

# Pleasant Hills Community Newsletter

## June 2021

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### PLEASANT HILLS CWA

We held our May Meeting in Albury at the Commercial Club. The Border Mail had published a photo of our 85<sup>th</sup> Birthday

celebrations, and also a photo of two of our Junior Members, the Hasler girls with their Diamond Art which won prizes for both girls at State Level – Natalie winning 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the 12 years and Under Section and Louise getting a Junior Achievement Award in the 18 years and Under Section. Also included in the photo was proud grandmother, Margaret Hasler who was at Bega to see the girl's awards.



*Natalie, Margaret, and Louise Hasler.*

The bags, made by the Pleasant Hills Patchwork Group, were filled with goodies, and delivered to Betty's Place in time for Mother's Day, to be given to either homeless ladies or domestic violence victims.



A carload of us are planning on joining the Group's Ag & Environment Bus trip visiting a Cotton Gin and Malt House at Whitton etc at the end of May.

The new Country of Study is Malaysia, and we are looking forward to learning about this country. Queen Azizah from Malaysia spoke via video link to the State Conference. Narelle, Bev Frohling and Lyn Jacobsen were fortunate enough to get their photo taken with this lady in 2019, when she attended the ACWW World Conference in Melbourne, and we spent a day there.

The Group Library Day in Wagga to learn a little about Malaya will be held on July 12<sup>th</sup>, with the International Day being at Galore on 23<sup>rd</sup> August.

We are doing a Bunnings BBQ on Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> June in Albury. If anyone is able to help us for a couple of hours on the day, we would really appreciate it, as the BBQs are busier since COVID.

We have over 50 rose plants and some other plants ready to take to Corryong for the Bush Fire Victims that are starting to get their gardens going again.

One of our members was asked to help cater for a private dance, and organise the kitchen, with the money raised to go to the CWA Flood Relief, so together with the money from hot cross buns, we've given \$1000 to the State Appeal. Bev Frohling and Margaret Hasler both attended State Conference, so they gave a short report on this. Sadly, Bega received record rains that week, so it was extremely difficult to see all the exhibits which was very disappointing, as they are well worth seeing. However, the Conference was also on zoom for those of us at home, and replays are now available.

We have been asked to do something in our towns next year to honour 100 years of CWA, so we are open to suggestions from the everyone.

Our Next Meeting will be in Henty on 9<sup>th</sup> June at the B&B, starting at 10.30am.

## Pleasant Hills Community Hotel

The second Sunday Lunch on the Veranda was another great success with 80 people booked in, which is great for the community. The weather was kind to them, and everyone had an enjoyable afternoon. There will be no Sunday lunches in June, the next one is on the 11<sup>th</sup> July.

Contact Michelle on 0428296405 or Janette 0427897991 or leave a message on the Pub Facebook page.



The Pub Committee would like to thank all the volunteers that help throughout the pub whether it's cooking, bar work or just general maintenance but we would like to reintegrate that when you are volunteering your time that you are responsible for your own children only and not have other children there under your care.

Pub AGM is on Friday 30th July at 7.30pm  
Would be great to see some people at this.

## Pleasant Hills Pre School

Autumn is over and winter will soon begin. The children have been making the most of the warm sunshine in the afternoons before it becomes too cold.

The children have been discovering mini beasts in the playground.

They have seen caterpillars and praying mantises which lead to a discussion about how they change into another creature called a butterfly. The children developed an interest in volcanoes and watched videos and saw pictures of them. They then built a volcano in the sandpit and made it erupt in and experiment.

They have been exploring the use of "loose parts" to develop their imaginative play. The children have used crates, cones and large Lego blocks and turned this into a rocket ship.

This led to a discussion about space and reading a book called "give me some space" for simultaneous story time.

## School News and Reviews



### SRPSSA CROSS COUNTRY

Special congratulations to Charlotte Heald who now heads to Gundagai on 10

June to represent Greater Kengal and Pleasant Hills School in the Riverina Cross Country. Well done and good luck Charlotte!

### GREATER KENGAL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Special congratulations to Samantha Terlich—Juvenile Girl Champion and Milly Quee—Junior Girl Champion.



The SRPSSA Athletics Carnival will be held on 21<sup>st</sup> July. Students and family's will be advised if they have been selected to attend that carnival as soon as possible.

### BIGGEST MORNING TEA

All community members are invited to a Biggest Morning Tea at school on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. This is a fundraiser for the Cancer Council.

All families are asked to please bring a plate for this fundraiser.

### P & C NEWS

#### SAUSAGE SIZZLE AT BUNNINGS

We really appreciate the time and effort spent by the P & C and all volunteers who helped with the BBQ at Bunnings recently. Approximately \$1000 was raised on the day. Thanks, one and all!

## Hills Happenings



### Birthdays:

Happy 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday to Amanda Lieschke for the 14<sup>th</sup> June.

### Hall

The Hall now has some new blinds. Watch this space – more to come in refurbishing the hall.



## **Tennis Club**

Coaching with Brock from Tennis 11 will continue all year on a Friday afternoon. Brocks contact details are as follows if you are interested in contacting him in regard to coaching, for term three 2021. Tennis 11 is an active kids provider. 0408 066 506 [brock@tennis11.com.au](mailto:brock@tennis11.com.au) and you can find Tennis 11 on Facebook as well.

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

Thanks  
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## **Pleasant Hills Patchwork Group**

Last month, we had a lovely day with just a few participants in the Free Motion Quilting and Walking Foot technique day, others continued to work on their unfinished projects. A big Thank you to Louise for providing instruction sheets and bringing show and tell of her free motion and walking foot work on art quilts/wall-hangings that she completed at Galong Patchwork Weekend.

We gathered up more completed Kids Quilts for Ronald McDonald House. This is the last call for anyone who is still working on theirs to finish and drop them to Debbie at Henty Post Office by Thursday 3rd June 2021, Elaine Scholz will be collecting them, and some will be displayed in the church. There are too many to display them all so please do not be offended if yours is not on display. This was a great effort by all who participated in the making of quilts for Cancer Kids. A very worthwhile cause indeed.

St Paul's Lutheran Church welcomes anyone who wishes to attend their Church Service on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2021 at 9.30 and/or hear the Speaker, Lisa from Ronald McDonald House at approximately 10:15am in the church. You are welcome to come along and hear her speech, even if you are not intending to attend the church service. Just enter the church and be seated.

Our next meeting is a UFO on Saturday June 19<sup>th</sup>, so come along and enjoy the day working on your unfinished quilts. How are those Kaleidoscope and Fat Quarter quilts/blocks coming along? Please bring show and tell as we love seeing your work either complete or progressing. Bring your lunch and enjoy a cuppa, \$6 for hall hire, sewing machine and requisites.

For your information, Gunning Patchwork Weekend which is held last weekend in June every year will not be having any classes or tutors in 2021 due to COVID, instead they are having a UFO Weekend. They call it FAT Quarter which stands for Finish And Talk and is held in Showground hall.

# DrumMUSTER

The next collection date at the Pleasant Hills tip is  
**Mon 21st June, 2021**  
**9am--10:30am.**

Triple rinse  
Remove lids  
Remove bungs  
Puncture steels top & bottom  
Approved drums only

**Accredited inspectors**  
**P & A Campbell**  
**R Clancy, E Jelbart, C Beckett,**

**Please book in large loads.**

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## Lutheran church

### The Link JUNE 2021

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Parish Calendar



| SUN                                                                | MON                                                                        | TUE                                                                                                           | WED                                                               | THUR                                                                                                                 | FRI                                                                                                                                           | SAT                                                                         |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 4<br>Henty - 9am<br>Culcairn - 10.30am<br>P. Hills - 10.30am       | 5<br>Pastor's Day of Rest                                                  | 1 Family Life - 7.30pm<br>Confirmation Class - 5pm Henty<br>St Paul's Chapel - 9.15am<br>Kids Club - see over | 2<br>Bulletin Items due - by 4pm                                  | 3<br>Henty Hospital - 2pm HC & Afternoon Tea at 2.30pm                                                               | 4 Pastor @ Culcairn - 9.30am at Mandie's Café. All welcome<br>Henty Ladies Guild - 2pm at church<br>St Paul's School - SPC Athletics Carnival | 5 Henty Guild - 54th Southern Zone Rally Fellowship Day at Henty - see over |
| 6<br>Henty - 9am<br>Culcairn - 10.30am<br>P. Hills - 10.30am       | 7 Pastor on Holiday's - 7th - 20th June<br>St Paul's School - Mainly Music | 8<br>Kids Club - see over                                                                                     | 9<br>Bulletin Items due - by 4pm                                  | 10                                                                                                                   | 11                                                                                                                                            | 12                                                                          |
| 13<br>Henty - 10.30am<br>Culcairn - 8.30am<br>P. Hills - elsewhere | 14<br>QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY                                      | 15<br>St Paul's Chapel - 9.15am<br>Kids Club - see over                                                       | 16<br>Bulletin Items due - by 4pm                                 | 17 St Stephen Wom. an's Fellowship - 9.30am Sunday School Rooms<br>Henty Hospital - 2pm HC & Afternoon Tea at 2.30pm | 18                                                                                                                                            | 19                                                                          |
| 20<br>Henty - 9am<br>Culcairn - 10.30am<br>P. Hills - 8.30am       | 21 Pastor's Day of Rest<br>St Paul's School - Mainly Music                 | 22 Confirmation Class - 5pm Henty<br>Parish Committee Meeting 7.30pm<br>Kids Club - see over                  | 23 Bulletin Items due - by 4pm<br>St Paul's School Board - 6.30pm | 24 Myeora Hostel - 10.30am HC                                                                                        | 25 Pastor @ Culcairn - 9.30am at Mandie's Café. All welcome<br>St Paul's School - end of term 2                                               | 26 School Holidays 26th June - 13th July                                    |
| 27<br>Henty - 10.30am<br>Culcairn - 8.30am<br>P. Hills - elsewhere | 28 Pastor's Day of Rest                                                    | 29 St Paul's Elders - 7.30pm<br>Back2Base Camp - 29th June - 2nd July. See over                               | 30<br>Bulletin Items due - by 4pm                                 | 1 Henty Hospital - 2pm HC & Afternoon Tea at 2.30pm                                                                  | 2 Pastor @ Culcairn - 9.30am at Mandie's Café. All welcome<br>Henty Ladies Guild - 2pm at church                                              | 3 Junior Youth Camp - War-rumbui 2nd - 4th July - See over                  |

Fire brigade AGM Wednesday night 16th of June @ 7pm @ the Hotel. We have received new BR 9 helmets, and these can be collected at the AGM, we received the grant money for the fire brigade which will have a couple of upgrades in the fire sheds and the trucks. Hopefully will have the opening of the new shed in the upcoming months and give members a run through on how to operate the shed as all runs on solar and the Alarm system etc so will keep you posted when this is going to happen. I will try and get the maintenance rosters done by the AGM. Cheers, Grant.

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# Hills History

## PLEASANT HILLS HISTORY

It's amazing what you discover when you talk to your neighbours. Everyone has a story to tell. I was talking with Peter Creek, and he shared with me that he and the Pleasant Hills school children in 1986 held up a steam train.

Easter 1986 the Lachlan Valley Railway ran a steam train from Henty to Pleasant Hills railway station, situated across from the Pleasant Hills Community Hotel. Which was well patronised for the weekend.

Peter Creek approached the teacher at the Pleasant Hills Primary School and asked if it would be ok to lead the school children to pretend to hold up the steam train on its way to the village. The teacher gave permission and then the train drivers were approached to ask if it would be ok for the proposed holdup. The drivers said it would be ok. So, a sum of \$10 was donated to the drivers for their trouble and an open expanse of track between the tip and the village was chosen for the event.



The children accompanied by adults dressed up, and led by Peter Creek, stood their ground against the approaching train.



Once the train had been stopped the children and adults boarded the steam train and pretended to rob the passengers, with water pistols. Once the passengers were relieved of their money the train robbers left the train with arrival of the Troopers, 1, 2, and 3.



The train robbers were eventually caught, and the train was allowed to complete its journey to the Pleasant Hills Village. The whole event raised \$187 for the school.

Within the next month the school received a letter from the Lachlan Valley Railway donating the \$10 given to the train drivers, back to the school.

There was an article in the Border Morning Mail in July 1987, reporting on the retirement of Reg Gett of Albury after 44 years of driving trains. He said in the article that "his most memorable incident was when one of his steam trains was held up by young children".

A number of years later Peter Creek took the photos of the hold up to the school and told the children of the day the steam train was held up by the children of Pleasant Hills Primary School. At this time Peter Creek was the school bus driver.

The children were so excited by the story that they told their parents when they got home. The next day when Peter picked up the children on the school bus run, some of the children said "Creeky, you held up my mum/dad". The story was relived, and the next generation was fascinated to hear of the day the steam train was held up by primary school children up on the way to Pleasant Hills.

*Thank you to Peter Creek for sharing the photos and story. Photos by: Susan Creek. Article by Fiona Beckett.*

## Our Backyard

### SOME LIKE 'EM, SOME DON'T

There is probably not another tree in this part of Australia that has divided the community so much as the humble Peppercorn Tree. Some say that they should be removed because they attract termites and can drop limbs on people walking under them. The truth is that they don't attract termites more than any other tree (early settlers wouldn't have planted them so profusely around their wooden homesteads if this was the case) and you have about as much chance as a limb falling on you as you have by being hit by a 'drop bear', certainly less chance than a gum tree. In colonial times, they provided much needed shade around dwellings as well as assisting in absorbing wastewater that houses generated in those times. It is also believed that the berries replaced the very scarce and expensive pepper. Pepper was necessary in the days before refrigeration to aid in the curing of fresh meat, and disguising the rancid aroma produced by aging flesh. Today, besides being a very aesthetically looking tree, they provide much needed native animal habitats. Around Pleasant Hills I have observed a number of native birds nesting in their boughs. Some of these include Kookaburras, Magpies, Noisy miners, Eastern Rosellas, Galahs and White-winged Choughs. Other nesters include Brush-tailed possums, Goannas, and the Yellow-footed Antechinus; not to mention the plethora of bees and other insects that feed during flowering season.

"The most widely grown of the Schinus species, this 20-50 ft (6-15 metres) tree from warm-temperate South America is renowned for its graceful semi-weeping habit, its drooping pinnate leaves and the wonderfully rough bark of old specimens. The leaves are dark green

and contain resin that has a strong aroma with an antiseptic quality. The flowers are pale greenish yellow, and the berries are tiny long-lasting pink to red brown (From: Gardening Australia's Flora's Trees and Shrubs) Of course being 'dioecious', the flowers and berries appear on separate trees.

It is interesting to note that the chief source of food for the Grey Currawong when they arrive in Pleasant Hills every Autumn after a long flight from the mountains, are the red berries of the Peppercorns. Maybe that is why they come here.

Of course, they can spread rapidly from seed but if spotted early can easily be removed by hand; once firmly established they can be difficult to eradicate though. You would nearly have to say that they are Pleasant Hills adopted tree as the name appears in the title of the most comprehensive history of the village to date: "The Peppers on Ryan Street" by Robert Kleine (available at the shop).

This tree (before and after) was destined for removal as it was considered dead. Look at it now after a little rain.

No matter what your opinion of Peppercorn Trees may be; remember they are not 'Triffids' and so you shouldn't be afraid of them.

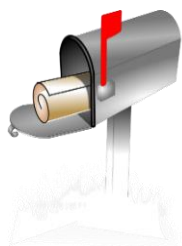


## PAPER ROSTER

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

| June                    |                  |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| 5 <sup>th</sup> June    | Suz Forck        |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> June   | David Male       |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> June   | Rex Lieschke     |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> June   | Brenda Gatehouse |
| July                    |                  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> July    | Shirley Lieschke |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> July   | Wayne Scholz     |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> July   | Barry Terlich    |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> July   | Bob Jacobsen     |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> July   | Hugh Clancy      |
| August                  |                  |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> August  | Oriel Ridge      |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> August | Rick Clancy      |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> August | Trevor Terlich   |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> August | Corey Beckett    |



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## Diary of Events

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

PHPS Grip Leadership day

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June

Year 6 Taster and See Day at Billabong High School

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> June

CWA @ Bunnings BBQ Albury

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> June

Ronald McDonald House guest speaker at St Paul's Lutheran Church

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June

Mobile Library 1:15 – 2:30pm

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June

CWA meeting, Henty B&B 1030am.

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June

Fire Brigade AGM 7pm at the Hotel.

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June

Patchwork group meeting

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June

DrumMuster 9 – 1030am

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June

Mobile Library 1:15 – 2:30pm

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June

Winter Solstice

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

PHPS Biggest Morning Tea

JULY

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July

Lunch under the veranda Pleasant Hills Pub (bookings essential).

