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New Early Years Centre for Charlton

Doors opened on June 15th at the new Charlton Early Years Centre located in Armstrong Street. The \$1.175 million project is funded by the Victorian School Building Authority as part of its Children's Facilities Capital Program. The new facility has the capacity to deliver kindergarten,

childcare and maternal and child health services. Whilst the new centre has been under construction, the pre-school children have been attending Pre-school at the Charlton Tennis Club.

The Ballarat YMCA are currently conducting a survey to help them

understand the level of interest in a long day care offering at the new kindergarten site in Charlton. All families are invited to take some time and complete the survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8XZZM2P>.

Photos courtesy of Buloke Shire.



Top Left: The spacious new interior.

Top Right: the new undercover area at the rear of the building and the playground which was not altered. Left: Children at play. Above: The car park and exterior which faces Armstrong Street.

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*Editorial
Carolyn Olive*

Hello everyone,

Welcome to the July edition of the community newsletter. It won't take long to read as there was little news for June. Winter is always quiet and with a lockdown thrown in, it was even quieter.

However, after trawling the papers and various Facebook pages, I've managed to fill it up a little. Struggling to find something for the front page, I remembered the new kinda had opened. The Buloke Shire had some great pics which I've taken the liberty of sharing. The childcare facility is still not operating and hopefully after the YMCA survey is completed, enough interest is shown and this valuable service will be available.

Welcome to our new sponsors the Cricket Club Hotel, Centrelink and Snip & Clip. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Clinton and I are heading down south for a short break soon and we are looking forward to some wintery beach weather. Nothing like being all snug in front of a large window with a winter view of the ocean! Plus a few bracing beach walks to get some fresh air. The boys will be about to keep an eye on things at home. And to chop firewood—hopefully.

Cheers,
Carolyn

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Upcoming Events

Please note, events are subject to change.

- Harness Racing—4th July Event
Sunday 4th July
- Jazz in July @ Charlton Park
Sunday 18th July
- Café Culture—The Shuffle Club
Sunday 4th September



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Charlton Croquet Club News

The Charlton Croquet Club held its AGM on Tuesday 8th June. Despite Covid-19 restrictions President Pat Mathews reported on a successful year. She mentioned the highlight of the year was the reunion celebrations when a book detailing the club's history was launched. Despite Covid we also gained some new members.

The 2021-22 committee is the same as last year: President – Pat Mathews, Vice President – Barb Dalrymple, Secretary – Val Bourke, Treasurer – Janet Richardson, Association Captain – Anne Kenny, Golf Croquet Captain – Margaret Bowen and Ordinary Member - Glenda Litton.

The club looks forward to an uninterrupted season when all events can be played.

On Saturday, 19 June, nine members travelled to Swan Hill to participate in the Murray Valley Croquet Association's Winter Round Robin event. This was a great social occasion to catch up with players from Boort and Swan Hill. The weather was good but, unfortunately, we did not bring home any winners.



Above: Committee Members L to R—Anne Kenny, Barb Dalrymple, Val Bourke, Margaret Bowen, Pat Mathews & Glenda Litton.

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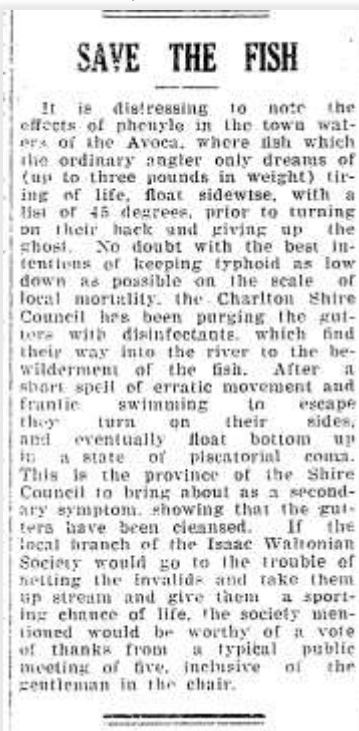
Golden Grains Museum News

Hello to everyone from the Charlton Golden Grains Museum. It is hard to believe that half the year has already passed us by. The Charlton Golden Grains Museum is pleased to announce a new service. For just \$10.00 we will scan and securely store an A4 size archival envelope of papers recording your family's story. This could include copies of family trees, photographs, written histories or similar items. These will be recorded on our database and available to view at a later date by researchers of your family or those with an interest in the district. We are fortunate to have a few recorded stories by members of pioneer families telling of the early days of the district and important information on family members' lives. They are a great reference of life back in those times.

As we are still very much focused on our community's safety due to the Corona virus, records held from 100 years ago from the district's Health Inspector to the Commission on Public Health in 1921 give a snapshot of what worried Charlton's 1031 residents. Mr W. Healey, who was also the district's inspector for Roads, Thistle, Works and Dog Registrar, in his report listed the slaughter house 1.5 miles upstream on the Avoca, and no arrangements for the removal of household refuse of concern. More concerning was the discovery of Saltpeter (potassium nitrate) in a sample of sausage tested, which could cause kidney damage, anaemia, headaches and digestive distress. Arrangements were made with Wycheproof Hospital to remove as many cases as necessary from Charlton Hospital to ease the

strain there. Reported were 35 cases of Diphtheria, 27 cases of Scarlet fever, one of Tuberculosis and one of Typhoid Fever. 14 notices were issued for unclean yards. Mr Healey did make note of the town's efforts in trying to obtain a clean water supply from Lake Lonsdale (near Stawell), but that had been unsuccessful to date.

In an effort to fight off typhoid in 1923, the use of phenyl had a disastrous effect on the local fish population. (East Charlton Tribune 28/02/1923).



With the colder evenings our regular Bingo Bus has not been making the trip to Donald. Keep an eye open for details on when the group will be again making the trip across to support our fundraising efforts.

Another way the museum raises much needed funds is through research for

individuals. Many enquiries for family history are received from around Australia, and we are often able to provide images and newspaper clippings for these requests. If you want to find out information about your family or home address contact any of the people listed below.

The museum has been pleased to accept many fine donations recently relating to Charlton, and these are now recorded into our system, catalogued and either put on display or stored for future reference or exhibition by our volunteers. Recently, sisters, Carmel Bartlett, Patricia Arnel, Evelyn Pole and Kathleen Wenn (nee McKenna), donated a gramophone which was used by the McKenna family in the past. This is a fantastic addition to our collection and we appreciate their generosity. Nola Wright also recently donated a treasure trove of items belong to the Wright family and we will feature some of these treasures in the future. Please always consider the historic relevance of items to our town if you are having a clean-up at home. A number of terrific items in our museum have been saved last minute

from landfill by people thinking that old ashtray, calendar or bottle opener from a long gone Charlton business may be of some interest.

The museum is always looking for more new members to help maintain, archive and assist with our collection. You could give as much or as little time each month as you wish. If you have an interest in history and would like to help preserve items for Charlton's future generations, contact the museum; you will be made most welcome. You can also become a 'Friend of the Museum' for just \$20. Every dollar goes towards maintaining and improving our town's collection of historic items.

If you have an interest in history and would like to help preserve items for Charlton's future generations, contact the museum; you will be made most welcome.

Check out our Facebook Page or search your browser for 'Golden Grains Museum Charlton'.

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Communities Benefit From Community Bank Grants

Nine community groups have received grants as part of the Charlton & District Community Grants Program 2021.

Jon Whykes, Chairman of North Central Financial Services Limited (NCFS), the company which operates the Charlton & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch, said the grants would be used to carry out improvements and projects which would benefit the communities.

"This year's successful grants totalled \$33,921," Jon said.

Grant recipients include:

- Culgoa Development Group – defibrillator – \$2,000
- Charlton Golden Grains Museum – new computer - \$2,238
- Charlton Junior Football Club – first aid equipment– \$1,693
- Charlton Neighbourhood House – marketing billboard for the town – \$5,000

- Charlton Angling Club – defibrillator and seating– \$3,300 as a challenge grant depending on other funds raised

- Charlton Forum – landscape designs project– \$3,500

- Charlton Lions Club – Lions Park development– \$4,757

- Charlton Traffic Safety Education Centre – new iPads and other teaching resources – \$8,136

- Charlton Football Club – point of sale registers– \$3,297 as a sponsorship rather than a grant

Since opening in 2003, Charlton & District **Community Bank**[®] Branch has returned more than **\$1,350,000.00** to the towns serviced by the bank.

"We were pleased to receive a large number of different applications and are delighted to be able to support a range of projects, many of which may not have been financially viable without the support of our

Community Bank[®] Branch," Jon said. "The grants program is administered by Community Enterprise Foundation[™], the philanthropic arm of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank. The partnership with the Foundation enables local community organisations to share in our success.

We aim to support accessible and valued community services and partnerships leading change which strengthen and unite our communities."

The board hope that in 2022 there will be applications from all of the communities that are supported by the bank.

"These grants have only been made possible through the support of you, our customers, so thank you all for that continued support" Mr Whykes added. "The more individuals and organisations that bank with us, then the more we are able to give back to our four communities. Our friendly staff, led by manager, Glenden Watts, will be happy to assist you with all your financial and banking needs."

The Charlton Club Enters New Era

At the recent Charlton Club AGM, history was made when Julie McGrath was voted in as the first female President in its long 121 year history.

When the Charlton Club was first constituted in 1900, with Ben Green as the inaugural president, the male only establishment would have been aghast at the thought there would be a female president in its future. For its first 100 years it remained staunchly a male only venue. However, in an effort to boost membership and become more inclusive, the Club's constitution was changed to allow female members.

Following the 2011 flood, the Club struggled for a period and was close to closing down. Fortunately it survived this difficult period. The Charlton Club is now fully run by volunteers and over recent years has had an influx of new members, many of them new to the town. The Club is now much more community minded and encourages locals and visitors to drop in on a Friday night from 5pm. A well stocked bar, snacks, pool, darts, meat raffles, winners draw and great company are all on offer. The newly created outdoor area at the rear of the Club hints at some pleasant evenings to come in the warmer months.

The Club recently celebrated its 121st Birthday on the 21st May. Brian Mulquiny, one of the Club's Life Members, and twice Club President, had the honour of cutting the cake.



Above: Outgoing President, John 'Nippa' Sweatman, presents new President, Julie McGrath, with the President's badge.



Above: Brian Mulquiny cutting the 121st Birthday cake.



Charlton Junior Football

Five Charlton boys represented the NCFL and AFLCV in Mildura on Monday 28th and Tuesday 29th June at the U15 VLine Cup Carnival.

Hunter Connolly, Harry Conroy, Elliott Fitzpatrick, Nick Thompson and Ned Zagame played two games each day at Quandong Park in Red Cliffs.

Two AFL Central Victoria teams (44 players) were selected from a training session in Inglewood and on their performances at club level. Other regions involved in the carnival with one team each were Central Murray, Sunraysia and

Goulburn Murray. These regions make up the Bendigo Pioneers catchment area.

Following the conclusion of this carnival, a squad of 55-60 players will be selected as the training squad for the Bendigo Pioneers Division 1 and 2 sides, who will play in the U/15 V/Line Cup Carnival in Shepparton on September 20th-23rd. This squad will be made up of players from AFL Central Victoria, AFL Goulburn Murray, AFL Central Vic Navy (Central Murray) and AFL Sunraysia. An initial training session for this squad will be organized in August.

Day 1: AFLCV Gold took on AFL

Goulburn and were defeated by 13 points. AFLCV Blue took on AFLCV Navy (Central Murray) and won by 38 points. AFLCV Gold then played AFLCV Blue in a very even game which went down to the final seconds with AFLCV Blue getting over the line by 1 point.

Day 2: AFLCV Gold 1.5.11 defeated by Sunraysia 3.3.21. AFLCV Blue 5.2.32 defeated by Goulburn 6.8.44. AFLCV Gold 6.3.39 defeated AFLCV Navy (Central Murray) 2.4.16. AFLCV Blue 7.7.49 defeated Sunraysia 2.6.18.

Well done boys!



Above: L to R—Ned Zagame (AFLCV Gold), Elliott Fitzpatrick, Harry Conroy, Hunter Connolly & Nick Thompson (AFLCV Blue)

Charlton Forum News

Charlton Forum is an advisory group working with the Shire and the community to augment community ideas and suggestions that could/would benefit the citizens of our town.

The Forum meets monthly and is open to any persons wishing to attend and be part of an interesting and forward thinking group.

Initially, people are invited to attend by a current committee member, and should the person have a desire to be an active participant, they may be nominated and voted onto the committee.

Expressions of concern, general ideas

and other issues that may need attending to are discussed, voted on and if necessary submitted to the necessary Shire department for comment or action. In many cases, the Forum have obtained grants for works that have been supported by the Shire and have worked in a collaborative atmosphere for the benefit of our town.

Recent 'wins', that have commenced are the Avoca River Project with new boardwalk, lighting and seating for the benefit of both locals and visitors and includes the sealing and installation of drainage in the 'back lane' behind the shops; the purchase of brochure holders for town promotional brochures, designed specifically for visitors; a grant for a

landscape architect to assist with landscape designs for the Lions Park, Elliot Gardens, Rotary Park, Travellers Rest and the former Railway Station area.

These are just a few examples of what has been happening behind the scenes, that perhaps many locals and travellers weren't aware of.

As an integral part of the future of Charlton this invitation is open to those who wish to have their say in a relaxed, but formal group.

Further information is available through Bruce Gardner (Chairperson) 0417 393 467 or Carolyn Olive (Secretary) 0418 361 971.

The next meeting is on July 20, at 7.30, Lions Lodge, Camp Street.

The Annual Woosang Cup

Courtesy of the Buloke Times.

Wedderburn has claimed this year's holding of the Woosang Cup, played annually between traditional Calder Highway rivals, Charlton and Wedderburn.

Tom Finlay, of Charlton, was adjudged best on field and awarded the Pappos Medal for his achievement, despite playing in the losing side.

In a game that would greatly aid Charlton's aspiration of securing a final-four berth, the Wedderburn Redbacks had all the answers.

Kicking with the aid of the temperature dropping breeze, the 'Burners were first on the scoreboard and, through cleaner ball use, were able to hurt Charlton on the turnover, and open a handy three-goal break at the end of the first term.

Charlton's Navy Blues had their chances but were regularly picked off across half back. Jordan Hargreaves constantly dropped back behind play in the ruck, aiding his defensive flankers, Jackson Guan and Tim Leahy in stifling Charlton's forward advances and starving Rhys Thompson and Joe McGrath of supply.

At the other end of the ground, Ben DeAraugo proved dangerous all day, utilising his

strengths, and preventing Dean McKay from providing his usual offensive run and distribution from the last line of defence.

Charlton began the second term strongly, looking to use the wind advantage to its fullest. The ruck duel proved intriguing, neither opposition ruckman – Charlton's Angus McKenzie nor Wedderburn's Jordan Hargreaves — able to win clean hit outs. However, Charlton's joint coach, Aaron Walklate, ball magnet Tom Finlay and centreman Ben Walklate began getting on top at the stoppages and driving Charlton forward, Anthony Judd and Joe McGrath finishing off the good work up the ground with goals, to have Charlton in the hunt.

Not to be denied, the Redbacks rallied in front of their home crowd, Jordan Rosengren becoming an important target while resting forward, taking a number of strong marks and, despite kicking into the breeze, Wedderburn had more scoring shots and managed to maintain a 16-point buffer at half-time.

The third term proved to be a scrap. The football was not pretty and at times resembled a rugby scrum, and both sides

tried to do whatever they could to keep the ball moving in their direction. It was almost nine minutes into the term before Wedderburn's Tom Campbell registered the first goal of the quarter.

Wedderburn went one rotation and on-baller down during the term, when the impressive Rosengren limped from the field, it seemed to have little impact, though, and in fact released Guan from half back into the midfield, where he became very influential throughout the remainder of the game. The Redbacks extended their lead to a little over four goals after DeAraugo converted to kick the third of his four goals of the day.

Finlay and McKenzie tried hard to lift their Charlton team, finding plenty of the ball and working tirelessly around the ground and, when youngster Charlie Patullo kicked a booming goal into the breeze, it seemed as though the momentum may have been turning, heading into the three-quarter time break.

Charlton continued to hold sway to start the last, buoyed by having the breeze at its back and the majority of possession. The Navies were let down by their biggest enemy of the day – their skills, a number of near misses at goal proving costly. However, when Finlay kicked

truly at the fifteen-minute mark, Charlton looked like it was a chance to run down the Redbacks, bridging the gap to just 14 points. A clanger in the defensive arc put paid to that, leading to a Wedderburn goal and sucking the wind out of the Charlton sails. Corey Lowry and Mitchell McEwen were running themselves into the ground, to ensure Charlton remained at arm's length, DeAraugo kicking his fourth after the final siren to see the Redbacks run out 26-point victors and lift the Woosang Cup.

Final scores: Wedderburn 10.10 (70) d. Charlton 6.8 (44).

Wedderburn goals: B. DeAraugo 4, R. Butters 2, M. McEwen, T. Campbell, J. Leach, J. Rosengren.

Charlton: J. McGrath 3, T. Finlay, C. Patullo, A. Judd.

Best for Wedderburn: Jackson Guan, Hamish Winter-Irving, Jordan Hargreaves, Darcy Jackson, Mitch McEwen, Corey Lowry.

For Charlton: Tom Finlay (Pappos Medal), Dean McKay, Tyson Watton, Joe Tormey, Angus McKenzie, Kade Blow.

[From the community newsletter editor—For up-to-date reporting of all of Charlton's winter sport matches, consider a subscription to the Buloke Times.]



Above: North-Central League President, Tim Lockhart, presents the Pappos Medal for Best on Field to Charlton's Tom Finlay.



Above: Roger Paterson presents the Woosang Challenge Shield to Wedderburn's Corey Lowry (left) and Sam Barnes.



Year of St Joseph

(December 8, 2020–
December 8, 2021)

In this year of St Joseph we include a brief summary of St Joseph's Parish, Charlton and the Parish Priests.

The Parish of Charlton was established in 1885. In those days priests travelled throughout the area on horseback, or by horse and buggy, over unmade roads and winding bush tracks, trusting to the hospitality of the people, the pioneers from whom they were assured a cordial welcome.

St Joseph's first Parish Priest was **Fr Michael Costello**, with his brother Fr Pat as assistant priest. Their presbytery was in High St until 1922 when the present one in Learmonth St was opened and blessed.

These pioneer priests travelled to towns such as, Birchip, Quambatook, Lalbert, Sea Lake and even from Swan Hill to Mildura (by boat on the Murray).

After 15 years enduring the overpowering heat of summer and the penetrating winter winds, Fr Michael was physically unable to continue with the work in such a large parish and was transferred to Colac. Three years later he returned to his beloved County Kerry and died there in 1916.

Fr Costello was replaced by a comparatively young but vigorous priest, the **Rev. Edward O'Sullivan Goidanich**. Fr Goidanich worked zealously and successfully and had the satisfaction of seeing a new brick church built in 1907, replacing the 32 year old wooden building which was moved about

40 yards. Fr Goidanich took a keen interest in all sport but especially golf. He was instrumental in building the footbridge across the Avoca River which was known as Fr Guy's bridge.

Fr Guy volunteered for service in 1915 and served as a chaplain. He was with the troops at Gallipoli where he was wounded and awarded the Military Cross. After being Parish Priest at St Joseph's for about 12 years, shortly after his return from military service, he was transferred to Port Fairy.

The third Parish Priest at St Joseph's was **Fr Cornelius Kelly**. Fr Kelly was concerned about the children's spiritual welfare and their role in the future of the parish. A Catholic school had been in



existence for years, with about 60 pupils under the supervision of lay teachers. A new brick school hall was completed in 1922, at the same time the new presbytery was built. In 1924 the Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions arrived to take over the care of the new school. A new convent to accommodate the Sisters and female boarders was completed in 1930. Dean Kelly's health failed in 1949 and he died on the 48th anniversary of his ordination. He is buried in the Charlton Cemetery. He spent 31 years in the Charlton Parish.

In 1950 **Fr Charles Mulcahy** arrived to take over as Parish Priest. He had been assistant to Dean Kelly back in 1913 for 4 years. In 1959 a new four roomed school building was erected and later a further two rooms were added. Fr Mulcahy died in 1968 and was remembered as "a humble and lovable man, a capable administrator and organiser .. who knew all his parishioners."

Fr Bill Melican had been assistant priest from 1965 and was appointed administrator after Fr Mulcahy's death. He had the difficult task of implementing a Parish Planned Giving Program but, with the whole hearted support of the parishioners, he left shortly after knowing he had admirably fulfilled this task.

In 1968 **Fr Cornelius Healy** was appointed Parish Priest. This was a time of change to the Liturgy. In 1968 he over saw the farewell to the Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions, who departed Charlton after 24 years of devoted service. He also organised the special celebration of Sr Margaret Spain's Final Profession. This was the first time in the parish history for such an event. He was responsible for the building of the Science Laboratory which was opened in 1969. He was transferred to Donald in 1973 and in 1980 retired to Ballarat where he died in 1981.

Fr Michael Kehoe arrived in 1973. The two Home Economic classrooms were built during his time in Charlton. He played an excellent game of golf and before long The Priest's Golf Day became a popular annual

event in Charlton. In 1978 he moved to Camperdown but ill health compelled him to resign. He died in 1980.

Our next Parish Priest was **Fr John Martin** – our first "bikie" priest. He was nicknamed "The Fonz" by the school children. Fr Martin was only here a short time and transferred to Colac.



Fr Coffey arrived in 1978 and was replaced by **Fr Paul Mercovich** in 1984. Fr Mercovich had an active association with schools and education. He was an early member of the Diocesan Board and a member of the Country Education Program. He was transferred in 1987 but later returned to the area as Parish Priest of St Arnaud. After his departure Frs Dennehy, Peck, Welsh & Claridge filled the position. In 2000 Fr Mercovich also became Parish Priest of St Joseph's and was Parish Priest at the time of his death in 2017.

Since 2018 and the amalgamation with the East Wimmera Parish, St Joseph's has been serviced by Fr Eugene McKinnon and Fr Jerry Prunty. *By Anne Kenny*



Above: Believed to be the first church and used as a school. c. 1907.



Above: St Joseph's Church. c. 1910



Charlton Neighbourhood House

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Greetings from the **Charlton Neighbourhood House** and welcome to our July update. Despite the small hiccup with our closure due to COVID-19 restrictions, the Neighbourhood House has been very busy with activities and assisting our community. We have been proud to support the Monday morning FLO initiative at the Rex Theatre with a variety of community representatives coming along to inform or answer enquiries about their group. A new initiative this term was the Charlton Youth Space being held Thursday afternoons after school at the Charlton Club. In a supervised environment the kids have been able to catch up with friends, enjoy some snacks and drinks and play games. Thanks to funding from the Victorian Department of Health, this project will continue to operate in the future. Still meeting regularly are Tai Chi classes with Jo Russell and The 2nd Tuesday Book Club. Enquire at the Charlton Neighbourhood House if you would like further information.



Pictured above. Charlton Youth Space, Cabbaritta CWA ladies at the Monday morning FLO sessions..

With the second half of the year ahead, we are very excited about the courses and activities planned. Apart from those mentioned above, our Table for 12 will continue monthly with a great variety of food selections. With funding provided by Buloke Shire we will be arranging several 'Explore' day long bus trips to a number of interesting destinations, and we will also be hosting many classes through our 'Connecting Creativity' planned activities. Watch for details closer to dates.

Tech Tuesdays return to the Neighbourhood House.

Bookings essential.

Cost \$15 per half hour.

Contact us for further information.



Men's Health Week was celebrated in a big way this year by the Charlton Neighbourhood House with 'A Pleasant Sunday Morning' at Rotary Park. With funding provided through Buloke Shire and the Victorian Government's CASI funding, a free BBQ, refreshments, free community transport and entertainment by Big Bad John was provided. Thanks must go to the many groups and individuals who supported the day, including the volunteers who helped set up and pack away, the Rotary Club for assisting with the BBQ, the North Central Car Club for bringing along some of their magnificent vehicles, Dave and Lyn Edyvean for blood pressure checks and very popular neck and shoulder massages, Andrew from the Charlton Community Garden, and Jo Phillips and Deb Finlay assisting with the drinks.



Pictured above, some of the vehicles from the North Central Car Club and Ernie Moore having his blood pressure checked by Paramedic Dave Edyvean.

The Charlton Forum Community Car continues to be very popular taking people to appointments from Swan Hill to Melbourne, and everywhere in-between. Please give as much notice as possible if you require the service to ensure availability of the vehicle and a volunteer driver. As always, we are extremely grateful to all the drivers who donate their time to provide this valuable service. Would you like to become a Community Car Driver and help others in our town? Call 0473759456 or drop in for more information. All training provided.

New to town?

We have Welcome Packs available which include an array of information from local community service groups. Drop in to collect your pack today. Businesses and organizations are welcome to contribute to the pack as well, advising new residents of their services.



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Charlton Neighbourhood House

COURSE: PARTICIPATE IN SAFE FOOD HANDLING PRACTICES

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Wednesday, 7th July, 2021

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Come and learn how to make some beautiful cards!

Friday 9th of July, 10am - 11am.
Rex Theatre Foyer.

FREE for primary-aged children. Parent or Guardian to be in attendance.

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Table for 12 is back!



Following on from Penny Van Boven's terrific session last month, our Table for 12 cooking class for July is delicious Sponge Cake making. Hosted by Bernice Kenny, this class will fill very quickly.

Enrol today to avoid disappointment.

Date: Wednesday July 28

Time 7:00pm

Venue North Central Trade Training Centre

Cost just \$20!



CHARLTON NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

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August 8th & 15th
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Did you know donations made to the Charlton Neighbourhood House are tax deductible through our association with ANHCA? Contact the Neighbourhood House if you would like details about ways to assist your local community.

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Enrolments being taken now for:

July 11. 2 to 3pm Adult Felting Project with Cheryl Kemp. FREE
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Drop into the Neighbourhood House to discuss any courses or activities you would like to see run.

Charlton Probus Club News

The guest speaker for the June Probus meeting was Kim Wheatley from Hearing Australia, and spoke on the importance of regular hearing checks and the variety of hearing aids to suit everybody.

An excursion to the historic East Loddon Woolshed at Serpentine took place on Friday 25th June. Members enjoyed walking through this impressive building still in use today.

They enjoyed lunch at the Wedderburn Hotel afterwards.

A reminder to all that our 15th Birthday Celebrations will be held at the Golf Club for the July meeting—2 course meal at a cost of \$30.

Celebrating birthdays in June were Denis Best, Marj Bartlett, Joan Mundy and Neil Cossar.





Charlton Harness Racing Club News

CHARLTON'S ABBY SANDERSON TAKES THE REINS FOR FIRST DRIVE

It was great excitement for local youngster Abby Sanderson as she embarked on her driving career at Stawell recently. We are not sure who was more nervous in the Sanderson camp but we are pretty sure it wasn't her!

With brother Ryan well entrenched already with 48 winners to his name, Abby was ready to join him having recently turned 16 and having completed all of her required trial drives.

Driving her Dad, Shane's, horse 'Timely Sovereign' Abby drove a patiently timed race to flash home for second, and if the smile afterwards was any indication she appears to have found her calling. She quickly followed up with a first in only her third race with Cool Rock Daddy at Maryborough on Monday 29th June.

It is so fantastic to have another driver representing Charlton and we wish Abby all the best as she juggles the commitments of school whilst beginning her career in the cart.

Charlton Harness Racing Club is so fortunate to have the Sanderson family join us and they are proving a great asset to the town.

Stay tuned for exciting times ahead!

CELEBRATE JULY 4TH AT THE CHARLTON TROTS

Everyone in Charlton is invited to a FREE BRUNCH at the Charlton Trots on Sunday July 4th, 11am kicks off the American themed day as we gather to watch some races from the Meadowlands in New York named after Charlton and we celebrate all things red white and blue.

QR code check in at the gate.

RSVP to andreagog@bigpond.com to help with catering.

We hope to welcome many members and some newcomers to the track for a great community day. Post COVID restrictions - a terrific chance to get together.

Most local trainers will have horses engaged so come along and cheer them on.

LOCAL WINNERS FOR JUNE- CONGRATULATIONS

CLARENDON ENVOY—

JOE THOMPSON

(Driven by Ryan Sanderson)

LARA BAY—

JOHN AND ELLEN TORMEY

GOELITZ—MARK BOYLE

YAPPER—MARK BOYLE

Driven by Ryan Sanderson.

Well done also to Denbeigh Wade and Ryan Sanderson who clocked up wins with 'outside' stables as well.

GO CHARLTON TROTS!



Above: Abby winning her first race with Cool Rock Daddy.



Above: It was nice to see Bushy Lodge back on the winners list with 'Clarendon Envoy' driven by local, Ryan Sanderson. Congratulations to owner Claire Goble in SA - a great friend of the Charlton Harness Racing Club.



Above: Abby Sanderson pictured with Cool Rock Daddy.

Mens' Golf Championships Underway

Twenty-seven men teed off in heavy, but ideal conditions for the second round of Charlton Golf Club's annual men's championship.

Defending champion, Brett Schofield, carded an excellent 80 to add to last week's 82, giving him 162 and a 4-stroke lead over Troy Heenan, and 8 strokes ahead of third placed Kirk Boyle.

"B" grade is a tighter contest, following Brendan Byrne's excellent round of 84. Coupled with last week's 94, total 178, he is tied with Benno Catherine's 91 + 87 = 178. Chris Mathews, a further 6 strokes

behind, will also be joining the leading group.

In "C" grade the contest is about to begin, with only one stroke separating the top 3 players. John Harley on 93 + 107 = 200, Peter Sexton 103 + 97 = 200 and John Tormey with 98 + 103 = 201. Someone in this group should stumble over the line, as they have a 6-stroke lead over the rest of the field.

With 27 golfers playing, two grades were contested for the daily ball run. The leading scores in division 1 were Kirk Boyle 82-10, 72; Damian McIntyre 88-16, 72; Brett

Schofield 80-8, 72; Benno Catherine 87-15, 72; and Troy Heenan 82-9, 73.

In Division 2, Brendan Byrne crushed the field with a PB, scoring 84-19, 65 (check with handicapper Clint for the damage). Limping in behind was Peter Sexton 97-23, 74, Jeff Cox 107-30, 77, John Tormey 103-24, 79 and Ian Jenkins 99-20, 79. Only one golfer got on a par 3 hole with his drive, no surprises, well done to Brendan Byrne on the 14th, shame it didn't yield a birdie.

Next week is the final round of the championship, followed by the annual presentation dinner.

Charlton Arts Presents Jazz in July

Charlton Arts are delighted to present Jazz In July on Sunday afternoon July 18 at 1.30 pm at Charlton Park. What better way to welcome back live jazz after a Covid year of lockdowns and cancellations! And what better way to warm up on a chilly winter's afternoon than a feast of jazz presented by The Hot B'Hines!

The Hot B'Hines are well known to many of you as they've played here in Charlton in pre Covid times at The Rex Cinema. This year the Rex was unable to host the show so Charlton Arts were more than happy to step in. Charlton Park is a big venue so there'll be space for dancing for those who just love to take to the floor.

The acoustics are said to be excellent at Charlton Park so I'm sure this great band will make the walls sing. The Hot B'Hines first performed at the Grampians Jazz Festival back in February 1992 and four of the founding members are still with the group.

To introduce the band; there's leader Ken Collins on trumpet and vocals, Barrie Currie, reeds and vocals, Herb Jennings, trombone and vocals, John Huff, Sousaphone and Stick Double Bass and of course patriarch of the group David Hines on banjo, guitar and vocals, hence the name!

They're a highly regarded jazz band, who, in normal times, play all around the state. They have a great following. They're very polished in their performance so it's a concert not to be missed.

Charlton Arts are pleased to advise that the event is supported by Arts Victoria, due

to the cancellation of last year's Cafe Culture Shows, so tickets are only \$15 and this includes an afternoon tea interval.

Tickets can be booked online at: <http://events.humanitix.com/jazz-in-july> or purchased at the Charlton Pharmacy 54911521

While you're marking this on your calendars and in your diaries here's some more good news! We're delighted to announce that we do have two Cafe Culture

Shows for 2021. On Saturday September 4 The Shuffle Club will be performing at the Charlton Golf Club at 8 pm and on Saturday November 20 Los Cojones will help us finish off the year with a bang! There'll be more on these two events later.

See you at the Charlton Park Community Complex, Calder Hwy, Charlton on Sunday July 18 at 1:30 pm but come early to check in and get a good seat!

Jo Russell, Charlton Arts Inc



VALE ROSEMARY HACKETT

Rosemary passed away at 3.00pm on Friday the 18th of June at the Charlton Hospital.

A funeral was held at BUNARONG in Melbourne on Friday the 25th of June which is still available to be viewed on live stream at <https://smct.org.au/view/566337837>.

There will also be a service held for Rosemary in Charlton at 2.00pm on the 11th of July at the Charlton Club.



CHARLTON ANGLING CLUB INC FISHING COMPETITION

Where: Unlimited radius of Charlton

When: Sunday 18th July 2021, 7am to 5pm

Weigh in: 5.30pm at Clubrooms followed by BBQ tea

- 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 5.30pm 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.

For more information:

President: Alan Nicolson 0417 386 787

Secretary: Geoff Nicolson 0417 388 652

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CHARLTON LANDCARE GROUP

NOTICE OF THE CHARLTON LANDCARE AGM TUESDAY 13TH JULY 7:30PM AT LIONS LODGE

Business at the AGM will be the election of Office Bearers;
Adoption of Charlton Landcare Plan; Weed Control,
Membership; habitat regeneration; community
engagement; community projects; biodiversity
assessment; regenerative agriculture.
All existing members encouraged to attend and new
members most welcome.
Many exciting projects for the community being discussed.
Apologies to Secretary Marion Watts 0429 916 247

Charlton Feedlot

Charlton Feedlot is celebrating **50 years** and we need your help. We are looking for photos, newspaper articles, stories and any other items relating to the operation of the feedlot over the last 50 years.

If you have anything you would like to contribute, please contact Terri Wolfe on 5491 6201, 0409 806 384 or via email to territ@teysaust.com.au. Postal address is PO Box 201, Charlton.

All contributions welcome. There will be more exciting news about the celebrations in the coming months.

Charlton Arts—Save the date

After a year of shutdown, we are back up and running for 2021. Make note of these dates already planned, and hopefully there may be more. Hope to see you at all or one of these: more details to follow in future newsletters.

Sunday July 18 - "Jazz in July" @ Charlton Park

Sat. September 4 - "The Shuffle Club" @ Charlton Golf Club

Sat. November 20 - "Los Cojones" @ Charlton Golf Club



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THE MAN IN THE HAT PG 96 mins | Comedy

Sat 3 JULY 8pm
Sun 4 JULY 2pm
Tue 6 JULY 8pm

The Man in the Hat (Ciarán Hinds) journeys through France in a Fiat 500 accompanied by a framed photograph of an unknown woman. He is pursued by five angry men in a Citroën Dyane. Why are they chasing him? And how can he shake them off? A whimsical and charming story set against the French countryside and cuisine.



CRUELLA PG 134 mins | Comedy

Sat 10 JULY 8pm
Sun 11 JULY 2pm
Tue 13 JULY 8pm

An all-new live-action feature film about the rebellious early days of one of cinema's most notorious – and notoriously fashionable – villains, Cruella de Vil.



A QUIET PLACE: PART II M 97 mins | Horror

Sat 17 JULY 8pm
Sun 18 JULY 2pm
Tue 20 JULY 8pm

Following the deadly events at home, the Abbott family must now face the terrors of the outside world as they continue their fight for survival in silence. Forced to venture into the unknown, they quickly realize that the creatures that hunt by sound are not the only threats that lurk beyond the sand path.



DREAM HORSE PG 113 mins | Drama

Sat 24 JULY 8pm
Sun 25 JULY 2pm
Tue 27 JULY 8pm

With very little money and no experience, Jan Vokes (Toni Collette) convinces her neighbors to chip in their meager earnings to help raise Dream and compete with the racing elites. Their investment pays off as Dream rises through the ranks and becomes a beacon of hope in their struggling community.



PERCY Vs. GOLIATH PG 99 mins | Drama

Sat 31 JULY 8pm
Sun 1 AUG 2pm
Tue 3 AUG 8pm

PERCY follows small-town farmer Percy Schmeiser, who challenges a major conglomerate when the company's genetically modified (GMO) canola is discovered in the 70-year-old farmer's crops. As he speaks out against the company's business practices, he realizes he is representing thousands of other disenfranchised farmers around the world fighting the same battle.

St Martin's Messenger—July 2021

Worship:

Holy Communion	1pm Sunday 4 July	6th Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Communion	1pm Sunday 18 July	8th Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Communion	1pm Sunday 1 August	10th Sunday after Pentecost

Keep our line truly plumb?

I remember seeing one of these in my grandfather's toolbox and not knowing what it was? A plumb line, but also known as a 'plumb-bob'.

At first I thought that it was a weight out of a pendulum clock but was advised by those older and wiser than me, that it was used to measure walls and buildings to ensure that they were vertical. It is pretty simple, but this makes it even more remarkable. By attaching a heavy weight to the end of a cord and attaching the other end at an appropriate height, due to the force of gravity, this line will be pulled tight, establishing a vertical or plumb line, a point of reference for construction.

In the scripture readings below, the prophets remind us that the plumb line can be used to measure other things, like justice and righteousness.

And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I [Amos] said, "A plumb line." Amos 7:7

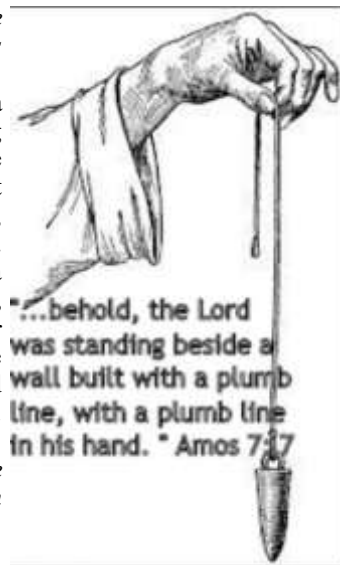
So maybe this antique measure still has a purpose today?

"I will make justice the measuring line and righteousness the plumb line" Isaiah 28:17

Justice and righteousness, as a line, provide a tool for the building up of communities, to measure where they stand tall and upright and uplift those within and without, with compassion and respect. Justice and righteousness is a commitment to the common good, doing the right thing, not just for ourselves, but for everyone. If we are true to the measure, they should be embedded into a community. And the result??...

And may "justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream" Amos 5:24

Reverend Judi Bird.
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East Wimmera Parish—St Joseph's Church

Mass Times:

Sun. 4 th July	10.30am (Zoomed into St Joseph's Church)
Sun. 12 th July	8.30am
Sat. 17 th July	7.00pm
Sun. 25 th July	10.30am



North Central Garden Club

Members and friends enjoyed the annual plant auction. A vast selection of plants were up for the bidding. Some lovely ceramics from the Charlton Coach Factory were popular amongst the participants. The competition winners were:

Best Bloom or Spike—Bev Turner, Bernice Kenny; Pot Plant—Jeanette Wain, Maretia Doughty; Garden Ornament—Bernice Kenny, Margaret Fradd.

For our July meeting, Tuesday 27th, cars will leave the Travellers Rest at 10am. If you would like to join us please contact Bernice or Maretia as we will be travelling in members' vehicles. Numbers will need to be known.

The rain has been very welcoming to the community—lovely to see the crops doing well. No doubt the weeds are appearing in the home gardens so we need to keep on top of them as well.

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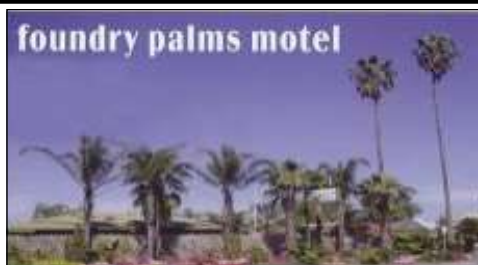
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm Rotary Meeting	2	3 Lions Paper Collection from 9am
4 Harness Racing	5 Senior Citz Bingo, 2pm	6 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm Senior Citz Cards, 1:30pm	7 Lions Changeover Dinner 6:30pm @ The East	8 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm	9 Probus Meeting	10
11	12 Angling Club Meeting 8pm Senior Citz Bingo, 2pm	13 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm Senior Citz Cards, 1:30pm	14	15 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm Rotary Meeting	16 RSL Meeting 4:30pm	17
18 Jazz in July	19 CWA Meeting, 10am Bowls Meeting, 7:30pm Senior Citz Bingo, 2pm	20 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm Senior Citz Cards, 1:30pm	21 Lions Business Meeting 8pm	22 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm	23	24
25	26 Senior Citz Bingo, 2pm	27 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm Senior Citz Cards, 1:30pm	28	29 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm	30	31

August 2021

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