30-6:30pm

Session 2: 6:30-7:30pm

Location: 488 David St, Albury

RSVP: jacinta@artpartners.com.au

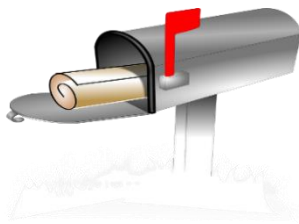
Please RSVP to attend, due to current health regulations.

PAPER ROSTER

Please collect papers from the Henty Post Office / Newsagent. It opens at 7am Saturday mornings. Can the papers be at Pleasant Hills by 0930 -1000.

HENTY

September	
5 th September	Rex Lieschke
12 th September	Brenda Gatehouse
19 th September	Shirley Lieschke
26 th September	Wayne Scholz
October	
3 rd October	Barry Terlich
10 th October	Bob Jacobsen
17 th October	Hugh Clancy
24 th October	Oriel Ridge
31 st October	Rick Clancy
November	
7 th November	Trevor Terlich
14 th November	Anthony Male
21 st November	Corey Beckett
28 th November	Suz Forck



Newsletter

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Diary of Events

Wednesday 2nd September
Social Tennis 9:30am
Thursday 3rd September
Chris Ellis exhibition Albury
Sunday 6th September
Father's Day
Wednesday 9th September
CWA meeting at Henty
Friday 11th September
Social Tennis 10:30am
Monday 14th September
Mobile Library 1:15 – 2:30pm
Wednesday 16th September
Social Tennis 9:30am
Thursday 17th September
Ian McGee Memorial 10am – 3:30pm
at the Hall
Saturday 19th September
Patchwork Group meeting
Wednesday 23rd September
Pub AGM meeting 7:30pm
Friday 25th September
Social Tennis 10:30am
Monday 28th September
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Stages of Quarantine

