

Pleasant Hills Community Newsletter

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PLEASANT HILLS CWA

Our Branch once again met at the Commercial Club for our meeting.

Eunice McRae was presented with a bouquet of flowers for accepting the position of our Patron.

The Group's International Day was held on 29th April with three members attending. Our Country of Study this year is France, so it will be an interesting day. Kay gave another talk on some of her experiences whilst visiting France.



Margaret Hasler, Kay Dran and Lyn Jacobsen enjoying a French meal.

Since the 29th April was "Women Walk the World Day", there was a planned walk for us.

We decided to hold a stall at Bunnings, which was very successful, with thanks to the ladies who cooked and manned the stall.

Henty Day Branch, with both Henty Evening and Pleasant Hills helping with some cooking, held a stall in Henty for Carevan which was extremely successful. We thank Narelle Morey for representing our CWA Branch at the Pleasant Hills Anzac Day Service.

We have sent an order through to Head Office which we will collect at State Conference.

We are also going to order some Land Cookery books to pick up at Conference. Our Branch has four members attending State Conference.

We wish our members who won first prize with their cooking at Group Level every success when they compete at State level at Coffs Harbour.

Nett Maloney has ordered our tickets online for the State raffle.

News from State Head Office is that CWA of NSW has donated from our Disaster Relief Fund, \$50,000 to Victoria for help with their Bushfire and Flood Relief and another \$50,000 to Queensland to help with their Flood Relief.

Conference will be livestreamed for those at home who wish to watch it. We are delighted to have four members going to Coffs Harbour for the conference.

CWA of NSW is increasing its contribution to the Rural Doctors Network, and we will now donate six Bush Bursaries with a value of \$1500 each.

There will be some interesting Guest Speakers at Conference speaking on a variety of topics, including rural and regional crime and road safety. Sadly, Wendy has had a fall and broken her ankle, so we wish her a speedy recovery.

Our next meeting will be held a week later than normal on the 15th May, due to State Conference in Coffs Harbour that week. We will meet at the Commercial Club in Albury at 10.30am.

Pleasant Hills Community Hotel

Has been another busy month at the pub with the Ganmain Social Club coming for lunch on the 6th April, Charity Bike Ride on the 13th April called in for a drink or two, and the Henty Football Netball Club called in on their Mystery Bus trip on the 27th April. Would like to thank all the volunteers that have put in the extra hours to help with these extra people as they have been outside of our normal opening hours.

The next round of rosters will be starting in July so if would like to help in the kitchen cooking or you have a child that is 14 years or older and would like to wait on tables on a Saturday night, let us know, as always looking for extra hands.

School News and Reviews



PLEASANT HILLS FOOTBALL HISTORY PODCAST RELEASE 10th APRIL 2024

An enjoyable experience was had by all the students at Pleasant Hills with a picture of the remaining men who played in the last Pleasant Hills football team and Ex-student Lewis McRae wearing the special footy jumper.



P & C MEETING

Our next meeting will be held at school on Monday 6th May commencing at 2pm.

GRIP LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Year 5/6 students will be attending the Wagga Conference on the 7th May. The day will include presentations, interactive activities, discussion, leadership games and entertainment.

BIGGEST MORNING TEA

Pleasant Hills Public School is hosting the Biggest Morning Tea on Wednesday 22nd May commencing at 11:00am. All family and community members are most welcome to support a very worthwhile cause.



GREATER KENGAL CROSS COUNTRY

The Greater Kengal Cross Country was held at the school on Friday 12th April and the weather was excellent for cross country running. Boree Creek and Yerong Creek attended, and everyone enjoyed the day before the schools started their holiday break. Well done to all schools for good sportsmanship throughout the day and congratulations to all our students at Pleasant Hills Public School who won the Championship Cross Country perpetual trophy. Great work also to Isabelle Male who won the Senior Girl champion while siblings Samantha and James Terlich won the Junior Girl and Boy champions.

SOUTHERN RIVERINA CROSS COUNTRY

Good luck to the 6 students attending the Southern Riverina Cross Country on Friday 10th May at Jindera.



GK ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

We look forward to our Greater Kengal Athletics Carnival at Lockhart Sportsground on Friday 24th May.

Pleasant Hills Pre School



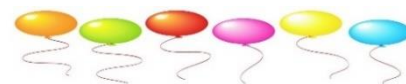
Preschool for Term 2 began on the 30th April. We had some more children join us in term one and there will be more joining our preschool this coming term. The new families love the welcoming environment at pleasant hills preschool.



We are looking for an enthusiastic new Pre-School Director. Please refer to Page 10 for details.

Frances Terlich.

Hills Happenings



Birthdays:

Happy 30th Birthday to Nicola Christie for the 6th May.

Happy 30th Birthday to Ben Terlich for the 8th May.

Happy 60th Birthday to Michelle Sharp for the 28th May.

Happy 70th Birthday to Barry Terlich for the 29th May.

Congratulations:
Introducing Mr & Mrs Grant

Marcela and Justin Grant 4/11/2023



Marcela Scheuner and Justin Grant were married on the 4th November, 2023 at the Pleasant Hills Hall, followed by a reception at the Henty Community Club. Marcela is the daughter of Colin and Janelle Scheuner of Henty, and Justin is the son of Marty and Jane Grant of Laidley, Qld. Marcela and Justin are travelling with Eroni's Circus in Victoria.



Pleasant Hills Patchwork Group



We had a great day with lots of UFO's getting finished and new projects undertaken. Above is a collage of some of the newer projects a lot of patchworkers were busy working on, and ongoing projects.

Our next project is a Signature Bear, on Saturday 18th May, if you would like to do this email (Virginia Clancy) via this newsletter's email and instructions can be forwarded to you. Help will be available to assist with the pattern, templates and the process on the day. The bear is usually made from Calico to enable people gifting the bear to sign or write messages for the recipient. The feet and features are made with coloured fabric, plastic eyes or buttons and bow ties look good too. You can make the bear this way or with one or multiple coloured fabrics. A great gift for young and old birthdays, add a hat for graduations or to remind someone that you are thinking of them.

BYO: all your sewing requisites and sewing machine, Calico and coloured fabric, eyes (Carole will have some for purchase if you are unable to source your own). Bring your own lunch and \$6 for the hall hire.

Fire Brigade



Thankyou to those who attended to call-outs over the summer period, the escaped fire on 'Waverley', the old building in Pleasant Hills, and the Tree fire by lightning on Christmas morning. Most of you will be aware or seen our new fire truck which replaced the old 1 Bravo. 1 Alpha has now gone to the southern shed and the new 1Bravo will be in the town shed.

Grant Morey.

Pleasant Hills 1B New Grasslands Tanker



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After the Rain

A Poem by Mathew Rush.

After the rain when the wind
is still,
After the rain when the air is
clean,
The trees are silent and the
leaves glisten,
The mist lingers and the
shadows fade,
The new drops sparkle and
the grasses whisper,
And the perfume rests upon
my nose.
After the rain when the
streams all flow,
After the rain when the roads
are washed,
The clouds hang heavy and
grey and wet,
The birds chirp and the
puddles gather,
The last drip falls lonely from
the glimmering roof,
And the sun speaks to a world
that is new.

Postage Stamps:



The cost of stamps has risen in April to \$1.50. For those that receive their newsletter via post, if you haven't already, please call in at the Pleasant Hills Post Office and pre-purchase your stamps (and leave them at the Pleasant Hills Post Office), or contact Virginia Clancy, to ensure you will continue to receive the newsletter each month for this year.

Hills History

Vale Bruce Trethowan

Bruce was born on the 11th September 1935, at the family farm "Carrawatha" at Walbundrie. The youngest of seven children.

Bruce went to school at the now named Scots School for three years. Bruce was also a Nasho and trained for three years. They wanted to make him a Corporal. But when they asked Bruce if he wanted to become a Corporal, he told them he was only there for a holiday. So, they made him run up this massive hill with his gun over his head. He never did get that promotion to Corporal.

Bruce was proud to see the Queen in 1954 when she came to Ballarat. They were all armed to keep the Queen safe. The spot where Bruce was standing was right in front of a pub, all he wanted to do was go inside and have a drink. Bruce and his mates snuck out of a military base to go to the Rand ball, they went by taxi which ended up costing them over £100. Bruce played football for Walbundrie until 1967, playing in one grand final with a broken thumb. He also played tennis and was a water skier. Bruce loved working on the farm and was still driving the header up until a few years ago and helping out in the shearing shed. Bruce was a keen fisherman and a life member of the Walbundrie Show Committee, and the Urangeline Fire Captain for many years.

Bruce met Margaret Hall at the Rand ball and they married in Albury in 1959. Bruce with the help of his brothers and brother-in-law took a year to build the house at "White Tank", which was completed in 1960.

Bruce and Margaret had 6 children, 14 grandchildren, and 9 great grandchildren.



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HALL NEWS

The Picnic table and seating next to the BBQ at the Hall has been removed temporarily for maintenance due to it needing repair.



ANZAC Service

As usual the ANZAC Day service was held at 9am at the Hall. This year was no different to other years with 60 in attendance.

This year with a guest speaker unavailable, there were three service histories of local soldiers, read to those in attendance. This gave a local connection to the day.

Those soldiers referred to at this years' ANZAC Day service was;

J Knoble, J S Browne, and R F Browne.

Following the service the locals put on a beautiful spread of sweet and savory foods, which was enjoyed in the beautiful sunshine.



Our Backyard

AUTUMN AGAIN

It doesn't take long before the season swings again and though most farmers have their heads down it is a perfect time to take a break and observe the wildlife that abounds this time of year in Pleasant Hills. Although we are preparing for the cold of winter there is much to see around 'The Hills' in all the nature reserves. Looking skywards there are a plethora of bird nests to see.

Although they aren't always occupied, their inhabitants are usually close by and there is a multitude of young birds on offer for the keen observer to see.

This year we have confirmation of a new colony breeding in 'The Hills'.

There at least two breeding pairs of king parrots living here, maybe more.

King parrots have been sighted here before but not with young. One pair has at least three young and the other at least one. We know that they were born here as none of them are yet older enough to have flown here. They can barely fly from tree to tree. They have been established in Henty for some years (probably in the nearby Doodle Cooma Wetlands), but finding them residing and breeding this far east is rare indeed. They usually live in the mountains and head towards the coast in the cooler months. Just to remind you are about king parrots, this is from the ever-reliable "What Bird is That?" by Neville W. Cayley.

"In pairs or flocks, inhabiting chiefly heavily-timbered ranges or brushes. Common and conspicuous but rather wary. Although its usual call is a shrill grating 'eek-eek-eek', it utters at times a soft and musical whistle. The species

feeds on native seeds, fruits, and berries. It nests in a tree hollow, sometimes up to six metres below the entrance".

If we are to encourage this small flock to survive then we need protect our trees around the village especially the large ones and more particular the dead ones. Too often I hear the cry; "I'm going to cut it down because it is dying and anyway it's full of white ants". I can tell you that a tin of surface spray or a bottle of ant rid from the supermarket will end the white ant problem; and unless they are a danger to passing traffic, they should be left as nesting sites. Not just eucalypts but peppercorns as well. In this modern age, any population explosion of invasive non-native trees can be easily managed. No more chopping down trees for the sake of it!

Every now and then unscrupulous, usually non-local wood collectors, invade our town and so one needs to be alert to their presence. You never know when they might strike. The way times are going one can expect this to be an increasing phenomenon. We did once have a couple of locals engaged in this dubious practice, but they are long gone (or are they?)

This male king parrot was captured the other day in Pleasant Hills, feeding on a carob tree and he looks pretty healthy, as did his siblings. Let hope he and his family remain here.

Bob Marshall.



Matt's Cooking Corner:



Grandpa's loaded Mac n cheese bake.



Ingredients:

- 2 tablespoons olive oil.
- 1 medium brown onion finely chopped.
- 1 red capsicum, deseeded, diced.
- 2 spring onions chopped (or chives).
- 2 stems celery, diced.
- 3 rashers bacon, rind removed, chopped.
- 1 teaspoon coriander powder.
- 1 teaspoon paprika.
- Pinch of chilli powder or cayenne pepper powder (to taste).
- ½ teaspoon turmeric powder.
- 1 garlic clove, crushed.
- 40g butter.
- 1 cups milk.
- 1 cup thickened cream.
- 3 tablespoons cheddar cheese spread.
- 500g dried good quality Durum wheat macaroni.
- 1 cup grated mozzarella (or pizza cheese).

- Pink rock salt and ground black pepper.
- ½ cup coriander leaves, loosely chopped.

Method:

- Heat oil in a large saucepan over medium heat. Add onion and bacon. Cook, stirring, for 5 minutes or until softened. Add garlic, capsicum, celery, coriander powder, paprika, chilli powder and turmeric. Cook, stirring on lower heat for 3 minutes or until vegetables soften. Then turn off heat and cover.
- Preheat oven to 220°C/200°C fan forced. Lightly grease an 8 cup-capacity baking dish.
- Meanwhile, cook pasta in a saucepan of boiling salted water, following packet directions. Drain. Return to saucepan. Add milk, cream, butter, and cheese spread. Stir to combine, sprinkle salt and pepper to taste.
- Add spring onions and bacon and onion mixture to pasta. Stir to combine. Spoon into prepared dish. Sprinkle with mozzarella. Bake for 20 minutes or until golden. Stand for 5 minutes. Serve topped with coriander leaves.

Position Vacant:

Preschool Director Pleasant Hills Preschool



Pay rate per hour \$43.81



Location is 85km from Albury or Wagga, 25km from Henty.

About us

- Pleasant Hills Preschool is in a rural farming setting. It is for children 3 to 5 years of age with a focus on integrated and holistic early childhood education, child development and health and wellbeing.
- At Pleasant Hills Preschool, we're looking for a passionate and enthusiastic Educator to join our team in a Director's role.
- We are open on Tuesday and Wednesday each week from 8.15am-4.15pm The Director's role will be paid for two face-to-face days and one administration day, which can be a 'work from home' day. This is a total of 22 hours per week.

Tasks & responsibilities:

- Create a stimulating, positive and appropriate environment

to foster and support the development.

- Provide care, assisting children in daily routines. Respond to the emotional needs of the children.

- Work together with other staff members for the best outcome for students learning.

Qualifications & experience:

- Valid Working With Children's Check.
- Current First Aid Certificate including:
 - Anaphylaxis and Asthma training.
- Child Protection qualification
- A creative and cooperative team player.

Benefits:

- Travel allowance is provided as part of this role.
- The preschool is well equipped with a variety of resources.
- Ratios are excellent.
- Pay is above award rates

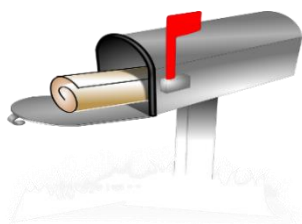
Call Frances 0400347602 for a confidential discussion about the position.

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HENTY

May	
4 th May	Hugh Clancy
11 th May	Oriel Ridge
18 th May	Rick Clancy
25 th May	Trevor Terlich
June	
1st June	Corey Beckett
8 th June	David Male
15 th June	Rex Lieschke
22 nd June	Wayne Scholz
29 th June	Barry Terlich
July	
6 th July	Hugh Clancy
13 th July	Oriel Ridge
20 th July	Rick Clancy
27 th July	Trevor Terlich



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Diary of Events

Thursday 2nd May

Mobile Library 1030 – 1130am

Monday 6th May

PHPS P&C meeting 2pm

Sunday 12th May

Mother's Day

Wednesday 15th May

CWA meeting Commercial Club Albury 1030am.

Thursday 16th May

Mobile Library 1030 – 1130am

Saturday 18th May

Pleasant Hills Patchwork Group

Wednesday 22nd May

PHPS Biggest Morning Tea 11am.

Thursday 30th May

Mobile Library 1030 – 1130am

