

Pleasant Hills Community Newsletter



November 2020

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PLEASANT HILLS CWA

We met in Henty for our monthly meeting and also the AGM.

Some members attended the Riverina Group Conference at

Coolamon last week where we had won; the Best Cultural Report, the Best President's Report and the best Publicity Book, so for our sized branch, we achieved a lot.

We have done more than 170 packs, with another 40 odd to do this week. All recipients were very grateful, and we've received a couple of nice thank-you cards.

The Group is going to hold their International Day on 9th November in Wagga, and we are hoping to have some members attend, as it will be interesting to hear about Ecuador.

Our lamingtons have been a great fund-raiser during our restricted times; however, we will have a break for now as it's getting too hot for them. We are planning to give a donation to the Albury Wodonga Regional Cancer Trust Fund with some of the money we've made. Bunnings aren't allowing cake stalls as yet, so still no scone stalls.

A great stir was caused when a posting on Facebook mentioned that it was no longer allowed to use second-hand glass jars for jams, pickles etc. This is being looked into as it seems to be another idea not very well thought out. I know you can buy new lids, but since the jars are all sterilised - new or used - we can't see any logical reason for this.

We would like to wish Eunice McRae a speedy recovery.

The Volunteer of the Year Awards Finals are to be held on Thursday, 3rd December, and since our Team of 8 won the Team of the Year for the Riverina Region, three of us hope to go to Sydney for the judging if they are holding the finals as originally planned.

We have decided to give a monetary donation to the State International Committee for Mother and Baby Packs or the Sewing Packs – whichever has the greatest need.

The next Riverina Group Council Meeting is on Monday, 30th November.

We decided we would have our Christmas Party at Soden's Hotel in Albury on Wednesday, 2nd December. We will start our Meeting at 11am, then have lunch.

We had our Land Cookery Competition and in the Cherry Blush Cake, Margaret Hasler was 1st, Nett Maloney 2nd, & Lyn J 3rd, whilst in the Peach Blossom Cake, Margaret Hasler was 1st, and Lyn Lieschke 2nd. In the Wagon Wheel Slice, 1st was Lyn Lieschke, 2nd Lyn J, and 3rd Margaret Hasler. At our Christmas Meeting, we will have the Light Fruit Cake and the Steamed Fruit Pudding, plus the condiments in the schedule.

We will have an entry in the Special Section of the Handicraft Schedule next March, with four aprons by 4 different members.

Allison Scott took the Chair for our Annual Meeting, and all reports were read.

The Treasurer had the biggest job because of the Pamper Packs, this report was huge, handling several times more money than we normally do, so a big thank you to Bev for all her work.

The Office Bearer's for 2020-2021 are as follows- President, Lyn Jacobsen, Secretary, Nett Maloney, Treasurer Bev Frohling, International Marie Solyk, Cultural Bev McLellan, Land Cookery Margaret Hasler, Handicraft Nett Maloney, Publicity Lyn Jacobsen, Vice Presidents, Eunice McRae & Margaret Hasler.

We look forward to another exciting year in CWA, and hope we are soon back to some sort of normality.

With Covid-19 lockdowns of aged care facilities, no visitors, and boredom & isolation rife, a member of the CWA Pleasant Hills – Riverina Group, Nett Maloney thought of a way to help ease the loneliness of our aged community. Together with President Lyn Jacobsen, and other club members, the ladies sent letters to various local businesses, requesting their support for care packages. Businesses quickly jumped on board donating items to be included in the packages. From

UPA Riverina Murray Region, would like to thank the CWA Pleasant Hills for their thoughtfulness during this difficult time, and the generosity of the companies who donated to the care packages.



A big THANKYOU to our sponsors; Woolworths Thurgoona, Coles Lavington, Terry White Chemart Lavington, Chemist Warehouse Lavington, Bliss Hair and Beauty, Officeworks, CWA Pleasant Hills, Orana Community Centre, Beechworth Bakery Albury, Libby Simpson, Dales Supermarket Henty.

So glad to have the doors open again at the pub and see good numbers supporting us and obeying the Covid restrictions. From November we will be open both Friday and Saturday evenings. On Saturdays it will not always be Counter Meals it could be the takeaway menu as we are a little low on cooks for Saturday's until the new year but have teenagers that are willing to work in the kitchen.

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School News and Reviews



Welcome back to Term 4. I hope everyone enjoyed their well-earned break and are well rested ready for a busy Term 4. There are a number of exciting

educational opportunities this term.

SLAP ON YOUR HAT

A reminder that as part of our Sun safe procedures, students are required to wear their school hats in Terms 1 and 4. Any student who does not have their school hat will be required to play in the shade during recess and lunch breaks.

Unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances, Paula from Life Education is unable to visit us this term with Healthy Harold. Due to this change we won't have the pleasure of hosting Yerong Creek PS at our school. However, all is not lost as we will be live streaming with Healthy Harold and a specialist health educator to engage in an interactive session online on Friday 6th November.



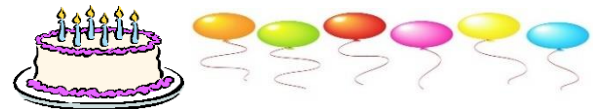
Enjoying Buddy reading in the sunshine!

Hills Happenings

Birthdays:

Scott Lieschke 10th November – Happy 40th
Shane Elphick 10th November – Happy 50th
Brett Singe 19th November – Happy 60th
Daniel Sharp 28th November – Happy 30th
Amanda Male 28th November – Happy 50th

Wishing you all HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Save the date:

Monday November 23rd, 10.30 will be the Grand Opening of the new Dales IGA shop front in Henty and celebrating 60 years since Dales Supermarket opened in Sladen Street. Some very good deals, Cake and give-aways. Watch your mail and Facebook.



Booranga Writers' Centre is pleased to announce a Water-Themed Writing Workshop to be guided by Maurice Corlett and Claire Baker 2 – 4 pm on Saturday 14th November 2020 at the Supper Room, Lockhart Memorial Hall, Lockhart

Suitable for all – limit of 12 participants

RSVP by Wednesday 11th November

Enquiries and Reservations
Kathryn at director@booranga.com
or Claire 0439 452297

Cost – \$10.00 to be paid on the day
sample bag for each participant

Riverina Water
Facilitated by Riverina Water

Hills History

THE WALLANDOOL CONNECTION TO THE KELPIE



A young stockman, Jack Gleeson, working on Dunrobin station, took a liking to a puppy and tried several times to buy the puppy from the manager of the neighbouring station, Warrock. The bitch, named “Kelpie”, was bred from a pair of Scotch working Collies owned by George Robertson and his nephew George Patterson. Robertson did not want to part with the puppy and refused Gleeson several times. But his nephew Robertson took a liking to Gleeson’s Stockhorse. Gleeson seeing the opportunity, a deal was done.

In early 1869, against the wishes of his uncle, Patterson swapped Kelpie for Jack Gleeson’s stockhorse. Gleeson immediately moved on from Warrock station. Gleeson travelled through the Western Victoria, ending up on Ballerook station owned by Lancelot Ryan where Jack Gleeson broke “Kelpie” into sheepwork.

While on Ballerook, Mary, one of Ryan’s daughters had caught the eye of young Jack Gleeson and they began courting.

In early 1871, Lancelot Ryan moved his family to Wallandool station.

Jack Gleeson decided to follow Mary and took a job on the neighbouring Walbundrie station, where he worked as a stockman. The romance bloomed again.

In his travels Jack came across a black, smooth coated, pointy eared Collie, named Moss, which became the sire for his bitch “Kelpie”.

“Kelpie” had two litters to Moss in 1872 and Jack Gleeson gave every puppy away.

Jack Gleeson eventually married Mary Ryan at her father’s property Wallandool. Soon after their marriage Jack contracted hepatitis.

The couple moved to Warrnambool in south western Victoria, to be near Jack’s family.

Jack passed away 29th August 1880, not long after Mary had given birth to a son, just 10 year after he acquired “Kelpie”.

Jack was never in it for the money, giving every puppy away. He was significant in the breeding of his Kelpie, in the Riverina.

Source: Australian Working Dogs: Origins and History - The Kelpie Origins.

Fiona Beckett.

Fire Brigade

Effective 1st November 2020, fire permits will be available across the Riverina zones.

In addition to standard permit conditions, the following local conditions will apply:

Permits will only be issued for the purpose of creating a fire break around rural infrastructure. Burns are to be completely extinguished prior to being left unattended;

No timber of any nature may be burnt;

No burning on Public Holidays;

Permits for Sunday burning will be issued on a case-by-case basis by the Fire Control Centre.

Maintenance roster will be coming out in the next week or so.

Pleasant Hills Bushfire Brigade Maintenance Sunday’s at 4pm. Please remember to arrange your own swap if required.

Any concerns please call Fire Captain – Grant Morey



Pleasant Hills Patchwork Group

Our next patchwork gathering is on Saturday 21st November. The project this month is a Christmas Tree Wall hanging, or you could make smaller ones as place mats. Bring general sewing requirements and Christmas fabrics in Red and Green tones and neutral coloured fabric for the background. Alternatively, you can work on any project you like to.

You will need \$6 towards hall hire, and your lunch and morning tea to share.

All visitors are made welcome, and a cuppa is ready all day. Remembering our social distancing rules and bring your hand sanitiser also.

The days starts around 09:30am and finishes around 3:30pm.



Tennis Club

Coaching with Brock from Tennis 11 is going great guns of a Friday afternoon.

Brock's contact details are as follows if you are interested in contacting him in regard to coaching, for term one.

Tennis 11 is an active kids provider.

0408 066 506 brock@tennis11.com.au and you can find Tennis 11 on Facebook as well.

The Hume Country Tennis Associations Saturday competition has begun. With some lovely friendly competition.

Pleasant Hills has submitted an adults team in sect 3a and a section 5 & 2 x 6b teams 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

Feel free to get along to any of the games at Pleasant Hills to support the players.

The tennis club is also an active kids provider. Please keep in mind fees (flyer attached) are now due.

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 November are as follows;

Wed 4th November 9:30am

Friday 13th November 10:30am

Wed 18th November 9:30am

Friday 27th November 10:30am

Hope to see you there!

The club has been busy doing a few things up at the courts and also has a few things in the pipeline thanks to the generosity of the Lockhart Shire Council.

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

Thanks

Renae

Secretary

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Our Backyard

To bee or not to bee

We all know about the value that bees have in our rural life but consider where the bees feed after they have fertilised the crop. Well this is the perfect time to accommodate some of them in our veggie garden or the many native trees that live in the Pleasant Hills area. One native species which is becoming increasingly important in our environment though is the Blue-banded bee.

“The Blue-banded bees are rounder and more stocky than honey bees with a set of distinctive blue bands around their abdomen. They have a long tongue which they use to extract food from flowers, particularly blue flowers. You are more likely to see them if your garden has many blue flowers than if your garden is dominated by red and yellow ones.

These bees are easier to hear than honeybees, because they are ‘buzz-pollinators’ – they actually vibrate the flower when they are hovering, and the ‘buzz’ is quite loud. It is this buzz-pollination that make blue-banded bees’ candidates for use in hydroponic tomato production. Tomatoes are wind pollinated outdoors, but in a protected environment such as a glasshouse there is no wind. However, only bees that buzz-pollinate are of any use because they do the same job as the wind in pollinating plants, and so commercial honeybees are not suitable.

Blue-banded bees are solitary, although several may make their nests in the same area. Their nests are made of mud and may be in the ground or on embankments. The bee provisions the nest with food for the developing grub in

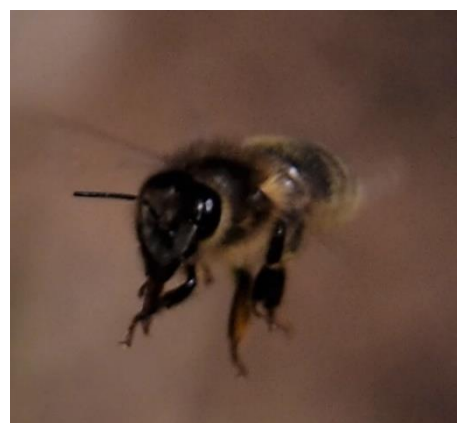
much the same way as mud wasps.”
(From: Backyard Insects by Paul Horne and Denis Crawford)

It would be interesting to research how exactly the bees are managed in the greenhouses but that is for another day. I’m sure the answer could be found somewhere on the internet.

Getting a photo has been difficult as on sightings I have not had a camera handy. The blue-banded bee is a little bit like “The Elusive Butterfly” that Bob Lind used to sing about in the ‘60’s (for those of use old enough to remember). Instead I have a picture of a honeybee which is investigating an unusual bulb that sprouted in my garden after recent rains.

Well, I guess it’s back into the garden to plant some ‘blue-flowering’ plants to reduce that elusiveness of the blue-banded bee’.

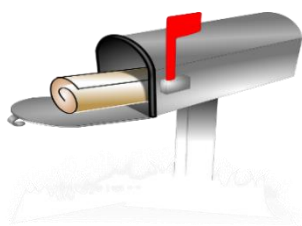
Bob Marshall.



PAPER ROSTER

HENTY

November	
7 th November	Trevor Terlich
14 th November	Anthony Male
21 st November	Corey Beckett
28 th November	Suz Forck
December	
5 th December	David Male
12 th December	Rex Lieschke
19 th December	Brenda Gatehouse
26 th December	Shirley Lieschke
January	
2 nd January	Wayne Scholz
9 th January	Barry Terlich
16 th January	Hugh Clancy
23 rd January	Bob Jacobsen
30 th January	Oriel Ridge



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Diary of Events

Wednesday 4th November
Social Tennis 9:30am

Friday 6th November
PHPS Virtual Life Education
(Happy Harold online).

Monday 9th November
Mobile Library

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CWA International Day Wagga
Wagga

Tuesday 10th November
PHPS Photo Day

Friday 13th November
Social Tennis 1030am.

Saturday 14th November
Writing Workshop Lockhart
(RSVP 11th November)

Wednesday 18th November
Social Tennis 9:30am.

Saturday 21st November
Patchwork Group

Monday 23rd November
Mobile Library

Monday 23rd November
Dales IGA new entrance grand
opening.

Friday 27th November
Social Tennis 1030 am.

Monday 30th November
CWA Riverina Group Council
Meeting.

December

Wednesday 2nd December
CWA Christmas Party 1100 am
Albury.

