

The Charlton Community Newsletter

December
2020
Issue 145 **\$1**

www.charlton.vic.au
charltonnewsletter@gmail.com

Charlton's Only Dedicated News Resource

Charlton Men's Shed Re-opens

The easing of Covid-19 restrictions saw the Charlton Men's Shed re-opening its doors, much to the delight of attendees who have had to endure time away from their mates and their regular meeting place.

Eager to get the work underway again, "Shedders"

were quickly engaged in the production of two wooden Christmas trees for the Charlton Neighbourhood House festive window display.

The trees, which are now installed, display Charlton's many businesses, along with a tribute to the town's many nonagenarians (people ninety

years of age or older).

While work at the Shed has been on hold for some time, the stockpile of bagged kindling wood has provided an income stream over the winter months with the sale of 230 x 20kg bags. At \$10 per bag, with a choice of light or hardwood this has been a much-in-demand item.

For shed member Stan Gretgrix, it's a labour of love, chipping the off-cuts to make enough to fill the numerous bags. A hit with travellers, the kindling was snapped up when lockdowns eased, with campers at Wooroonook Lake keen to

pick-up a bag or two, along with other visitors who took a supply back to Melbourne. Kindling is available year round from either the Men's Shed or from Mensland in High Street.

The Shed is also working on restorations of decorative outdoor bench seats which will then be available for sale at \$250 per item.

For any information about the Charlton Men's Shed – becoming a member, sale of items, dropping in for a chat – Phone Kevin Willey 0488 911 830.

Photos courtesy of Buloke Shire.



Above: Andrew Krogman (l) and Kevin Willey (r) are pictured with the Christmas trees for the Charlton Neighbourhood House.



Above: Stan Gretgrix works on building the pile of kindling.

**Tormey's IGA
plus Liquor**

28 High St, Charlton VIC 3525
Tel: (03) 5491 1909
Fax: (03) 5491 1007

How the locals like it.



*Proud Sponsor of the
Charlton Community Newsletter*

*Inside the CCN
December 2020 Edition*

| | |
|------------|---|
| Page 1 | Charlton Mens Shed Re-opens |
| Page 3 | John Curtin Drive |
| Page 4 | Bendigo Bank News |
| Page 5 | Golden Grains Museum News |
| Page 6-9 | Charlton P-12 College |
| Page 10 | St Joseph's School |
| Page 11 | Charlton Probus Club Charlton Croquet Club |
| Page 12 | Charlton Bowling Club |
| Page 13 | Charlton Kinder Getting a New Home |
| Page 14-15 | Bowling With Babies |
| Page 16-17 | Christmas Trading Hours Buckrabanyule—Cup Eve |
| Page 17 | Charlton Netball Club News Charlton Bowling Club News |
| Page 18-19 | Charlton Neighbourhood House |
| Page 20 | Charlton Harness Racing Club News |
| Page 21 | Beautify Charlton Friends of East Wimmera Health Service |
| Page 22-25 | Notices |
| Page 26 | Club News |
| Page 27-32 | Sponsors |

*Editorial
Carolyn Olive*

Hello everyone,

Welcome to the December edition of the Community Newsletter.

Congratulations to the Rex Theatre which has received significant funding towards the proposed new toilets/meeting room facility to be located behind the theatre. This is fantastic news for Charlton as we all know what a terrific drawcard it is for our town. With the Avoca River Boardwalk project about to commence, planning for streetscape improvements well underway and work on the new Early Learning Centre about to begin, there's going to be plenty on activity in town over the next 12 months.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the newsletter during 2020. I know how many of you looked forward to receiving it whilst staying safe at home. What a strange and difficult year it has been for everyone.

There will not be a January edition so I look forward to your news for February.

I have a number of projects on the go (that Croquet book isn't quite finished yet) so won't get much of a break over summer but plan to spend a bit of time on some home projects in 2021.

All the best & have a safe and happy Christmas & New Year.

Carolyn

**Thank you to all our
sponsors for 2020.**

Sponsorship renewals will be going out soon.
If you would like to become a sponsor contact Carolyn
on 0418 361 971
or email charltonnewsletter@gmail.com

Email news, items of interest, stories and advertising items to
charltonnewsletter@gmail.com

The Charlton Community Newsletter is printed at the Charlton
Neighbourhood House



**CHARLTON CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE & INDUSTRY**

CHARLTON MEDICAL



Charlton Medical is proud to support
the Charlton Community Newsletter

Learmonth Street Charlton, 3525

Tel:(03) 54776888

Fax: (03) 54476889



CLASSIC CREAM BRICK

Julie Benaim 0457 904 119

Real Estate sales window at 31 High St Charlton
Office 33 High St Wedderburn
admin@p1property.com.au

Property of the Month

32 Currie Street, Charlton \$235,000

- This classic cream brick house is a spacious, light filled home, which comes to you beautifully presented and ready for you to just move in and enjoy.
- Comprises: three bedrooms, two with BIRs, large lounge, near new kitchen with pressed metal splashbacks, bathroom with shower, bath and vanity, separate toilet, second toilet in the large laundry and small back porch.
- Features: carpeted bedrooms, polished floorboards, sun filled corner windows, open space front and back of house, security doors, ramp access to back door.
- Backyard: garage with concrete floor and power, carport, three rainwater tanks, garden shed, fenced vegetable patch, good fencing and fruit trees.
- Situated in the hill area of Charlton on an approx. 933 square meter block.

John Curtin Drive

A project a long time in the making is finally completed, thanks to a generous donation of \$25,633 from the Charlton Community Bendigo Bank. This was added to funding already sourced from the Charlton Lions Club (\$3000) and the Maitreya Festival Community Fund. Builders, Danny Wright and Ron Good, did a terrific job on the project which involved laying a concrete path and erecting fencing and a pergola.

The aim of the project was to tidy up this section of John Curtin

Drive which is a busy stopover spot for travellers and tourists. For those wondering why the pergola is so high—that was a planning requirement to accommodate caravans etc that may park there.

With planning of the revitalised streetscape underway, which will include some improvements to the Travellers Rest precinct, and the Avoca River Boardwalk project about to begin, the completion of the John Curtin Drive project is a welcome addition to this fantastic community asset.

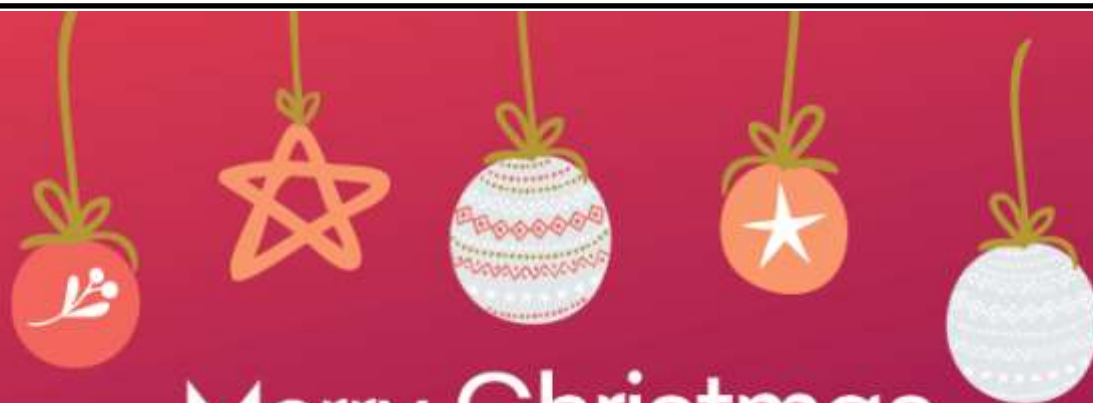


WALSH MOTORS
5491 1444
www.walshmotors.com.au



Walsh Motors is proud to
support the Charlton
Community.

70-72 High Street, Charlton
Ph: 54911 144 Fax: 54911984



Merry Christmas and a happier new year



Do you want to win \$5000? (Wouldn't that be nice just in time for Christmas!) Call into the branch to find out more....only available until the 19th of December.

If farming is your livelihood, Partner with someone who supports you today, and is focused on tomorrow. Come and talk to a farm finance expert today.

We hope your year's highlights are still to come and keep on coming in 2021. If you need us over the festive season, our team is here for you.

We thank you for your support during this challenging year.

Community Bank · Charlton

Give us a call on 5491 2322 or search Bendigo Bank Charlton.

Golden Grains Museum News

Welcome to the final news for 2020 from the Golden Grains Museum. Here at the museum we have been wondering in 50, 80 or 100 years time, will people in Charlton be looking back at this year in Victoria's, Australia's and even the world's history. So many comparisons can be made with the Spanish Flu a century ago, and the records made of that devastating event. Think today of all the advances in science, medicine and communications over that time, and how we would have coped without them. While the great efforts Victorians have put in to reduce the daily cases of COVID-19 have proved successful, and Buloke Shire has remained infection free, we are hoping for a better year ahead for everyone.

We had our last meeting for the year recently where plans were discussed for the year ahead. Visits, volunteers, day excursions, fund raising, special events and more were covered. One item that was decided, was that we will not be reopening to the public until late January. This follows our usual practice of not opening over the holiday period, and the difficulty of having coverage of opening hours by volunteers. As usual however, locals and visitors have the opportunity to phone one of the numbers listed below for research requests, or appointments for a viewing.

Behind the scenes the work never stops. Cataloguing our collection, receiving and recording donated goods, and maintaining our extensive records is work that continues. Thanks to our committee and fantastic volunteers, past and present, our town has a museum of which we can be very proud, and which receives high praise from members of other groups and organisations.

We are selling our annual calendars again. These will be available at the Upmarket on Sat. 5th December and at the Charlton Neighbourhood House (A4—\$3, A3—\$5).

In our final feature for the year we are taking a brief look at one of the Charlton District's earliest pioneers. This man's name will be recognised by anyone who crosses over the Avoca River on the bridge that bears his name, James Paterson. Born in Eaglesham, Scotland in 1830, James and

his new wife came to Australia in 1854 arriving in Melbourne, and commencing work in his established trade; carpenter and wheelwright. For a time they followed the gold rush to various fields including Wedderburn, but owing to the scarcity of water there, had no success. James acquired a farm near Wedderburn that he named 'Janefield', and introduced the district's first threshing plant. He started a successful carting and construction business. Major works included the construction of a timber bridge over the Avoca River in 1866, and the Charlton Presbyterian Church. He also obtained contracts for extensive fencing and the construction of numerous wool sheds on stations.

In 1872, James selected land at Buckrabanyule and commenced his first steps in becoming one of the district's leading agriculturists and sheep breeders on his 'Nard O Park' property. Sheep breeding was his passion, but he was also a leader in taking up new technology in cultivation, etc. In civic life James was one of the first members of the Korong Shire Council, and held the position of President three times.

Shortly prior to his death, James and his second wife went for his first trip home to Scotland. His health had been failing, and though he brightened up upon returning to Buckrabanyule, he was to pass away one month later. Dr S. H. Dunlop stated the cause of death to be senile decay. He was survived by his second wife and children from both marriages located from Mildura to Orbost. There was a large attendance at his funeral from across the district, and you will find him buried in the Woosang Cemetery.

We always welcome any items of local or district history or significance for our collection. Maybe you have photos, a written or oral history of a family member, rural property or some interesting keepsake. We would love to know about it and even copy the record if you don't wish to part with it. We are also looking for volunteers to help us with the operation of our museum. No experience or qualifications are needed, just a desire to preserve for future generations our collection, and show visitors our wonderful display of items. Contacts for enquiries are listed.

President Anne – 04085479703
Secretary – Carolyn 0418361971
Archivist – Markus 0413129216

In closing, from everyone here at your Golden Grains Museum, we wish you a very happy and safe Christmas, and a healthy and prosperous 2021. See you soon.

James Paterson



ADVERTISEMENT



Louise Staley MP
MEMBER FOR RIPON

Your Voice for Ripon

☎ 5461 1255 🌐 LouiseStaley.com.au

Authorised by Louise Staley MP, 177 High Street, Maryborough. Funded from Parliamentary Budget



Charlton P-12 College

Bike Ed

Students in years 3 to 6 have undertaken Bike Education lessons during November as part of their Phys Ed class.



Cup Day

Students and staff embraced the "Cup Day" theme on Monday, some dressing in their finest, others wearing silks.

Foundation—One



Year 2



Year 3 & 4



Foundation 100 Days

The 2020 Foundation students have finally attended 100 days on site. On Thursday 19th of November, with the assistance of Year 1, they celebrated this occasion with many fantastic activities and an extra special shirt that said "How did we survive 100 days of school?".

Year 5 & 6



Charlton P-12 College

F-2 Late Stay & Sleep Over

Last Friday the F-2 students got to have some much needed fun together at the Late Stay and Sleep Over. The theme this year was Australia. Prior to afternoon tea students undertook a collaborative colouring task and made Australian themed neck wear and masks. Afternoon tea was a hit with 'koala in the creek' and 'fairy bread', washed down with 'bush brew'. Students then auditioned for the position of Gum Leaf Whistler in the Bush Band, and tried their hand at 'Toss the Thong' and 'Pin the Tail on the Kangaroo' prior to tea.



Platypus (Lacey) and Echidna (Marley).



Shalmain, in her audition.



Isabella 'Pinning the Tail on the Kangaroo'.



Sophie and Cody ready to 'Toss the Thong'.



Tea consisted of snags, ham and cheese damper and salad. For dessert students ate lamingtons that they had made themselves, yum, yum and fresh fruit!



Lily and Matthew being served dessert.



Year 2 settling in for bed.



Charlton P-12 College

NAIDOC Week

Year 2 students learnt about the significance of NAIDOC Week. As part of their overnight stay with other students and staff in F-2, they coloured in a map of Australia. Year 2 students learnt about the Rainbow Serpent. As she made her way across the land, her body formed mountains, valleys and riverbeds. The Rainbow Serpent was the Dreaming creature who shaped the earth. They then made Rainbow Serpents using pipe cleaners and multi-coloured wool.



3-6 Charlton Camp

"Click" goes the cap of my sun screen. I open it up and put a bit of it on my palm and rub it on my arms and face. We are getting ready for the pool! I put on my back-pack and start walking there. When we get there, we put on our bathers and lay our towels on the concrete. "SLPASH!" I jump straight in the water. By Anna

It was the middle of the night. Miss Rees was trying to wake me up but she couldn't because I was in a deep sleep. I was getting saturated. Miss Rees was shaking me trying her best to wake me up and get me out of the wet tent from the sprinklers. But I didn't wake up until 5:30am. Me and everything in my tent was saturated. By Cooper P

We went to build a bush hut out of logs, bark and sticks. Then we went to check on the smores, and they were ready to eat. So we did. They were so yummy! By Cooper M

The sun was setting, and all the 3/6s were eating snow cones, and I had all the flavours, blueberry, raspberry and coke. By Ruby

We rode our bikes to the BMX track and around the pony club, then down near the oval. Next, we rode bikes to the weir and up the hill. By Rhys

One of the activities was kite making. First, we had to draw on our kites. Second, we had to get tape and sticks off Miss D. Then we got string and got to fly them. It was so much fun. By Brody

Kite making and flying – Heidi Start

"Can I start?" I ask eagerly. "Yes." My teacher Miss D says back. Reagan is sitting next to me and I tell her my idea for the pattern on my kite. Each time I put my sharpie on the paper, I come up with better ideas so I keep accidentally rushing. Reagan and I keep dancing to the loud beat of the music. I have finally finished putting together my kite. I touched the string, I felt happy and proud of myself. "Fly little buddy, fly!" I shout to my kite as I run across the oval. I felt like my kite was part of one of the clouds skidding across the sky. I see more and more kites filling the sky. WOW! My kite is staying in the sky getting further and further away and I am not even running with it. Mine is the highest in the sky! I eventually got puffed out so I went inside. I was very happy to fly a kite again. (Especially one that I made.)

Sleeping in a swag! – Sarah Blair

First, we had to set up the swag it was surprisingly easy, it only took about 10 minutes. When we went to bed after the movie Maggie, Abbey and I all started laughing and talking and couldn't get to sleep then we heard Maggie stop talking so we knew she was asleep. Then Abbey and I needed to go to the toilets so we got up and started walking, it took us a moment to realise we couldn't see a thing. When got back to the swag after managing to find our way to the toilets, we couldn't find the zip so we were standing outside for about 5 minutes while we found the zip. However, eventually we found it and managed to get in. Later Abbey fell asleep too and a couple of hours later so did I.





Charlton P-12 College

The Scavenger Hunt – James Fitzpatrick

I felt the air on my face as we rushed to get our items. There were four sections and four people, but there were so, sooooo many items. I could see my team around me and I had a competitive spirit, I really wanted to win. We got to section A but time was running out. It felt like we had a million items left. I was pleased with all the facts we had learned and that we were doing so well. We learned that once John Curtin lived in Charlton! We finished section A but with less than half an hour left we needed to hurry! But sadly, time was not with us, well, it wasn't really with anyone! We don't know who won, but it is important that we all had fun.

Building Santa's Sleigh

Students from F-2 participated in a video conference conducted by Ecolinc in Bacchus Marsh to redesign Santa's Sleigh. Together with three other schools they were welcomed by two of Santa's elves, who guided everyone through the designing and building processes. There was discussion about whether the sleigh would be pushed or pulled and some of the different ways suggested to make the sleigh move were: jet propulsion, kangaroos, bats, helicopters and very strong worms pushing the sleigh around the world. Using a box, some coloured paper and patty cake papers, the students set out to make their designs come alive.



Lacey's design included a line for hanging up Santa's suit, a shower and a bed. The sleigh would be pulled by a kangaroo.



Marley's design included a flap at the back which would lift so the presents could be dropped down the chimney. The sleigh would be pulled by bats.



Sam's design featured turbo boosters and is able to go across water by turning into a boat.



Charlton Shopping Promotion Winners (\$200 Voucher). Week 1—Bernadette Zagame & Week 2—Phoebe Thompson (ticket drawn by Joan Supple)



St Joseph's School

DOBCEL (Diocese Of Ballarat Catholic Education Limited)

On Monday the 23rd of November, Mr. Tom Sexton - Director of the Ballarat Catholic Education Diocese, Tracy O'Neill - Chair of the DOBCEL board, Chris Roberts - Catholic Education Consultant and Father Eugene - East Wimmera Parish Priest came to our school to sign the transfer of authority from the Parish Priest to the DOBCEL Board.

Mr McGrath and Mrs Olive (representing St Joseph's School Council) were there to sign the transfer documents. The ceremony began with Mr McGrath reading out the welcome and Father Eugene reading a short gospel passage. Father Eugene explained in layman's terms how the transfer would work. The three year six students, Isaac Bourke, Michael Olive and Jye Roberts read out the prayers of the faithful as their valuable contribution to the signing over process. Then the adults proceeded to sign the documentation that will transition our school from being governed by the Parish Priest to the new model where DOBCEL will be the new governing body. This is an historical and significant change in how Catholic Education has been administrated since the 1800's and has come about as a result of the Royal Commission recommendations.

At the end, photos were taken for historic purposes as this is a very significant change in Catholic Education.

Mr Sexton asked the boys if they could lead him in a tour of the school. Everyone followed the Year Sixes as they conducted a tour of the School.



Above: Back Row: Fr Eugene McKinnon, Frank McGrath, Cate Olive. Front Row: Tracey O'Neill, Tom Sexton.

St Joseph's School Garden

In term 4 week 7 we were busy cooking Lemon Crumble. First the 3-4 class made the base. Then the 5-6 class made the lemon filling (with our lemons that we grew in our own garden). After we went back to class, the F1/2 class took over and put it together and placed it in the oven. At morning tea

they brought it over and we all had a piece (it was delicious). By Amali

In the school garden we have been making a wood chip surface so the weeds won't grow. Charlie and I took turns to fill up the wheelbarrow and both of us tipped the wood chips onto the paths in the garden. By Liam

During late Term 4 2020 the students of St Joseph's were in the kitchen cooking up some lemon and broad bean pasta. First of all the year threes and fours made up the pasta dough. Then the year fives and sixes split up the dough and put it through the pastry sheeter five-six times on each setting so that it was thin enough to make into pasta. Afterwards Mrs Winslade, our kitchen/garden teacher added an attachment onto the machine so that we could make the dough into our selected pasta. Samuel, Ethan and I then put the dough through the pastry sheeter once to make the dough into fettuccine. We put all of the dough through the pastry sheeter and left it on a clean tea-towel on the bench. By Ruby

At St Joseph's garden, early in the morning, we turned over the soil and then planted some lettuce. In about 4 weeks it grew. They are about the size of a basketball. By Samuel

The St Joseph's school cooked pizza. The first people who cooked pizza were the 3-4 kids. Clancy and Murphy rolled out the pizza base, while Liam and I made more dough for the 5-6 class. Then all the 3-4 class put the sauce on our pizza and next, we put topping of our choice. Finally 3-4 put it in the oven and we ate it. By Lila

At St. Joseph's School 3-4 were checking the PH balance of the dirt. First we set out the PH kit on the soil. Secondly we picked up a little bit of soil and put a pinch of white powder on it. Thirdly we put green liquid on the soil with the powder on it too. Lastly we stirred them together then found out what sort of colour the soil is, if it was a dark green colour it's healthy, and it was. By Murphy

A while ago but not too long ago we planted some corn seeds with the 5-6 class. Mrs Winslade instructed us. Firstly we dug a hole 5cm in the garden bed and put 1 seed in each hole and watered it well. From then the corn has grown a lot and it is nearly ripe and ready to eat. By Seb

It was a little while back when we decided to pick some pistachios off our pistachio tree. Our garden teacher Mrs Winslade taught us how to peel the pistachios and we all pretended to shear sheep. It only took about 1 hour and they were all gone off the tree and we have to wait for the next time they are ripe. By Tully.

Early in term four we harvested the silverbeet. We used secateurs for the stems and used our hands for the leaves. After it was all picked and chopped up, we put it into the compost pit. By Clancy

The St Joseph's community garden beds

have weeds all through them, making it hard for the veggies to grow, but luckily the children from all classes from St Joseph's have many tools to get the weeds out of the garden bed.

Firstly our garden teacher, Mrs Winslade, told the students to find their gloves and a little shovel to help pull the weeds out.

Secondly the kids were put in pairs or a group of three to work together and pull out the weeds.

After the weeds from the garden beds were taken out, a student from each group gave the garden beds a sprinkle over with the hose to water all the vegetables that were still growing in the beds. By Sheena



Above: Amali Fitzpatrick, Isaac Bourke and Work Experience Student Abby Thompson.



Above: Rosie Fitzpatrick and Toby Bourke.



Charlton Probus Club

Our next meeting will be 11.30am Friday 11th December at the Cricket Club Hotel. Names to Pat C. (5491 1584) or Garry (5491 1647) by Dec. 4th.

Due to Covid-19 we have been unable to hold our monthly meetings since the AGM in March. Despite this the Probus Club has continued to maintain contact with its members through the monthly newsletter and a "Buddy System" initiated by the President, Eily Rosewall. Each committee member was given three or four buddies to maintain contact with.

President Eily has surprised members with thoughtful secret deliveries to members' letter boxes each month. In May all the females received a rose to recognise Mothers' Day while in September the males received a "trophy" to recognise Fathers' Day. In November, for the Melbourne Cup, we each received a "horse" – we await our next meeting to see who the lucky members were.

Unfortunately we were unable to have our usual monthly birthday morning teas so with the easing of restrictions in October we were able to have a catch up, with

committee members responsible for a particular month. Congratulations to the six members who have celebrated their 80th birthdays since April.

On a sadder note we report the passing of Margaret Wood, a Foundation Member.

As many people have reflected on their lives during this Covid-19 time we thought it is timely to recall how Probus began in Charlton.

On 16th June 2006 a meeting was held to see if sufficient people were interested in the formation of a Probus Club in Charlton. The response was a resounding "yes" with 60 people present. The following is an excerpt from the meeting report.

"The need for a core group to get the Club going led to president Bill Sheeran and Vice President Norm Gillespie being elected. A steering committee with the power to select the other necessary office bearers consist of the following volunteers – Pat Mathews, Marj Bartlett, Anne Marsh and Pat Storey.

In his response, Bill Sheeran said Charlton's reputation as "The Friendly River Town" bodes well for the new Club

but members will all be equally responsible to ensure its success. He looks forward to their support."

Bill's positivity has been proved accurate with the Club still going strongly. Membership reached its peak in 2009 with 83 members.



Above: Rotarian, John Sutton, presented Bill Sheeran with accreditation for the Charlton Probus Club.

Charlton Croquet Club

The Charlton Croquet Club held its annual Peg McGrath Association Croquet Doubles on 19th & 21st Nov. 2020. The teams play a round robin event playing each team twice. Unfortunately the team of Nita Perry and Janet Richardson had to forfeit their round 2 matches. As is often the case in Doubles the scores are low as strategies are used by the opposition. The winners and runners up both won 2 games so the event was decided on the

number of hoops scored. The winners, Margaret Bowen and Anne Kenny, scored 26 hoops while the runners up, Barb Dalrymple and Pat Mathews, scored 21 hoops.

On Tuesday 24th November the Murray Valley Croquet Association held its Pennant break up at Boort CC. Unfortunately the two Association Croquet teams and the Golf Croquet team can only aspire to do better next season. The Charlton Club did have success

on the day with Nita Perry scoring the most hoops in Association Croquet and Dot McKee scoring the most hoops in Golf Croquet.

Christmas Break-Up: On Thursday 10th Dec. we will be having our annual President v Captain event and this will be followed by a Christmas lunch. We would like to take a photo of members for inclusion in our history book so hope to see a good turn up.

Left: Peg McGrath Doubles. Anne Kenny, Marg Bowen (Winners) & Barb Dalrymple, Pat Mathews (Runners-up).

Below: Pennant Break-up. Dot McKee & Nita Perry (winners on the day).



Charlton Bowling Club

Charlton Bowling Club COOLS DOWN

Charlton Bowling Club Inc has now had installed two Panasonic Reverse Cycle Cassettes to keep our facility Cooler in Summer and Warmer in Winter. The water-cooled systems removed have not been efficient for some time in extremely hot or humid weather where at times they felt like they were not working.

We received two grants for the installation of these units and without the Support of the Buloke Shire Sustainability Grant of \$10,000, and the Bendigo Bank's Annual Community Enterprise Foundation Grant of \$5,000, we would not have been able to afford the New Cooling and Heating units to upgrade our older dinosaur systems of evaporative water cooling and strip heaters that were not very efficient using valuable power and water to run.

The new units were supplied and installed by Stahl Electrical Pty Ltd and with support from M. W. Clifford Constructions who had to make the whiteboard boxing to surround the units as our clubhouse has no ceiling and the cassettes are hanging inside.

As seen in the photos the strip heaters will now be obsolete and removed and the old ceiling vents from the evaporative coolers has been replaced with the new cassettes. Bowlers from far and wide will benefit from the new systems as will the many users of our clubrooms.

December is here and we all hope you have a safe Happy Christmas and New Year. I think we all will appreciate the time with families after this horrid year.

Christmas Dinner BBQ on SUNDAY 13th December 5 pm on. Please bring a wrapped Kris Kringle to the value of \$6.00. Make sure it is something you wouldn't mind taking back home because you may end up with it. There are a lot of items in this town under that price so shop local.

A salad would be appreciated, sweets supplied by the club. A list is up at the old clubhouse, please get your names in soon. Visitors are welcome.

Charlton Bowling Club recently hosted Mums with Bubs as part of the Buloke Shire 'This Girl Can' program.

We are happy to say that we will be holding this every Monday in February. See/ring Di Roberts on 0402 797 399 for details. It is a great program with gentle exercise. Facilities for the youngest generation available. We hope to see you all here. While it says Mums and Bubs, we are aware some dads would also be interested.

Club games are still underway with the Men's 100 up and 21 up still to be

finalised. Willey is trying for a second year of taking most titles out. But there have been a few upsets with the 100 up. Kevin Willey defeated Joo by 14 shots in the semi final and Mick O'Brien has to play Pat Connors. Richard Porter is in the final of the 21 up but waiting on Kevin Willey and Ken North to see who he plays.

The ladies' triples are done and dusted with Patty Saltmarsh, Hazel North and Di Roberts being successful over Lynne Southwell, Eily Rosewall and Judy O'Neill. Up to the last end it was anyone's game.

January will see the 21 up played and a start on the Club Pairs and Singles.

Don't forget State games are underway, so get your entry in. You don't need to be asked. If it's a team event, get your own team in. The more you play, the better you will become. Playing against players from outside your club helps to improve you.

January 12th 2021 sees the return of the KRAKAJAK TRIPLES at 7:30. This is a great social night with a lot of laughter and maybe a beverage or two, Please contact Kevin Willey on 0428 911 830 to put your team in or as a single entry. This is a sponsored night which runs over about 8 weeks. If you would like to play but cannot commit to every week. Kevin is happy to have spares he can call on.

Lawn Bowls is a non contact sport which can be very competitive or just social. Free coaching is available and we have loan bowls you can use. Please contact Patty Saltmarsh 0438 0255 30 or Peter Watts on 0407 090 680 or see any of our bowlers for more information.



Above: The old evaporative vents and the bar heaters from the ceiling & the fan heaters we used to use to keep warm on meeting nights.



The new heating & cooling unit with whiteboard boxing.



Damien Flannigan, Stahl Electrical removing old vent.

Charlton Kinder is Getting a New Home

Contributed by Liz Riley

When we think of early childhood education it is an evolving concept but undoubtedly our minds will wander towards the formative education we or our children have received in the lead up to school. With this in mind it is exciting to know something new is coming for Charlton's littlest learners and residents in 2021.

The children's facilities in Armstrong St have given the best to the children who have been lucky to attend since they were opened in 1962 and have evolved ever since. These memory laden buildings, comprising the Maternal Child Health Centre and Charlton and District Preschool, have provided decades of educational memories, friendships and milestones. So as we prepare for a new facility it is time to recognise the service they have provided. Ultimately we must first thank those ladies so long ago who worked, fought for and fundraised to provide their town's young children with a special place to be.

It is a given now that early childhood education doesn't just exist but is a right for our children, however this was not always the case. The passion and dedication by the ladies of the committee formed in 1959 to secure such an education and a focus on infant and child health is admirable. After years of fundraising to purchase the land and purpose build the current facility in conjunction with the shire, Charlton and District Preschool was officially opened on September 25th 1962. Since then this facility has provided a memorable kinder experience for all who have attended, courtesy of the wonderful teachers who have been there for the journey. Alongside the kinder building, a purpose built Infant Welfare Centre was constructed. Whilst an infant welfare nurse service was provided to Charlton's residents from 1944 it wasn't until 1962 that a building solely dedicated to such a necessary support service was experienced. The health and wellbeing of both infants, new mothers and their families has forever been improved because of this.

Being built in 1962 means that at a minimum there is 58 years worth of wear and tear, 58 years worth of changes to health and education and a natural disaster that these facilities have endured. Time has taken its toll and the safety of the current buildings, whether it be asbestos in the building, uneven and sinking floors, cracking walls and the list goes on are not obstacles the professionals focused on looking after our children should be facing.

The current and future of our kinder comes with an unforeseen amount of safety requirements, education provider requirements and a new integrated 3 and 4 year old program to only scratch the surface. For our Maternal and Child Health nurses, there are diligent focuses on key stage milestones in infants and children, as well as families' physical, social, mental

and emotional health to address. In short an amazing amount of work is being done by educators and health professionals in buildings that are no longer able to meet the needs as effectively as they once did.

Alongside both the kinder and Maternal Child Health Service there is one more missing part to the current needs of the children of Charlton and their families, access to childcare. This has been a rising need and has been fought for and canvassed as an option by parents and families for years and with increasing intensity over the last 5 years. It has been this drive by parents, engagement with the Buloke Shire as well as local, state and federal government representatives that ultimately lead to the Victorian State Government providing funding for a childcare centre. We must thank those parents who consistently championed this cause not only for themselves but for the families following them.

However to achieve a childcare centre, an up to date Maternal and Child Health facility and to meet the needs of the evolving education of children for decades to come, a new facility is needed. At the conclusion of the 2020 Charlton and District Preschool program the building which has been home to Charlton's kinder kids since 1962 will be demolished along with the adjacent Maternal and Child Health Centre which has also been home to Playgroup since 2000. Over the following months the current site will be prepared and will ultimately house a brand new facility with the best for Charlton's children at the forefront of minds for all involved. The new facility will be home to Charlton and District Preschool, a dedicated childcare room and Maternal and Child Health.

In an act of nostalgia and recognition of the many Charlton and District Preschool committees who have fundraised and put little pieces of themselves into the kinder for decades, the current play area will be preserved. In the 2011 floods, the play area like so much within the kinder was

destroyed. However a thoughtful committee had it redesigned to pay homage to niches of the Charlton community, including the Avoca River, and subsequent committees have seen community generosity pour into this loved place to help it be completed and maintained in the years since. The plaques listing the names and years of children who have attended Charlton and District Preschool have also been carefully recorded. Once the new facility is built, this lovely tribute which graces the current entrance to the kinder will be recreated to keep the memory of those who have attended intact.

This is an exciting time for our children, families and community. In 2021 a new building will open and along with it the best opportunities for the children who need it both this year, next year and the years to come. Just like the children, families and the community of Charlton would have been both so rightly proud and excited of their achievements in 1962 it is time to feel that all over again.

Our kids deserve the best and our wonderful, 'exceeding in excellence' kinder teacher, Sharon McLean, couldn't have summed it up better than the following sentiment, 'May the second children's centre for Charlton be just as special a place for its young children to be, learn and do ... and may it too provide over 50 years of treasured early childhood education.'



Bowling With Babies

Over-arm swings and running across the greens wasn't the exuberant celebrations of a pennant winning team at the Charlton Bowling Club recently.

The charged atmosphere was generated through the Bowls Victoria initiative "Bowling with Babies" - an event integrated into the Buloke Shire's "Buloke Girls Can" activities held during November.

Focused on generating opportunities for increasing women's activity the "This Girl Can" campaign is driven by VicHealth, which also supports the "Bowling with Babies" (BWB) program.

With the Charlton Bowling Club keen to embrace a wider section of the community, a program such as BWB was the perfect opportunity to achieve this outcome.

The program aims to get new parents out socializing, meeting new people and engaging in an activity in a relaxed and non-competitive atmosphere. It also encourages women to take part in activities where they do not feel judged and where the level of engagement is suited to individuals' levels of fitness.

Encouraging participation from people who wouldn't normally take part, BWB shows that lawn bowls can also be a fun activity to take part in.

Bowls Victoria Participation Co-ordinator, Josh Thornton, was on hand to encourage and talk with the attendees and share his own passion for the sport.

"I love sport in general," said Josh, "but I really love this program, because it helps break down barriers and opens up the sport to a different demographic."

The 2018 Para Commonwealth Games participant said his role helps to activate interest in the game - reaching out to schools, people with disabilities, under

eighteens and covering from grass roots through to State competition level.

Currently undertaking a Masters of Sports Management at Latrobe University (online, due to Covid-19), Josh was enthused about the numbers attending the Charlton event and the positive feedback it generated.

With four Charlton Club members on hand - Di Roberts, Kevin Willey, Russell Round, and John Headon - ten mums and an assortment of youngsters were shown the basics of the game using soft balls to reduce any damage to the greens or to little fingers.

While tentative at first, it didn't take long for the young players to try more adventurous tactics, with over-arm bowling gaining traction during the session.

Captivated by the moving balls the

children were kept active running across the green to retrieve and return the bowls as well as sharing them with each other and their parents.

Mums were also shown the essentials of the game and invited to try out their skills as techniques were refined.

With a rink-side safe-space for babies, socializing over a cuppa or cool drink provided some "me time" as well as enabling participation in gentle exercise.

Project Officer for Mallee Sports Assembly, Rhonda Allan, also spoke to the gathering, reinforcing the key message that "This Girl Can" is about celebrating women and being active.

"It's about getting out and having a go," said Rhonda. "It's about engaging in activity without being judged, without being



The young fry quickly got the hang of bowling the balls across the greens.



Above: Participants celebrated the "This Girl Can" event held recently at the Charlton Bowling Club.

Bowling With Babies

worried about what other people think. It's about embracing physical activity in a way that suits you. It is also about building friendships."

Thanking the Buloke Shire for partnering with the Mallee Sports Assembly, Rhonda congratulated the Charlton Bowling Club for "opening the doors wide" with this initiative and thanked Josh for his attendance.

Buoyed by the successful outcome, Charlton Bowling Club Secretary, Kevin Willey said the feedback from the morning had been excellent with a group of mums committing to make teams for the night Krakajak Triples which commence on 12 January 2021 at 7:30pm

Kevin also indicated that the Club would be running a five week "Bowling with Babies" program starting on Monday 1st February 2021 and running on consecutive Monday mornings at 10am. All are welcome to attend the program.

Photos courtesy of the Buloke Shire.



Above: Abby Mulquiny gets the bowling action happening as her daughter, Eve, gets ready to have a go. Also pictured is Bowls Victoria Participation Coordinator, Josh Thornton.

WOORONOOK LAKES
CAMPING WATER BEING SWIMMING PLATFORM

MAJOR RAFFLE
\$5 per ticket

2ND PRIZE
45L Dometic Fridge & Cover, Radar Ski & Bindings, Skin Ski & Surf Ski Jacket, Great White Light Bar (valued \$2500)

1ST PRIZE
43L Dometic Esky, Skin Ski & Surf Ski Jacket, Great White Light Bar (valued \$1000)

3RD PRIZE
2 Wanderer Camp Chairs, Blundstone Boots, Fishing Rod & Reel (valued \$550)

RAFFLE DRAWN ON EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH 2020
24.12.2020 DUE TO COVID

1ST PRIZE
45L Dometic Fridge & Cover, Radar Ski & Bindings, Skin Ski & Surf Ski Jacket, Great White Light Bar (valued \$2500)
(donated by Skin Ski & Surf, Bendigo)

2ND PRIZE
43L Dometic Esky, Skin Ski & Surf Ski Jacket, Great White Light Bar (valued \$1000)

3RD PRIZE
2 Wanderer Camp Chairs, Blundstone Boots, Fishing Rod & Reel (valued \$550)
(donated by Landmark) (donated by North West Ag Services) (donated by BCF)

Tickets can be purchased from • East Charlton Hotel • Charlton Bakery • Nutrien Ag Solutions • Kris Dixon • Signwise Solutions • North West Ag - Charlton

THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING MAJOR RAFFLE SPONSORS
SKIN SKI AND SURF BENDIGO, PREMIER AUTO ELECTRONICS, NORTH WEST AG SERVICES, BCF, LANDMARK

PROCEEDS GO TO WOORONOOK LAKES FORESHORE COMMITTEE TO PURCHASE WATER AND FOR FORESHORE IMPROVEMENTS

Save the Date

Charlton Debutante Ball

Friday February 5th 2021

Further details and tickets will be available in January from the Charlton Neighbourhood House, the hosts of the event.

NOTICE

The **Buckrabanyule Christmas Tree** annual event will not go ahead in 2020. Thanks for your understanding & continued support.

Wishing you all a safe, happy and healthy Christmas.

Christmas Trading Hours for Local Business

Tormey's IGA

Monday 21st - 8.30 to 6pm
Tuesday 22nd - 8.30 to 6pm
Wednesday 23rd - 8.30 to 7pm
Thursday 24th - 8.30 to 6pm
Christmas Day CLOSED
Boxing Day - 9:30 to 1:30pm
Sunday 27th - 9.30 to 1pm
Monday 28th - 9.30 to 5:30pm
Tuesday 29th - 8.30 to 6pm
Wednesday 30th - 8:30 to 6pm
Thursday 31st - 8:30 to 6pm
New Years Day - CLOSED

Charlton Post Office

Christmas Day - Closed
Boxing Day - Closed
Monday 28th - Closed
New Years Day - Closed

Charlton Bakery Café

Monday 23rd - 6am to 3pm
Tuesday 24th - 6am to 3pm
Closed Christmas Day to Sunday 28th
Monday 29th - 31st 6am to 3pm
New Years Day - January 3rd Closed
Monday 4th - back to normal hours

Times subject to change

Charlton Hair Salon

Closed from 24th December
Limited availability by appointment.

Charlton Mensland

Christmas Day - Closed
Boxing Day - Closed
Monday 28th - Closed
New Years Day - Closed

The Vale

Closed from Monday December 21st 2020 to
Wednesday January 6th 2021.

Charlton Pharmacy

Christmas Day - Closed
Boxing Day - Closed
January 27th & 28th Closed
New Years Day & January 2nd - Closed
All other days open as normal

**The staff at the pharmacy would like to remind people not
to leave their script till the last tablet.**

Bendigo Bank

Christmas Day - Closed
Boxing Day - Closed
Monday 28th - Closed
New Years Day - Closed

Commonwealth Bank

Christmas Day - Closed
Boxing Day - Closed
Monday 28th - Closed
New Years Day - Closed

Boyz Cafe

Closed 25th, 26th, 27th 28th January
Open 29th, 30th, 31st January
Closed from 1st - 4th January 2021

East Charlton Hotel

Closed Christmas Day & Boxing Day

Charlton Foodworks

Closed Christmas Day Only

Salon 13

Closed from 23rd December 2020 to
January 13th 2021

House to Home

Saturday 19th - 9am to 3pm
Sunday 20th - 10am to 3pm
Monday 21st - 9am to 5:30pm
Tuesday 22nd - 9am to 5:30pm
Wednesday 23rd - 9am to 5:30pm
Thursday 24th - 9am - 5:30pm
Closed 25th—28th January

Christmas Trading Hours for Local Business

Charlton Newsagency

Christmas Day - Closed
Boxing Day - 8am to 10am
Monday 28th January - 8am to 12pm
New Years Day - Closed
Closing at 4pm over Xmas/New Year

Charlton Neighbourhood House

Closed from 3pm 24th December to 5th January
Limited hours thereafter until further notice.

Charlton Quality Meats

Closed from 25th December until
Sunday 10th January 2021

Country Savers

Closed 25th—29th December
New Years Day - Closed

Charlton Florist & Fashion

Christmas Day - Closed
Boxing Day - Closed
Monday 28th - Closed
New Years Day - Closed
**PLEASE ORDER YOUR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS
EARLY SO YOU DON'T MISS OUT!**

Golden Grains Museum

Closed in December & January
Open by appointment only

The Rex Theatre—Closed Due to Covid-19



CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS 2020—2021

Charlton Medical will be closed for the Christmas-New Year period beginning Monday 21st December 2020 through until Sunday 3rd January 2021. Normal Surgery hours will resume at 9:00am on Monday 4th January 2021.

Please check that you have enough prescriptions to get through this period; if not, see the doctor for new scripts before the holidays.

If you require medical assistance during the holidays please call the Charlton Hospital on 5477 6800 or go to the Hospital Urgent Care Centre to see a Nurse who will give you advice, or if required, arrange for you to be seen by the on-call Doctor.

IN AN EMERGENCY CALL 000 FOR THE AMBULANCE

The staff at Charlton Medical wish you all a very Merry Christmas
and a safe and Happy New Year



Charlton Neighbourhood House

30-34 High Street (in The Rex Theatre), Charlton Vic, 3525 Phone: 0473 759 456
Email: coord@charltonnh.org.au

Welcome to the final update for 2020 from the Charlton Neighbourhood House. What an incredible year it has been for our small community, Australia and the world. We should take pride that the Buloke Shire remained COVID free during this difficult period, and send thanks to all the workers and volunteers across areas that assisted in the emergency. While we can relax a little, following directions on masks, sanitizing and distancing remain important.

Neighbourhood Houses remained active during this time in still providing many services to the community. Keeping the community updated with restrictions, assistance contacts, welfare checks, emergency relief and more. Working with many groups and organisations in such areas as advising on possible grant opportunities, printing business reports, flyers and posters, to looking at future courses and recreational activities.

When you look at our community at the clubs, service organisations, Rex Cinema, church groups and more you realise the importance of volunteers. If you think of most things you may be involved with, chances are volunteers are the base structure of it. Our Neighbourhood House is much the same. In 2021 maybe you could spare a couple of hours per week. You don't need to have any particular skills, just a passion to assist both locals and visitors alike with many of the enquiries or requests that come through daily. If you enjoy interacting with people this could be ideal for you. Feel free to call if you would like more information. You will be made most welcome!

We have available sanitiser gel or wipes in convenient satchels, ideal for wiping surfaces like ATMs, at the Neighbourhood House or House to Home. Ideal for your bag or glove box when you are out and about. Cost \$30 for 50 satchels. Please let us know if you require extra cloth masks; we have some available from Buloke Shire on hand if needed.



Grant funding from the Victorian State Government and the Neighbourhood House for Children's Week recently went to the purchase of kite kits. It was terrific to receive so many photos of the kids with their wonderfully decorated kites. Well done everyone.



A huge event across Buloke Shire that the Neighbourhood House is heavily involved in is the 16 Days of Activism. The idea of the campaign is to raise awareness across the community about issues that effect women across a whole range of areas. The main Event of this campaign is the United Walk on Sunday December 6 from 10AM. We are encouraging as many people as possible to wear an orange article of clothing and walk. The Neighbourhood House will be handing out bottles of water and oranges if you head in that direction, and maybe stop in and collect a coffee from The Rex Café as well. Don't forget to send a selfie to 0473-759 456. More information can be found at <https://www.respectvictoria.vic.gov.au/16-days-activism-2020>.



Keep abreast of our activities through
Charlton Neighbourhood House
Or look in our window and community noticeboard

www.charltonnh.org.au



Charlton Neighbourhood House

30-34 High Street (in The Rex Theatre), Charlton Vic, 3525 Phone: 0473 759 456

Email: coord@charltonnh.org.au



Are you ready Charlton? December is going to be very busy with many activities going on around the town. Keep an eye open for a selection of Christmas themed cut-outs that children can be photographed in. Thanks to the Cabbaritta CWA for funding these and the Men's Shed for the framework.

The Men's Shed have also been very busy making large wooden spoons for our town's Spoonville. Collect your spoon during opening hours, decorate and return it for display at 22 Menzies Street up until the New Year.

Also, the children will be excited to know that Santa's elves dropped off Santa's Letter Box for all the letters he is hoping to receive from Charlton. Make sure you write to Santa including your name and address. Santa and Mrs Claus love to receive pictures and drawings as well.



Photographs Wanted

Calling all budding photographers. We are looking for 'Hero shots' of Charlton to be used for future tourism promotions. Everything from artistic shots, dining images, working shots particularly farms, snaps of activities such as sports or recreation and landmarks. Take them from the air, the water or land, we will love them all. Highest resolution shots as possible please, noting that acknowledgement of the photographer in publications will not be possible.

Email to info@charltonnh.org.au, text to 0473 759 456 or drop in a USB.



The Charlton Forum **Community Car** is still available for transporting clients to non-urgent medical appointments as a user pay service, thanks to our wonderful volunteer drivers.

Bookings can be made by contacting our Community Car Officer, Deb, at the Charlton Neighbourhood House **during business hours on 0473 759 456 (note the number).**

Please leave a message if there is no answer.



Don't forget that the Charlton Neighbourhood House can still provide all your copying, printing and office requirements. From posters, flyers, reports, handouts to resumes and scanning, no job is too big or too small. Prices on application for secretarial services and discounts apply for bulk orders.



The Charlton Pool in Mildura Way is open for the summer season and has had good initial support. Hours of operation are weekdays 3PM to 7PM with weekends and public holidays 2PM to 7PM. The Charlton Neighbourhood House is again happy to be offering our **Early Morning Swimming Sessions** on Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30AM to 7:30 AM. Cost for the sessions is \$120, payable at the Neighbourhood House.



Our weekly Wednesday **Gentle Water Exercise Classes** have recommenced with Kasey. Cost is just \$30. Contact the **Charlton Neighbourhood House** on 0473-759456. Lifeguards in attendance at both sessions. Hope to see you there.

Trial of **Toddler Time** 2-3PM, Thursdays at the pool. A 3 week trial will be held to gauge the interest in a regular session for 0-5 year old's at the pool. Also, please text 0473-757456 with your name, names and ages of children with interest in possible 0—5 year old swimming lessons in the New Year.



Charlton Harness Racing Club News

MONTHLY RAFFLE IS BACK!

After our long enforced layoff the club raffle night has returned to the Cricket Club Hotel on the first Friday of the month.

Thank you to those who attended last month – great to be social with members and to again experience the small pleasure of a night at the pub! Congratulations to the winners Chris Whykes, Noddy Laffin and Kim Louise Thompson, who made her betting voucher count plonking it on her lucky omen Sweet Louise. Naturally she goes to the top of the punter leader board where she is most comfortable!

NEXT RAFFLE NIGHT FRIDAY DECEMBER 4TH 6PM

CHRC MAJOR RAFFLE – HORSE WALKER FUNDRAISER

Tickets are still available for anyone who would like to support our major fundraising effort for the new season and get a few steps closer to a horse walker for the Training Centre.

FIRST PRIZE – A NEW THERMOMIX valued at \$2269.00

Buy online via our Facebook page or from Bec and Troy at the newsagency.

As we aim to develop the Training Centre we are positive that more trainers will be enticed to settle here in Charlton, providing a great economic boost to the town and a sound platform from which our club can continue to grow.

GREG NORMAN - BREEDERS CROWN FINAL

Very exciting to have Charlton represented at the recent lucrative Breeders Crown final night at Melton with the Greg Norman trained Belladonna Girl lining up in the 3 Year Old Fillies Final. With a great drive from Kerry Manning the 151-1 longshot ran a beauty coming fourth. Cee Cee In America also ran in the 4 Year Old Final and had some pretty stiff opposition coming up against Lochinvar Art and Hurricane Harley.

Regardless of where they finished we say well done to Greg and Dixie and owners the Cormacks, watching over in Adelaide. These big races are what every owner and trainer dreams of and it is quite an achievement to just get there, and certainly great for harness racing here in Charlton.

WORK EXPERIENCE AT BUSHY LODGE

It has been great to have young Maddi Fitzpatrick at Bushy Lodge on work experience for a week. She has been a terrific help with the horses – not sure how they will cope when she leaves, they were loving all the pampering a bit too much!!! Thanks Maddi.

WINNING MONTH FOR CHARLTON TRAINERS

A great month for Charlton trainers winning far and wide across the state and interstate!

BLUE COMAN – GREG NORMAN – BENDIGO

HANCOCKS HERO – JOHN TORMEY – ECHUCA

DOWNTOWN MISS – MICKBEIGH HR – SWAN HILL

BRUISED EGO – BOYLE STABLE – HORSHAM

ZADAKA – GREG NORMAN – MELTON

BELLADONNA GIRL – GREG NORMAN – GLOBE DERBY SA



Above: Maddi Fitzpatrick with Bubbles.



Above: Keith Maybanks, Denbeigh Wade and Curly masked up at the trots.



Above: Kim Thompson, Natasha Saunders, Marisa Byrne, Hayley Soulsby, Chelsea Deason - members enjoying raffle night with Kim's winning ticket!

'Beautify Charlton' December Update

Just a very brief report for December.

- We need to be able to spread the watering load this summer to make sure too much is not being done by too few. If you have access to a trailer we can supply you with the equipment for what really is a pretty straightforward task.

We won't load you up too much but we are actively calling for volunteers here. Please contact Robin McRae on the number below if you can help.

- In the October update we advised of a change of tack in relation to town signage. Although still in the concept stage we have been lucky enough to give some feedback on the current images proposed before it goes public for further feedback, which should be soon.

What is being proposed both for Charlton and the wider Shire is very good, and something we are confident in general the community will be very happy with. You will see "The Friendly River Town" there. It does look good and we have suggested some further changes. The whole community will have the opportunity for feedback soon. Let us know what you think!

Spokesperson on the project for the Garden Club is Robin McRae 0400 522 700.

***Beautify Charlton
Pride in Your Town. Passion for Your Town.
'A Whole of Town Project.'***

Friends of East Wimmera Health Service - Charlton Campus (Your Health Service)

Following on with an update of the November meeting of the Friends of the Charlton Campus of the EWHS. It is with deep regret, that a decision was made to go into recess, due to the lack of people stepping forward to continue the wonderful work that the support group does.

So in writing this article it is with the hope, that members of our Charlton community will see the importance and continue on with the support for their health (hospital) needs.

The Charlton community, due to the 2011 devastating flood, has a wonderful state of the art Health/Medical Facility, with everything supplied. From a teaspoon to the best medical equipment that our everyday needs require (outside of a major medical facility). Other communities in our region would have been thrilled with what we had been given. We must always remember that.

Our Campus of the EWHS opened on 23rd October 2014. Six years on and already there has been a need for replacement items that don't necessarily come through the Health Department, quite often some financial assistance has been given by the Friends of EWHS Charlton Campus. The main fund raiser for the support of our hospital has always been the Deb Ball, this goes back many generations including your own and perhaps even your own children, and the next generation to come. As you read this, does your mind go back to the wonderful time you had, whether it was as a Deb or Deb partner, flower girl, pageboy, trainer, supplying the wonderful suppers, decorating the hall. What ever the role you had, made a

difference to supporting your hospital, and that is no different now.

All though fairly new, our Health/Medical Facility will age, so we must keep the Community support alive. One day you may need that facility yourself... age is not a barrier. Please help your town and it's people now and into the future. Do not let your Health/Medical Facility and all the wonderful staff down. Being a member of the Friends of EWHS is not a tie, meetings are not held each month, the busiest time would be when the Deb Ball is to be held, there is a very good agenda on what is required and wonderful support for the holding of the ball, so it is not a daunting

fund raiser. Only recently the Ball has been held every two years, not yearly, this has been due to the number of young people wishing to do their deb. So becoming a member of The Friends of EWHS Charlton Campus is a way of supporting them. Now is that time. Please put your hand up, come forward and keep a much needed very special community asset alive. Do not assume someone else will do it, also do not feel that you need to have been a long time resident of Charlton. We are one!

Please contact: Sandra Patton—0407 320 633—a member of The Friends of the EWHS Charlton Campus.





SHOP LOCAL

FOR YOUR CHANCE TO

WIN \$200

EACH WEEK FOR 6 WEEKS

The Charlton Chamber of Commerce and Industry proudly supports local business. Each week for the 6 weeks leading in to Christmas one (1) lucky shopper will win a \$200 voucher to be spent in a Charlton business.

Each time you purchase in a participating Charlton business, your name will be entered into a weekly draw, draws will take place each week from the 20th of November to the 24th of December (6 draws).



Charlton Christmas Light Competition

The Rotary Club of Charlton is once again conducting the Christmas Light Competition.

This competition was well supported last year and it is a great way for everyone to add some festive spirit and cheer to Charlton in the lead up to Christmas.

Driving around Charlton to see the Christmas lights has become a tradition for many locals so we encourage all residents to Light Up Charlton by adorning their premises with Christmas lights and decorations.

There's the added bonus of winning cash prizes along the way.

There are 3 categories: Most Impressive Decorated Home (2 prizes), Most Impressive Shop/Window and Most Impressive Santa. All 4 winners will receive \$50 each.

The competition will run from the 5th December to the 19th December and winners will be announced soon after.

There is no entry form. All streets will be automatically included in the competition.

If you choose to opt out of this competition, please ring 54911640 to do so.

It doesn't matter how big or how small your display is, it is a nice way of enjoying the relaxing of the 2020 lock down by Lighting UP Charlton

THE CHARLTON CLUB Est. 1900 Our Local Club

After weeks of lock down the Club is back in full swing. Members and prospective members are welcome. The Club is open Friday nights from 5.30 pm onwards.

A relaxed friendly atmosphere with the added chance of winning the members draw which jackpots \$20 if not in attendance.

The meat raffle proves popular, a generous variety of meats supplied by Paul our local butcher.

Also there are plans in place for some live music in the coming weeks .

Friday the 18th will be our Christmas Celebration Please bring a plate of supper , also we will have a Kris Kringle a suitable gift for a male and female to the value of \$5, come along and Celebrate the Festive Season WITH US. We wish you all a Very Happy and Safe Festive Season .



LIONS

TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS
CAKES & PUDDING



AVAILABLE HERE

AVAILABLE FROM COUNTRY SAVERS AND THE POST OFFICE

1.5kg Cakes \$17, 1kg Cakes \$13, 900g Puddings \$13

GET IN QUICK TO GET SOME AS THEY ARE SELLING FAST

Charlton Australia Day Ceremony

Tuesday 26th January, 2021

9am

Charlton Shire Hall

Presentation of Citizen of the Year

All details to be confirmed

**Look out for
up-to-date details
on the community
noticeboard.**



REX THEATRE NEWS



The Rex Theatre is currently working towards a Covid - safe re-opening projected for early in 2021.

We are establishing protocols to ensure that our volunteers and patrons will be in a safe environment, and that we can maintain the appropriate conditions for compliant operation.

Our projected re-opening has also received a major boost with the recent announcement in the Victorian State Budget of funding which will ensure the backstage development of the Rex.

The design, which includes new toilets, offers a serviceable area for the comfort of performers, and will double as a meeting space for community use. Storage areas suitable to the Rex's needs are part of the project.

This vital addition will pave the way for expanding entertainment choices, as well as ensuring appropriate amenities for the comfort of our patrons.

As this project unfolds the Rex will become the focus of attention, and as an already unique facility, this will serve to build on the organization's reputation as a "survivor".

We look forward to this unfolding new era of Charlton's landmark institution, and will keep you informed of key information on the path to re-opening.

Drop in for your

SUNDAY

COFFEE

@



with Bendigo Brewhouse coffee

10am - 2pm

Every Sunday

| Lattes | Cappuccino | Chai Tea |

Enjoy a Brewhouse coffee and catch up with friends
at The Rex each Sunday.

Take-Away Available

Just a few things to keep in mind on entry -

- *All patrons who dine in must sign in.
- *All patrons must social distance
- *All patrons must use hand sanitiser on entry
- *A seating cap of 8 is in place (6 in the Rex foyer and 2 in candy bar area)
- *Max of 12 people in the Rex at one time (8 seating, 4 take away)



Charlton 2020

Summer UpMarket

Saturday 5th December

9am – 12 noon

**Cakes, Crafts,
Jams & Preserves.
Plants, Collectables
Fresh Fruits,
Books, DVDs,
Jewellery
And Much More**



All From Local Stallholders

Come and give them your support.

**Cnr. High and Halliday St
Charlton**

Contact Gill Gretgrix 0427911308
Proceeds go to Charlton Projects.

CHARLTON ANGLING CLUB INC FISHING COMPETITION & CHRISTMAS PARTY

Where: Unlimited radius of Charlton

When: Saturday 19th December 2020, 7am to 6pm.

Weigh in: 6pm at Clubrooms followed by BBQ tea & a visit from Santa.

- All members to register by placing their name on the registration sheet at the Clubhouse before fishing
- Photos of fish beside a measure will be accepted as proof of capture, if catching and releasing
- Photos/fish to be presented by fisher at the weigh in by 6pm to qualify
- Juniors allowed to weigh in Carp. All registered kids receive a prize for participation.

Entry fee: Adults \$5.00. Juniors \$2.00. Tea only (not fishing) \$3.00.

Please join us to celebrate the festive season. Santa will visit with lollies for the kids.

Families please bring a salad or sweet to share.

For more information:

President: Alan Nicolson 0417 386 787

Secretary: Geoff Nicolson 0417 388 652



**All new and current
"fisherpeople" welcome!**

Calling All Quilters

Is there anyone interested in being part of the **Moving Forward Quilt Challenge**? Entries open **16th October** and finished items to be delivered to **New Horizon Quilt Shop** by **21st February 2021** for inclusion in an exhibition of work early March.

Entry to exhibition will be a gold coin donation which will go to a local charity and people will be able to vote for their favourite item. Winner will receive a pack of 10 x 1 metre pieces of fabric to the value of \$240.00.

Please call into 9a High Street Charlton or ring Neil for further details:
0411 867 075.



Christmas Fest

ROTARY PARK
WEDNESDAY 23RD DECEMBER
FROM 5:00PM

MAJOR RAFFLE WITH PRIZES
TOTTALLING \$1500 (1ST, 2ND
& 3RD)

JUMPING CASTLE
SPINNING WHEEL
BBQ TEA

Special visit from Santa

Brought to you by the Charlton Combined Service Clubs



Our Annual 3-Day Tournament
Will be the



2-Day Charlton "Covid Classic"

Thanks to all those asking will there still be a Tournament
as we rally our way through all things virus!
We're jumping in, thinking positively,
and have decided to hold a one-time-only
Covid Classic!



Played over 2 days
Saturday 23rd January - Mixed Doubles
Sunday 24th January - Doubles

For now it's an early alert so you can make those plans
and get in a hit or two in whatever ways become possible!
We'll be sending out more details as the rules and regs
for play and gatherings become clearer.
Then we'll know where we stand for the provision of food,
as well as the use and cleaning of the Clubhouse and its facilities etc.

To all our tennis friends, we cannot wait to see you!
(even if it is behind a mask!!!)

Cheers,
The Charlton Lawn Tennis Club Gang



Parker Damian Guy



Born: 26th November 2020

Weight: 8lb 13oz

Parents: Jonty Guy & Danielle Colburn

Grandparents: Greg & Marion Guy
Darren & Trish Colburn (Sunshine Coast)



St Martin's Messenger—December 2020

Worth the Wait

We have had plenty of practice at waiting this year. Waiting for infection numbers to drop, waiting for the opportunity to see those dear to us again. The season of Advent is all about waiting. Waiting for the birth of the Saviour. Waiting for Jesus to return again in glory.

We trust this finds you enjoying the end of waiting and the blessing of greater freedom of movement and contact with loved ones. What a joy to be able to gather with family and friends!

As we head into this Advent season, as we wait to celebrate the birth of our Saviour, and look forward to His coming again in glory, we continue in prayer for you, for good health, safety, as well as for the continued control of Covid-19.

Margaret Wood – a shining light

One of our beloved members of our congregation and the community of Charlton, Margaret Wood, was recently called home

Charlton Uniting Church

We have been conducting weekly services throughout the Covid crisis, respecting all relevant restrictions. Details of services over the Christmas period will be on the Church notice board.

Our church is open and welcoming to all who wish to join us and we usually have morning tea after a 10 AM service with shared lunch on the fourth Sunday. Currently a fifth Sunday would be 11 AM whereas (prior to 'the rules') we would have a service with all the four cluster Congregations.

Blessings to you all and to the Charlton community for the Christmas Season with all its beautiful promises and celebrations.

North Central Garden Club

As the year draws to a close members will look back and see just what they have achieved, perhaps you completed some crafts, or explored your skills in the kitchen, caught up with a good movie or settled in with a good book. Some might have spent time in the garden, the roses put on a great display, or your vegie patch has been productive. We need to be mindful of the fruit fly—netting your trees, refreshing your baits, plus collecting fallen fruit.

Wishing you all a Happy & Safe Festive Season. We look forward to 2021 with plans for a productive Year in the Garden. Open Gardens will return will return in 2021, will your Garden be in?

Charlton Red Cross

Our small group meets over coffee when necessary if there are issues to discuss and our Emergency services members are prepared for any deployments during the coming fire season. A big collection of Trauma Teddies is on hand to be sent to Headquarters and thanks to all the knitters for their time and generosity.

God Bless you all at this Christmas time and the best of good wishes for the New Year of 2021!

Joy Freeman—0432 656 009.

to be with Our Lord. Her faith was deep and steadfast. Her joy was the building up of others through encouragement, kindness and small but powerful inspiration that brought love into our lives. One example of this was Margaret's initiative to adorn the bell tower in front of St Martin's church with twinkle lights. The lights were hung some time ago, but I share with you the story behind them, so that, as you travel past St Martin's at night, maybe as you are viewing other Christmas lights around the town, you will see the lights twinkling away and remember the brightness, love and kindness that Margaret brought into all of our lives.

Daniel 12:3 *Those who are [spiritually] wise will shine brightly like the brightness of the expanse of heaven, and those who lead many to righteousness, [will shine] like the stars forever and ever.*

Worship: Please call for further information about services.

Reverend Judi Bird

0435 593 359

judithblackbird@outlook.com

East Wimmera Parish—St Joseph's Church



Mass Times: Sun. 6th Dec. 10.30am
Sat. 12th Dec. 7pm
Sun. 20th Dec. 8.30am
Sun. 27th Dec. 8.30am

Christmas Mass Times:

Christmas Eve: Nullawil 5.00pm;
Wedderburn 5.00pm; Boort 6.00pm; Birchip
7.00pm; **Charlton 7.00pm**; Donald 9.00pm;
St Arnaud 9.00pm

Christmas Day: Wycheproof 9.30am; Banyena 10.30am

St Joseph's, Nullawil: After 92 faith-filled years St Joseph's is closing.

Two opportunities to say goodbye -

1) Saturday December 5th 6pm

2) Christmas Eve Thursday December 24th 5pm

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, numbers are limited. To register interest and attendance

Please phone Kaylene James on 0428 935 270



Farewells: A farewell will be held for Fr Jim on Sun. 6th Dec. at 12 noon and for Fr Eugene on Sat. 12th Dec. at 8pm. All welcome. Please RSVP to Sandra (0407 320 633) or Anne (0408 547 973)

We are now able to gather for Mass and other celebrations in the Church in greater numbers but still adhering to COVIDSafe requirements – wearing a mask and signing in.

**NORTH CENTRAL SMASH REPAIRS
& RESTORATIONS**

DAN: 0417 655 856 PH: (03) 54911389
EM: 0419 445 164 ncsmarshrepairs@outlook.com

Insurance & private work | Light vehicle repairs | Restorations
Spray painting | Detailing | + more!

taxworld
AUSTRALIA PTY LTD
TAX ADVISORS • TAX ACCOUNTANTS • TAX AGENTS

KEVIN O'DEA AND COMPANY
Chartered Accountant
Chartered Tax Advisor
F.C.A FTIA M.TAX (Monash)
Exec Cert BA (Swinburne)

M 0418 530 129 P 1300 308 382

Taxworld Australia Pty Ltd
P.O. Box 51, Charlton 3525
E taxman@taxworld.com.au

Rental Properties **WANTED**

**We are currently seeking
Quality Rental Properties**



NorthWest Real Estate have been managing properties in the Wimmera and Mallee for over 8 years and are now also servicing **CHARLTON and WYCHEPROOF**

We Offer:

- Careful Tenant Screening with full Reference Checks
- Full Condition Reports and Lease Agreements
- Regular Inspections
- Strict Rent Arrears procedures
- Full compliance within the Residential Tenancies Act
- Experienced and dedicated Property Managers
- And much more...

For more information please contact
Fiona Knight 03 5398 2201 or 0407972989

53 Scott Street, Warracknabeal VIC 3393
phone 03 5398 2201
www.northwestrealestate.net.au

Charlton Takeaway

*Proud Sponsor of the
Charlton Community
Newsletter*



61-67 High St Charlton, Vic, 3525
Tel: (03) 5491 1118
Now Open Fridays

Charlton Property Maintenance *Charlton & Surrounding Areas*



FREE QUOTES

Pressure cleaning | carpentry
tiling | locks | painting
roofing | rubbish removal

Steve 0418 808 459

stevecooktownsecurity1@gmail.com

The Vale



**Hosts: Benno & Carmel
BED & BREAKFAST
LICENCED CAFÉ**

Opening Hours:

Thursday 5:00pm—8:00pm
Friday 5:00pm—8:00pm
Saturday 5:00pm—8:00pm
Sunday 10:00am—8:00pm

NOTE: Hours subject to change

Phone : 5491 1353
Email: bookings@valeofavoca.com.au
Website: www.valeofavoca.com.au

FOR ALL THINGS BLING

PARK LANE JEWELLERY

0427 780 092

FIND ME ON FACEBOOK
PARK LANE JEWELLERY WITH LOU SHEAHAN



Stahl Electrical

Commercial, Industrial, Domestic
Hot Water Sales & Service
Air Conditioner Sales, Service & Installation
Phone and Data Systems
TV Antenna Installation & Repairs
Trenching & Underground Systems

Damian: 0418 301 768
John: 0418 571 585
Email: stahl_electrical@bigpond.com

Bakery Lane

SERVICED APARTMENTS

16 High Street
CHARLTON

2 & 3 BEDROOM | NIGHTLY / WEEKLY RATES

STAYZ.COM.AU

(03) 54911 691 | 0409 516 920

Charlton Supermarket

Open 7 days a week
Monday to Saturday: 9:00am to 7:30pm
Sunday: 9:00am to 7:00pm

High Street, Charlton 03 5491 1080

Charlton Basketball Association

Proud sponsor of the
Charlton Community
Newsletter



WRIGHT CARPENTRY & digging

0438 516 083

KITCHENS | BATHROOMS | SHEDS | PERGOLAS & DECKS | TILING | RENOVATIONS & MORE
K9-5 DINGO DIGGER: TIGHT AREA ACCESS | TRENCHING | POST HOLE BORING | DRIVEWAY PREP

DANNY WRIGHT P.O BOX 52, CHARLTON 3525 DKWRIGHT15@BIGPOND.COM

SIGN WISE solutions

(03) 5491 1200

sales@signwisesolutions.com.au www.signwisesolutions.com.au

Full Colour Digital Printing & Computer Generated Signs, Corporate, Business, Government, Community & Sporting Groups, Canvas Prints, Wood Photo Blocks, Banners, A Boards, Vehicles, Plaques, Honour Boards, Logos, Business Cards, Fridge & Vehicle Magnets & Promo Products.

For all of your sign, canvas and promotional needs!

Charlton Florist & Fashion

One Flower to a Basket arrangement Charlton Florist & Fashion can meet all your floral needs. We also cater in fashion for babies right through to ladies including ladies underwear. New stock arriving all the time.

9B High Street, Charlton,
3525
Tel: (03) 54912220

Proud Sponsor of the
Charlton Community
Newsletter

New Horizon Quilt Shop

Long arm quilting service
Quilting Fabric and Supplies.

Open Friday and Saturday 9 to 4
Sunday 9 to 2.

9a High Street, Charlton.
Phone: 0411 867 075.



Charlton Arts

Annual Film Festival
Café Culture
School Music & Art Awards



**Stephen Perry
PERRY'S PAINTING SERVICE**

- Interior & Exterior Painting
- New Homes
- Re Paints
- Commercial Work
- Restorations
- Free Quotes

0409 357063



Proud Sponsor of the
Charlton
Community Newsletter

Heenan's
**CHARLTON
AUTHORISED
NEWSAGENCY**

*Proud Sponsor of the Charlton
Community Newsletter*
69 High St Charlton, Vic, 3525
Tel: (03) 5491 1680



School Bus & Charter

38 Halliday St,
Charlton, 3525
Tel: (03) 54 911 237
Fax: (03) 54 911 100

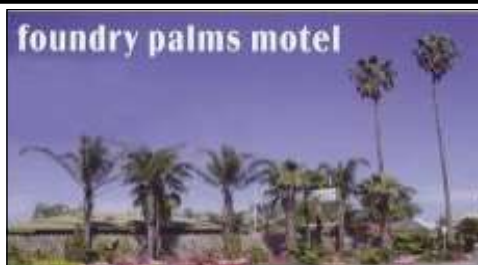
*Proud Sponsor of the
Charlton Community
Newsletter*



- Pipe laying: up to 2 inch poly
- Ripping - Erosion control
- Dam construction - Channel decommissioning
- Dozer, excavator and float for hire

Free No Obligation Quote
Enquires: Aaron- 0408 102 331, Peter- 0407 090 680
Email: apearthmoving@harboursat.com.au

foundry palms motel



Your host: Ron & Lyn Good
86 High St, Charl-
ton, Vic. 3525
Phone: 03 54911911

*Proud Supporters of the
Charlton Community
Newsletter*



Jess Round, CPA
GMG Financial Group
Taxation Agents, Accountants &
Business Advisors
PO Box 495
Swan Hill VIC 3585
Ph:03 5032 9422
Mob:0408998731
Email: jess@gmgfg.com.au
Website: www.gmgfg.com.au

Visiting Charlton by appointment.



Cabbaritta CWA

**Proud Sponsor of the Charlton
Community Newsletter**

Meets evenings, 3rd
Monday of each month
**Friendship, Crafts,
Community**

Tuesday Craft: Every Tuesday
morning, 10-12 at the Lions
Lodge, Camp Street.
Bring your craft project.
All Welcome

New Members Welcome
Contact: Secretary, Jo Phillips on 0417 538 598.

**St Martin's Anglican
Church is a proud
Sponsor of the
Charlton Community
Newsletter**
Celebrating 130 years



Charlton Trophies

22 Menzies Street
Charlton, 3525
Rae Heenan
Ph: 5491 1672
Mob: 0437 093 672

Sharon McLean



**Proud Sponsor of the
Charlton Community
Newsletter**

Become a Charlton Newsletter sponsor

Small advertisements \$100
Large advertisements \$200
Banner advertisements negotiable depending on
placement in newsletter.
For more information contact Garry Larmour
on 5491 1647.



37 HIGH STREET, CHARLTON, VIC 3525

We are a Volunteer Run Licensed Club Open to the Community On Friday Nights From 5pm.

We have Cold Drinks, A Meat Raffle and a Members Draw for a Cash Prize that you Must be there to Win or it Jackpots.

Come see what we have to offer.

We are available for Hire.

We are Proud Sponsors of:

- Charlton Hockey Club with Concession or No Hire Charges for their Shopping Night.
- A & P Society—Annual Sponsorship
- Charlton Newsletter—Annual Sponsorship
- Harness Racing Stable—Naming Sponsorship
- Charlton Arts Inc—Annual Hire Concession
- Various Artists—Low Cost Live Entertainment Regularly as Advertised.



The Probus Club of Charlton Inc.
Friendship, Fellowship and Fun
For Retirees and Semi Retirees.

Proud sponsor of the Charlton Community
Newsletter

Contact Gill on 0427 911 308

Cassia Plumbing

- New homes & renovations
- General plumbing & blocked drains
- Water tank manufacturer sales & installations
- Leaking taps, spouting & down pipes
- Gas fitting, wood heaters, roofing
- Hot water & solar hot water installations
- No job too big or too small—Prompt Friendly & Professional Service

Paul Hounslow 0417 103 441



Charlton Quality Meats



Try our smoked bacon

49 High St Charlton, Vic, 3525

Tel: (03) 5491 1785

North Central Garden Club

Proud Sponsor of the
Charlton Community Newsletter



Charlton Senior Citizens



Monday - Bingo 2pm
Tuesday - Cards 1:30pm
New Members Welcome
Contact Val Bourke:
5491 1418



The Rotary Club of
Charlton is a proud
sponsor of the
Charlton
Community
Newsletter.



Charlton Angling Club

Proud sponsor of the
Charlton Community Newsletter

New memberships are now available: Adult \$10, Junior U18 \$5 and Family \$15.





Phone 5446 3399

Why travel elsewhere?

- Full Hearing Services
- Free services for pensioners and DVA
- Relocations easily arranged from Providers elsewhere
- Free Hearing Checks Available (By appointment)

Visits Charlton Medical Campus.
Every 4 Weeks
on a Wednesday

Charlton A & P Society

***Proud sponsor of the
Charlton Community
Newsletter***

Charlton Lawn Tennis Club

***Proud sponsor of the Charlton
Community Newsletter***



Addlem Engineering

*Proud Sponsor of the Charlton
Community Newsletter*

Lot 1 St Arnaud Rd, Charlton, Vic, 3525
Tel: (03) 5491 1659
Fax (03) 5491 1055

F.P. Nevins & Co. Real Estate PTY LTD
Real Estate Agents, Auctioneers

Local Representative:
Doug Finlay
Livestock and Real-estate
0407927573

Proud Sponsor of the
Charlton Community
Newsletter



Charlton Uniting Church

Working for Charlton and beyond

Proud Sponsor of the
Charlton Community
Newsletter

Halliday Street,
Charlton 3525



Excavator & Rock breaker Trencher & Bob-cat Hire, Wood saw

0427 528 968

rjperry@bigpond.net.au

Charlton Golden Grains Museum

*Proud Sponsor of the Charlton
Community Newsletter*

Charlton Bowling Club

P.O. Box 128
Charlton, 3525
5491 1830

Proud Sponsors of the
Charlton Community
Newsletter





Dec 2020

The Charlton Lions Club Inc. are proud sponsors of the Charlton Community Newsletter.

**Stick This on
Your Fridge**



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| | | 1 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm | 2 | 3 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm | 4 | 5 Lions Paper Collection from 9am |
| 6 | 7 | 8 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm | 9 | 10 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm | 11 Santa Photos at Rotunda Bookings essential 3-5:30 0473 759 456 | 12 |
| 13 Angling Club Fishing Comp & Xmas Party Bowling Club Xmas Party & Presentations | 14 Angling Club Meeting, 8pm | 15 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm | 16 Lions Business Meeting 8pm | 17 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm | 18 Mens Shed Xmas Party | 19 |
| 20 | 21 Bowling Club Meeting, 7:30pm | 22 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm | 23 Xmas Fest at - Rotary Park | 24 | 25 Merry Christmas | 26 |
| 27 | 28 | 29 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm | 30 | 31 | | |

Jan 2021

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | | | | | 1 HAPPY NEW YEAR | 2 Lions Paper Collection from 9am |
| 3 | 4 | 5 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm Midweek Bowls Restarts | 6 | 7 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm | 8 | 9 |
| 10 | 11 Angling Club Meeting, 8pm | 12 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm | 13 | 14 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm | 15 | 16 Bowls Pennant Restarts |
| 17 | 18 Bowling Club Meeting, 7:30pm | 19 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm | 20 Lions Business Meeting, 8pm | 21 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm | 22 | 23 Covid Classic Tennis Tournament |
| 24 Covid Classic Tennis Tournament | 25 | 26 Australia Day Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm | 27 | 28 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm | 29 | 30 |