

Pleasant Hills Community Newsletter

December 2022



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PLEASANT HILLS CWA

We are holding our Christmas break-up party on Wednesday, November 30th at Brady's Hotel, where Henty Evening members will join us. The colour scheme for the Kris Kringle is silver and gold and is to be something bought from an Op Shop or re-cycled from your supplies. This created so much fun last year, that we are looking forward to another fun day. Bunnings' have finally allowed the cake stalls to start again after Covid, so we've had two Scone, Muffin and Biscuit Stalls this month raising money for the Flood Appeal. People were very generous, and together with the two stalls, donations and mini lamington drives, we have been able to raise \$2,000.00 for this Appeal, which although a mere pittance as to what is needed, is a pretty big effort from our small branch.

We have also given money towards a new portable ECG Machine for the Albury Base Hospital, and the Relay for Life event in recent times.

We have purchased a Square Reader to use at Street Stalls etc, as so many people don't carry cash anymore and we felt we needed to keep up with the times.

We had an entry in The Rock Show, which came third in the CWA exhibit, so congratulations to the members who contributed.

Wendy attended a Handicraft "Learning Day" at Tarcutta, which she enjoyed and said was a good day.

We have three members attending the Riverina Group Council Meeting on Monday.

Don't forget, our CWA Branch would love some new members with new ideas, so please contact Lyn Jacobsen on 0428690222 or Nett Maloney on 0421983244 if you'd like to join us.

Many thanks to Virginia and her Team for producing the Pleasant Hills Monthly Newsletter. Since most of us have now moved on from Pleasant Hills, we enjoy reading about what is happening in the "Hills"! Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and best wishes for the New Year!

Our February Meeting will be at the Commercial Club in Albury on 8th February 2023 at 10.30am.

Pleasant Hills Community Hotel

The pub has had a good month in November, the highlights being the Trivia Night with roughly 9 tables. Cocktail were enjoyed on the same night. Thanks to Grant and Sheree for the Trivia and Maddie for the Cocktails and Nikita, Grace and Grace for the wonderful performance in the kitchen to get everyone fed.

There is a bit going on in December, with a Sunday Lunch on the 4th please get any booking into Michelle or Janette as soon as possible. The Pub Christmas party will be on Friday 23rd, the raffles a that will be a Seafood Tray and a Ham, thanks to Trav's Henty Butchery. I hope that plenty of people will come and support this night, but who knows it may be even dry enough to harvest by then...

At this stage the pub will be open on Christmas Eve Sat 24th but, there will be no food available as the cooks need the night off. We will be closed on Sat 31st of December, but we will be open on Friday 30th and the kitchen will be open also.

Just to remind all that we are now open each Sunday from 2pm, big thanks to Marty and Laurie for offering to open. Come and enjoy a beer on the verandah.

Thanks
Peter Sharp
Secretary

School News and Reviews



School Swimming

School swimming began on Monday 28/11/22 and will go through to Friday 9/12/22. Fran Jones and her helper will be coordinating the swimming again this year.

Kinder Orientation

We have welcomed Cohen to the Infants classroom over the term on a Thursday for his 2023 Kinder Orientation. We look forward to welcoming him in 2023!

Presentation Afternoon

PHPS will hold our annual Presentation Assembly on Tuesday 13th December at school. All invited. Please bring a plate to share for afternoon tea. THIS TIME MAY CHANGE TO MORNING DUE TO A CLASH OF EVENTS—AWAITING CLARIFICATION. A message will be sent through the portal to clarify.

Pleasant Hills Pre School

Thank-you for the wide verandah area outside the Post Office and alongside of the Pub, it's an excellent space to play duck, duck, goose- when it rains or visit the Post Office to send letters to Santa.

There was happiness plus as the children put the Christmas tree up and decorated it. We are celebrating our Christmas Concert on Wednesday 7th December.

Last day of Term is Tuesday 20th December. We will return to welcome students on Tuesday 31st January 2023.

Kelly Male.

Hills Happenings



Birthdays:

Happy 80th Birthday to Alison Scott for the 31st December.

January:

Happy 60th Birthday to Janette Hahn for the 8th January.

Happy 60th Birthday to Tony Christie for the 29th January.



Tennis Club

We've been able to get a few weeks of play in here & there although Saturday 19th was washed out. Sec 3a is currently in 3rd place & have had some great matches. We have a good list of both men & ladies, including a teacher from St. Paul's College. This will be handy during harvest! Also, wonderful to see the 3 Stein brothers on the court.

Secs 5 & 6, whilst yet to post a win, are thoroughly enjoying playing & it's so good to have the 2 younger grades again. Thank you to all the parents & carers who bring the kids along & help out.

Coaching with Matt on Friday afternoon/evenings continues. Numbers have been a bit light on over the last few weeks but hopefully people if they can, will make an effort to get there as Matt travels out from Wagga for us.

There is some work being done to hopefully receive funding to upgrade the existing lights to more energy efficient (& brighter!) & also stretch to a new tower for the synthetic grass courts.

Our comp has a break after 17th December & recommences 21st January 2023.

Coaching finishes 16th December & starts again 4th February 2023.

Carol Smith.

Pleasant Hills Patchwork Group

November's meeting was a busy day with some people doing Christmas Table Runners and some doing UFO's. Show-n-Tell was also inspirational to see.

Our December meeting is on Saturday 17th December with a UFO theme, so remember to bring \$6 Hall hire, general sewing requirements and Morning Tea and Lunch to share as it is our Christmas meeting. Also, bring a \$10 Secret Santa gift (with a sewing theme), and ideas (preferably with photo's / instructions) so we can discuss the 2023 plan.



**The adult version of
"head, shoulders,
knees and toes" is
"wallet, glasses,
keys and phone."**

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A Poem About Shorts.

It's time to forgo trouser leg
As Winter and Spring are done
The days are getting warmer
The heat of Summer has come.

While sunny skies see temperatures rise
Long pants have had their day
It's time to pack my ample stack
Of slacks and jeans away.

I thought I'd find a pair of shorts
More suitable to wear
Rummaging throughout all the drawers
I thought I'd find them there.

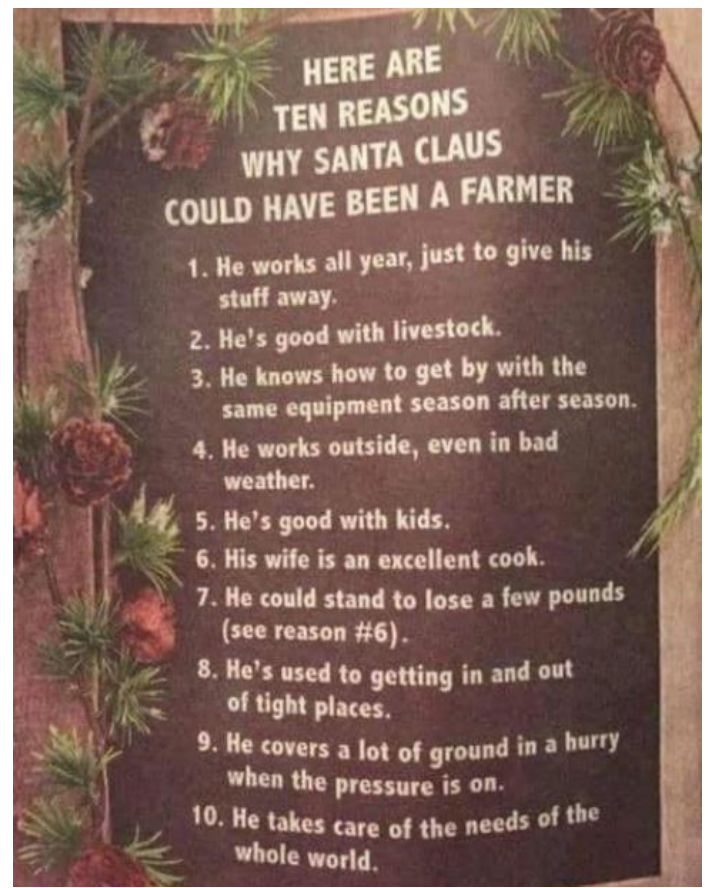
And there they were, all squashed and
creased
Hiding in drawer number three
I pulled them out with shreds of doubt
I hoped they'd still fit me.

And on they went, oh happy days
My legs were now quite coolish
I saw with fright they were extremely
white
And then felt slightly foolish.

The purpose of this jaunty verse
Is to have a bit of fun.
And the moral of the story?
Well, It's quite a simple one.

OK, I know this fable is
A tale of simple jest
But what to wear when it's hot out
there?
Shorts are always best.

By Trudy Smith.



Hills History

This being the last newsletter before Australia Day, I thought I would touch on the pride to be an Australian. And closer to home, pride in our local Pleasant Hills community.

I recently took a closer look at the Tidy Towns Awards the town and local community has been awarded over the years. These plaques and certificates are available to view at the Pleasant Hills Community Hotel and the Pleasant Hills Community Hall. All the awards are for town of a population 0-350 residents.

The first award was in:

1992 Keep Australia Beautiful Council Tidy Towns Awards awarded for the Heritage for the Old Lutheran Cemetery.

1994 Keep Australia Beautiful Council Tidy Towns Awards for Cultural Heritage of the Pleasant Hills Public Hall.

1995 Keep Australia Beautiful Council (NSW) awarded to Pleasant Hills for Wildlife Habitat and Corridors namely of The Esplanade.

2000 Keep Australia Beautiful Council (NSW) Winner of the Cultural Heritage Conservation of the Community Hotel.

2000 Keep Australia Beautiful Council (NSW) Winner of the Wildlife Corridors and Habitat Conservation of the Public Watering Place and The Esplanade.

2003 Keep Australia Beautiful NSW Country Energy Tidy Towns Award 1 st Place for Pleasant Hills being a Tidy Town.

2003 Country Energy Tidy Towns Awards Pleasant Hills, Winner of the Bush Spirit Award.

2003 Country Energy Tidy Towns Awards NSW National Parks and Wildlife Services Winner of Wildlife Corridors and Habitat Conservation Awarded to the Alma Park/Pleasant Hills Landcare Group for the Mundawaddery Cemetery.

2003 Country Energy Tidy Towns Awards from the NSW Heritage Office Cultural Heritage Conservation Award Pleasant Hills was Highly Commended for work carried out on the Community Hall.

2004 Tidy Towns Awards Highly Commended Pleasant Hills with the Friendly Town Award.

2004 Tidy Towns Awards Pleasant Hills received a Highly Commended of the Wildlife and Conservation Award for the Alma Park/Pleasant Hills Landcare Railway Revegetation Project.

2007 Tidy Towns Awards office Cultural Heritage Conservation Award Highly Commended Pleasant Hills for the German Heritage Day.

2007 Tidy Towns Awards Highly Commended Pleasant Hills for being a Friendly Town.

2008 Tidy Towns Awards Pleasant Hills were awarded 3rd Place in the Overall Tidy Town.

2011 Tidy Towns Awards Sustainable Communities Awards Pleasant Hills received 1st Place in the Overall Tidy Town Award.

As well as the Tidy Towns Awards Pleasant Hills has also been acknowledged for other community awards and community participation.

2003 Alma Park/Pleasant Hills Landcare Group were State Finalists for Community Group of the Year.

2012 Drum Muster received an award for outstanding Support through the collection of used chemical container recycling since 2008, and it's still very well supported by the community.

Look at all our community has achieved, and these are only the awards on display. I am sure there are many more that Pleasant Hills have been awarded.

We should all be extremely proud of our community.

Written by: Fiona Beckett



Our Backyard

RAINY DAZE

It seems like it's been raining forever, but we will survive. The temperature though is another thing. Some are saying that they are still growing winter vegetables and spring produce is just hanging on. I have to agree; I just hope we don't get a surge of very hot weather and the late vegetables and seedlings don't cook but that will probably happen. One thing the rain has done is increase the amount of wildlife that is crossing our roads and seem to stop in the middle to enjoy the warmth of the tar; echidnas, frogs and even snakes to name a few. Even though most of us take the time to slow down or even stop to remove the culprits, the soggy edges or even the sheer danger it can bring, especially if there is someone behind, has to be considered at the expense of some individuals, especially birds. Oh well, I'm sure we do what we can. It reminds me of a time when I used to give a fella a lift to work, many years ago, who had to stop every time we passed an animal lying dead on the road; he would get out and then put the body on the side of the road. Sometimes it took a while to find a safe place to stop and I soon learnt to leave at a considerably earlier time. I'm glad those days are over, but I often wonder if someone else hasn't inherited the problem. Good intentions but really 'over the top'. Maybe the odd wombat or kangaroo if they were a driving hazard but for me it stops there.

Probably the biggest problem that the rain has brought is the potholes. One day that there is nothing there and suddenly the next they are. At least we have a council that's on the job. Some potholes have been filled three or more times and continue to be filled. It must be frustrating for the workers but they seem to be at their task relentlessly. Some Councils are not so lucky. Often, we have talked about 'Urban Myths' that often have been held by some of us for several years. Remember the myth about the "Lemmings over the Cliff". Well..... the TV Show 'Spicks and Specs' recently informed us that Stevie Wonder is not blind, it's just a part of his stage act (I'm not prepared to believe that one just yet, but hey, it is showbusiness). We are approaching the end of the year again; and again; "Who knows what the New Year will bring". I'm sure it will be something that will test our mettle though.

In the meantime;

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

Bob Marshall.



CELEBRATING
75 Years
1948-2023

ST PAUL'S COLLEGE
WALLA WALLA, NSW

Friday, 17th March 2023
St. Paul's College Grounds, 3 Klemke Ave, Walla Walla NSW

We invite you to share in celebrating **75 years** as we honour the past & look forward to the future

- Live Music
- Market Stalls
- Food & Drinks
- Games & lots more fun for all ages!

Scan the QR code to keep up to date




AUSTRALIAN

National Anthem

Australians all let us rejoice,
For we are one and free;
We've golden soil and wealth for toil;
Our home is girt by sea;
Our land abounds in nature's gifts
Of beauty rich and rare;
In history's page, let every stage
Advance Australia Fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing,
Advance Australia Fair.

Beneath our radiant Southern Cross
We'll toil with hearts and hands;
To make this Commonwealth of ours
Renowned of all the lands;
For those who've come across the seas
We've boundless plains to share;
With courage let us all combine
To Advance Australia Fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing,
Advance Australia Fair.



FREE MAIN STREET EVENT

HENTY STREET SCAPE

STALLS | MUSIC | FOOD | GAMES

10 MARCH 2023
FRIDAY AFTERNOON

If you would like to be involved,
we would love to hear from you!
Email: hentystreetscape@gmail.com

PLANNING SURVEY

WE WOULD LOVE YOUR HELP!
Our planning survey is still available at the Henty Bendigo Bank. Thank-you for taking the time to complete this short survey. **Closes Mid-Dec.**

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Australian Flag Facts:

- Commonwealth Star – 6 points denote the 6 states of Australia, and the 7th point denotes all the territories.

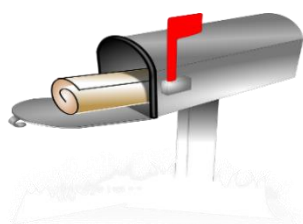
- Stars of the Southern Cross
Happy Australia Day
January 26th.

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

December	
3 rd December	Shirley Lieschke
10 th December	Wayne Scholz
17 th December	Barry Terlich
24 th December	Hugh Clancy
31 st December	Oriel Ridge
January	
7 th January	Rick Clancy
14 th January	Trevor Terlich
21 st January	Corey Beckett
28 th January	David Male
February	
4 th February	Rex Lieschke
11 th February	Brenda Gatehouse
18 th February	Shirley Lieschke
25 th February	Wayne Scholz



Newsletter

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Wishing everyone a happy, safe and joyous Christmas, and a relaxing start to the new year. Remember, there is no January Newsletter. We will return in February 2022. Stay safe and look after each other.

Diary of Events

Thursday 1st December
Mobile Library 1030 – 1130am

Sunday 4th December
Lunch under the verandah
(Bookings essential)

Wednesday 7th December
Preschool Christmas Concert

Tuesday 13th December
PHPS Presentation Assembly

Wednesday 14th December
PHPS Scripture

Thursday 15th December
Mobile Library 1030 – 1130am

Friday 16th December
Students last Day Term 4

Saturday 17th December
Patchwork meeting

Tuesday 20th December
Preschool Students last day

Friday 23rd December
Pub Christmas Party

January

Saturday 21st January
Patchwork meeting

Wednesday 26th January
Australia Day Awards

Tuesday 31st January
PHPS First day Term 1

Tuesday 31st January
Preschool students return.