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## CHARTSEC Lobbying Continues

Contributed by Jenny Pollard

Ripon MP, Louise Staley has pledged to continue advocacy for the Charlton Traffic Safety Education Centre's (CHARTSEC) much-needed classroom upgrade following an on-site visit to the complex during July.

Ms. Staley, who previously raised the issue in Parliament earlier this year, met with staff and students, and was briefed on the proposal to replace the ageing infrastructure which is no longer serviceable for the facility's growing needs.

The current instruction room - formerly the old Charlton Police Station - was moved to the complex in 1999. Now more than 60 years old, the building is too small for the increasing number of students attending the facility, lacks adequate amenities and is non-compliant for all-ability access.

CHARTSEC is seeking funding of around \$360,000 to purchase a 5 module building which will provide a modern, compliant and more serviceable structure.

The proposed upgrade would see an 18m x 10m building, purpose fitted to include a large classroom, toilets, staff kitchen/social room, a store room and visiting staff work area. The all-abilities access would be set up to comply with Charlton's flood level guidelines.

"CHARTSEC runs an invaluable local driver education program that has been accessed

by students across Victoria for over 30 years", Ms. Staley said. "Driving on country roads can be incredibly dangerous for inexperienced young people, and this program does a wonderful job preparing local kids to drive safely and responsibly."

"It is currently operating out of an unsuitable old building. I have raised this matter in Parliament previously, and will do so again, calling on the Andrews Labor Government to fund this vital program."

Ms. Staley indicated she would be undertaking a social media campaign, along with placing an adjournment (Member's statement) to parliament on the issue, as well as writing to the Treasurer to advance CHARTSEC's needs.

Ms. Staley took time to chat with students during her visit, before taking a drive around the

complex. She also discussed plan details with CHARTSEC Manager, John Harley, and Charlton College Principal, Kelvin Baird.

The facility, which is run under the auspices and control of the Charlton College School Council, provides part-time employment for 8-10 people, and brings around 700 students and their teachers into the town each year, creating an economic boost for traders.

Opened in 1988, CHARTSEC's precursor was a Traffic Safety program provided by the North Central TAFE which serviced the needs of the 7 local schools as well as 2-3 additional schools which attended on a block-release basis.

The plan to construct a dedicated facility on school land close to the TAFE evolved in 1987 with the centre's construc-

tion and development resulting largely from considerable input of volunteer labor. Over the ensuing years additions have boosted the facility's capabilities, which has an outreach to around 40 schools from Melbourne to Murrayville, and across much of the western half of Victoria.

The centre's application for funding through the Minor Capital Works Fund through the Department of Education, was successful earlier this year.

*Below: Ripon MP, Louise Staley is pictured in front of the ageing classroom at the CHARTSEC complex with (l-r) Charlton College Principal, Kelvin Baird, Brian Heenan (CHARTSEC staff), Centre Manager, John Harley, and students from the Wedderburn College with CHARTSEC staff member, Carolyn Stewart.*



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*Editorial  
Carolyn Olive*

Hello everyone,

Welcome to the August edition of the community newsletter. This issue is a whopping 32 pages—almost like old times.

I've had a very relaxed month off—holidays for 12 days then no computer for another two weeks, combined with a lockdown. It's the longest break I've had since my honeymoon!

Although it doesn't appear a great deal is happening in town at the moment, there are numerous projects underway. In the next issue, I will endeavor to get details on all of them. Combined with the usual spring events that take place, the last quarter of the year should be a busy time in Charlton.

I hope you are all enjoying the damp weather. On the farm it's really quite wet—lots of opportunities to get bogged. The potential is there for a really great year—fingers crossed.

Our boys are back at uni—Justin in his last semester of a Bachelor of Nutrition and Nick into his 2nd year of a Bachelor of Business. Like most students they're getting used to lockdowns and online learning.

Cheers,  
Carolyn

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**Upcoming Events**

Please note, events are subject to change.

- Harness Racing  
Thursday 12th August
- Jazz in July @ Charlton Park  
Sunday 15th August
- Harness Racing  
Thursday 2nd September &  
Monday 27th September



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## *Jazz in July - in August!*

You may remember reading a book to your children – What Good Luck What Bad Luck! Well we have a good luck bad luck story for you too!

We'll start with the bad luck. The Charlton Arts Group had planned to present the very popular jazz band The Hot B'Hines on Sunday July 18 at Charlton Park. Well the latest state lockdown put paid to that plan.

But here's the good luck story! The Hot B'Hines have given us a new date so the Jazz in July has been rescheduled to Sunday August 15. So you have about four weeks to polish up your dancing shoes and mark that date on your calendar.

We hope that all those who booked will be free that weekend. If so, you'll be able to use the same ticket. If not you can obtain a refund by calling Garry Larmour on 54911647. Do not ring the Charlton Pharmacy as they will no longer be the contact or the pick-up point for tickets.

To remind you, this 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.humanities.com/jazz-in-july>

We're very grateful to the Hot B'Hines

for giving us another date. We hope we'll get a big crowd to support them and enjoy their great music.

See you on Sunday August 15 at Charlton Park for a 1.30 pm start, but be early to check in and get a good seat.



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Organisation/Club	Project	Funding
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 box & seating - challenge grant	\$3,300
Charlton Forum	Landscape designs project	\$3,500
Charlton Lions Club	Lions Park development	\$4,757
Charlton Traffic Safety Education Centre	New iPads & other teaching resources	\$8,136
Charlton Football Club	Point of sale registers - sponsorship rather than grant	\$3,297
TOTAL		\$33,921

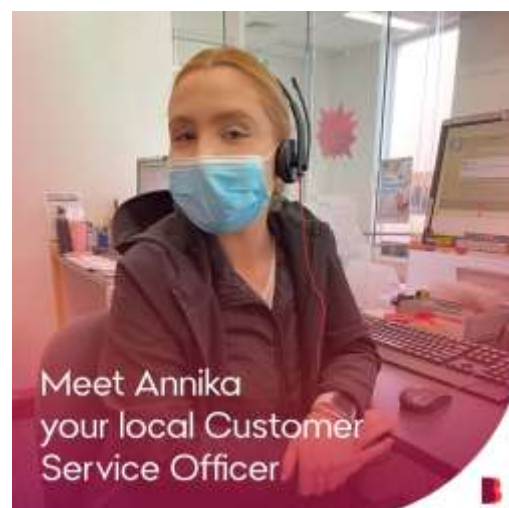
Congratulations to these organisations/clubs on receiving funding in the 2021 Community Grants Program.

We look forward to meeting with you soon, learning more about your project and seeing the benefits to your members and our community!

Have you meet **Annika** yet?

We welcomed Annika to the Community Bank in July. Annika is the new Customer Service Officer working in Charlton 2 days a week and Donald 2 days a week.

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# Golden Grains Museum News

Hello to everyone from the Charlton Golden Grains Museum. The COVID lockdown had put a temporary halt to our continuing work at the museum and receiving visitors to view our amazing collection, but be assured we are open again now.

As we rely on our own means to raise funds, the Bingo Bus to Donald has previously been of great benefit to the museum. With the colder months and COVID this source has been unable to be obtained. We have introduced a new service however, where 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. Please note, no originals please; copies only. Also if you would like to find more details out about your Charlton history, for a nominal charge the museum may be able to assist. Enquire by contacting one of the numbers below.

This ties in with this month's feature story. As previously mentioned, the Charlton Golden Grains Museum holds many family records, diaries, stories and images relating to past residents. This month we are looking at a recollection by Charlton pharmacist, Mr Clarke, to his daughter late in his life telling of their time in the town in the early 1930's. By this time he had lost his eye sight and typed his story in braille. He writes his story for a time when his family members may return to Charlton to see where they lived and worked, describing the buildings to notice as they enter the town, the various streets and shops. He has many fond memories of the various shop keepers, and asks in his letter if his best regards can be passed on to those still there, or whose sons and daughters may now have taken over. Mention is made of Noske Bros, Luth's Big Store, East Charlton Hotel, A.N.Z. and C.B.C Banks, Flockhart's Hotel, Dabron's Foundry, Richards' Barber Shop, Doctor Baker and Post Office. He specifically asked if his family could visit the Pharmacy and purchase a 6d packet of Aspros and "tell the chap behind the counter he would

probably have prescription books with your father's writing in them". Also, to enquire if Sister Dew still lived in Charlton and to make themselves known to her.

Next, he describes in detail their home in Kaye Street which still exists; the fourth house from High Street on the left side, although the three blocks were unbuilt on. The home was timber with a tile roof, with 3 concrete steps to the front veranda. A wooden picket fence about 3 foot high and a garage out the back of the house and grape vines. Also mentioned is the Avoca River which could either be empty of water or close to flood, and to take care on the unsurfaced roads as the clay soil is very slippery and easy to get bogged in.

In a tender addition, Mr Clarke's wife has hand written at the bottom, "Dad drove me up to the Bush Nursing Hospital at 11am on the 26<sup>th</sup> April and you were born at 2:30pm. I remember kissing your soft, pink, tiny little face when Sister Dew brought you to me. I thought you looked like a rose, as

your face was pink, so I called you Roselyn."

In closing, the museum is always looking for more new members to help maintain, archive and assist with our collection. No experience is necessary and you can 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.

Check out our Facebook Page or search on your browser 'Golden Grain Museum Charlton'.

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# 'Screen' Funding for the Rex Theatre

*Contributed by Jenny Pollard*

Charlton's Rex Theatre is one of five Mallee independent cinemas to receive funding from the Federal Government's Supporting Cinemas' Retention Endurance and Enhancement of Neighbourhood (SCREEN) Fund.

The Rex allocation of \$35,000 offers support to independent cinemas in their recovery from significant declines in revenue due to Covid-19. The Rex was closed from 23 March 2020 until 6 February 2021.

The Minister for Communications, Urban Infrastructure, Cities and the Arts, the Hon Paul Fletcher MP, said more than \$8.7 million had now been allocated for 158 independent cinemas across the country.

"Independent cinemas are so important to the social and cultural health of our communities in Australia, which is why we acted quickly to introduce our \$20 million SCREEN Fund," Minister Fletcher said.

Federal Member for Mallee, Dr Anne Webster said she was pleased to announce

the successful Mallee recipients, which also included Showbiz Cinemas Swan Hill, Maryborough Paramount Theatre, The Centre Cinema, Horsham, and the Wallis Deakin Cinema, Mildura. The former each reached received \$35,000 and the latter, \$60,000.

Dr Webster said funds would enable these independent cinemas to keep operating during a period of severe disruption, "which is important to the fabric of our community."

Commenting on the announcement, Chair of the Rex Board, Hayden McKinnon said the funding was a welcome boost following the Covid closure of 2020.

"These funds will be a great help in recovering from last year's lockdown and non-operation," Hayden said.

Hayden also acknowledged the support offered by Independent Cinemas Australia for their advocacy on behalf of the independents, saying the organization was instrumental in lobbying for assistance for

these outlets across the country. "We are grateful for their continued and ongoing support," he said.

The SCREEN funding will help to keep the projectors rolling as people enjoy a low-cost, Covid-safe means of entertainment within their community.



*Above: The Rex Theatre, Charlton was one of five Mallee independent cinemas to receive funding from the Federal Government's \$20 million SCREEN fund to assist the sector with recovery from Covid lockdowns.*

# Lions Club 2021 Swap Meet

Members of the Charlton Lions Club have been very active in recent days organizing their 2021 Swap Meet. The decision to hold the Swap Meet again this year is, of course, dependent on the Covid rules at that time but given the time it takes to plan and organise the event we are proceeding with a good deal of 'good faith'. The event will again be held on the second Sunday (10<sup>th</sup>) in October at Charlton Park commencing at 8 am. Members anticipate that the format of the Swap Meet will be similar to previous years with a variety of different sites including car parts, tools, plants, preserves and other items.

Event organiser Lion Kevin Willey said, "that I has been working on the stall holder's list for some time and to date has been promised great support for this year's meet." He said, "The stall holders were, in the main, very happy with the 2019 meet and all have expressed a keen interest in attending this year's event."

The committee, in an endeavour to further promote the static Car Display, has agreed to again add two prizes of a \$50 Fuel Voucher for the 'Best Presented Car'. The event coordinator Garry Larmour said, "with the success of the Static Car display at the 2019 Swap Meet, supported by the many compliments the Club received after the 2019 event, the Club believes the static display had a significant impact on the success of the event".

If you would like to have a stall in this

year's Swap Meet please contact Kevin Willey, Ross Lane or Garry Larmour who will be very happy to make the necessary arrangements for you.

Garry explained, "The Lions Swap Meet suffered severely several years ago from a bad weather experience however the event has been building up over the past couple of

years. The committee believe it is fast becoming a social event not to be missed so we recommend that you put the date in your diary".

The 10<sup>th</sup> of October will be a fun day in Charlton with hopefully the Swap Meet, the Rotary Art Show and the Garden Club's Garden displays all happening again.



# Charlton Junior Football

The Charlton Junior Football Club congratulates Nick Thompson for being selected as part of the 53 man squad to participate in the Bendigo Pioneers U15 VLine Cup squad to compete in Shepparton in September.

Noah Berry (Donald) and Alex Cockerell (Boort) have also been selected following the Mildura carnival on June 28 & 29.

The CJFC wishes the boys all the best for a successful VLine Cup.



# Charlton Golf Club Championships

## Men's Club Championships

Brett Schofield led the Club Championship from start to finish to record a convincing 'back to back' victory in a true champion performance played in damp conditions at Charlton.

Brett was declared the winner with a three round score of 82-80-81 total 243 and was awarded the coveted Les Mays Perpetual Cup to keep for a second year.

Runner up was Troy Heenan on 258 and in third place, Matt McGurk 264

Wayne Southwell had the best 3 netts 76 -78-74 = 228.

In B Grade, Benno Catherine was the worthy winner and led all the way with scores of 91-87-88 = 266 and received the Bob Westcott memorial trophy. Runner up, Brendan Byrne 94-84-91 = 269 was in contention going down the final hole and had a very good campaign winning the best 3 netts with 75-65-72=212.

Trevor McGurk came home in third place with 276 off the stick.

In C Grade, it was Peter Sexton 103-97-98=298 awarded the win, outlasting John Tormey 98,103,99 =300 on the final hole in a close contest. Coming in third place, Brian Heenan with 307 hits. John Tormey had the best 3 netts with 74-79-75=228.

Winner of the Luth Cup for the best 2 netts over the championship was awarded to Brendan Byrne 65-72=177. Interesting to note that Brendan's father Brian (Barney) won the Luth cup back in 1960.

This year, the handicapper saw fit to award the Erwin Cup to John Harley who reduced his handicap by 4 shots in the preceding 12 months.

25 players hit off in the daily competition, played in 2 divisions.

Division 1 results: 3 balls to M. McGurk 85-12-73, 2 balls, T. McGurk 90-17-73, W. Southwell 87-14-73. Next in line, B. Catherine 88-15-73, B. Schofield 81-7-73, B. Byrne 91-17-74.

Division 2 results: 3 balls P. Sexton 98-23-75, J. Tormey 99-24-75. Next in line J. McLoughlan 96-18-78, I. Jenkins 98-20-78, P. Sanderson 100-22-78, B. Heenan 101-23-78. NTP T Heenan.

## Ladies' Club Championships

The Charlton Ladies' Golf Championships finished Wednesday 30th June. As anticipated the final round was going to be a close one and the girls didn't disappoint. Rebecca Heenan started the last day with a 3 stroke lead from Wendy Laffin. It came down to the final hole where Rebecca chipped in. The pressure was seen between the two girls. Wendy sank her final

putt to take her third Charlton Golf Club Championship by one stroke from Rebecca, with rounds of 90, 90 and 87. Congratulations to both ladies for a well played championship.

In Bronze Division Eily Rosewall played very steady golf and comfortably won the Joan English Trophy for the second year in a row. (99, 110, 102.)

The championship winners were announced as the ladies shared lunch after play. The trophies were presented at the Golf Club on Sunday evening 4th July following a Casserole Tea. The evening was well attended and it was great to see a number of the men golfers bringing along their partners to share in the celebrations.

Rebecca Heenan was thrilled to have the Doreen Heenan Tray in her grasp for having the two best netts in the Championships. (70, 78). The trophy has been presented since 1979 in honour of Life Member Doreen, an aunty of Bec's husband Troy.

Champion Wendy was also pleased to receive The Gladys Dew putting Trophy with 75 putts over the three rounds.

In Silver Division Rebecca Heenan had the three best netts (217) and in Bronze Division, Kim Laffin had three winning netts of 238.



**Above:** Men's Trophy winners. L to R—Brendan Byrne (Luth Cup) Peter Sexton (C Grade) John Harley (Irwin Cup) Brett Schofield (Club Champion) Benno Catherine (B Grade).



**Above:** Ladies' trophy winners, L to R.—Eily Rosewall (B Grade Joan English trophy), Wendy Laffin (A Grade and Gladys Dew putting trophy), Rebecca Heenan (Doreen Heenan perpetual tray best two netts)





# Charlton College

Lockdown 5.0 done and dusted. We are all very pleased to have students back on site. At the same time we congratulate those students, many with the assistance of their parents, who actively undertook the learning activities set for them. I am very impressed by the maturity of our older students who communicated on a daily basis with their teachers. To the staff, thanks for preparing relevant activities that could be undertaken in the home environment to ensure our students continued to maintain their learning and continued to develop. Well done all round!

## Sovereign Hill Camp

It seems like a lifetime ago now, but during the first few days of term students in years 3 to 6 attended Sovereign Hill Camp. Below are some of their recounts of different events.

"Mmmmmm," a delicious smell came through the air as we walked into the confectionary shop. We were going to see how all the lollies were made.

We went in and sat down where we saw a man with a massive batch of toffee. He was folding it and was sprinkling citric acid all over it. It looked so satisfying!

He said he was making raspberry drops. When he was done folding the toffee he cut it into bits. Then he put it into a machine which shaped the toffee into little balls. When the toffee went hard he said: "There is about 2000 raspberry drops!" Then he picked up a batch and dropped it and all the drops came apart!

We got to try one for ourselves later. They were so good! I had a great time! **By Anna**



Eureka! As my pan shined with a little speck of gold I can't believe it I found gold at Sovereign hill. I went over to the shop for a little jar for my speck of gold.

It was my lucky day! Later on, that day we celebrated my birthday by having a chocolate muffin or a chocolate striped cake. Before that Miss Rees gave me the keycard to my room and surprised me with confetti/balloons/streamers. Then it was time for sleep. **By Oliver**



Eureka! Miss D, Miss Rees, I have found gold! Can I go get a bottle for my gold?

After we went panning, we went to the Red Hill Mine. It was so cool there was a little hologram of someone finding gold.

A lady taught us how to pan for Gold. I did not find gold in my pan but the lady gave me two bits of gold in another pan.

We went to the Gold pour demo and I got to hold a 3kg Gold bar. The Gold bar was worth \$240,000. **By Sam**



## The Winter Wonder lights

On Monday and Tuesday night, there was a light show in town. They projected giant moving pictures on the buildings and had music and sound effects to go with it. They were doing this because it was their 50th anniversary for something.

They also had fake snow made out of bubbles coming out of bubble dispensers hidden on the buildings. There were millions!! It was a super cool experience and loved every second of it.

The first night was really interesting and I wanted to see everything at once!! But it was really sad how the 2nd night was the same so I got a bit bored.

Overall, it was a really cool experience and I would really love to go back again. It wouldn't have been as fun if no one else was there to enjoy it with me.

I really thank the teachers for organising it all for us. Thankyou. **By Heidi Start**

On the 12/7/21, the 3/6 went to Sovereign Hill. Later that day we went to a gold pouring demonstration. We all took a seat and a person talked to us about how to pour the gold. For it to melt it had to be 1064 degrees then they quietly pour it into an ingots before it went rock hard. After it went hard, the gold had no reason to cool down so he had to put it in to water and after the bubbles and steam, he could pick it up.

The gold was 3k it was worth \$24 000 today. Some lucky people got to hold the gold that was Olivia, Oliver and Sam. They all had reasons that the person picked them. Olivia was because his daughter was named Olivia. Oliver was because he had a good feeling about him. Lastly, Sam was because the man asked a lot of questions and Sam answered them all. **By Taylah Giles**



Heidi & Josie







# Charlton College

On Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> of July at 7:30pm the 3-6 travelled to the Aura Sound and Light show while we were on camp at Sovereign Hill.

There were 3 parts to it. First, we went to a place that was like a cinema or auditorium to see how the universe first formed and how ore, metals and minerals such as gold have come to exist. It was one of my favourite bits, it was one of my favourite parts. It talked about a bunch of cool space phenomena that most of us didn't know could happen. Plus, we got to wear 3D glasses which I'd never worn until then. They gave a great effect.

Next, we travelled on this vehicle which I think they called a carriage but it was actually more like a train or bus. But whatever it was it took us to an outdoor area where we saw the second part. It was an indigenous story about when the land was owned by people who could turn themselves into animals and how they made the first humans with their magic.

Finally, we went to another indoor place where we saw the final part about how the Europeans settled on the land and in 1851 found gold throughout Australia. Then, in 1854, the miners got fed up with the power of the government and started what led up to the events on Sunday December 3 1854, when the battle of the Eureka Stockade took place. **By James Fitzpatrick**



Monday 12/7/21 we arrived excitedly at Sovereign Hill at about 12.30pm. We ate our lunch and headed straight to the gold panning area. I found a bit of gold but I just gave it to Leigh. The next day we went panning again but I was having trouble finding gold so I asked Rohan to help me. He soon found me a bit of gold. I was so happy. This made me want to do some more panning and I found some gold. It was a little flake.

The Red Hill mining caves were next, we went down the stairs to get to the caves, a man and a boy were talking to us. When we reached the bottom they told us to climb the ladder and follow the lights. We reached a gold digger who was re-enacting to find gold. We went on longer and we saw the big golden nugget called Welcome Stranger. I felt a little claustrophobic in the caves.

My favourite time at Sovereign Hill was when the grade 3-6's went to the gold pouring and it looked really hot. The gold pouring man let Olivia, Sam and Ollie hold the gold. The gold was very shiny. **By Anika Holmes-Brown**



## Letters from Authors

Last term in Literacy, the Year 5/6 students were studying the text type of letter writing. During this time, the student all wrote a letter to one of their favourite authors. Last week the students have started to receive letters back. We have had four students receive letters from Andy Griffiths and one students from Amelia Mellor. All students were very excited to get their letters.



*James, Kiara, Stella, Taylah and Josie with their letters*



# Charlton Golf Club Tournament



A blistering round by Boort's home grown champion, Andrew Kane propelled him into the record books by equalling the course record at Charlton

Golf Club's annual tournament on Saturday.

By recording a 3 under par score of 69 for 18 holes, Andrew becomes only the third player to achieve this feat in Charlton Golf Club's long history. He now joins Ian Bath and Daniel Hendy as the only three players to hold this record. Andrew plays off an extremely low handicap of plus 3, meaning his net score becomes an even par 72. A wonderful achievement.

Tournament results as follows:

Friday 4-BBB attracted 32 pairs and was played in two divisions.

**Division 1** winners: Peter Noonan/Bernie Monaghan, 47 points. Runners-up Brian Bird/John Tormey, 45 points, on countback Brian and Troy Heenan, 45 points.

**Division 2** winners: Jamey Soulsby/Peter Sexton, 46 points, on countback Wayne Southwell/Wayne Keenan 46 points.

Winners of Kew v. Charlton challenge, J. Soulsby/P. Sexton.

Nearest the pins: 2nd, G. Nesbitt; 7th, C. Morrison, 14th, Mark Hamley.

Saturday's results:

**Division 1**

30 hole scratch: Andrew Kane 47-69 (course record) 116.

18 hole scratch: Craig Burn 74. 12 hole scratch: Peter Noonan 49.

30 hole hcp: Adam Gould 1191/3.

18 hole hcp: Warren McGurk 69.

12 hole hcp: Richard Turner 46<sup>23</sup>.

**Division 2**

30 hole scratch: Mark Trollope 59-86=145.

18 hole scratch: Clinton Olive 86.

12 hole scratch: Chris Mathews 60, on countback J. Soulsby, W. Keenan.

30 hole hcp: Anthony Hargreaves 118<sup>13</sup>.

18 hole hcp: John Headon 72 on countback B. Heenan.

12 hole hcp: Wayne Keenan 45<sup>12</sup>.

Nearest the pins: 2nd, Mark Trollope; 7th, Ryan Casey; 14th, Chris Mathews.

Dr Geoff Wilson Trophy winner: Anthony Hargreaves.

**Sunday Mixed Pinehurst event**

Winners scratch: Mark Hamley/Wendy Laffin 82, on countback Debbie and Robert Burton 82.

Handicap winners: Ian Jenkins/Eily Rosewall 68<sup>12</sup> on countback Dot Beattie/Brett Schofield.

Nearest the pins: 2nd, Keith Bird; 7th, Troy Heenan, 14th, Wendy Laffin.

The Charlton Golf Club extends sympathy to the Noonan family on the passing of club stalwart and past president Leo, a well remembered personality to have around the club for many years.

Keep in mind the annual North West Ag Golf day on Friday, August 6. Two person Ambrose, 11.30 a.m., includes barbecue lunch and afternoon tea. Proceeds to prostate cancer research.

**Ladies' Tournament**

When Premier Dan Andrews relaxed the sporting lockdown restrictions last Tuesday morning, golfers were permitted to play competition golf, and people were

able to travel as far as they wished. Charlton Golf Club made the decision to proceed with its annual tournament.

Several weeks ago, Covid influenced the ladies' decision, to hold the annual Putter Day as the tournament Ladies' Day.

In two days, enthusiasm had buoyed, and the women had the putter event on schedule, in readiness for the 42 ladies who entered the event. Players travelled from Axedale, Boort, Birchip, Charlton, Donald, Kerang, Lakeside, Murray Downs, Quambatook, Sheep Hills, St. Arnaud, Warracknabeal, Wedderburn and Wycheproof.

The 4-ball aggregate event was played on a beautifully prepared course, and the weather gods were kind. The players were happy to be once again out and about, playing golf.

The winners of the putters for 2021 were Julie McLennan and Leanne White, from Wycheproof, on a count-back from Debbie Burton and Margot Paynter, from Donald. Both pairs had 68 points.

Best individual score Division 1: Glenda Bird (Wedderburn) 37 points.

Runner-up: Rebecca Heenan (Charlton) 35 points.

Division 2: Meryl Cameron (Quambatook) 36 points. Runner-up: Leanne Saunders (Sheep Hills) 34 points, on a countback from Shirley Jenner (Kerang) and Kim Laffin (Charlton).

Nearest the pin: 2nd, Margot Paynter (Donald); 7th, Ruth Iser (Axedale); 14th, Deb Barling (Warracknabeal).



**Above:** Putter Day winners, Julie McLennan (second from right) and Leanne White (right) with runners-up Margot Paynter (left) and Debbie Burton.



**Above:** L to R—Dan Hendy & Andrew Kane



# CFHNC Round Twelve Roundup



Congratulations to Zara Jenkyn, Abby Thompson and Maddison Fitzpatrick (below l to r) on obtaining their C Grade umpiring badge on Saturday 31st July. This wonderful achievement culminates years of practice and dedication to their umpiring from each of these girls. Thank you to Michelle Jenkyn for organising Saturday's testing and for all her help over many years to Zara, Abby and Maddison in developing their umpiring ability. Well done Girls.

On Saturday 31st July Charlton 'A' & 'B' Grades had a win and both currently sit third on the ladder. 'C' Grade are 5th, Sixteen & Under 6th and Thirteen & Under in last spot.



In the hockey, Charlton Women's lost their second match of the season and also their top spot on the ladder. The Men won their match 3-0, the Under 15s drew and the Under 12s won 3-0. The ladder positions are: Women—2nd, Men—4th, Under 15s—2nd & Under 13s—2nd.



Any chance Charlton may have had of forcing its way into finals calculations took a fatal hit at the hands of potential premierships contender, Birchip-Watchem on Saturday 31st July. North-Central football resumed after a two weeks COVID-19 hiatus, albeit in the most unusual circumstances, without the benefit of supporters to enjoy the action. The Navy Blues needed a win to stay in touch with the top four, but the die is now cast and their season will finish in a fortnight's time. They currently sit 6th on the ladder with the Reserves in last spot, Under Sixteens in fifth and Under Thirties in 4th. (Courtesy of the Buloke Times)



Charlton v Birchip-Watchem

**Left:** Charlton's Anthony Judd and Birchip-Watchem's Paddy Hogan & Chol Majok.

**Above:** Charlton's Tom Finlay & Birchip-Watchem's Stefan Pye.

## CFC Goods & Services Auction

Saturday 14th August

Combination of Online & Live Auction

Auction will go online from 6pm Thursday 5th August and closes at 10pm on Saturday 14th August.

Locked items to be sold live from 8:30pm on the Saturday night (Covid depending).

View items and register to bid at [galabid.com/cfc](http://galabid.com/cfc).





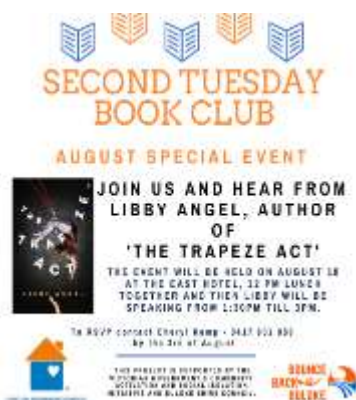
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Greetings from the Charlton Neighbourhood House and welcome to our August update. We are pleased to be reopened again after our recent lockdown, but were able to still be offering services behind closed doors. Back to meeting regularly are Tai Chi classes with Jo Russell and The 2nd Tuesday Book Club. Enquire at the Charlton Neighbourhood House for further information. We are excited to announce that our Charlton Youth Space project is continuing with funding provided by VicHealth. Held Thursday afternoons in a supervised environment, it's a great opportunity for kids to meet up out of school hours.



Thanks also to funding from Inspiring Victoria, an initiative of the Royal Society of Victoria and the Federal Government, we will be celebrating Science Week 2021 with an opportunity to come and enter the world of Virtual Reality. This activity suits all ages and is an amazing experience.



Exciting news from the 2nd Tuesday Book Club with special guest, author Libby Angel coming along on August 10. This will follow next month with the group's 2nd birthday celebration on September 14. All enquiries and further details contact Cheryl Kemp on 0417 601 858

**Tech Tuesdays continue at the Neighbourhood House.**

**Bookings essential.**

**Cost \$15 per half hour.**

**Contact us for further information.**



Wear it Purple Day is another initiative the Charlton Neighbourhood House is proud to support by raising awareness in the community of issues that face particularly young people who identify as sexually and/or gender diverse. Along with the Buloke Wellbeing & Equity Network and the

Buloke Cluster of Neighbourhood Houses, we will be screening 'SUPERNOVA' on 27th August as part of our 'Movies that Matters' series. Doors will open at 6:30pm, movie at 7:00pm, Panel Discussion at 8:35pm and supper at 9:10 pm. Tickets at only \$5 each are available online at <https://events.humantix.com/wear-it-purple-buloke-2021-supernova> or through the Charlton Neighbourhood House. Come along in your finest purple outfits to support this important event.



The Charlton Neighbourhood House is very pleased to be also joining other Neighbourhood Houses across the Buloke Shire to support this year's RU OK? Day in September. This initiative aims to empower everyone to meaningfully connect with the people around them and start a conversation with those in their world who may be struggling with life, and to give them the confidence to ask, "Are you really OK?" More details to follow.



Keep abreast of our activities through  
Charlton Neighbourhood House [www.charltonnh.org.au](http://www.charltonnh.org.au)  
Or look in our window and community noticeboard





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## A VIRTUAL REALITY EXPERIENCE

Science Week 16th-19th August

Mon, 16 Aug  
3pm-4pm

Wed, 18 Aug  
3pm-4pm

Tue, 17 Aug  
10am-11am

Thu, 19 Aug  
1:30pm-2:30pm

Pop in to the Charlton Neighbourhood House during these session times to have a fantastic 3D experience through Two Oculus headsets  
Suitable for All ages!

For more information contact us on 0473759456, [coord@charltonnh.org.au](mailto:coord@charltonnh.org.au) or find us on facebook or website.

"This National Science Week project is supported by the Australian Government".

## SECOND TUESDAY BOOK CLUB UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST 10TH!  
AT THE EAST. 12 PM LUNCH.  
AUTHOR LIBBY ANGEL GUEST  
SPEAKING FROM 1:30PM

SEPTEMBER 14TH!  
AT THE EAST. 12 PM LUNCH. BOOK  
CHATS AND CAKE FROM 1:30PM

For more information and to RSVP contact  
Cheryl Kemp - 0417 601 856

## ✂ August Table for 12 ✂



Sadly due to COVID restrictions, last month's Table for 12 was unable to go ahead. Our Table for 12 cooking class for August is Mee Siam with Kim & Joo and Grilled Crisp Tofu Pocket with Penny. This class will fill very quickly.  
Enrol today to book your spot.

**Date: Wednesday August 25**

**Time 7:00pm to 9:00pm**

**Venue - North Central Trade Training Centre**

**Cost just \$20!**

Do 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.

Community Car bookings can be made by calling 0473759456 during office hours. Please give as much notice as possible to ensure a driver is available.



Link to: <https://www.charltonnh.org.au/>

**WORKSHOP**  
HOSTED BY PUBLISHED AUTHOR PAULINE SPADDO  
IF YOU HAVE ALWAYS THOUGHT WRITING POETRY WAS DIFFICULT, COME ALONG AND FIND OUT JUST HOW EASY IT IS!

**POETRY POSSIBILITIES**  
POP INTO THE CHARLTON NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE TO BOOK NOW!

Monday August 9  
2-4pm and/or 6-8pm  
at Charlton Senior Cit's High Street, Charlton.

**WATERCOLOUR WORKSHOP SERIES**  
A FREE Saturday morning workshop series taught by Kate Giakamias, every Saturday Morning in September. Suitable for all ages.

To enrol, pop into the Charlton Neighbourhood House or enrol online at <https://www.charltonnh.org.au/>



## Marine Licence and Personal Watercraft Endorsement

Saturday October 9

1:00pm to 5:00pm

Charlton Senior Room

Cost \$125 PP.

Aged 12+ Note: 12 to 15 year old's cannot get PWC, and you must hold a Marine Licence to obtain your PWC.

Book and pay for your spot now.

Training provided by Seaton Training Pty Ltd R.T.O. 22279

Minimum attendance numbers required.





## St Joseph's Charlton Remote Learning

Having breaks in between getting my work finished and being able to have more food and watching the Olympics were all good things about remote learning.  
**By Charlie**

The best thing about remote learning was the work was easy. I also got to finish my work around lunch so I could do other stuff afterwards. Another good thing is I could start whenever I want to.  
**By Ethan**

The best thing about remote learning was decorating the team uniform and finishing my work early.  
**By Rosie**

The best thing about remote learning was finishing my school work in under an hour. Playing footy and watching hockey in Tokyo.  
**By Murphy**

Remote learning was great. We did all kinds of fun things we did religion and writing about the Olympics and I finished in one hour! And after that I got to practise

kicking goals with my sister's Mum and Dad as well as making a team with my footy cards.  
**By Henry**

The best thing about remote learning is that I could watch the Olympics while I work. It was also great to be finished by 12:00. It was good that I could kick the footy at any time.  
**By Sam**

I really liked remote learning because I could finish my work before lunch and then I could go and ride my horses and watch tv. But the best bit was I could stand up and walk straight to the cupboard and eat something. I think remote learning is amazing.  
**By Tully**

The best thing about remote is I can play footy and do my work a lot quicker and then I can do anything I want.  
**By Liam**

In remote learning the school work was super easy so I finished the school work all in one day. I called my friends and cooked scones and cupcakes.  
**By Lila**

The best thing about remote learning is

that you could finish early and start when you got up and have breaks whenever you wanted.  
**By Seb**

The best thing about remote learning was finishing all of my work quickly so that I could watch the Hockey Roos and Kookaburras play in the Olympics. Playing down at the dam with my siblings, going for walks down the road by myself and getting to do whatever I wanted for the rest of the day.  
**By Sheena**

The best thing about remote learning was eating nachos for tea, putting our chicks in the big cage, playing with the cats and dogs and I learnt how to do a front handspring.  
**By Clancy**

The best thing about remote learning is that you can finish your work early and start early.  
**By Dash**

The best thing about remote learning is when you can finish earlier than usual. The work is usually more fun and you can take breaks whenever you want.  
**By Darcy**

# Probus Celebrates 15 Years

Charlton Probus Club celebrated their 15<sup>th</sup> Birthday July 9<sup>th</sup> 2021.

A short meeting was held before lunch (which was prepared by the Charlton Golf Ladies).

Pat Saunders was presented with her 10-year badge. Pat joined in 2011, and has held many positions in the club including Assistant Secretary, Publicity Officer, Historian, Vice President and President.

Pat Mathews (the only person who has been on the committee since the inception)

said Grace before the main course was served.

Rose Stafford, the oldest active member, came forward to cut the cake (which was made and decorated by Pat Clifford) and extinguish the candles, after which Happy Birthday was sung.

Joe Thompson entertained with a Dutch Auction. After more tea and coffee the afternoon came to an end.

*Right: Rose Stafford cutting the anniversary cake.*



**Above:** Photo of Foundation Members present. L to R Back—Noreen Ryan, Mary Nener, Garry Larmour, Kevin Mathews, Elaine Donaldson, Russell Round, Matt Donaldson, Patricia Mathews. Centre—Margaret Fradd, Nita Perry, Marj Bartlett, Pat Clifford, Jill Wright, Barb Dalrymple, Richard Bibby, Margaret Bibby. Front—Heather Hargreaves, Pam Rosewall, Margaret Bowen, May Chester, Arnold Dalrymple.



# Charlton Raises A Cup For Cancer

*Contributed by Jenny Pollard*

The Biggest Morning Tea was back this year and the Charlton community stepped up!

The July event, run by the Charlton CWA Branch, Cabbaritta, raised \$786.00 to support those impacted by cancer.

Taking place on the morning Covid lockdown Number 5 was announced, the gathering was strongly supported both by attendees and local traders across the town.

With the cancellation of last year's event, Cabbaritta was doubly pleased to have avoided disappointment again this year and to have secured a good fund-raising outcome as well.

Branch President, Sue Dillon-Walsh and Vice-President, Bernice Kenny said they were grateful for the strong support from their members, town traders and the wider community, with many turning up to share a chat over a cuppa and nibbles.

"So many people are touched by cancer - either directly or indirectly," said Bernice, "and this is an excellent way for everyone to show their support."

Having fundraised for this cause for many years, the industrious CWA ladies baked, served, compiled and distributed orders to ensure this year's success.

As a gesture of true community spirit, former local traders - Bruce Gardner and Annette Sherriff from "Timeless Treasures and Tea Rooms" - donated scones towards the morning tea.

Having run the event themselves when in business, over

recent years the pair have worked with CWA, providing a staple which was highly prized in their own outlet.

Bruce's award winning scones gained recognition with a number of first prizes at various shows, so their contribution was warmly welcomed when the two parties merged to run a single town event.

"We had a lot of positive feedback from customers about our scones" said Bruce, "so we saw this contribution as another way of becoming more involved in the town."

While attendees at the event were not short of food choices to supplement their cups of tea or coffee, restraint was probably more of an issue. CWA members had also made a big effort with the donation of numerous attractively presented items for a raffle.

Visitors to the town, Judi and

Grant Beard were in town catching up with relatives and dropped in to support the cause. Judi, as a breast cancer survivor, was keen to share her story as she approaches her 5 year cancer-free milestone.

Having undergone a double mastectomy in 2016, Judi was articulate and passionate about her journey, emphasizing the importance of breast checks and mammograms for the early detection of the disease.

"Women over 50 NEED to have their mammograms," she said. "I was just 53 and had two lumps detected. Neither of the lumps could be felt. This was caught early before the cancer had moved into the lymph nodes."

Doing her own research armed her with choices which she was able to discuss with doctors and which aided with the outcome of her treatment

and recovery.

Support from partners and family was also of "massive importance" she said, along with a sense of humor - a case made obvious by her T-shirt emblazoned with - "Yes, these are FAKE! My real ones tried to kill me!"

As the ads say, cancer doesn't take a break. Funds contribute to the ongoing research which is creating ever-increasing improvements in the treatment of this disease. You don't only have to run a Biggest Morning Tea to contribute. Donations can be made at any time at:

<https://www.biggestmorningtea.com.au/donate>.



*Above: Cabbaritta ladies (l-r) Bernice Kenny (Vice-President), Bev Turner, Sue Dillon-Walsh (President) and Aileen Allan are pictured with a small sample of the delicious offerings at the Biggest Morning Tea. More than 47 drop-offs to businesses along Charlton's High St enjoyed a variety of cakes, slices and scones from the fund-raiser.*



*Above: Bruce Gardner (pictured) along with his partner, Annette Sherriff donated 72 plain scones to Charlton's Biggest Morning Tea held this July. The pair have supported the CWA with this event for a number of years.*



*Above: Breast cancer survivor, Judi Beard is pictured with her husband, Grant during their visit to family in Charlton. Sharing her own experience, Judi stressed the importance of checks and monitoring for catching breast cancer in the early stages.*



*Above: A new resident to Charlton, Liz Richardson, raises a cup for the fund-raising event. Liz and her husband, Paul recently moved from the Mornington Peninsula to Charlton, where Liz has already joined the local CWA Branch.*





# Charlton Harness Racing Club News

## CHARLTON CELEBRATES JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>

A huge thank you to all locals and CHRC members who turned up to help celebrate the recent July 4<sup>th</sup> race meeting. It was indeed a most successful promotion of the sport we love here in Charlton, and was great to have our association with the Big M Meadowlands play out on the big screen. Pretty sure the New Yorkers may have been wondering where Charlton was – perhaps now they know!

It was so very pleasing to see some new faces helping in the preparation of the day – these themed race days take a lot of planning, and we so grateful for the people who stepped up to make our function room look so inviting for guests to our town.

Special cheers to Caryn and Anna who put their creative skills to the test spending hours perfecting our USA photo wall – simply amazing and much enjoyed by patrons and participants alike.

To EVERYONE who helped prepare our American food and to the kitchen staff who ran all day to make sure no one went hungry – thank you – you are the best!

We thank the Buloke Shire for their most

generous support of this community day – we hope that it went some way to reconnecting locals after a long haul of dealing with Covid restrictions. Sporting clubs have such a great opportunity and indeed responsibility to support their local communities on a number of levels during these difficult times, and the CHRC hopes that we can continue to provide a forum for enjoyment into the future.

Our local trainers seem to have the knack of rising to the occasion, and we were thrilled to have two local wins to celebrate on this special day – well done Joe Thompson and Ryan Sanderson teaming together with Cee Cee In America, and Greg Norman also saluting with Aladdin.

We also send a massive thank you to Dale and Hughie McGrath who continue to go above and beyond to support our club. Representing AMES Australasia as sponsors for this day, Dale presented the winning trainers with fantastic prizes afforded them from the Ames companies – Hills, Cyclone and Nylex to name a few.

Stay tuned for more exciting themed days at the Charlton Trots!

## TAKE A BOW CHARLTON TRAINERS AND DRIVERS

It simply has to be acknowledged how successful our local trainers and drivers are at the moment.

Between them all they have just tipped over the 50 winners for the season so far, with our drivers steering 29 to victory.

It is so hard to get a winner anywhere at any time and we congratulate them on the tremendous strike rate at the moment- not to mention the enormous amount of interest and pleasure these wins are giving followers of our club. We look forward to seeing what can be achieved with some new horses settling in to town over the second half of the season.

## RAFFLE NIGHT FRIDAY AUGUST 7<sup>TH</sup> CRICKET CLUB HOTEL

We urge all members to become involved and social by coming along to support our raffle night at the Cricket Club Hotel.

Always the first Friday of the month.

## ABBY GETS WIN NUMBER 2!! AND RYAN DRIVES A TREBLE!!

Well done Abby Sanderson as she



*CHRC Junior  
members with Abby  
Sanderson*





# Charlton Harness Racing Club News

notched up win number two at Maryborough behind Major Watson. Whist she is pretty happy about it she is still waiting for the real win – one over brother Ryan!!

Ryan continues to drive impressively winning consistently for a range of stables – exciting for him to drive a treble at Swan Hill recently. Congrats to both the Sandersons – we are loving watching all your successes!

## **NEXT MEETING THURSDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST**

As this publication goes to print restrictions will still be in place for this meeting, meaning no public will be allowed on course.

Seems like we are back to square one, however we have hopes that it will not be too long before we can welcome patrons back to the trots.

Don't forget you can watch all the action on Trots Vision – free and easy on your phone, tablet or computer, Just google Trots Vision or go to [thetrots.com.au](http://thetrots.com.au) just before the race time.

## **WEDNESDAY WAGER NOT OFF TO A GREAT START!**

Our members will be well aware that during lockdown the club ran some fun punting comps to keep us all interested – we now have the Charlton Wednesday Wager, it is fair to say that we are not off to a great start with Darren Carroll and Paul Campbell falling short.

Perhaps our next punter race caller Daniel Hibberd will get us on the board on Wednesday. Follow along on facebook!

## **JULY WINNERS FOR CHARLTON – AMAZING RESULTS!!!**

Gotonebetter—Mildura—Mark Boyle  
Cee Cee In America—Charlton—Joe

Thompson

Aladdin—Charlton—Greg Norman  
Glens Of Tekoa—Shepparton—John Tormey

Sheer Modern—Mildura—John Tormey  
Trooper Mossman—Driven by Ryan Sanderson

Good Guy Mack—Shepparton—Shane and Ryan Sanderson

Lara Bay—Shepparton—John Tormey  
Glens Of Tekoa—Cranbourne—John Tormey

Awesome Ollie—Melton—John Tormey  
Guy Mack—Swan Hill—Shane and Ryan Sanderson

Eezee Street & Wild Man—Driven by Ryan Sanderson

Major Watson—Driven by Abby Sanderson  
Good Guy Mack—Stawell—Shane and Ryan Sanderson

Sportifico—Bendigo—John Tormey



**Above:** Anna Andriuli and Caryn Larmour



**Above:** Donna McCallum and Beth Dillon—prize winners



**Above:** Cee Cee In America trainer Joe Thompson (second from right), Driver Ryan Sanderson and happy part owners Dale McGrath (left) and Andrea O'Gorman.



**Above:** Abby Sanderson introduces the team to Sebastian Zagame



**Above:** Taylah Boyle looking after Yappa



# Charlton RSL Mural Story Revealed

*Contributed by Jenny Pollard*

The eye-catching mural on the Charlton RSL Sub Branch club rooms is an attraction for locals and visitors alike, but until recently its background and history was not available to the casual traveller.

The striking monotone work painted by St. Arnaud artist, Kyle Torney was completed in 2020 to be part of the commemorations of the 75th Anniversary of the end of WW II in the Pacific. As we all know, the impact of Covid (in Victoria particularly), meant the commemorations as planned could not take place. Nevertheless, the addition of another mural to Charlton's growing street Artscape has greatly enhanced the building, as well as revealing a significant story about the local women's contributions to the home-front during the Second World War.

The work, which features a young woman holding a pair of binoculars, references the Volunteer Air Observers Corps who kept a look-out for enemy planes. Operating from a small, camouflaged building (which is now the camp kitchen at the Gordon Park caravan precinct), the Charlton volunteers were rostered on to record the presence of any approaching aircraft.

The mural also contains a visual tribute to the "girls" of the Australian Women's Land Army (AWLA) who served in rural Australia during the Second World War. Additional figures show women engaged in agricultural work within the flat Wimmera / Mallee landscape.

Charlton RSL affiliate member and Sub-Branch archivist, Markus Phillips said the information panel relating this story had been a part of the original grant application for the execution of the mural. However, due to a shortfall in funding the last piece of the project had had to be put on hold. Charlton Forum then came to the rescue with a contribution, only to be followed shortly

afterwards with the Victorian Government's Department of Veterans Affairs supplying the final tranche of grant funds.

"It is important that this information panel be available for visitors and anyone coming to view the mural," said Markus. "It explains the references within the work, along with profiling the artist and the processes involved in its creation. We are also pleased that recognition for what was a little known story about women's input into the local effort during the Second World War has gained prominence."

The information panel was designed by Reece Hendy (Creative lead at Nacho Station, Bendigo and liaison for both this project and the earlier "Three Walls" mural project in Charlton), while it was printed by local Charlton company "Signwise Solu-

tions". Installed by Charlton local, Clinton Olive, the completed project is a clear representation of community pride in the town's history and support for its local institutions.

"The Charlton RSL Sub-Branch acknowledges the support of the Victorian Government, through the Department of Veterans Affairs, for helping to bring this project to fruition," said Markus. "We also acknowledge the community input to bring this to completion."

The RSL has also carried out refurbishment on the 25 pounder field gun in front of the club room with a repaint in authentic Defence Force colour (the paint was donated by Thales of Bendigo) and the addition of tyres from the Charlton Tyre and Battery Service.



**Above:** Charlton RSL Sub Branch Secretary, Bill Freeman is pictured beside the recently installed information panel which relates the mural's background and execution details.



**Above:** With the recently refurbished field gun, the striking mural, and neat garden surrounds, the exterior of the Charlton RSL Sub-Branch headquarters in Armstrong Street makes for an eye-catching scene.



# Marathon Miles for Mental Health

*Contributed by Jenny Pollard*

A recent visitor to Charlton was Warren Wright - a man on a mission to focus the spotlight on mental health and raise money for Beyond Blue.

In order to achieve that goal, Warren (or "Wazza" as he likes to be called), has set himself the task of walking around Australia to carry this message to the people.

That's a walk of around 40,000 kilometres - and - he's doing it solo, with no escort support, but with a whole lot of passion for encouraging people to stop and share some caring.

Backed by Beyond Blue Warren has a dedicated Facebook page chronicling his journey, with around 3,000 followers kept up to date on all stages of his progress. A direct link to the donation page is accessed from there.

Warren arrived in Charlton in early July after trekking up the Calder Highway from Bendigo, through Bridgewater to Wedderburn and then enjoying a "rest day" in Charlton, where he had a well-earned break at the East Charlton Hotel.

Savoring the chance to rest by the East's welcoming fireplace, Warren had met up with a dedicated supporter, Marni Champion from Bendigo, and the pair were doing a catch-up on how Wazza was travelling.

This marathon adventure - which is expected to take him about 3 years to complete - evolved from Warren's own battle with mental health issues and support he received from Beyond Blue. When the chips were down, a call to Beyond Blue made all the difference, where as he says "somebody showed they cared."

With a background in sporting activity, and finding that exercise made him feel better ("it helps clear the mind"), Warren set himself this challenge to help gain more exposure for mental health awareness.

For "company" on this journey, Warren has his "mate" - "Bluey" - his trusty buggy in which all his supplies, including clothes, tent, sleeping bag, first aid kit, repair needs, etc. are packed. While he sometimes has overnight accommodation, but just as often he doesn't, so a

camp off road is what beckons at the end of a long day of walking. And a day's walk can be anything from 20-40 kilometres, depending on the conditions and the terrain.

"Bluey" - (so named because of its blue cover and association with the Beyond Blue organisation) can hold a maximum manageable weight of 45 kilograms. The frame was donated by the Thule company - a manufacturer of pram buggies, roof racks, bike racks - and is just one of the companies which have put their hand up to help make this challenge a success (others can be found on the Facebook page). Warren expects that his current cargo will undergo modification when he prepares for the Nullabor crossing so he can accommodate between 16-20 litres of water to help him through.

Leaving his hometown of Tamworth on 21 September 2020, Warren wended his way south, down through Tasmania, then back through Victoria via Colac (where he was locked down for a while due to Covid restrictions). Now he's heading up the Calder to Mildura, before trekking to Adelaide and then across the Nullabor during the cooler months.

As of early July he had clocked up more than 5,000 kilometres, gone through 7 pairs of shoes and raised more than \$9,200 of his goal of \$50,000 for Beyond Blue. While most people would expect him to have problems with blisters and sore feet, it's actually been chaffing between the legs which has created more of an issue.

While he is hard to miss with his blue hair and blue buggy, Warren relishes the support he receives along the way in this huge quest, from the people stopping and chatting on the roadside, to those offering him a bed for the night, to businesses donating their services for some of his needs, or others contributing to his welfare in the course of the journey. When asked what has been the highlight of the trip so far, his response was an unhesitating, "The generosity of people."

He also feels it's about letting people know they are not alone - "that people feel that

others care," Warren said. "It's about people helping each other out, saying 'hello'".

With the Charlton Lions Changeover dinner being hosted at the East the same night as Warren's sojourn, an opportunity for him to address the gathering offered a genuine insight into his motivation for the cause, and the quest he has undertaken. A resulting whip-around brought in a \$235 donation for Beyond Blue.

Keeping a daily diary and using Facebook as an outreach has meant the journey is being well recorded. Ultimately a book of this adventure of a lifetime would be a great finale said Warren ("with all the proceeds going to Beyond Blue").

While the intrepid traveller is now moving north through Buloke, it might be timely to remember the support our re-

gion has had over the years through the adversities of droughts and floods, and consider the services which have helped us to pull through, or re-group to pick up our lives again.

"Wazza" is shining a spotlight on a significant issue which affects more people than we realise. So perhaps we could reflect on some of our own gratitude for services rendered, and help a man with a heart as big as Phar Lap's on his mission.

To donate: <https://fundraise.beyondblue.org.au/wazzas-walk-around-australia-for-mental-health-and-awareness-for-beyond-blue>

(Postscript: due to the recent Covid lockdown, Warren made it to Mildura, but had to put his walking on hold until the lockdown ended and border closures were removed).



*Above: Embracing a rest day in Charlton, Warren "Wazza" Wright is pictured with supporter, Marni Champion, and his travelling companion "Bluey", the buggy, on his round Australia walk to raise funds for Beyond Blue and put the focus on mental health.*

# Charlton Lions Club Changeover Dinner

**Contributed by Jenny Pollard  
ROSS TAKES THE REINS**

The Charlton Lions Club leadership will be in the capable hands of Ross Lane for the 2021/22 year following the installation evening held at the East Charlton Hotel on Wednesday 7 July.

With family, friends and Lions members in attendance Ross' installation response began with acknowledgement of the support of his family (many of whom were in attendance) and his readiness to accept the role at this point in time. He also acknowledged the great input from outgoing President, Geoff Winsall, along with honoring his father, Terry who had been the catalyst for him joining Lions.

"I wanted to spend more time with Dad," Ross said, "so I joined Lions, and then he left us (passed away). However, my daughter-in-law Lucy said, "I think Terry just lined you up!"

With the support of Lions to assist with the learning process, Ross acknowledged the work of Secretary Neil Cossar for "getting me organized" and indicated his excitement about the Club's future projects, the fellowship of Lions and a positive vision moving forward.

Outgoing President, Geoff Winsall, laid the facts on the table during his annual report opening with "To say the last year was difficult would be an understatement... but the good

part about it was - we got through!"

Despite the challenges, the Club distributed \$21,000 over the year to various organisations, with some of the funds going towards the production of the local phone book, for which Geoff acknowledged the work of Lion Kevin Willey in its compilation.

Lions International received between \$1500 - \$2000 for projects, along with funding being allocated to the Charlton Community Car.

The Club's main fund-raising activities included the 2021 Easter Market, the town garage sale (which was well supported) and catering for a function at the motel. Geoff concluded his report with thanks to Secretary, Neil Cossar, Treasurer, Garry Larmour and to all the Lions for their support during the year. Wishing Ross Lane all the best for the coming year ("you'll be a cracker!") Geoff also acknowledged the recently installed District Governor, Charlton member, Harry Brindley.

Relishing the opportunity to again be able to meet in person, representatives from the Lions Clubs of Inglewood, St. Arnaud and Wycheproof were welcomed as visitors for the evening, along with Chair of Zone 9, Zie Brindley.

Buloke Mayor, Cr. Daryl Warren presented the Toast to Lions International and the local Lions Club, opening by strongly

encouraging the attendees to emphasize their volunteering hours in the upcoming Census to help push Buloke to the Number one position of volunteering in the State. He also said that without the current levels of volunteering the Buloke Shire would be much the poorer.

An unscheduled inclusion to the evening was a short presentation by solo Around-Australia-walker, Warren "Wazza" Wright (who is walking to highlight mental health and raise funds for Beyond Blue). Speaking of his first-hand experience with mental health issues and the reasons for his crusade, the Club did a quick whip-around, raising \$235 for a donation to Beyond Blue.

With Tail Twister, Kevin Willey and Lion Tamer, Brian Patton bringing a lighthearted segment to the night, few were immune to their exposés and fines.

The evening came to a close with District Governor, Harry Brindley making two presentations to Charlton members, Peter Watts and Neville Sinapius for their contributions to Lions.

Office Bearers for the Lions 2021/22 year are: President Ross Lane, Secretary Neil Cossar, Treasurer Garry Larmour, Membership Chairman Geoff Winsall, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President John Stiley, Tail Twister Kevin Willey, Lion Tamer Brian Patton, Youth of the Year Zie Brindley.



*Above: The changing of the guard – immediate past President, Geoff Winsall (l) hands the gavel and bell to newly installed President, Ross Lane (r) at the July changeover ceremony.*



*Above: Carrying out the installation of office bearers was Peter Watts (second left) with (l-r) Geoff Winsall (immediate past President), Garry Larmour (Secretary – partly obscured), Neil Cossar (Secretary), Kevin Willey (Tail Twister), Brian Patton (Lion Tamer) and Ross Lane (President).*



## Charlton Bowling Club

Well Bowlers it is that time of the year again that we start Lawn Bowls with our **Opening on Sunday September 12<sup>th</sup> at 1pm, Bowls Attire and a plate please.**

There will be Social Bowls Saturdays at 1pm until we start Pennant.

There has been Social Bowls during winter on Saturdays at 1pm which is still happening if you feel like a game, place your names on the list at the old clubhouse or call Richard as per the number below.

With a busy year ahead, we will be playing two rounds of Saturday Pennant commencing on **October 2<sup>nd</sup> and Midweek on October 5<sup>th</sup>.**

Pennant format this season will be 3 X 4 or 12 players per team in Division 1 & 2 and Midweek, currently players are to bring their own lunch/smoko for pennant.

Champion of Champions events have been cut back to Singles and Pairs in the North Central Playing Area and of course clubs can still run their own Triples, Fours etc.

North Central Bowls Division has been dissolved and we are now playing under the control of the Wimmera Region with a North Central Playing Area as a subcommittee to control our Pennant, State Events and Tournament dates.

All Adult Members subs are \$110 and Juniors \$50 and are due and payable by end of October to be eligible to play November Pennant. The Pennant Unavailable List will be on the notice board, so if you are to be away, names are to be placed on this list please or you may be selected to play.

We have not selected members for Match, Pennant and Greens committees yet, if you feel you can help, register your name with Richard.

For further information contact President: Richard Porter on 54911494, or Secretary: Kevin Willey on 54911830.

## North Central Garden Club

Just when members were enjoying getting back to holding our monthly meetings, the lockdown put pay to that. So Tuesday the 24th August will be the day we will be going on our Mystery Trip. We will be leaving the Travellers Rest at 10am. To organize travel arrangements—names to be given to Bernice, Maretia or Sue. We are looking forward to this trip. it should be of great interest to our garden group.

Hope you can come.

Enquiries Bernice 54911334 or Maretia 0447 912 183.

## Charlton A & P Society

On the 16th October 2021 the Charlton A & P Society will host the 139th annual Charlton Show! President Billy Fitzpatrick said, "After having to cancel last year's Show day due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the committee is excited to be back planning a bigger and better day to be enjoyed by the community, family and friends. With many small community shows no longer viable, we are very proud of the longevity of the Charlton Show and are grateful for the community's support."

However, while the committee endeavours to bring the community that one day of entertainment, participation and fun, it does not happen without the generous support from businesses and individuals from Charlton and district. We realise there are countless other events, clubs and organisations seeking your support and COVID-19 restrictions have been challenging, but would you consider becoming a sponsor or a volunteer for this year's show?

It is our intention this year to refresh the layout and look of the schedule and are always looking for ideas to improve the show for everyone. If you have any ideas, we would like to hear from you to discuss this further.

Any sponsorship enquiries should be directed to Amy Nicolson, phone 0428 188912 or show day ideas to Secretary Wendy Laffin phone 0427 115 194.



Charlton Arts Presents

## JAZZ IN JULY AUGUST

**Sunday ~~18th July~~ 15th August, 2021**

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## CHARLTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

**Second Tuesday Book Club have now returned to their regular meeting dates. Contact the Charlton Neighbourhood House for details about this fun active group.**



## Charlton Red Cross

Since our deployment to the Dandenongs early in June, we have had a quiet time - again, trying to keep in touch with our members for personal support which is so important for the benefit of all.

Now that the restrictions are easing, we will have a morning tea Catch up - I am planning this for Tuesday August 10<sup>th</sup>. 10 AM Boyz Café.

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## AUGUST COMING ATTRACTIONS

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### DREAM HORSE

PG 113 mins | Drama

Sat 7 AUG 8pm

Sun 8 AUG 2pm

Tue 10 AUG 8pm

With very little money and no experience, Jan Vokes (Toni Collet) 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 14 AUG 8pm

Sun 15 AUG 2pm

Tue 17 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.



### FROM THE VINE

M 94 mins | Coarse language

Sat 21 AUG 8pm

Sun 22 AUG 2pm

Tue 24 AUG 8pm

Returning to his childhood home in Italy, an executive and a few locals try to reinvigorate an old vineyard to produce wine.



### BLACK WIDOW

M 134 mins | Action | Sci-fi

Sat 28 AUG 8pm

Sun 29 AUG 2pm

Tue 31 AUG 8pm

Natasha Romanoff, aka Black Widow, confronts the darker parts of her ledger when a dangerous conspiracy with ties to her past arises. Pursued by a force that will stop at nothing to bring her down, Natasha must deal with her history as a spy, and the broken relationships left in her wake long before she became an Avenger.



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Admission \$6

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Art Exhibition Co-ordinator: Enquiries or entry forms  
Jenny Watts- 0488 916 202 13jennywatts@gmail.com  
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**When:** Sunday 15th August 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.  
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For more information:

President: Alan Nicolson 0417 386 787

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## 2021 Charlton Rotary Art Show

The Rotary Club of Charlton is excited to announce the running of the annual Art Show for 2021 (COVID restrictions permitting). This will be a wonderful opportunity for artists and photographers to exhibit their works, and for the public to socialise after some extremely trying times.

Please note contact details for entries of art works or photographs (p23).

## Charlton Feedlot

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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](mailto: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

Sunday August 15 - "Jazz in July" @ Charlton Park

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

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**Please join the meeting and consider  
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**Mysia War Memorial School Centenary  
Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2021**

**A Community Event - All Welcome**



Please spread the word amongst ex-Mysia and district residents. This will be an informal day with plenty of opportunity to talk and share stories. We welcome Mysia memorabilia to share on the day.

**11.00am** Registration

**12.00pm** Official plaque unveiling and planting of a seedling Lone Pine.

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[mysiaschool@gmail.com](mailto:mysiaschool@gmail.com)  
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Julie Dean 54947398  
Susan Gould 0429 927534



**East Wimmera CWA Group with the aide of Bounce Back Buloke Grant, wish to invite CWA Branches, Charlton Planned Activities Group (PAG) and the Buloke Community to a day at The Rex.**

**Doors open @ 10.45, Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2021 for movie at 11.00.**

**This will be followed by a snack, scones, and hot drink provided by our seven CWA branches. (Beverages by The Rex Cinema)**

If The Rex toilet renovations or Covid restrictions hinder this date, I will let you know ASAP.

Please RSVP by 18<sup>th</sup> August as seating is limited but we should be able to cater for everyone. Chez 0417 601 856 East Wimmera CWA Group President.

Free popcorn available to first 50 requests. Bottle of water for 70 patrons and three Rex movie passes/Gift Vouchers to be won on the day.

Each CWA branch to provide one dozen scones, cake or slices please. Lion's Lodge will be open for last minute food preparation from 10.00 am. **Let's all bounce back and have a Fun Day!**

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The Lions Club of Charlton have obtained several health related items of equipment which can be made available for people needing equipment aids for a period but not needing them long enough to purchase them outright such as after an operation.

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**Worship:**

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Holy Communion 1pm Sunday 15 August  
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost  
Holy Communion 1pm Sunday 5 September  
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
(No service on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month)

**Home again, home again, jiggety jig**

I was travelling through Eaglehawk on the eve of the Australian Sheep & Wool Show. As I was in the vicinity of the showgrounds, I did not think it unusual to be following a utility with five dorpers (with black head and necks) snugly loaded in the rear crate. I thought, they are off to the Show.

Be assured that my main focus was on the traffic, but each time the utility slowed or stopped, I was given a clear view of the five sheep. They were looking at me and I was looking that at them!! They reminded me of Shaun the Sheep and his fleecy friends. They were safe inside as the utility had a covered canopy and sides.

Each sheep was tethered from their harness by rope to the rear section. I did admire how well the sheep had been loaded to have them all positioned the same. I also realised (especially at roundabouts) how effective the load layout was. Each time the utility swayed, the sheep just leaned to the right or to the left, into each other where their fleece and stomach absorbed the impact. They looked so at ease and so comfortable. They were an inspiration to me, as clearly their owner, had thought of their every need and clearly, the sheep were happy with this arrangement.

It was later on that afternoon that I reflected that the sheep would probably have been on their way home, as the show had been cancelled, rather than on their way to the show. But, even though there had been a short notice change in the program, the sheep remained calm, putting all their trust in their owner. No panic, no turmoil, just an acceptance of what was to happen.



Things change quickly in our lives sometimes, but for me, the sheep reminded me that if you put your trust in the ultimate Good Shepherd, our Lord Jesus Christ, it is easier to accept the inevitable changes that occur in our lives. Like the sheep, we can lean into each other and draw comfort, but we can also be assured that He, Our Saviour, who is in charge, is looking after us.

*'My sheep hear my voice,' says the Lord. 'I know them and they follow me; and I give them eternal life.'* John 10: 27,28

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

**Mass Times:**

Sun. 8<sup>th</sup> Aug. 8.30am  
Sat. 15<sup>th</sup> Aug. 7pm  
Sun. 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug. 10.30am  
Sun. 29<sup>th</sup> Aug. No Mass



**Charlton Uniting Church**

We were able to hold services in our church in the early part of ? whichever lockdown it was! What a time it has been,! but I still think we are the fortunate ones living quietly in the country! Then, we had a time of no gatherings and the Zoom services were the options- if one could use that technology! Now we are back to being able to have services while respecting the current restrictions of social distancing.

We try to make phone contact or message our members as is possible, needing to recognise the importance of keeping in touch,. We visit St. Martin's Anglicans the first Sunday at 1 PM. then, U/C 10 AM. second and third Sundays, with Rev. Watson coming on the fourth Sunday for 11AM service.

If there is a fifth Sunday, this is a Cluster service for all congregations together and rotating Boort, Charlton, Powlett Plains and Wederburn and at 11 AM. with a shared lunch to follow.

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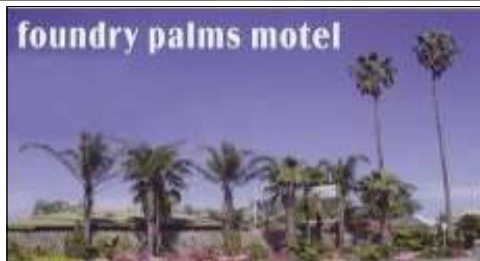
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15 Jazz in July (revised date)	16 CWA Meeting, 10am Bowls Meeting, 7:30pm Senior Citz Bingo, 2pm	17 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm Senior Citz Cards, 1:30pm	18 Lions Business Meeting 8pm	19 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm Rotary Meeting	20 RSL Meeting 4:30pm	21
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## September 2021

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