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Fashion Extravaganza

The Rex Theatre was the place to be on Sunday, 21st June, when the Fashion Through the Years event, hosted by the Charlton Golden Grains Museum, attracted a large audience from across the surrounding districts, creating a wonderful atmosphere of nostalgia and entertainment.

The parade highlighted an impressive collection of fashions from the 1960s through to the 1980s, culminating in a stunning display of exquisite ball gowns.

Many of the garments generously donated or loaned by community members, had been lovingly handmade by a generation of exceptional seamstresses.

The 1960s collection featured bright colours, bold patterns and stylish modern designs that reflected the changing times and youthful spirit of the era.

The 1970s introduced flowing fabrics and floral prints, while the 1980s dazzled the audience with bold colours, sequins and the iconic shoulder pads that defined the decade.

The second part of the afternoon featured a collection of glamorous ball gowns generously loaned by Heather Hargreaves. Many of these gowns, worn to balls in earlier years, earned a number of young women—including Heather herself—the honour of being named '*Belle of the Ball*.' All the garments were modelled by local girls and women with poise and pride.

They were ably supported by two local young men who safely escorted them on and off the stage, adding an extra touch of charm to the presentation.

The Museum Committee extends its sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to the success of the event; with special thanks going to compere, Margaret-Anne Wright, whose warmth, professionalism and engaging commentary delighted the audience throughout the afternoon, and also to Hayden McKinnon from the Rex Theatre, who provided valuable guidance and support throughout.

It was a memorable afternoon that celebrated not only the fashions of past decades but also demonstrated what can be achieved with the generosity and community spirit of a small rural community.

More photos on page 6 & 7.



A staple garment of the 1970's was full-length and flowing with a number of iconic outfits modelled by (l-r) Marea Judd, Josie Larmour, Maggie Riley and Julie Roberts. Images provided by Jenny Pollard.

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From the Editor

Carolyn Olive

Hello Everyone,

Welcome to the July edition of the Charlton Community Newsletter.

As I write this we've just had over an inch of rain - it's certainly WET out there. It's been a terrific start to the season and I'm sure all of our gardens are loving it as well.

Congratulations to everyone involved in the recent fashion parade at The Rex. It was well supported by locals and visitors from other towns. I spoke to a couple who travelled from Ballarat just to see the parade. They then popped over to Mallee Creatives for a coffee. Jazz in July on the 5th will also attract a good crowd of visitors. These events are great for our town and make all the hard work worth it.

Well done to the Ruby, Tamsyn, Sophie & Lila who took the plunge into a very cold swimming pool to raise funds for the FightMND Cause. It was a very proud grandma who told me of your stellar efforts.

Cheers

Carolyn

Upcoming Events

Please note, events are subject to change.

July

Jazz in July @ The Rex—Sun. 5th

As I See It @ Courthouse Gallery—Sun. 5th & 12th

Harness Racing @ Charlton Park—Mon 6th

Morning Magic @ The Rex—Fri. 10th

~~Seiree @ Courthouse Gallery—Sun. 12th~~ (Cancelled)

Kyle Torney Opening @ Mallee Creatives—Wed. 22nd

August

Eat, Pray Walk @ TBC—Fri. 28th

September

Show & Shine @ Charlton Park—Sun. 27th

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Charlton Croquet Club

The club held its Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, June 2, confirming a stable and enthusiastic leadership team for the 2026/27 season:

Lindsay Patullo, president; Val Bourke, secretary; Pat Mathews, treasurer; Margaret Bowen, Golf Croquet captain; Dawn Mulquiny, committee member (new); Association Croquet captain, Vacant.

The club reports a sound financial position, giving members confidence as preparations begin for the upcoming season.

Right: Charlton Croquet Club Committee: L to R—Lindsay Patullo, Margaret Bowen, Dawn Mulquiny, Pat Mathews. Absent—Val Bourke & Barb Dalrymple.



CWA Biggest Morning Tea

The CWA Cabbaritta Biggest Morning Tea was held on Monday 22 June at the Lions Lodge, with an amazing turnout of 53 people attending and orders for a similar number also catered for.

It was a warm and welcoming morning, with everyone enjoying the chance to come together over a cuppa, good food and good company while supporting an important cause. The CWA ladies once again outdid themselves, producing an amazing array of delicious food. Their efforts were the result

of many hours of work behind the scenes, and the care and generosity that went into the morning was clear for all to see.

CWA President Liz Richardson gave a positive and heartfelt talk about her own cancer journey, adding a very personal and meaningful touch to the event. Her words were warmly received and helped remind everyone why Australia's Biggest Morning Tea continues to be such an important fundraiser.

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea is one of Cancer Council's best-known community fundraising events, bringing people together during May and June to raise funds for cancer research, prevention programs and support services for those affected by cancer.

The Cabbaritta event was a wonderful success, filled with friendship, generosity and community spirit. Congratulations to all involved.



Visitors enjoying morning tea.



CWA members - Janet Stafford, Bernice Kenny & Lynne Southwell.



CWA members - Bronwyn Simpson & Shirleen Stafford.

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Golden Grains Museum

Welcome to another monthly catch up from your local Charlton Golden Grains Museum. Despite the cooler weather we are still warmly welcoming visitors to explore our wonderful collection. We are open every Sunday from 11:00am until 3:00pm, or by prior arrangements with one of the members listed below. Group bookings are most welcome.

What an amazing day was enjoyed by residents and visitors at our recent fashion show in the Rex Theatre. A huge thank you goes out to everyone involved who made this event the success it was. Attendees may not realize the numbers of hours people put into making things like this happen, and here at the Golden Grains Museum we are fortunate to have an amazing group of volunteers. Keep an eye open for details of planned event to commemorate one of the town's significant structures, the Ben Green Band Rotunda, celebrating its centenary on 18 October.

Bingo

One of our main fundraising methods is our regular trips across to Donald for Bingo on the last Thursday of each month. If you are keen to join in the fun, contact one of the volunteers listed below.

Murder Mystery

Our feature story this month takes a grisly turn with the discovery in June 1858 of the bodies of two German Jewish hawkers on the West Charlton run. Conflicting evidence, tampering at the murder scene, and Police indifference all led to much conjecture on who committed this terrible crime. Raphael Caro and his 17 year old assistant, Soloman Levi, left Melbourne in late 1857 with around 300 pound of goods and a significant amount of cash in their large horse drawn cart to tour northern Victoria. Raphael's brother Jacob contacted Police in April 1858 concerned for their safety after not hearing from them by mail since December 1, 1857 with news they had been to Castlemaine and Echuca.

In June 1858 a station hand found a skull, then 2 bodies on the roadside on the West Charlton run and reported it to the station overseer. He ordered the hand and another man to return and bury the bodies while he informed the Superintendent of the area. An inventory of articles beside the bodies found no items of value, mainly personal items and used kitchen ware. A seal with the name in German of R.H. Caro was also located. Initial

reports by the local Superintendent indicated he felt the men had died of thirst, but this was later discounted due to several sources of water being available. There were also statements from locals who said the hawkers had visited and there were three men in the cart when they called. The Jewish editor of the Maryborough and Dunolly Advertiser was very critical from the start at the dismissiveness of the Police inquiry and the Inspector of Police for the Maryborough District. A petition was sent by the Coroner to the Colonies Attorney General stating that an inquiry should be held into the deaths.

In August 1858 a Magisterial Inquiry was held by Mr Templeton at West Charlton Station. Evidence was meagre and the bodies had still not been disinterred as suggested by the Coroner. The witnesses were those who had been involved in the unauthorized burial. The Magistrate was critical of the initial burial, the removal of many items from the scene by the station hands, the assertion that thirst was the cause of death, and the horse and cart not being located. With the request for an inquest to be held, Detective John Williams arrived from Melbourne and started his investigation along the route the hawkers took. With a mounted constable and Jacob Caro, they called at various properties with people readily remembering them. They looked into the reports of a stray horse on one of the properties, but that was found to be irrelevant. One Policeman recalled purchasing a gold watch off the deceased and noticed he had at least 50 pounds on his person.

In the end Detective Williams concluded that the hawkers had most likely become lost and died of thirst. The post mortem on Raphael and Soloman could find no marks of violence, but the poor state of decomposition made it impossible to tell about any soft tissue injuries. The bodies were probably robbed after death, but the involvement of local indigenous people was discounted as tobacco and pipes were left at the scene. After listening to all the evidence presented, the jury found "It is our belief that their deaths were by violent means, and a large reward be offered by the Government towards unravelling the mystery". On the recommendations of the inquest a reward of 100 pounds was gazetted on December 7, 1858. The remains of Raphael and Soloman were reinterred in the Maryborough Cemetery's Jewish section in

late 1858. Soloman has no headstone, but Raphael's reads in Hebrew, "Here lieth the mortal remains of Raphael Caro who was murdered on the West Charlton Run on the 26th August in the year 1858"

Volunteers Wanted

Got some time to assist at the Charlton Golden Grains Museum? We rely on a dedicated group of volunteers and are always on the lookout for new members. You could give as much or as little time each month as you wish and don't need any experience; training will be provided. 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. Another simple option is to 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.

For all enquiries about our group check out our Facebook page, visit www.charltongoldengrainsmuseum.com.au or email charltonmuseum@gmail.com.

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Headstone of Raphael Caro at the Maryborough Cemetery.

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Fashion Extravaganza



Compere, Margaret-Anne Wright, ensured the presentation flowed seamlessly with garment descriptions, outfit backgrounds and the social mores of the eras from which the garments came.



Chloe McKinnon models a stunning navy knitted dress featuring a knitted lacework bodice, with Carolyn Heritage (back) wearing a crocheted lemon dress.



Heidi Start looked glamorous in this stylish day dress.



The event opened with nibbles and drinks in The Rex foyer with platters of finger food reminiscent of classic spreads from the '60s and '70s.

Fashion Extravaganza



From the modern to the classical – (l) Carolyn Morrison captures the swing '60's look in this shift dress, with Elizabeth Whykes (r) looking resplendent in a beautiful white evening gown with matching accessories.



Junior models, Lila Schofield (l) and Ruby Wright (r) each showcase the classic day-wear of the 1970s.



Debonaire escorts, Mitchell Boyle (l) and Angus Soulsby (r) assisted the models from the stage into the auditorium, adding to the elegance of the presentation.



Heather Hargreaves (centre) loaned stunning ballgowns and classic evening wear, some of which were worn by (left) Chloe McKinnon and Heather's granddaughter, Olivia Hargreaves.



Charlton College

LMR Cross Country Regional Finals

Congratulations to Sophie R, Isaac R, Sam C, Rosie F, Stella N, Murphy F and Heidi S, who represented Charlton College at the LMR Cross Country Regional Finals in St Arnaud on Tuesday, 2 June. All students competed well against strong opposition from across the Loddon Mallee Region and should be proud of their efforts. A special congratulations to Heidi S. and Sophie R., who have qualified for the School Sport Victoria State Cross Country Championships. They will represent Charlton College at the Yarra Valley Racing Club on 16 July. Well done to all students on their achievements.

Year 9 Broader Horizons

This term, our Year 9 students have taken part in the Broader Horizons Program with the North Central LLEN, alongside a range of local industry partners including Dirt Fabrications, Shine Bright, North West Ag, Gunyah Blooms, Teys Feedlot, Holmes-

Brown Floor and Window Coverings, and North Central Smash Repairs. A big thank you to all of these businesses for generously hosting our students. Through workplace visits and hands-on exposure, students have had the opportunity to connect with employers, explore different career pathways, and gain valuable insight into life beyond school.

Year 10 Driver Ed

Three days, lots of learning, and plenty of new skills! Our Year 10 students enjoyed participating in Driver Education at ChartSec, gaining valuable road safety knowledge and hands-on experience to build their confidence on the road.

Urban Camp

Our Year 5 & 6 students had an unforgettable time on their Melbourne camp! From busy days exploring the city to a few late nights, every moment was packed with fun, learning, and new experiences.

For many students, it was their very first time travelling on Melbourne's public transport system, including trams and trains. By the end of the trip, they had mastered the art of tapping on, boarding confidently, giving up seats when needed, and hopping off at the right stop like seasoned commuters!

Do It For Dolly Colour Run

Our VM Students organised a **Do It For Dolly Colour Run**, raising awareness about the importance of kindness and standing up against bullying. Students had a fantastic time running through clouds of bright colours, sharing plenty of laughs and creating lasting memories.

The event was a wonderful reminder that even small acts of kindness can make a big difference. Thank you to everyone who participated and helped support such an important message - **Be Kind and Speak Even If Your Voice Shakes.**



LMR Cross Country: Heidi Start.



Broader Horizons: Tessa Fitzpatrick Tamsyn McGurk, Clancy Bourke, Brody Giles, Abby Mulquiny, Ebony Start and William Canham at Gunyah Blooms.



Broader Horizons: Terri Wolfe, William Canham, Julie Bourke, Tamsyn McGurk, Clancy Bourke, Craig Kelly and Tahlia Sheahan.



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Broader Horizons: Charlie Zagame, Archie Bell and Matt Holmes-Brown at Holmes-Brown Flooring and Window Coverings.



Broader Horizons: Daniel Lane, Rhys Gahan, Cooper McGrath, Charlie Zagame, Archie Bell and Nathanael Chan at North Central Smash Repairs.



Broader Horizons: Joe Durie and Cooper Phillips at Dirt Fabrications.



Do It For Dolly: Sophie Roberts, Stella Nicholson and Mrs Smyth.

Charlton Girls Take the Plunge for FightMND



Ruby Wright, Tamsyn McGurk, Sophie Roberts & Lila Schofield. Dressed up and ready to take the plunge.

A group of Charlton girls have shown wonderful community spirit by taking part in a cold plunge to raise funds for FightMND.

Fundraising as Lila & Friends, the girls set out to support vital research, treatments and the search for a cure for Motor Neurone Disease. The fundraiser was part of FightMND's Big Freeze campaign, which helps raise awareness and funds for MND, a disease with an average life expectancy of just 27 months after diagnosis.

Their original goal was \$800, but thanks to generous support they have already raised \$928.

Well done to Lila, Ruby, Tamsyn & Sophie on a fantastic effort for such an important cause.



Ruby Wright, Sophie Roberts, Tamsyn McGurk & Lila Schofield take the plunge.

CHARLTON NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE



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

July update from Charlton Neighbourhood House!

We are making an adjustment to our working hours for winter. Please be concious that the Neighbourhood House may be opening over various hours and days. An update will be on our doors and on Facebook. We apologize for any temporary inconvenience and we hope to return to set hours very soon. Leave messages on our phone number - 0473 759 456 and someone will get back to you asap.

Upcoming July Highlight

Charlton's young, and not so young, can enjoy a wonderful day during the school holidays with a special screening on July 10th at the Rex Theatre of The Magic Faraway Tree. This terrific FREE event kicks off at 9.30am in the cinema foyer with Poppy leading the children in making some magical craft items. Scan the QR code over the page to book your tickets today.

Mallee Melee 6

Miniature Tabletop Wargaming returns to Charlton on July 18 and 19 at the Charlton Senior Citizens Room. Drop by between 9 am and 5 pm Saturday or 9am to 1pm Sunday to witness miniature Second World War armies marching and fighting across the battlefield. Supported by the Neighbourhood House and Buloke Shire, this event raises funds for the Royal Flying Doctor Service and is a family-friendly activity. Visitors are welcome to join in the action. No experience needed.

Coming shortly

July 27 is the date set for the **NATIONAL PHONE TEST ALERT**. The alert will make a loud sound on your phone and appear on your screen. No action is required on your part.

Our ever popular Table For 12 cooking sessions at the NCTS continue this August with local Chris Wyatt cooking up an asian themed storm. Cost is just \$25 so book early to secure your space.

Cultural Corner

Have you purchased the latest Winter edition of the Charlton Cultural Magazine? Packed with inspiring stories, stunning photography, and updates on local creative talent, it's a must-read. Also featured is the 2026 Debutante Ball.

The Photography Competition—Among the Trees is now open! Get your entries in for a chance to win 1st Prize: \$100 or 2nd Prize: \$50. Showcase your skills and celebrate Charlton through your lens. Closes August 23. Send your photo and details to info@charltonnh.org.au

Have you visited Mallee Creatives lately? This popular venue has a wonderful range of locally sourced products for everyone. The latest exhibition is a beautiful collection of artworks created by the talented students at St Josephs Primary School.

Regular Weekly and Monthly Activities

- **Coffee with a...:** Mondays during school term, 10:30 AM–12 PM at the FLO Cafe. Enjoy great conversations with local guests while sipping a warm drink.
- **Yarning²:** Mondays, 10:30 AM–12 PM, again during school terms. Join us for crafting and chatting. Bring along your knitting, crochet, felting, or macramé projects and enjoy a creative morning.
- **Charlton Carers Group.** Second Wednesday of every month, 10:30 AM–12 PM at the Cricket Club Hotel. Interesting guests and shared experiences.
- **Book Club:** Third Wednesday of every month, 10:30 AM–12 PM at the Charlton Library. Share your latest read or favorite podcast—no set book required!
- **Pickleball:** Every Wednesday morning at 8:45 at the Charlton Stadium. Join in the fun of this growing sport right here in Charlton.



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CNH Open Hours Winter Hours as listed. Closed for lunch 12:30pm - 1:15pm.

WHAT'S ON FOR



JULY

Each
Monday
of School
Term

Yarning² Social Group

Where: FLO Cafe

Time: 10.30 am-12 pm

FREE, bring your own yarn project



Each
Wednesday

Lets Play Pickleball

Where: Charlton Stadium (Davies St)

Time: 8:45am -10:00am

Cost: Free for March



8

Carers & Co Lunch

Where: Charlton East Hotel

Time: 12:00pm to 1:30 pm

COST: Lunch at subsidised price



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Coffee with a Councillor

Where: FLO Cafe

Time: 10.30 am-12 pm

FREE, pop in for a chat and coffee



15

Buloke Book Club

Where: Charlton Library (TBC)

Time: 10:30am -12pm

COST: FREE



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Little Locals Art Club

Where: Mallee Creatives

Time: 3.30-4.15pm

Cost: \$5 with free coffee



18+

Mallee Melee 6

Where: Charlton Senior Cits

Time: 9am - 5pm

Cost: Gold Coin donation to RFHS welcome



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COMING UP IN AUGUST

MORNING MAGIC AT THE REX

Join us this School Holiday's for a morning full of magical fun!

FRIDAY 10TH JULY
CHARLTON REX THEATRE

FREE EVENT

Magical craft session w/ Poppy
at: 9:30 AM - 10:15 AM
(Rex Foyer)
(Limited spots, bookings essential for craft session)

Movie starts at:
10:30 AM
(Walk ins welcome for movie)

Movie: THE MAGIC FARAWAY TREE

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St Joseph's School

Peace Be With You All

At the conclusion of Term 2, it is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on a busy and rewarding month at our school. June has been filled with learning, creativity, faith, and community connection, with students continuing to demonstrate enthusiasm, resilience, and pride in their achievements.

Art Exhibition – PEACE

A particular highlight of the month was the launch of our very own Art Exhibition at Mallee Creatives. This term-long project was centred around the Diocesan theme of *Peace* and provided students with an opportunity to explore and express what peace means to them through a range of artistic mediums.

Each student proudly displayed two framed artworks: one depicting their personal interpretation of peace and a second peace-themed piece. In addition, visitors enjoyed a colourful collection of 3D collages, beaded creations, and sculptures that showcased the creativity and talent of our students.

The exhibition was officially launched on Wednesday evening 24 June by Margaret-Anne Wright, who, with the assistance of our students, formally opened the exhibition. The evening was made even more special by a beautiful performance of *What a Wonderful World* by our students, delivering an emotive message of love, hope, and peace to all in attendance.

Year 6 Term Leader Yazmin Harte-Johnstone spoke confidently on behalf of the student body, while four students shared insights into their individual artworks with the large crowd gathered for the occasion. Maddie – Intertwined, Vinny – Running Into Peace, Shepherd – Cluck and Sam – Colour My

World. Following the launch, students enjoyed a celebratory cupcake before eagerly leading their families on a hunt through the gallery to locate and share their artwork.

It was truly a fantastic evening. The white walls of Mallee Creatives were transformed into a vibrant display of colour, creativity, and reflection, sending a powerful and resounding message of peace throughout the exhibition space. Most importantly, the event provided an opportunity for students to connect with the wider community through their art and to share messages of kindness, understanding, and hope.

The exhibition runs throughout the school holidays, concluding on 12th July, providing a great opportunity to pop in for another visit, purchase any remaining pieces and support Mallee Creatives. The silent auction bidding on the collaborative art pieces is also open throughout the holidays!

A Special Visitor

Another highlight this month was a visit from DOBCEL Deputy Director, Megan Ioannou. Megan was warmly welcomed by our Year 6 leaders, Yazmin Harte-Johnstone and Edwin Jince, who proudly conducted a tour of the school. During her visit, Megan viewed our current amenities block, which is scheduled for replacement, and joined staff for morning tea before continuing her journey to Mildura. We appreciated the opportunity to showcase our school and discuss our future facilities.

Parish Sacramental Program

Our faith community has also been actively preparing for important sacramental celebrations. Some of the students in Grades 3 and 4 have been undertaking preparation for

the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation, while two students are also preparing to receive the Sacrament of Baptism. We are grateful to parishioners Bernadette Zagame and Fran Lanyon for generously supporting and guiding the students through this important stage of their faith journey. These celebrations will take place during the Parish Mass on Sunday 26 July at 10:30 am.

End of Term Treat

To conclude a wonderful semester, students enjoyed a special end-of-term excursion to St Arnaud to attend *Trash Test Dummies*, a performing arts presentation offered via St Arnaud Arts Council Inc. This was a highly entertaining and engaging experience for students and a fitting reward for their efforts throughout the semester.

Time For a Holiday

It has been a wonderful and productive term filled with learning, creativity, faith, and community connection. I am incredibly proud of our students for the enthusiasm and effort they have shown throughout the semester, and I thank our staff, families, and our extended community for their continued support.

As we now enjoy a holiday break, I would like to thank our students, families, staff, parishioners, and community members for their ongoing support throughout the first half of the year. Together, we continue to create a nurturing environment where students can learn, grow, and thrive.

I wish everyone a safe, restful, and enjoyable holiday break and look forward to welcoming students back for another exciting term of learning in July.



Whole School singing *What a Wonderful World*.



St Joseph's School



Yazmin Harte-Johnstone welcoming everyone to our Art Exhibition with Margaret-Anne Wright from Mallee Creatives and Mary Hogan, Principal.



Maddie Lanyon pointing to her art work.



Megg Fitzpatrick pointing to her art work.

PEACE

Auction Items

Place bids on the clipboard located at the front desk of Mallee Creatives.

The auction closes at 4pm on July 12th. Winners will be notified by SMS.

1 2/3 Students 'Let Peace Shine Through'	2 F/1 Students 'Handfuls of Love'
3 4-6 Students & Mrs Fitzpatrick 'We Hold Peace in Our Hands'	4 F-6 Students 'Peace Be With You All' School-wide collection of coloured crosses.
5 3-6 Students 'And Even More Love' - watercolour hearts	6 F-6 Students 'We All Belong'
7 F-2 Students 'Lots of Love' - acrylic hearts	8 4/5/5 Students 'Peace Corners'

COMMUNITY UPDATE

Buloke.

DONALD DEMOUNTABLE LEVEE UPDATE

Construction of the Donald demountable levee represents a significant investment in strengthening the town's resilience and improving flood protection along the Richardson River.

Site works commenced on 13 April 2026, with contractors installing the levee system on the town side of the river.

Following completion of installation works, Council staff, contractors and community representatives undertook a site inspection on 23 June to review the finished levee.

A practical training and familiarisation exercise took place on Monday 29 June, enabling local depot and emergency management crews to install and dismantle the demountable levee as part of ongoing emergency management training.

Temporary traffic management barriers have been removed to allow normal traffic conditions to resume on Camp Street.

JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM - AT THE LIBRARY

Join us these school holidays for a fun filled session of lego, games, arts and crafts and create your very own library bag!

Then fill the bag with library goodies, information, a BorrowBox guide and other helpful library resources to take home.

Bookings are essential, please follow the link to book your place:

Session Dates:

- **Berriwillock (outside the library bus)** – Thursday July 2nd | 11:30am–12:30pm
- **Donald Library** – Friday July 3rd | 10:30am–11:30am
- **Wycheproof Library** – Tuesday July 7th | 10:30am–11:30am
- **Charlton Library** – Wednesday July 8th | 10:30am–11:30am

Come along, get creative and discover everything your library has to offer! For further information, contact the Children and Youth Team on 1300 520 520.



REMINDER UPCOMING ROADWORKS

Council thanks residents and road users for their patience while important flood recovery works are completed. These rehabilitation projects are due to commence in the coming weeks and are jointly funded by the Commonwealth and Victorian Governments under the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements.

Watchupga West Road

Road rehabilitation works: approximately 550 metres north of Tagliabue Road

Works include:

- Pavement reconstruction and repairs
- Construction of 1.5m crushed rock shoulders on both sides
- Reformation of existing swale drains
- Existing pavement materials will be recycled and reused where possible

Expected duration: approximately 4 weeks (weather permitting)

Road closed to through traffic during works with detours and signage in place

Berriwillock / Woomelang Roads

Berriwillock Woomelang Rd (740m)

Willangie Woomelang Rd (200m)

Berriwillock Springfield Rd (800m)

Works include:

- Pavement reconstruction
- Construction of 1.5m crushed rock shoulders
- Drainage improvements (swale reforming)
- Selected sections will be widened from 4m to 6.2m to improve safety

Expected completion: by 18 September 2026 (weather permitting)

Traffic management in place during works and road users are asked to follow signage and traffic controllers directions.

LAST CHANCE TO HAVE YOUR SAY - DRAFT BULOKE AQUATIC STRATEGY

Buloke Shire Council has developed its Draft Aquatic Strategy to guide the future of our pools and aquatic services and we want to hear from you!

This is your opportunity to help shape how we provide accessible and sustainable aquatic facilities across the Shire.

Whether you're a regular swimmer, a parent, part of a club, or a community member, your input is important. Help us plan for the future of aquatic spaces in Buloke.

Consultation closes: **5:00pm Monday, 6 July 2026**

View online: Download a copy of the Draft Buloke Aquatic Strategy from Council's website Have Your Say page www.buloke.vic.gov.au.

View in person: A hardcopy can be viewed at the Wycheproof Customer Service Centre, 367 Broadway, Wycheproof, or you can request a copy by contacting Council on 1300 520 520.

The draft can also be viewed at neighbourhood houses:

- **Birchip Neighbourhood House** – "The Shamrock" 77 Cumming Ave, Birchip.
- **Charlton Neighbourhood House** – 30-34 High St., Charlton.
- **Donald Learning Group** – 31 Wood St., Donald.
- **Sea Lake** – 33-43 McClelland Ave., Sea Lake.
- **Wycheproof** – 280 Broadway, Wycheproof.

Have your say by:

- Submitting a written response to: buloke@buloke.vic.gov.au
- Contacting the Buloke Aquatic Team by phoning: 1300 520 520
- Posting your response to Buloke Shire Aquatic Team, PO Box 1, Wycheproof 3527.

Any person who makes a written submission in relation to the Draft Buloke Aquatic Strategy may be heard by Council on **Monday 27 July 2026**.

The Buloke Aquatic Strategy will be considered for adoption at the Council Meeting to be held **19 August 2026**.



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Charlton Harness Racing

THE FUTURE OF HARNESS RACING IN VICTORIA

Harness Racing Victoria has recently released a comprehensive document outlining the way forward for the sport here in Victoria, repositioning the club network to hopefully deliver a safer, more sustainable and competitive future.

The industry has been facing a period of sustained structural pressure that is unlikely to reverse without changes being made. These pressures include

- Declining wagering on harness racing
- Falling horse numbers
- Softening participation numbers
- Aging venues
- Increasing costs to keep a large network safe and operational
- Other external forces at play eg. land use and population change
- Increasing welfare, integrity and governance expectations

The bottom line is if nothing changes these risks will continue to build each year and the system will become harder to manage and more costly to support.

It has set out a clear and necessary direction for the future of all clubs, participants and fans of harness racing, with particular reference and acknowledgement of the history and role that regional clubs play. There are structural challenges that have been identified and need action, meaning that there may be significant change ahead for the whole industry.

The focus will be on how venues are used, funded and developed and how they can best support the industry moving forward.

Harness Racing Victoria have therefore introduced clearer roles for all clubs, aligning investment to those roles and providing a transparent basis for the decision making process.

PRINCIPLES THAT WILL GUIDE CHOICES FOR FUTURE DIRECTION OF THE VENUE NETWORK

1. Safety and welfare first
2. Focus on what makes the sport stronger
3. Keep a strong regional presence
4. Be clear about what each venue is for
5. Spend money where it has the biggest impact
6. Be transparent and fair
7. Work with clubs and stakeholders

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR CHARLTON?

Charlton will be doing our utmost to address all of the set criteria for the role we have been designated – that of a community club.

We need to clearly understand what our role is and to meet all of the expected standards asked of us. In the coming months the Committee will be working through all of the details and developing a plan for the club to successfully secure our future.

Whilst we are lucky to have a training centre and a successful group of young trainers based here, we are limited in other areas that we will be addressing.

By working closely with HRV we are confident that Charlton has an important role to play in regional Victoria and that our club will continue its rich history well into the future.

As we navigate this significant period of change we ask that all Charlton residents and all Charlton members to continue to support the club in whatever way they can.

**NEXT RAFFLE NIGHT – CRICKET CLUB HOTEL 5PM ONWARDS
SUNDAY 5TH JULY – USA THEME**

**NEXT RACE MEETING – MONDAY
6TH JULY
CHARLTON CELEBRATES 4TH
JULY!**

This is one of our feature meetings for the year so we would love to have a few more people on course to enjoy the day.

The day celebrates all things American and we thank our great sponsors AMES AUSTRALASIA who provide magnificent prizes for all winning trainers.

There will be hotdogs, popcorn, and so many donuts for all, and our resident bookie Juppy will also be on course to help out the punters.

With our Charlton participants doing so well at the moment we hope that someone will take home one of the much sought after sashes!

This meeting will also be a chance for us to remember Jose Harvey and Carmel Fitzpatrick with race names in their honour.



Margaret-Anne Wright and Mark Boyle all smiles at the track.



Trainer Michael Gadsden holding his son Darcy, with Emily Wombwell and driver Connor Clarke after the win of To The Nines on 15th June.



Another win for the locals. Trainer Lori Hutchins and driver Luke Dunne after the win of Watch Your Back on 15th June.



Charlton Netball Club

A busy month for the Charlton Netball Club, we are now into the second half of the season hoping to finish off the year with some great action.

A Grade Debutant

Back in round 6 against Birchip Watchem we had the privilege of watching Stella Nicolson take to the court for her first time in A grade. Stella has been working hard on and off the court proving to be a great leader within the U17's side. How great it is to see such young talent coming up into the senior ranks – a positive sign for our club's future! Well done, Stella.

All Cancers: Maddi's Round

A special day for the club was on June 20th –All Cancers: Maddi's Round—and across the grounds at St Arnaud it was a sea of purple and green with us all acknowledging the special round wearing our green socks and hair bows, "Do it for Maddi". After each game, players were treated to a can of coke, in memory of Maddi, thanks to Weir's IGA St Arnaud. Thank you to all those who purchased raffle tickets on the day, \$500 was raised for Peter Mac Cancer Centre in honour of Maddi. The Maddi's Round Raffle prize winners, were: 1st: Maria Taylor; 2nd: Kim Fitzpatrick; 3rd: Peter Battersby. A big thanks goes to the Charlton Pharmacy, St Arnaud Physiotherapy and RAMJAC for kindly donating the raffle prizes.

North Central Netball Association Representatives

Our junior girls have been busy representing the North Central Netball Association the past month with Sophie R (U13s) and Erin Blair (U15s) playing at the Central Victorian Netball Association Tournament in May and the 2026 Association Champs in Echuca in June. Along with Sophie R, Rosie F (U15s) and Stella N (U17s) were invited to play alongside their respective teams on Sunday the 21st of June at the Gala Day in Bendigo. Congratulations girls, it's fantastic to see our club represented at these levels!

Vale Carmel Fitzpatrick

It was with great sadness that The Charlton Football, Hockey & Netball Club acknowledged the passing of a much-loved member of our Navies community, Carmel Fitzpatrick.

Carmel began her journey with the club in 1982 as a member of the Under 15 team and, over the years, played across every grade with unwavering commitment and passion. Throughout her remarkable career, she not only played and umpired on nine different courts across the North Central Netball Association but also proudly represented the Association as both a player and umpire at Regional Tournaments. Carmel went on to coach NCNA representative teams, sharing

her deep knowledge and love of the game with emerging players from across the region.

Her contributions extend well beyond the court. Carmel has held numerous executive roles within the Charlton Netball Club, coached multiple junior and senior teams, and provided strong leadership as President of the North Central Netball Association. Her tireless dedication, both on and off the court, has helped shape the culture and strength of netball in our region. Carmel was inducted as a life member into the netball club in 2007.

Although no official records exist, it is estimated that Carmel played over 600 games, a staggering achievement that speaks to her longevity, resilience, and passion for the sport. Across her 600 games, that includes 5 senior premierships and coaching 2 junior premiership teams plus many well deserved awards. Carmel retired in 2019 from the court, leaving behind a legacy that will be felt for generations to come.

We thank her, sincerely and proudly, for everything she has contributed to Charlton Netball Club and the broader netball community. Our condolences are with Chris, Brian, Greg, Josie, Catherine, Terry, Shane, Andrew, Loretta and extended family

JUNE PLAYERS OF THE MONTH

Senior Player of the Month:

Mary-Anne Pollard.

The CNC was fortunate to have Mary-Anne join the Navies on the netball court this



B Grade - St Arnaud & Charlton players sharing a coke after the match in honour of Maddi.



Charlton Netball Club

season. Mary-Anne has demonstrated her strength and determination on court each week in the defence goal circle. Mary-Anne is a great team player, takes on coaches feedback and is a respected player within the club. Predominantly playing C grade so far this season, Mary-Anne has shown that she has a lot more talent and growth to come. Mary-Anne has stepped up and taken the court in B grade in the past month strengthening our depth of defenders within our club. Mary-Anne trains hard and plays hard, she comes off the court each Saturday having given everything. Her efforts are outstanding. Congratulations Mary-Anne.

Junior Player of the Month: Marley M.

Marley always approaches every aspect of the game with a positive attitude and enthusiasm, at both training and game days. She has stepped up as a leader on the Under 14 court, leading by example through her work ethic, commitment, and willingness to support her teammates. One of her greatest strengths has been her ability to accept and apply feedback. She has actively listened to coaching advice and worked hard to implement it during training and Saturday matches. In addition to all the value Marley brings to our Under 14's team, she has seamlessly transitioned onto the Under 17 court, embracing the challenge of

playing in a higher grade. She has showed resilience, adaptability, and confidence while competing against older players. Congratulations Marley!

Upcoming Events

- 11th of July – Saturday Evening - Farm Fest @ Charlton Park
- 25th of July – Goods & Services Auction
- 15th of August – 6's Premiership Reunion – U17s, 1976 & A Grade, 2016 (keep an eye on socials for more info closer to the day)



NCNA Representatives - Stella N, Rosie F, Sophie R.



U14s come together for Maddi's Round.

Charlton RSL Sub-branch



The Nineteenth of July 2026 is the hundredth and tenth anniversary of the worst day in Australia's military history, the battle of Fromelles. The Fifth

Australian Division's casualties in the battle were: killed in action 1,701; died of wounds 216; wounded in action 3,146; prisoners of war 470; total casualties 5,533. This was the first battle for the Division, the plan being for the diggers to cross hundreds of yards of no man's land and capture heavily manned German trenches in the face of heavy artillery, machine gun and rifle fire.

It was an impossible task and was recognised as such by Charlton's Brigadier General Harold (Pompey) Elliott, whose Fifteenth Brigade was part of the Fifth Division; he protested to his superiors but to no avail, the attack went on and was the disaster he had predicted.

Two of Charlton's Great War diggers died at Fromelles; Private Maurice James Claxton, No. 2139, 32nd Battalion and Sergeant Robert Murray Lister, No. 3812, 59th Battalion. Both had no known grave until April 2023 when Maurice Claxton's remains were identified from 245 bodies recovered from an unmarked mass grave at Pheasant Wood near

Fromelles and he was reburied in the Pheasant Wood military cemetery. His identification was made from DNA provided by family members. Robert Lister still has no known grave, as do so many other Great War dead.

The DNA identification of Australian digger's remains found in the Pheasant Wood mass grave is continuing and each year new names are added to the list of those who have been identified.

We remember Maurice Claxton, Robert Lister and all other Charlton war dead.

LEST WE FORGET.

As I See It -Brigitta Beaty

A strong crowd attended the official opening of *As I See It*, the debut photographic exhibition by Brigitta Beaty, at Charlton Courthouse Gallery on Saturday 6th June.

The exhibition was officially opened by Win Scott, who spoke warmly about Brigitta's creativity and her intuitive approach to photography.

Visitors responded enthusiastically to the exhibition, with Brigitta's striking images and distinctive style receiving overwhelmingly positive feedback throughout the afternoon. Several works were sold during the opening,

reflecting the strong interest generated by the exhibition.

Brigitta enjoyed the opportunity to speak with attendees about her work, discussing both her inspiration and the creative process behind the images on display.

The exhibition showcases a collection of atmospheric photographic works developed over recent years, exploring texture, light, shadow and interpretation through both natural and industrial subjects.

As I See It continues at Charlton Courthouse Gallery, 8 Camp Street, Charlton, and will be open Sundays from 11am to 3pm until 12th July.



Win Scott (left) and Brigitta Beaty.



A view of the main courtroom with some of Brigitta's photography on show. There were 38 photographs in total.



Charlton Badminton Club

Charlton Badminton Club – Season Off to a Strong Start

The Charlton Badminton Club has kicked off the 2026 season in fantastic fashion, with plenty of fun, friendly competition and great participation across all age groups.

While numbers are a little lower this year in our junior badminton program, the young players are still having a wonderful time each week. They continue to develop their badminton skills, build confidence and enjoy the social side of the game in a welcoming environment.

Our Friday morning ladies' badminton group is also enjoying another great season. It's a fantastic way to keep active, catch up with friends and have some fun on the court. New players are always welcome, regardless of experience, so if you've been thinking about giving badminton a try, we'd love to see you come along for a hit.

Wednesday night competition has started strongly, with enough players to field three sections on most weeks. This has created a fun and competitive atmosphere, with plenty of close matches throughout the season.

Section Winners

22 April 2026

- Section 1: Troy Heenan
- Section 2: Sandra Fanning

29 April 2026

- Section 1: Troy Heenan
- Section 2: Naomi Fitzpatrick

6 May 2026

- Section 1: Troy Heenan
- Section 2: Mat Thompson
- Section 3: Jasper Walsh

13 May 2026

- Section 1: Brett Walsh
- Section 2: Brian Heenan
- Section 3: Liam Monaghan

20 May 2026

- Section 1: Brett Walsh
- Section 2: Sandra Fanning
- Section 3: Rae Heenan

27 May 2026

- Section 1: Murphy Fitzpatrick
- Section 2: Mikayla Crisp
- Section 3: Joseph Monaghan

3 June 2026

- Section 1: Thomas Aykara
- Section 2: Naomi Fitzpatrick
- Section 3: Rae Heenan

10 June 2026

- Section 1: Troy Heenan
- Section 2: Rae Heenan
- Section 3: Joseph Monaghan

17 June 2026

- Section 1: Troy Heenan
- Section 2: Morgan Crisp
- Section 3: Liam Monaghan

The club also held its annual Doubles Championships on Wednesday, 24 June. It was a fantastic night of competitive badminton, great sportsmanship and plenty of laughs. We thank everyone who came along and helped make the evening such an enjoyable success.

Congratulations to all of our 2026 Doubles Championship winners and runners-up:

Men's A Grade

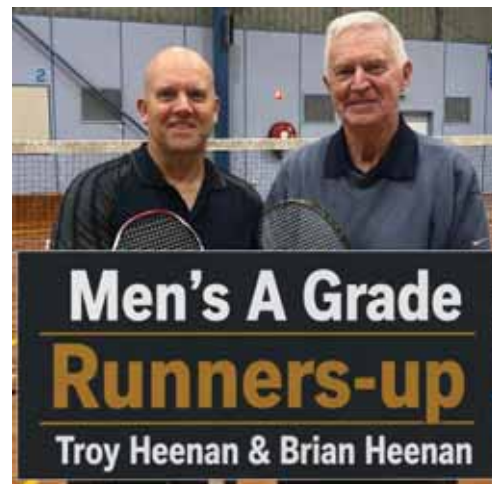
- Winners: Thomas Aykara & Joe Nihill
- Runners-up: Troy Heenan & Brian Heenan

Ladies' A Grade

- Winners: Naomi Fitzpatrick & Sandra Fanning
- Runners-up: Morgan Crisp & Mikaylah Crisp

B Grade

- Winners: Charlie Zagame & Liam Monaghan
- Runners-up: Zac Steenhuis & Mat Thompson.



Charlton Golf Championships

Men's Championship

Matt McGurk Wins 4th Title

Matt McGurk led from start to finish to take out his 4th Charlton Golf Championship on Sunday. Matt was awarded the prized 'Les Mays' trophy with a three round score of 82-88-87=257 and held his nerve to withstand a late charge from defending champion Wayne Southwell 95-85-80=260.

B Grade winner was Club President Jamey Soulsby who produced a personal best finishing round 93-90-83=266 to gather in the leading group and receive the 'Bob Wescott' trophy. Mark Hamley finished runner up with a 272 total.

C Grade winner was Jed Thompson, who also produced his best final round score of 103-99-87=289, and worked his way past the favourites and won comfortably from Ian Jenkins and Jeff Cox, both on 297 total.

Other Results:

3 best nets:

A Grade Clinton Olive 75-77-73=225

B Grade Ric Walklate 71-72-80=223

C Grade Jeff Cox 80-71-71=222

Luth Cup 2 best nets:

Jamey Soulsby 73-66=139

Erwin Cup most improved golfer:

Jamey Soulsby.

Ladies' Championship

Charlton ladies' golf championship was held over three weeks in June. It was an emotional start with the first round being played without our dear friend Carmel playing along with us.

Fourteen ladies hit off in glorious weather. The course was in pristine condition thanks to the green keeper and the grounds committee. Club Champion and A Grade Winner for 2026 is Wendy Laffin with a total score of 267. Wendy did a great job in keeping up the

standard of golf needed to be club champion multiple times. Well done Wendy.

B Grade winner was Janice Boyle with 288, taking home the Joan English memorial trophy.

C Grade winner was Wendy Hargreaves with 339.

The winners in the handicap division were: A Grade Anne Kenny, B Grade Diane Roberts and C Grade joint winners Chris Livingston and Alison Tormey.

The Doreen Heenan trophy for the 2 best nets went to Wendy Hargreaves with 66, 75. Great effort Wendy.

The Glad Dew putting was won by Jayne Burton with 27, 26, 26. Jayne was very honoured to win this trophy as it reminded her of her dad who was a great putter and played when Glad was a member. Congratulations to all Champions and all who played.



Ric Walklate (B Grade 3 Best Nets), Clinton Olive (A Grade 3 Best Nets), Jamey Soulsby (B Grade Champion, Luth Cup 2 Best Nets & Erwin Cup Most Improved), Jeff Cox (C Grade 3 Best Nets), Matt McGurk (A Grade Champion), Jed Thompson (C Grade Champion).



A Grade Champion - Wendy Laffin.



Wendy Hargreaves - C Grade Champion & Doreen Heenan Best 2 Nets.



Janice Boyle - B Grade Champion.



Jayne Burton - Glad Dew Putting Trophy.

Nick Debuts with Collingwood VFL

On Friday 19 June, former Charlton Footballer Nick Thompson made his debut for the Collingwood VFL side against Frankston at Kinetic Stadium.

Thompson was signed by the Collingwood VFL program late last year after a strong stint with the Bendigo Pioneers, where he continued to develop his game at talent pathway level.

After relocating to Melbourne earlier this year, Thompson's pre-season was interrupted by a syndesmosis injury, along with a few minor setbacks. Having since fully recovered, he has now been rewarded with an opportunity to step up and play at VFL level.

Outside of his VFL commitments, Thompson is currently playing for Eaglehawk Football Netball Club in the Bendigo Football Netball League (BFNL), continuing to contribute at local level when not selected for Collingwood.



Pictured with Senior VFL Coach Matt Lokan, Nick received his playing guernsey in front of his family and teammates.

North Central Garden Club

Twenty members of the North Central Garden Club visited Amy's Blooms Nursery on Tuesday 23rd June. Thank you Amy for opening up especially—it was a great chance to purchase some additional plants to brighten up our gardens coming into winter. Amy has an extensive range of healthy plants, trees, pots and much more including garden art.

Amy gave a demonstration in Jenny's rose garden showing the finer points in pruning. The basic rule of pruning is to remove water shoots, open up the centre, and bring the bush back to 1/3.

Amy advocated the importance of cleaning your pruning tools with methylated spirits. Also after a pruning is completed, mix up a solution of Lime Sulphur and spray the bush liberally with the solution. It will prevent black spot and any other nasties setting in prior to the first flush.

For our July meeting, Tuesday 28th, 2pm at the Lions Lodge, please remember it will be the plant auction so bring along your collection of cuttings or plants and make it another successful social and fun day.

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(andreafreeman90@hotmail.com)

Charlton Arts Presents Jazz In July

Jazz returns to the Rex this winter with an afternoon of live music, great company and a touch of nostalgia.

Charlton Arts presents Jazz in July on Sunday 5th July at 1:30pm, featuring the ever-popular Maryborough Trad Jazz Ensemble.

Known for their lively and engaging performances, the ensemble will bring a mix of 1920s & 1930s music with a jazz flavour, as well as Latin American songs and Glenn Miller tunes, guaranteed to have toes tapping.

Settle in for a relaxed afternoon at the Rex Theatre, with afternoon tea included in your ticket — the perfect way to enjoy some mid-winter entertainment with friends.

Tickets are \$25 (including afternoon tea) and are available online at rextheatre.org.au/live-shows or at the door.

Lunch is available from the Vale of Avoca from 11:30 - bookings essential 5491 1353 or Mallee Creatives.

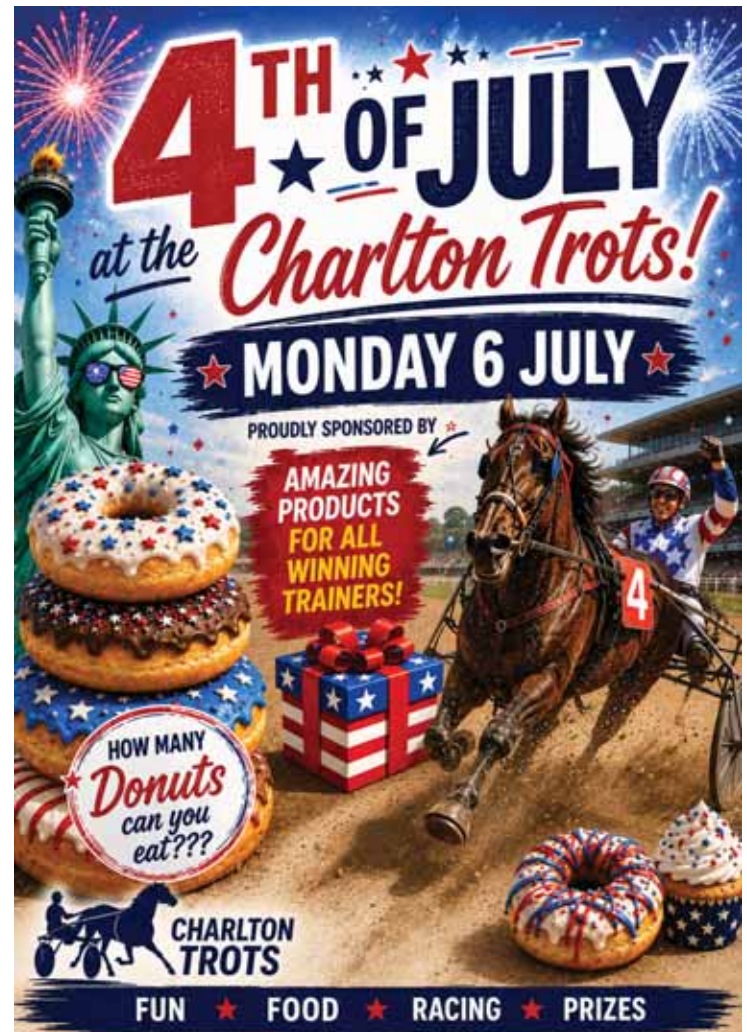


Maryborough Trad Jazz Ensemble. L to R: Bryan Hodges - Drums, Ken Collins - Trumpet/Vocals, Peter Hooper - Bass, Barry Currie - Reeds/Vocals, Bob Franklin - Keyboard/Vocals, Bill Beasley - Trombone/Vocals.

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Mary Walklate



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- Fishing can be between 7am & weigh in on the day of the competition
- 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 final weigh in to qualify
- Juniors allowed to weigh in Carp. All Juniors receive a prize for participation.

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

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Sat 11 JULY *2pm & 8pm

Sun 12 JULY 2pm

Tue 14 JULY 8pm

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DISCLOSURE DAY

M Threat and coarse language 143 mins | Drama | Thriller

Sat 18 JULY 8pm

Sun 19 JULY 2pm

Tue 21 JULY 8pm

A meteorologist and a cybersecurity expert find themselves at the center of a movement to expose the government's cover-up of extraterrestrial secrets. Starring Emily Blunt and Colin Firth.



TOY STORY 5

PG Mild themes, threat violence and coarse language 102 mins | Animation

Sat 25 JULY *2pm & 8pm

Sun 26 JULY 2pm

Tue 28 JULY 8pm

The toys are back and this time, Buzz Lightyear, Woody, Jessie and the rest of the gang's jobs are challenged when they come face-to-face with Lilypad, a brand-new tablet device that arrives with her own disruptive ideas about what is best for their kid, Bonnie. Will playtime ever be the same?

Charlton Uniting Church

Charlton Uniting Church Service times for July 2026

Halliday Street, Charlton.

Sunday 12th – 10.00 am, communion

Sunday 19th – 10.00 am

Sunday 26th – 10.00 am



Do you say Grace before your meal?

Rotary Club Grace was –

*For good food, good fellowship,
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we give Thee thanks O Lord.*

At home we said –

*For what we are about to receive
May the Lord make us truly thankful*

Or

Two, four, six, eight. Bog in, don't wait.

I was lucky that my meal stayed put, on this occasion.

Or

*Through My lips, over my tongue,
Look out tum here it comes.*

And

*Lord bless the food upon these dishes
As You once blessed the loaves and fishes
And, like the sugar in the tea,
May we be stirred in our love for Thee.
Amen*

Why do we say Amen and not Awomen

Because we sing hymns, not hers.

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East Wimmera Parish - St Joseph's Community

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Sun. 13th July	8.30am.
Sat. 19th July	7.00pm
Sun. 27th July	10.30am



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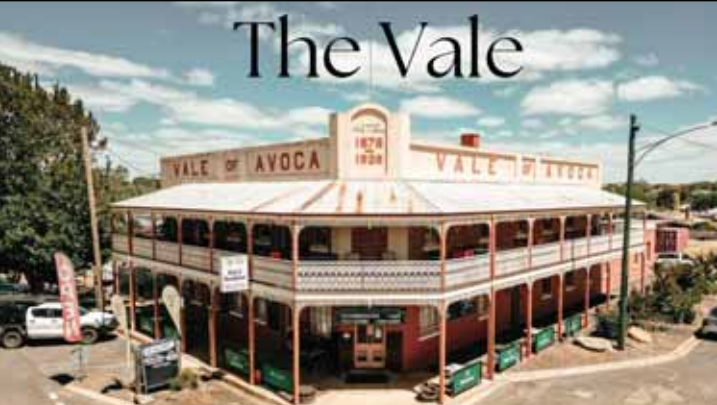


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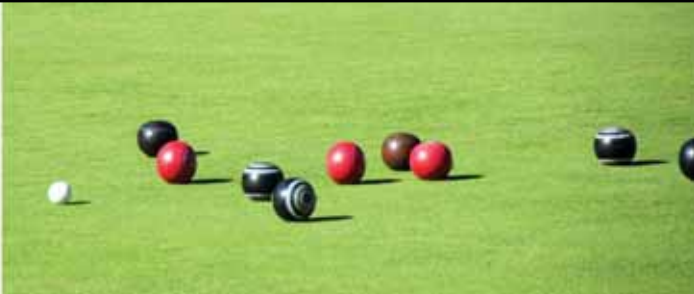

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July 2026

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