

The Charlton Community Newsletter

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Easter Entertainment

Charlton Caravan Park managers, Greg and Leanne Fanning, hosted an evening of entertainment on Easter Sunday. With local, Greg Towers, providing the music, beautiful autumn weather and a visit by the Easter Bunny, park guests and the wider Charlton community enjoyed themselves immensely in the picturesque setting beside the Avoca River. Greg and Leanne were thrilled to see so many people of all ages at the park and were happy to provide the venue for a memorable evening of relaxation and entertainment. (Photos from Facebook)



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*From the Editor
Carolyn Olive*

Hello everyone,

Welcome to the April edition. I hope everyone had a great Easter break. We were certainly spoilt with terrific weather. It was fantastic to see our town busy with visitors.

Congratulations to the Harness Racing Club on another successful Cup Day. I know how much goes into these events, so well done to all those involved.

We have three events to attend in April, the Charlton Deb Ball, Charlton Show & Shine and the ANZAC Day service. I hope that all are well attended. And I hope the debbs and their partners have a fun night.

Good luck to our football, netball & hockey teams who begin the winter competition soon. Go Navies!!

For those asking about my sons—Justin is moving to the UK for work. It's exciting for him but a little sad for us. Nick has finished university and is now working for Smokeshield. They were both home for Easter which was lovely.

We've started cropping on the farm and looking forward to another fruitful year. They say we could be in for another wet second half!

Cheers, *Carolyn*

Upcoming Events

Please note, events are subject to change.

April:

Charlton Deb Ball—Friday 12th

Show & Shine—Sunday 14th

ANZAC Day Service—Thursday 25th April

May:

Dignity to the Fallen—Thursday 9th



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sponsors for 2024**

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Nick's a Pioneer

In early February 2024 Nick Thompson, along with 45 other young footballers from the region which covers from Bendigo to Broken Hill, was accepted into the 2024 Under 18 Pioneers Squad. Nick has been travelling to Bendigo twice a week since November 2023 for training as part of the selection process. He also attended two super Sunday training sessions in Swan Hill combined with Mildura, Echuca, Bendigo and Swan Hill training hubs. Two testing days, one in Bendigo and one in Melbourne, were held prior to the beginning of the season along with a training session and camp held at La Trobe University in Bundoora.

The season kicked off on 24th March in Learmonth against Greater Western Victoria Rebels with the Pioneers coming away with the win 10.10.73 to 7.13.55.

Round Two was held on Good Friday against the Murray Bushrangers in Shepparton with the Pioneers coming away with their second win 14.12.96 to 14.10. 94 and Nick being named amongst the best.

Game Three will be on Sunday, 7th April at Mars Stadium against Gippsland Power. If you'd like to follow Nick's journey you can download the Coates Talent League App for fixtures and results.

Nick would like to thank all those who have supported him during this journey, it's been a huge sacrifice but completely worth it.

For anyone who really knows Nick, knows just how much footy is in his blood and the effort he's put into his preseason has allowed him to take his footy to the next level.

*Right: Nick Thompson
(Spinkscapes Photography)*



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Golden Grains Museum News

Can you believe the first quarter of the year is already gone? The volunteers have all been very busy with the many duties involved keeping the museum running and planning activities for the rest of the year ahead. Would you like to help preserve items for Charlton's future generations? Why not become a volunteer at the museum. You can volunteer as little or as much as you like and no experience is required. Tasks such as working on displays, being on deck for visitors during opening hours, cataloguing items and much more. You will be joining a group of friendly, likeminded people who are happy to share their knowledge with you. You can also become a 'Friend of the Museum' for just \$20. Every dollar goes towards maintaining and improving our town's collection of important historic items for future generations.

Fundraising

Our regular trips to Donald Bingo continue on the last Thursday of each month. This activity is the museum's main fundraiser with the museum receiving \$2300 last year just for turning up as a group. Contact one of the volunteers listed below to be included in the next visit and join the list of winners. Fundraising is essential to the museum to purchase archiving supplies, pay regular monthly expenses, and for larger projects. We receive our funds through membership fees, admission charges, research requests, grants and donations. We are also taking copies of residents' history files to safely



Terri Wolfe (Charlton Campdraft Club) & Diane Wood (President Charlton Golden Grains Museum)

preserve for future researchers; all for the low cost of just \$10.

Donations

We were fortunate to receive a donation from the Charlton Campdraft Club of \$250. We are thankful to the Club for their generosity and wish them well in this year's event.

We also received a bequest from the late Rosealie Curnow and we are truly grateful to her for her many years as a member and volunteer.

Charlton—Early Days

Our feature story this month takes us to the earliest days of discovery by Major Mitchell's exploration party in 1836 when he journeyed from Portland to Swan Hill. He crossed a stream about 30 miles (48km) north of Charlton and named it Avoca. The meandering water between steep and wooded banks reminded him of the beautiful Vale of Avoca in County Wicklock, Ireland. Mitchell was impressed by the green pasturelands and possibilities of adaption to agricultural industries, and noted that a settlement would be successful in these areas.

The town of Charlton was originally named East Charlton after the pastoral station that was established here in the 1840s. There was another town called Charlton near Beaufort which was renamed Chute and East Charlton was officially changed to Charlton in 1879. Many pioneers were drawn to the area and took up large parcels of land while the town itself flourished.

In 1926 the Progress Association arranged a 'Back to Charlton' event to give residents the opportunity to rekindle old friendships and recognise the contribution those early pioneers had made. As noted in

the souvenir publication, 'We have men and women amongst us still to whom these things are a vivid memory. When aborigines were frequently seen on our river banks. Traces of their ovens are still to be seen. Kangaroos and emus abounded. Prisoners were tried at the homestead. Wagons from Inglewood were sometimes held up by bushrangers. Races were held in the main street of Charlton'. Thirty nine pioneers still alive were recognised.

Fashion Parade

After the success of the bridal fashion parade held in 2018, plans are underway to hold a fashion parade this winter featuring frocks donated by Leonie Lewis that she and her mother wore to various balls and dances. We are looking for more dresses to feature in the parade so if you have any evening dresses or ball gowns dating from the 30s to the 70s, we'd love to include them in the parade. Contact Carolyn to make arrangements.

New displays

New displays underway are a collection of John O'Brien's wooden toys and Albert Goldsworthy's collection of medals and sashes from his successes in various bike competitions.

Enquiries

For all enquiries about our group check out our Facebook Page or search on your browser 'Golden Grains Museum Charlton'

Phone enquiries:

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Vice President David 0422 185 885

Secretary Carolyn 0418 361 971

Archivist Markus 0413 129 216

Anne 0408 547 973

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Wanted
Evening wear and ballgowns
(1930s to 1970s) for Museum
fashion parade.

Contact Carolyn on
0418 361 971

'Bubbles' Turns Green For St Pat's Day

Contributed by Jenny Pollard

It's usually called Blue Sunday and the colour teal dominates as the Charlton Harness Racing Club combines their Cup Day with the Team Teal Ovarian Cancer Research fundraiser, "Bubbles in the Bush". But at the St. Patrick's Day meet on Sunday 17 March teal morphed into green as patrons went all out to capture the luck of the Irish at the club's marquee event.

An array of the verdant shade filled the outside concourse at Charlton Park as, "Bubbles in the Bush" again welcomed a sizable crowd to the fundraising opener. A sparkling scene featuring lanterns, green bunting, checkered tablecloths, colourful signage, scatter cushions and all the popular Irish motifs helped to create a celebratory mood as the fundraising activities unfolded.

Recognition needs to be given to the Charlton Harness Racing Club (CHRC) members for the effort expended in getting the message of support for ovarian cancer research across, along with always creating a stylish setting and ensuring that all goes to plan on the day. Qudos also to Tess Fitzpatrick, Sabrina Thompson and Dora McGeown for their attractive floral table arrangements.

It is undoubtably the support and interest from St. John of God Bendigo Hospital (SJOG) which has been a considerable factor in both the establishment and continuation of the "Bubbles in the Bush" initiative, and this year SJOG representatives indicated there had been an increase in that sponsorship commitment.

Shirley Lechmere (inaugural liaison) and Claire Pysing (Nurse Manager – Day Oncology Unit) have watched the event flourish since day one, returning regularly, and each year providing updates on the

hospital's oncology development, outreach and advances in cancer treatment and support.

The generosity of additional donors such as AMES Australasia, Inghams (who kicked off the session with a \$1,000 donation) and the many other organisations and individuals who also contribute items saw the financial result reach \$6,500 in 2023,

and possibly even exceed that for this year.

The raising of monies included a spinning wheel run by Chris Livingston and Wendy Laffin, a silent auction, a live auction, a raffle, and a new addition in 2024 – temporary shamrock tattoos for those who like a bit of ink!

Prior to introducing the guest speaker, MC, Kim Thompson spoke briefly about the



John Tormey in action during the live auction with Jayne Burton (left) assisting.



Claire Pysing (Nurse Manager—Day Oncology Unit SJOG) presented an update on oncology services provided at the hospital.



It was a picturesque scene on the Charlton Park concourse as the 2024 "Bubbles in the Bush" event unfolded with the emerald-green theme for St. Patrick's Day.

'Bubbles' Turns Green For St Pat's Day

Teal movement, saying: "While we are having fun with a green theme, our thoughts are with the many women who have been diagnosed with ovarian cancer." While the Team Teal movement has put more than \$3million into the coffers of WomenCan to help women with ovarian cancer, Charlton's funds go towards the "Survivors Teaching Students" Program – a ground-breaking volunteer program that brings ovarian and other gynecological cancer survivors and care-givers into the classrooms of health professional students to teach them about women's experiences.

In a poignant moment, Kim then asked everyone to stand for a minute's silence - reflecting on those who had lost a loved one to cancer and for survivors to express a moment of gratitude.

Kim then introduced Claire Pysing from SJOG who gave an address covering her journey into the world of oncology and the passion which drives her commitment to this work.

Following on from an extensive career in this area, Claire has worked as a Nurse Manger in the Day Oncology Unit at SJOG Bendigo for ten years.

Claire emphasized that the team at SJOG includes four highly qualified oncology nurses, offers treatment five days a week and includes four oncology chairs. Additional benefits include both hybrid in-person and virtual modes of care, telehealth and visiting, the welcoming of a McGrath Breast Care Nurse Consultant, and a plan to provide oncology rehabilitation services utilizing the skills of the allied health team and Dr Kareen Khaw, whose specialty is rehabilitation medicine. She also spoke in passing about the hospital's new model of affordable private maternity care.

In concluding she again reiterated her

passion for this area of medicine, saying, "I do hope that one day we will find a cure for cancer. It's events like these that will help us to achieve that goal."

The drawing of the raffle was carried out by Charlton local, Leanne Fanning – herself a cancer survivor and ardent supporter of the "Bubbles" and Teal initiatives. Leanne had shared her incredible cancer journey at a previous event, inspiring all who heard her story.

The live auction then got underway with auctioneer, John Tormey, whipping up the interest. Assisted by spotters Jayne Burton and Deb Whykes, bidding was off to a brisk start as strong interest drove up the prices on many of the items.

As the event wound to a close, MC Kim Thompson then thanked patrons, sponsors, donors and all volunteer helpers for their contributions before inviting everyone to enjoy the day's racing and hospitality.



Chris Livingston and Wendy Laffin were in charge of the ever-popular spinning wheel as the fundraising opened the Cup Day event.



Winner of the "Bubbles" Lady of the Day title was Charlie Sanderson wearing a very stylish race-day outfit.



Celebrating Cup Day are (l-r) Lyn Nye (Cox), Jenny Allen, Kathy Bell (John), Deb O'Connell and Lorraine Walklate.



Charlton Harness Racing Club

HARNESS RACING WINS ON ST PATRICK'S DAY

The Charlton Harness Racing Club extends a huge **THANK YOU** to everybody who helped or attended our biggest day of the year the 'Community Bank Charlton and District' Charlton Cup Day.

The day was indeed all things Irish as St Patrick was surely smiling down on a sea of green which enveloped the course.

It certainly takes a band of volunteers to put on such a day but special mention to a few who went over and above, especially on the days leading up, to lend a hand.

To Kim Thompson who, with her team, coordinated the St John of God Bendigo Hospital Bubbles in the Bush Fundraiser for Ovarian Cancer – it takes many hours and attention to detail to make sure that the event runs smoothly, Kim did a great job planning and hosting the day – thank you.

Whilst still finalising the total it would appear that the result will be our best yet – somewhere around the \$9,000 mark. Truly amazing and one that Charlton ladies and harness racing followers can be very proud of.

Lovely to welcome back Claire Pysing from St John of God who has championed this event for many years and who has become an intrinsic part of many people's lives here in Charlton. Claire certainly epitomises a high level of genuine care and support and we are all the better from having her and her colleagues on hand in Bendigo when needed.

Thanks also to our local clubs who step up with some man power on the day –

Charlton Footy Club, Charlton Golf Club and Charlton Lions Club.

Also thank you to all of our loyal cup day sponsors who continue to support this day.

- Community Bank Charlton and District
- North West Ag Services
- O'Connors
- Betavet
- GMG Financial Group
- AMES Australasia

CONGRATULATIONS WINNERS

Try as we may we could not land a local win for the day but racing was competitive and it was heartening to see some big stables support this day.

The \$30,000 Community Bank Charlton and District Pacing Cup was won by Helluva trained by John Justice and driven by daughter Ewa Justice. A very popular winner as the club has come to know Ewa well and is thrilled to see her winning big races in this early stage of her career.

The North West Ag Services Trotters Cup was taken out by Kyvalley Hotspur trained by the strong Brent Lilley stable and driven by 'The Puppet' Chris Alford.

The club also hosted the finals of the Central Vic Championships with the winners being

Pacing Championship – Scheming trained by Danny Thackeray, driven by James Herbertson

Trotters Championship – Kyvalley Heist trained by Brent Lilley, driven by Tristan Larsen

THANK YOU ALL PUNTERS!!

To all who had a casual fun bet on the

day and to those who went a little bit harder in the Local Legends Competition and the Punt Off we say Thank you – the club benefits financially from each bet and these competitions certainly create a lot of interest both on and off course on social media platforms.

Congratulations to Tom Finlay – our first Local Legend! And to Adam Cormack who took out the more seriously contested Punt Off.

All in all a great day for our town – although we do need to work on the Irish dancing!! Thank you everybody.



Mick Coates singing with the band A Bunch of Celts



Tia & Leanne Fanning.



Wendy Laffin Carmel Fitzpatrick Kathy Mulquiny.



Charlton Harness Racing Club



Kim Thompson and Claire Pysing.



HRV Chairman Dale Monteith, Liz Riley (Bendigo Bank Board), Ewa Justice and Charlton HRC President Joe Thompson .



Luke Zagame (Nth West Ag Services) and Chris Alford (BetaVet Sponsors).



Local Legend
Winner Tom Finally
celebrating on his lap
of honour!



Trainer/Driver Nathan Jack presenting the Tom Hogan Punt Off trophy to Adam Cormack.

Fashion at the Races

Contributed by Jenny Pollard

Making a fashion statement at a race meet is as much a part of the day as the interest in the horses.

Style, elegance and an opportunity to dress for success adds excitement, colour and a bit of glamour to the event. And so it was at Charlton's Pacing Cup Day, with green blitzing the scene in honour of the St. Patrick's Day gathering.

While plenty of patrons adopted the emerald shade and sported their most fashionable outfits, there were only a few who stepped up in their (multi coloured) Cup Day finery for the official Fashions on the Field judging. However, quality was the key, and it was a broad spectrum of shades which greeted the judges, Fiona Mellor (Chief Commercial Officer, Harness Racing Victoria) and Melissa Buhagiar as the competition unfolded.

Looking stylish in an emerald ensemble complemented with a black, broad-brimmed hat, was Vicki Moro, Charlton Harness Racing Club member, who hosted the mid-afternoon presentation.

Vicki encouraged many of the by-standers to join in the fashion stakes, before running through the categories which included "Racegoer of the Day" (open to men and women), "Hat of the Day" and "Local Lady of the Day".

The judges then spent some time deliberating before announcing the following winners:

- Racegoer of the Day – Liz Riley
- Hat of the Day – Briony Zagame
- Local Lady of the Day – Tia Fanning

Liz Riley wore a Hunter Green chiffon asymmetrical special occasion dress from online outlet "J J's House", teamed with black accessories and a monochrome fascinator.

Briony Zagame teamed her midnight blue fascinator from Princess Petal with a

full-length Leo Lin bold-print dress - accessorized with mint green sandals.

Tia Fanning wore a dark green sequin V-neck jumpsuit from online outlet, Cider, teamed with a black fedora broad-brimmed hat from Pretty Little Thing.



Winners of the Cup Day Fashions on the Field are pictured with Melissa Buhagiar (l) and Fiona Mellor (r) with Briony Zagame (Hat of the Day), Liz Riley (Racegoer of the Day) and Tia Fanning (Local Lady of the Day).

Charlton RSL Sub-branch



April is ANZAC Month. Charlton RSL members will be selling ANZAC Day badges and other items in High Street next to IGA on Thu. 18, Fri. 19, Mon. 22, Tue. 23 and Wed. 24 April. Sale trays will also

be available at East Wimmera Health Service and at Charlton Newsagency. All moneys raised from the ANZAC Appeal go to RSL Patriotic Funds and will be applied towards the welfare of diggers and their dependents. Please give us your usual generous support and wear your badges with pride.

Charlton's ANZAC Day commemorations on Thursday 25 April, the One Day of the Year, will commence at the Cenotaph in High Street, followed by the March to the Charlton Shire Hall in Armstrong Street and the service in the Hall, details being:

- 0840 Assemble at the Cenotaph;
- 0850 Parade fall in;
- 0855: Wreath laying, in order: RSL and Shire; Schools and other organisations, relatives of service personnel and private citizens;

- 0900: The Ode, Last Post and Reveille;
- 0905: March to the Shire Hall;
- 0930: Ceremony in the Hall;
- 1030: Fellowships and refreshments in the RSL clubrooms.

We are thrilled to advise our Guest Speaker will be our own Captain Paul Scott RAN (retired). Paul joined the Navy in 1986 and has, as a professional mariner, clearance diver and information welfare officer and communicator, experienced a diverse career. He has served operationally in East Timor, Solomon Islands and twice in the Middle East and has commanded HMAS DIAMANTINA (2002-04) and HMAS TOBRUK (2010-11). He retired from full-time service in early 2024 and is now concentrating on correcting the many flaws in his golf swing. We look forward to hearing Paul's ANZAC Day address.

LEST WE FORGET.

Golf Club Opening

Charlton golf member, Roy Postlethwaite, was invited to officially open the 2024 golf season on Sunday, March 24 by Club President Jamey Soulsby.

In keeping with the long standing tradition of hitting the first ball of the season, Roy strode purposefully to the 7th tee and duly struck the ball with a descending blow. His strategy to guide the ball very wide down the left side of the fairway was both courageous and effective as it left the green open for the assembled players to follow.

The 12 hole mixed Ambrose event attracted 28 players and was played in dry and warm conditions, the course holding up remarkably well given the tree damage

sustained during the mid February hurricane like event. Several well attended working bees were required to clean up the damage.

Winning group on the day consisted of G. Towers, J. Cox, P. Stafford, W. Southwell.

Runners up were W & B Laffin, C. Fitzpatrick, M. Hamley. Next best were the youngsters, E. Soulsby, S. Olive, M. Boyle, S.Zagame.

Best putters were the team of C. Olive, T. Heenan, J. Soulsby, P. Sexton.

M. McGurk was nearest the pin on the 7th.

Ladies

Ladies opening day welcomed 13 players, with newcomers Alison Tormey, Margaret McGrath and Cher Brien completing 5 holes on a warm dry morning. The course suiting the big hitters and accurate putters. The 10 returning members played a Pinehurst round: Kathy Rogan & Wendy Laffin won with a 47 nett. Kim Laffin & Anne Kenny r/u 48 nett. NTP on the 7th was Anne. With 3 apologies it looks like a competitive year ahead in 2024.

A social lunch was enjoyed at the East Charlton Hotel after play.



Club President Jamey Soulsby (left) invites Roy Postlethwaite to officially open the season.



L to R: Alison Tormey, Cher Brien, Wendy Laffin, Janice Boyle, Eily Rosewall, Marg McGrath, Kim Laffin, Marj Bartlett, Marj Olive, Kathy Rogan, Pat Mathews, Chris Livingston.



Roy Postlethwaite opens golf season.

CHARLTON NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE



30-34 HIGH STREET (IN THE REX THEATRE), CHARLTON VIC, 3525 PHONE: 0473 759 456

Welcome to the latest news and updates from your Charlton Neighbourhood House. Another month has flown past and our courses and activities continue to be well supported across the community. April and May don't seem to be any different with a couple of **BIG** events taking place in our town.

The 2024 Debutante Ball is being held on April 12 at the Charlton Shire Hall in Armstrong Street, Tickets start at just \$10 and are available through from the Neighbourhood House or via www.charltonnh.org.au. Come along and support the 18 young people and their two adorable attendants.

We are excited to have partnered with Charlton RSL Sub-branch to present 'Journey through History with Master Storytellers Ross McMullin and Lambis Englezos'. These speakers will talk on subjects with a local flavour: the amazing life of Pompey Elliott, and the discovery of the remains of a lost local Digger, Pvt. Claxton from Coonooer Bridge.

This is a free event and will be of interest to history, war, science and archaeological enthusiasts as well as book lovers and genealogists. Bookings through the NH are for catering purposes.



With support from the Buloke Shire we are pleased to be offering a **free** school holiday activity on Monday April 8 between 10:30 and 12:30. Sarah Botheras from Buloke Healthy Kids will lead a fun session where primary age children can decorate a pot then plant it with a herb. Morning tea and all supplies will be provided.

The Charlton Library again hosted Buloke Book Club and our popular Storytime. Book Club is held on the third Tuesday of the month, while parents and children are welcome on the fourth Tuesday of the month to regular special themed mornings with activities and reading.



The Charlton Neighbourhood House is proud to continue to support the Charlton Carers Group and their regular get togethers at the East Charlton Hotel. Call 0473759456 for more details regarding this social support group, it is open to everyone who carers for someone.

Do you need to obtain some qualifications for employment purposes? Or perhaps your club or community group needs more people qualified? We have Responsible Service of Alcohol in April, a free Chemical handlers course in September and are taking expressions of interest for the next First Aid & CPR updates.

Markus attended the NH Vic Conference in Creswick recently where he had the opportunity to network with every House across Victoria, so look out for lots of new ideas.



For more information on any of our upcoming events/courses, visit our website or Facebook, check out our window, or pop into the Neighbourhood House Mon-Fri 10am-4pm

WHAT'S ON IN



APRIL

MAY

**EACH
MONDAY**

Monday Yarners(Social Group)
10:30am -12pm during school terms
AT: Rex Theatre Foyer
COST: FREE
Knitting supplies provided or BYO



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Buloke Healthy Kids
10.30ampm to 12pm
AT: Charlton Neighbourhood House
COST: Free
Decorate a pot & plant a herb with Sarah



10

Charlton Carers Lunch
12:00pm to 1:30 pm
AT: Charlton East Hotel
COST: Lunch at subsidised price
Speaker: EWHS Continenence Nurse Kristin



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2024 Debutante Ball
Doors open at 7.30pm
AT: Charlton Shire Hall
COST: Tickets \$10 Students \$20 Adults



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Coffee with a Community Advocate
10:30am -12pm
AT: FLO Cafe inside Rex Theatre
COST: Free coffee for first 6 people
Talk directly to Forum representatives.



16

Buloke Book Club (Social Group)
10:30am -12pm
AT: Charlton Library inside Shire Hall
COST: FREE
Share what you have recently read



21

Responsible Service of Alcohol Course
SITHFAB021 12:30 to 4:30pm
AT: Charlton Senior Citizens Room
COST: \$140
Provided by Access Skills Training. Min numbers required.



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Coffee with a Councillor
10:30am -12pm
AT: FLO Cafe inside Rex Theatre
COST: Free coffee for first 6 people
Talk to your Buloke Councillors directly



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Children's Storytime - ANZAC Day
10:30 -11:30am
AT: Charlton Library, Shire Hall
COST: FREE
Led by Kelly McCrohan



**EACH
MONDAY**

Monday Yarners (Social Group)
10:30am -12pm during school terms
AT: Rex Theatre Foyer
COST: FREE
Knitting supplies provided or BYO



6

Coffee with a Cop
10:30am -12pm
AT: FLO Cafe inside Rex Theatre
COST: Free coffee for first 6 people
Talk directly to members of Victorian Police



8

Charlton Carers Lunch
12:00pm to 1:30 pm
AT: Charlton East Hotel
COST: Lunch at subsidised price
Speaker: Jo Russell Relaxation techniques



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'Journey through History' with Storytellers Lambis Englezos & Ross McMullin
11:00am to 2.00pm
AT: Charlton Shire Hall
COST: Free, bookings required for catering

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Coffee with a Community Advocate
10:30am -12pm
AT: FLO Cafe inside Rex Theatre
COST: Free coffee for first 6 people
Talk directly to Forum representatives.



**13TH TO
19TH**

Neighbourhood House Week
Pop in, say hello, and see what activities we have happening.

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Coffee with a Community Group
10:30am -12pm
AT: FLO Cafe inside Rex Theatre
COST: Free coffee for first 6 people
Talk to CFA about their smoke alarms



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Buloke Book Club
10:30am -12pm
AT: Charlton Library inside Shire Hall
COST: FREE
Share what you have recently read



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Volunteer Week Event
Save the Date

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Coffee with a Buloke Councillor
10:30am -12pm
AT: FLO Cafe inside Rex Theatre

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Children's Storytime - Reconciliation
10:30 -11:30am
AT: Charlton Library, Shire Hall



Building, Excursions & Easter Fun at St Joseph's

Term One has finished in a flurry of activity at St Joseph's! Whilst it feels like it has gone by so quickly, on reflection much has been experienced and achieved! The Foundation students have settled into school life beautifully and Ms Brown and Miss Claudia seem to have been here for ever! Well done to all staff and students for a super start to the 2024 school year.

SCHOOL FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS

What a wonderful day of celebration we shared together on our School Feast on 19th March. After a Mass of celebration, students enjoyed a variety of activities and treats throughout the day. Students enjoyed working in mixed age groupings to make origami lilies, learn about Joseph and play dress-up, and to draw a portrait of St Joseph. Paying homage to Joseph's trade as a carpenter, the Junior students enjoyed creating with wood and nails, while the Grade 3-6 students worked in groups to create four billy-karts. The highlight of my day was watching students try new things, work collaboratively and share comradery with each other! A big thank you to Mrs Wright for the green jelly and to Mrs Fitzpatrick for the special cupcakes. A day well celebrated!

EXCURSIONS 'RHYTHM UNITES'

The F-4 students travelled to St Mary's School in Donald to

see a cultural, musical performance "Rhythm Unites". From all reports, both staff and students found the experience very enjoyable. Students have shared their learning about different cultures, their flags, their dress and their music - and a couple even told me about the teachers dancing! A big thank you to Mrs Wright for driving the bus and to Mrs Drum at St Mary's for providing a delicious lunch for both staff and students.

HOT SHOTS TENNIS

In exciting news, the Grade 5&. 6 students had a successful day at the Hot Shots Tennis Tournament in Boort, winning the tournament! A super effort, and a team effort, which is fantastic. A big thank you to Mrs Wright and Mrs Fitzpatrick for supervising and coaching the students on the day and to Miss Brown for practising tennis skills during PE lessons.

EASTER FUN

The last day of term focused on Easter. Our day commenced with a Holy Week liturgy and the conclusion of our Lenten journey. The students have enjoyed learning about this year's focus groups each week at assembly - in Samoa, Malawi and the Philippines.

Staff and students visited the Nursing Home residents, proudly wearing their fabulous Easter bonnets. After sharing Easter cards and cookies with the residents, students took time to have a chat and spread some Easter cheer. On returning to

school the Grade 5&6 students ran some Easter themed activities - egg and spoon race, bunny hop-sack race, bunny toss and a carrot relay - just to name a few. The staff were even tricked with some real 'unboiled' eggs! The session concluded with a whole school Easter hunt.

A very quick and busy - but enjoyable - term. Happy holidays everyone!

Right: Vinny Roberts



Johan Siju, Ivy Giles, Lochlan Caine, Shepherd Mills



Back Row: Henry Lanyon, Isaac Roberts, Darcy Olive, Willow Caine.
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Charlton Croquet Club

On a very hot day, Saturday 9th March, the Murray Valley Croquet Association Championships were held at Swan Hill. Section 1 winner was Lindsay Patullo; Section 2 Anne Kenny; Section 3 was uncontested. Section 4 Darren Barnes (Swan Hill) with Naomi Patullo Runner up. Due to a reassessment of handicaps the team to represent Murray Valley at Rich River in April in the Association Country

Regionals is: Sect. 1 Lindsay Patullo; Sect. 2 Anne Kenny; Sect. 3 Darren Barnes (S. Hill) and Sect. 4 Naomi Patullo.

Association Croquet held its annual Club Championship on Thurs 21st & Sat. 23rd March. Due to illness and withdrawals only four competed. The winner was Anne Kenny, 2nd Sue Nicholls and 3rd Barb Dalrymple.

Congratulations to Lindsay Patullo who was a Reserve for the Victorian Team which participated in the Eire Cup in Hobart from 13-17 March 2024. The Eire Cup Competition started officially in 1950 and is an interstate tournament. Victoria emerged victorious, winning 74 match and losing only 26.



Lindsay Patullo, Darren Barnes, Anne Kenny & Lois Munro (Swan Hill).



Victorian Team. Lindsay Patullo (far left).

Charlton Campdraft Donation for the Rex

The Rex Theatre was one of a number of local organisations to receive a generous donation from the Charlton Campdraft Club following on from their inaugural and very successful Campdraft event at the end of 2023.

A cheque for \$750 was presented to The Rex recently by Campdraft Club member Matt Hobbs.

Accepting the donation on behalf of The Rex, Board member Hayden Collins said the funds were greatly appreciated and expressed the gratitude of all members for this boost to the community-owned facility.

"I extend the appreciation of our Board for your donation," Hayden said, "which will go towards the purchase of new chairs for the foyer and the Candy Bar. This will provide a visible and welcome upgrade for our entrance and for the social gathering area of the Candy Bar – something which all our patrons can benefit from."

Making the presentation, Matt Hobbs said the Club was keen to see the funds go back into the community, saying that event had brought something new to the town. "It brings outside money into the community, and we were keen to see these funds spread across a variety of outlets."

With in excess of 200 competitors taking part and with the support of major sponsors, the Club was heartened by the very positive responses from locals who attended the event. A further accolade came earlier this year with the Club receiving the Charlton Event of the Year Award which was announced at Australia Day

Planning is underway for the 2024 Campdraft, which will possibly take place in October.



Charlton Campdraft Club member, Matt Hobbs (l) and The Rex Theatre Board member, Hayden Collins (r) are pictured following the presentation of a cheque for \$750 to the Theatre.

Townies Win A P Earthmoving Krakajak Triples Bowls

A P Earthmoving Krakajak Triples Bowls at Charlton Bowling Club commenced on January 9th with twelve teams, by the time the second week was to start we had an extra two teams now making fourteen, but the heavens opened up and flooded the bowling green mid afternoon on January 16th, so we cancelled week two. Week three got under way with the weather being kinder to us but on February 13th we experienced a Mini Tornado in Charlton twisting trees and bringing down power lines and blacking out the town, again we cancelled, with no power, but played this lost week on February 20th.

Charlton Bowling Club's Night Krakajak Triples Bowls has now concluded

and the Winners for 2024 are the Townies team of Dale McCallum, Carolyn Heritage and John Gretgrix who have won the coveted Pewter Mugs for the third time winning in 2021 & 2022 and winning section two in 2023. They defeated the All-Stars team of Greg Barnard, Rodney Heritage, and Wayne Southwell 15 shots to 2.

Section two Winners were the Rangers team of Stuart James, Jeff Cox and Michael O'Brien defeating the Narrewillock Team of Bluey McGowen, Bernie Laffin, and Doug Finlay 9 shots to 8 after being level going into the last end and the Rangers were stuck on 8 for three ends.

Section Three Winners were the Legends team of Jenny Walsh, Brad Chester and Steve

Harper defeating the Marvel team of Rhys Gahen, Eily Rosewall, and David Beaty 11 shots to 4.

Section Four only had the remaining two teams who played each other twice to decide the winners and the Winners were the Shearers team of Jimmy Dean, Harry Mulquiny, and Joel Thiesz defeating the Farmers Team of Emily Lanyon, Henry Bourke, and Julie Bourke 2 games to nil.

The Glasses for the night were won by the View St Team of Corey Fanning, Tristan James, and Jo Southcombe with 15 shots in the glasses game.

Thank you to our Sponsors A P Earthmoving for assisting us since 2015 and the offer to continue into the future, Aaron Watts was present to present the trophies.



Krakajak Triples Winners Townies— Dale (Duck McCallum), Carolyn Heritage, John Gretgrix.



Krakajak Section two Winners Rangers—Michael O'Brien, Stuart James and Jeff Cox.



Krakajak Section three Winners Legends—Steve Harper, Jenny Walsh and Brad Chester.



Krakajak Section Four Winners Shearers—Joel Thiesz, Jimmy Dean and Harry Mulquiny.



Charlton Probud Club News

Thirty nine members attended the Charlton Probud Club meeting on 8th March at the Charlton Shire Hall. A Minute's Silence was held in memory of Rose Stafford who was a member for 10 years. At the meeting we also heard the sad news that another former member, Max Dodd, had passed away.

Happy birthday was sung to the March birthday members.

One of our newer members, Greg Wain, gave a two minute talk on aspects of his life – his work and his interests.

Kevin Mathews will again oversee the Footy Tipping. Good luck everyone.

Lee Parker and Pat Saunders continue to amuse us with their jokes.

Brian Patton was delighted to finally be the Lucky number winner, after being a member for 13 years, but there are still a few Foundation members yet to win!

After morning tea the 17th Annual General Meeting was

held. President, David Beaty, expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to serve as President for 2023/24. He thanked the committee for their support, especially Noreen Ryan and Neil Cossar who were not seeking re-election. He noted the willingness of members to engage in club activities and attendance at monthly meetings.

Treasurer, Nick Saunders, presented his annual statement and noted a healthy balance at the end of the financial year.

Membership Officer, Garry Larmour, stated we have 60 members, gaining five new members during 2023/24. We had nine members with a perfect attendance record – Greg and Jenny Barnard, Pat Clifford, Anne Kenny, Pat Mathews, Noreen Ryan, Pat and Nick Saunders, and Val Sultana.

Other committee members did not speak to their printed reports.

General Business, such as the Annual Membership Fee, was then conducted.

President David then introduced the Returning Officer, Brian Heenan, to conduct the election of the committee. Our 2024/25 Committee members are: President – Anne Kenny; Secretary – David Beaty; Treasurer – Nick Saunders; Program Officer – Kim Wishart; Caring Officer – Eily Rosewall; Outings – Sandra Patton; Membership – Garry Larmour; Newsletter – Patricia Mathews; Hospitality – Pat Clifford; Publicity and Historian – Anne Kenny.

After the elections President Anne thanked Brian for his time. A slide show of Probud activities was viewed, then a group photo was taken and a delicious Sausage Sizzle lunch was enjoyed. Thank you to Pat Clifford and her helpers.

Our next meeting will be held at the Senior Citizens Room on 12th April.

Birthdays. L to R: Sue Livingstone, Gill Gretgrix, Wendy Vandanelst, Lee Parker & Garry Larmour.



Committee L to R: Sandra Patton, Nick Saunders, Garry Larmour, Anne Kenny, Pat Mathews, Pat Clifford, Eily Rosewall, David Beaty. Absent: Kim Wishart.



100% Attendance L to R: Greg Barnard, Pat Saunders, Jenny Barnard, Anne Kenny, Pat Mathews, Nick Saunders, Noreen Ryan, Pat Clifford & Val Sultana.



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The Annual General Meeting for the Charlton Badminton Club will be held in the Charlton Indoor Stadium foyer at 7:30pm on Tuesday 16th April 2024. It would be nice to see as many people as possible to attend to "kick off" the season.

The stadium floor is being completely resurfaced during the school holidays, so it is unsure as to when it will be possible to play on, so come along to the AGM and receive an update on the season's plans.

Depending on the floor works, Tuesday night competition will be at 7:30pm: Juniors straight after school on Tuesdays and Ladies on a Friday morning at 10am.

Stay tuned for further developments.

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Tue 16 APRIL 8 pm

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St Martin's Messenger—March

Sunday 7 April
Sunday 21 April
Sunday 5 May

Holy Communion 3pm
Morning Prayer 3pm
Holy Communion 3pm

Lent has lead us to Easter

There are many of us whose lives seem like Lent without Easter.

Joy is not expressed the same way at all times in life, especially at moments of great difficulty. Joy adapts and changes, but it always endures, even as a flicker of light within our own certainty that, when everything is said and done, we are infinitely loved by God.

Joy always endures.

But why? I wonder. Why be joyful in the face of suffering and when the world is battered by war, conflict, and loneliness? Suffering seems all-encompassing, creating a perpetual, global "Lent without Easter." We are not meant to dwell in Lent; Lent leads us to Easter. And our joy is only possible because we hope in what we cannot see. We hope for a world that is just, peaceful, and compassionate, even when we live in one stained by fear, hate, and violence. We hope in the Resurrection even when all we see is death.

Our experience of Lent is the journey before reaching Easter. This journey should remind us why we hope and why the Easter story—our Easter story—is essential. Despite all the sadness we see, the challenge and sorrow and suffering, God is still here. God is still at work. God is still working in and through us—and when we hope for the world that God desires, we take a step closer towards this being fulfilled.

Hope drives the action of our Easter story. And if we are going to play our part in the story of Resurrection, then bringing about that which we hope for demands our greatest effort. Lent, over the past five weeks, has been the time to see clearly what the world needs so that the story of Easter can be our response. We have now arrived at Easter, which has its own season - the Great Fifty Days that lead us all the way to Pentecost? Fifty days to focus on Easter, the reality that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead and that life and love triumph over death and sin. Love conquers sin and death.

The way in to experiencing Easter, for me, requires an attitude of celebration to all the good that is happening in my life. I have found it helpful to ask myself questions to support my attitude:

- Where do I see new life in this world? Where is it peeking through the events and relationships of my life, even if it is as small as a ladybug in the garden or a feather on the ground?
- How have I experienced God's love?
- Where have I seen God's tender care for others in my world?

In tranquil times and in challenging ones, Easter encourages us to pay attention to the bounty of God's goodness. God really does want to heal, restore, and provide good gifts for us. And affirmations for me that we are not in control, but Love is, through God.

Reverend Judi Bird 0435 593 359, judithblackbird@outlook.com

North Central Garden Club

Fifteen ladies attended our March meeting on the 26th and we welcomed our members from Wycheproof for their first meeting of the year. After dealing with the business that had arisen during the preceding weeks there was a lively discussion about all things garden - some good, some not so. Different times of the year certainly throw up challenges but the input of those who have dealt with them in the past can be a good lesson for the rest.

The Club was pleased to have been able to donate \$2000 to the Charlton Ambulance Auxiliary to help with the fit out of CPR equipment in one of their vehicles. The funds were available following the success of our Open Garden Day last October.

Our Club meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 2pm at the Lions Lodge in Camp St.

Anyone interested in coming along to a monthly meeting, please contact:

President: Bernice Kenny ph 5491 1334
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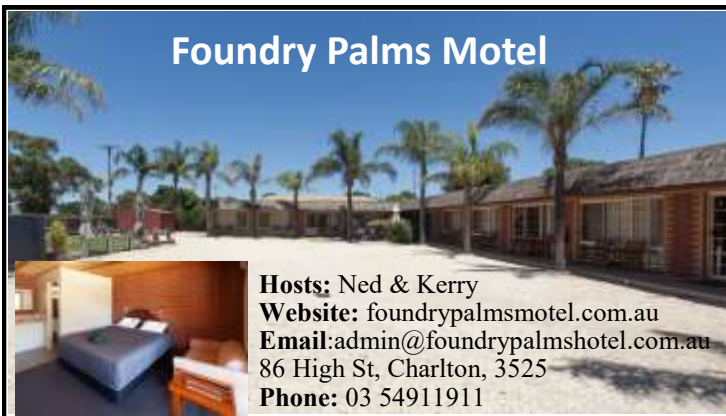
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	1 Lions Easter Market Senior Citz Bingo, 2pm	2 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm Senior Citz Cards, 1:30pm	3	4 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm	5	6 Lions Paper Collection from 9am
7	8 Senior Citz Bingo, 2pm Angling Club Meeting 8pm	9 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm Senior Citz Cards, 1:30pm	10 Lions Dinner Meeting	11 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm	12 Probus Meeting Charlton Deb Ball	13
14 Show & Shine	15 Senior Citz Bingo, 2pm Bowls Meeting 8pm CWA Meeting	16 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm Senior Citz Fun Day 10:30am Senior Citz Cards, 1:30pm	17 Lions Business Meeting	18 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm	19 RSL Meeting	20 Fishing Comp Bowls Fours Championships 10am
21 Fishing Comp	22 Senior Citz Bingo, 2pm	23 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm NCGC Meeting	24	25 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm Bowls Closing & Presentations 1pm ANZAC DAY	26	27
28	29 Senior Citz Bingo, 2pm	30 Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm				

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