

Pleasant Hills Community Newsletter

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PLEASANT HILLS CWA

We had a surprise guest at our recent meeting – the Group President, Mrs Carol Grylls was in town, so we invited her

to come along and join us.

We finalised the details for the Bunnings BBQ, which was very successful, and we thank the people who helped us in manning the BBQ.



Nett Maloney, Wendy Crosby, Lyn Jacobsen & Bev Frohling (seated) at the Bunnings BBQ

We moved a motion that we send \$500 straight through to Far North Coast Group to use for their immediate needs after the second lot of flooding. We have already sent two lots of money to the State Disaster Relief Fund for their Flood Relief Appeal.

We had different fund-raiser for Easter – Hot Cross Buns and sold over 40 dz to boost our funds.

The Riverina Group has held a successful Stall at the “Stone The Crows Festival” in Wagga Wagga, to which we sent a donation.

Our thanks to Narelle Morey for representing us at the Pleasant Hills Anzac Day Ceremony.

There is to be an additional Group Council Meeting on 16th May at the Wagga Wagga CWA Rooms.

We discussed the motions on the State Conference Agenda, so our delegates had some idea of the Branch’s thoughts on them. We

hope our two Delegates, Nett and Margaret have a great time at the CWA of NSW’s 100th Conference!

You can watch the Conference at home on livestream by clicking the link

[Vimeo.com/nsweventstreaming](https://vimeo.com/nsweventstreaming) It will be available from 9.30am on Monday, 2nd May for the Opening Ceremony, then other days from 9am.

News from the Sydney Show was that due to various members contracting Covid, they had to close the Tea Rooms two days prior to the closing of the Show, which was disappointing for them.

We have just been informed that the CWA of NSW Disaster Relief Fund Committee has made available \$500,000 to support flood recovery efforts across the State, the break-up as follows: \$200,000 to GIVIT to support the provision of essential household support, including vouchers and other household items.

\$100,000 to Foodbank NSW/Act for the provision, freight, and distribution of food hampers.

\$50,000 to Northern Rivers Women and Children’s Services Inc to provide essential necessities in a range of circumstances, but particularly targeting women dealing with family and domestic violence matters.

Additionally, the Committee invites branches in impacted areas to apply for assistance.

Our next meeting will be in Henty on Wednesday, 11th May at the B & B, starting at 10.30am.

On a different matter, one of our members, Marie Jacobsen is getting married at Leeton on 7th May to Tim Gale from Tooraweenah, and we wish them all the very best for their future together.

School News and Reviews



CROSS COUNTRY
Greater Kengal Schools participated in their annual school cross country today. Thank you to

all staff, parents and the P&C for catering and assisting. Congratulations to the students as Pleasant Hills Public School was named Champion School for 2022! Special congratulations to our Age Champions - Samantha, Sam, Milly and Charlotte.



Some of our achievement award winners this term – James, Samantha, Caitlin, Charlotte, Isabelle, and Jesse.

Pleasant Hills Primary School P&C – News

At our AGM, the following positions were filled: - President: Amanda Male, 1st Vice President: Nicole Beckett, 2nd Vice President: Nidine Kiggins, Secretary: Emily Turner, Treasurer: Frances Terlich.

NAPLAN

Naplan will again be online this year. This will commence in Term 2 week 3.

TENNIS

Tennis lessons have begun at the school this term. The students are enjoying them, and their tennis skills are developing!



HARMONY DAY
PHPS celebrated Harmony Day on the 22/3/22.

The student came dressed in a splash of orange!



On **Sunday 29th May**, we will be undertaking a Bunnings BBQ in Wagga Wagga, so if you, family, or friends happen to be in Wagga on that day, please come down and buy a snag. Once again, we held a Pie Drive (thru Henty Bakery) for our school, thank you to all who brought pies, it was another successful pie drive for PHPS.

Pleasant Hills Pre School

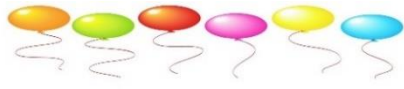
For the month of April, the children have enjoyed towing each other's trikes around the Preschool pathways. There has been face painting and fun planting Sweet Peas under an archway.

Role play as Doctors, Policeman and Mechanics has kept the children busy. They have created an artistic wall displaying their birthdays and used water spray bottles to spray paint onto butcher's paper.

Their imaginations were great as they created a dinosaur, fairy, and animal world, including crocodiles, pandas and unicorns.

For Easter they had an egg and spoon race.

Hills Happenings



Birthdays:

Happy 18th Birthday to Nikita Clancy for the 12th May.

Happy 70th Birthdays to Kerry and Cheryl Terlich for the 29th May.

Upcoming Nuptials:

Marie Jacobsen and Tim Gale are getting married at St Peter's Anglican Church, Leeton on Saturday, 7th May at 2pm. Friends are welcome at the Church. Marie is a daughter of Lyn & Jim Jacobsen.



Pleasant Hills Community Hotel

We are on the hunt for a new Kitchen Coordinator or Coordinators as we may be able to divide up the many duties required to fill this position. After many years of filling this position Annie Scholz is stepping down as of the pub AGM. The local community and the pub committee would like to say a huge Thank you to Annie for doing this big job for such a long time. If you may be interested or know someone that may please talk to one of the committee members or Annie.

Next Sunday Lunch under the Verandah is on 29th May. Bookings to Michelle Sharp or Janette Hahn.

The Pub AGM will be put back a month this year to August. Date to be confirmed.

Please remember also that the first Saturday of the month (May 7th) is *Take Away* menu only.



Federal Election 21st May 2022

Don't forget to vote on the 21st May. Polling booth at Pleasant Hills Public School open 8am to 6pm.

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ANZAC Day

This year the Pleasant Hills Hall welcomed 81 men, women and children to the 2022 ANZAC Day service, to honour our service men and women.

It was a beautiful day outside but with the curtains open the autumn light spilled into the hall for the service.



Our guest speaker this year was Flight Lieutenant Nicholas Pope who spoke of joining together as a community to volunteer and support each other as the diggers did by enlisting in both WW1 & WW2.

Thank you to Emily Turner for playing the organ again this year, it was greatly appreciated.



A huge thankyou to Anthony Male for stepping into MC the service.



Thank you to Peter Creek, Corey Beckett, Amanda, Anthony, and Isabelle Male for attending the working bee and helping me set up the hall the day before the service. Also, I must also say a big thankyou to all those who helped pack up, wash dishes, cooked, and served on the day. You are a credit to our community again this year.

Written by: Fiona Beckett.

Hall

PLEASANT HILLS HALL HIRE

(Set as follows unless prior arrangements made)

MEETING ROOM – Day or Night

\$10.00 plus GST = \$11.00

HALL or ANNEX – Half Day

\$60.00 plus GST = \$66.00

HALL or ANNEX – Whole Day

\$100.00 plus GST = \$110.00

HALL at NIGHT -

\$100.00 plus GST = \$110.00

(Bookings: Fiona 0409 849 140)

Committee:

President – Peter Sharp

Vice Presidents –

Hugh Clancy and Anthony Male

Secretary – Treasurer - Fiona Beckett

Committee Members:

Michelle Sharp, Oriel and Trevor Ridge,
Narelle Morey, Ellis Jelbart, Bob and Margie
Jacobsen, Anthony and Amanda Male, Corey
Beckett, Rick and Julianne Clancy, Peter Creek,
Grant and Sherree Morey, Hugh and Virginia
Clancy.

Annual General Meeting held at the start of
each financial year (TBA).

We welcome and encourage new members to
join our hall committee. No experience
necessary.

Membership is \$1 per person per year,
payable at the AGM.



*Animals seemed to be the feature of
Aprils meeting - including a Kookaburra
rescued on the way to patchwork.*



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Pleasant Hills Patchwork Group

Our next meeting is Saturday May 21st
and the theme "making a tablecloth".
With fabric supplied we will work
together to make a Tablecloth which we
will leave at the Hall for everyone's use.
You are more than welcome to continue
working on whatever you like also. The
day starts at 9.30 to 3.30 and BYO all
your sewing requisites, lunch, \$6, hand
sanitizer. If you feel unwell, please do
not come to Patchwork.
We love "show and tell" so please bring
them along.

Hills History



Friedrich Karl Fischer was born on 27th June 1910 at Pleasant Hills.

Fred was the son of Helen Maria and August Herman Fischer.

In February 1936, Fred was best man at his brother's wedding, at the Alma Park Lutheran church.

At the age of 29 and 11 months, Fred enlisted in the AIF on the 30th May of 1940 at Albury, taking the oath of enlistment at Caulfield in Melbourne on the 13th June 1940.

Fred listed his next of kin as his mother M. Fischer, living at "Alma Park" Walla Walla.

His occupation was listed as a "Tractor Driver". In his record his address is listed as "Alma Park" Walla.

He trained as a Machine Gunner at Balcom Camp near Melbourne and later was shifted to Bacchus Marsh. While there, a call came for transport drivers which was called the 4th Reserve Transport.

In Sydney on the 11th April 1941 (Good Friday) the 4th Reserve Transport as well as others embarked on the ship "Amsterdam" for Singapore, from there he went by train to Malacca in Malaya.

The D Company 4th Reserve MT was responsible for transporting cool stores all over Singapore and Malaysia.

Fred was appointed as Corporal 10th January 1942.

After the Japanese started bombing Singapore, he was transferred into traffic control, which required him to control the roads, leading troops to their destination (a very dangerous job). He was on a motorbike when he was shot in the leg.

Fred was taken prisoner of war and was in Changi Prison for 3 ½ years. During that time, he became very ill in hospital.

In 1945 after the Japanese surrender, he boarded the ship "Duntroone" to return home to Sydney. From Sydney he returned to Albury by train on 12th December 1945. And was discharged from service 17th January 1946.

He married Evelyn Myrtle Obst on the 25th May 1946. And they had a daughter Lorraine who married Bob Kilo. Bob and Loraine had two boys Travis and Matthew.

Fred was a staunch and active member of the Henty RSL Sub Branch for many years until his health prevented him from attending meetings.

Fred passed away on the 29th May 2000 and is buried at Henty Cemetery.

Lest We Forget.

Article written by: Fiona Beckett

With notes and photos kindly shared by: Loraine Kilo.

Our Backyard

Kurrajong Leafroller

Every now and then, part-time contributors, The Pietsch's (Kerry and Jan), give me a call with an idea for a story. They had a problem with some voracious caterpillars attacking their Kurrajong trees. Kerry informed me that he had little response from Government departments he had contacts and a consequential follow up by me resulted in a similar response, no-one in "the powers that be" seemed to either know or wanted to help (sound familiar?). Time to explore the old-fashioned books and after a couple of days we were on the right track. The real conformation came on the following Saturday when Jan was listening to the ABC's Gardening Show where the topic was discussed, and the problem was solved once and for all. A good week's work for all who were involved in the hunt. More importantly it led to the knowledge of a similar species which can be quite dangerous.

The Kurrajong Leafroller (*Sylepta clytalis*), is bright yellow with an irregular wavy black band round the outer edge of the wings. The larvae are gregarious feeding on the foliage of the Kurrajong, which they mat together into an irregular mass with strands of web. These webbed masses measure up to a foot in length. The larvae feed upon the enclosed leaves, and as these are consumed, fresh branches are added to the sides, so the bunch grows continually. When fully fed, each larvae draws the side of a leaf together, and pupates in the irregular chambers so formed. (from: Australian Insects by Keith C. McKeown)

These moths are quite hard to observe as much of their activity occurs at night.

The best way to see one is to collect several of the larger masses and place them into a box with a mesh covering. Hopefully, in time, some of the moths will merge and remain captured in the sealed box. Although they can totally defoliate some Kurrajong trees, they will rarely kill the tree, that would destroy their purpose in life. If a pod is opened, the small green caterpillars can be observed and can be safely handled. But..., if the caterpillars are hairy leave them alone as you have probably unearthed some Processionary Caterpillars which are somewhat dangerous.

Processionary Caterpillars (*Ochrogaster contraria*) feed basically on Acacias (Wattles) and some Eucalypts. These hairy caterpillars grow to about 5cm and cause severe skin irritation and nasty allergic reactions if handled. They can often be seen following one another head to tail in a long line as they change trees for feeding. Their nests are similar to the Leafroller but they pupate underground. As well as causing painful skin reactions in humans, accidental consumption of these itchy hairs by grazing horses has reportedly triggered the loss of unborn foal in mares. The Aborigines would not sleep beneath a tree in which any of the bag-shelters were hanging, less they fell upon them and cause blindness. It is common in western New South Wales to see hectares of wattle completely defoliated and the ugly bag shelters remaining in the branches.

Bob Marshall.



Vintage Train Ride

Paterson Rail Motor Society's 620 class Rail Motor was hired out by Cruise Express from Thursday 31st March to Tuesday 5th April. This Rail Motor, built in 1961, spent its whole life, until 2007, when it was withdrawn from service, in the Newcastle area. It went straight into heritage preservation with the Rail Motor Society.

The train crew was made up of 3 drivers, 2 catering staff and a fitter.

This Southern Branches tour to the Riverina started from Sydney travelling to Albury. The train travelled to; The Rock, Junee, Griffith, Hillston, Temora, Naradhan and Cootamundra. Due to track problems the train was unable to run on the former Oakland branch line to Boree Creek and was replaced by a coach for the passengers from The Rock. At Boree Creek the passengers enjoyed lunch and a visit to Tim Fischer Park.

At Griffith the local people were also able to enjoy a trip on the heritage Rail Motor by booking a tour to Hillston and return.

Also, due to track conditions, the train was unable to go to Lake Cargelligo, so the passengers travelled there on a separate coach tour.

Two of the highlights of the train tour were lunch and afternoon tea at the beautifully restored, historic Junee Station's dining

room and a visit to and dinner at Temora Aviation Museum.

A train problem at The Rock on April 1st was repaired by a local auto electrician from Henty who thought the phone call he received to request his help was an April Fool's joke. His help was much appreciated by the train crew.

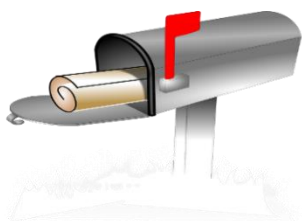


PAPER ROSTER

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

May	
7 th May	Rick Clancy
14 th May	Trevor Terlick
21 st May	Corey Beckett
28 th May	Suz Forck
June	
4 th June	David Male
11 th June	Rex Lieschke
18 th June	Brenda Gatehouse
25 th June	Shirley Lieschke
July	
2 nd July	Wayne Scholz
9 th July	Barry Terlich
16 th July	Hugh Clancy
23 rd July	Oriel Ridge
30 th July	Rick Clancy



Newsletter

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Diary of Events

Tuesday 3rd May
PHPS P&C meeting

Friday 6th May
PSSA Cross Country Lockhart

Monday 9th May
Mobile Library 1:15 – 2:30pm

Wednesday 11th May
CWA meeting Henty B&B 1030am

Thursday 16th May
CWA additional Group Council meeting Wagga Wagga

Friday 20th May
PHPS Athletics Carnival

Saturday 21st May
Federal Election voting at PHPS

Saturday 21st May
Pleasant Hills Patchwork Group

Monday 23rd May
Mobile Library 1:15 – 2:30pm

Sunday 29th May
Lunch under the Verandah
(Bookings essential)

Sunday 29th May
PHPS Bunnings BBQ Wagga Wagga

June

Monday 6th June
Fire Bigrade AGM 7pm

Monday 20th June
DrumMUSTER 9:00 – 10:30am



DrumMUSTER

The next collection date at
the Pleasant Hills tip is

Mon 20th June, 2022

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,

G.Morey, R.Smith, S.Forck.

Please book in
large loads.

All proceeds to go to the
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(the pub)

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