

2018 HONOUR ROLL DINNER



The Creswick & District Historical Society's annual Honour Roll Dinner was held at the Creswick Town Hall on Friday, 25 May with over one hundred guests, including the Mayor, Cr John Cottrell, local Councillors Don Henderson and Greg May and their wives, along with family members of the three new inductees onto the Honour Roll.

Those inducted this year were:

Cora Medill Cartledge, recognised for her lifetime of voluntary service to numerous community organisations and causes in Creswick;

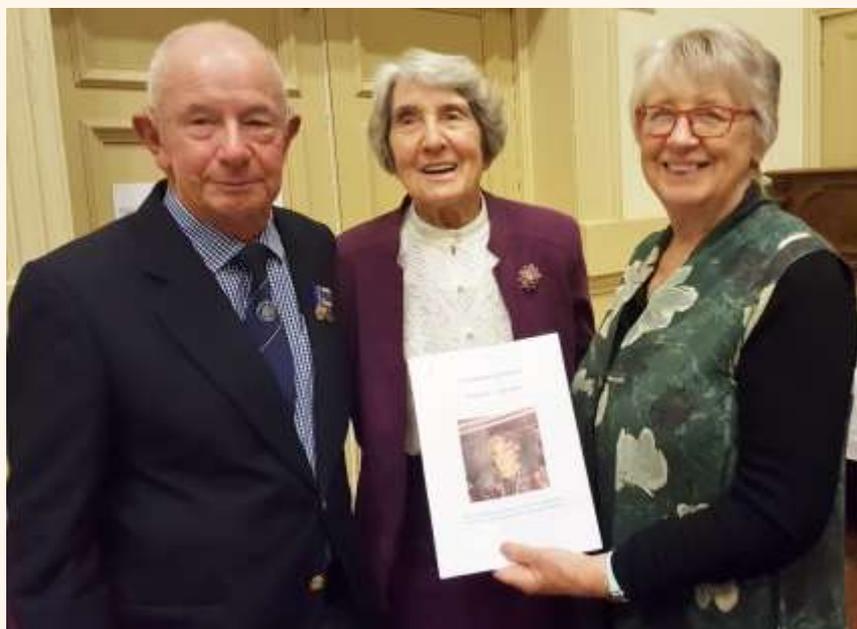
John Stephen James, a lifelong resident of Creswick, who gave exemplary service of fifty-four years to the Creswick Fire Brigade, and many years to the Mechanics Institute and free Library;

Douglas McLean Lindsay, the Editor, chief journalist, photographer and joint owner of the *Creswick Advertiser*, recognised for his support of numerous community organisations and projects.

The town hall was abuzz with talk and laughter as old friends and relatives celebrated the event. Local chef Adam Crutchfield presented a delicious meal. Entertainment was provided by Creswick Brass Band, which added a fitting finale to another successful evening.

The plaques will be added to the Honour Board outside the Creswick Visitor Information Centre and the full citations will be kept inside the Information Centre. They can also be accessed on the Historical Society's page through the creswick.net website.

Marj Poole



Top: David Lindsay and his sister Jenny Preston.

Above: Neville Cartledge and his sister Norma Clifton with Marj Poole from the Honour Roll Sub-Committee.

Left: Representing the James Family Michael Woods and Alison Stephen. See story page 5.



Creswick District News

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Dear Editor,

There has been a great deal of negative publicity in the News, both printed and on TV about Aged Care facilities. I am a resident of John Curtin Aged Care. The conditions here are a complete contrast to what we are seeing and hearing in the public press.

In my experience over two years it has been that kindness and courtesy are paramount. No one ever refuses help, whatever is requested. And our living spaces are always clean. My sadness knows no bounds when I learn of the poor treatment that is too often the lot of so many old and unwell residents. Similarly, my gratitude knows no bounds for the wonderful, cheerful and competent care I and my fellow residents receive.

All things considered and accepting all the restrictions of old age I feel that life could not be better than here at John Curtin. There is an atmosphere of friendship and fun encouraged among the residents and staff.

Sincerely,

Patricia Prendergast

Creswick Brass Band and Darebin City Northern In Concert June 16th, 7pm Brass

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January	34	30
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March	44.4	30
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May	39.5	93.5
June	12.5	
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Easter in Creswick

An article originally submitted to the Waverley Bush Walking Club Magazine

On Easter Saturday we decided we would like to spend the weekend in Daylesford – too late; all the local accommodation was booked out. John, at the tourist office, found us a bed at the Creswick Motel 26km further on towards Ballarat.

Before leaving Daylesford we did the 3km Sailors Falls short walk. Both being in our mid-eighties, we found this quite hard as all the way round it seemed either up or down with very few flat sections. Arriving at the Creswick Motel we met the proprietors Bill and Louise who were very welcoming and provided lots of info on local attractions. They told us that prior to taking over the motel about a month ago, they had previously managed post offices in Queensland and Tasmania. That night we had dinner at a rather up-market local pub.

On Sunday morning we did a 6km walk through the town and round the St Georges Lake loop. On the way back we visited the local Museum which completed a morning full of interest and easy walking through attractive terrain. On the recommendation of the local tourist bureau, after lunch we did the 2.4km Victoria Heritage La Gerche walking track which is described as a lesson in reclaiming degraded landscape (in this case due to gold mining), and a celebration of the life of little known forester John La Gerche. We liked the walk so much we did it again the next morning before setting off home.

We found Creswick an enjoyable walking area within easy reach of Melbourne.

Joyce and Vince Gardiner



Cougars Bounce Back

Members of the Creswick Cougars Soccer Club had reason to smile again last week. After the callous theft of eighty soccer balls from their Doug Lindsay Reserve clubrooms last month,

the Creswick & District Community Bank® Branch has donated \$500 to assist to replace what was stolen. The Cougars Soccer Club has over 100 members from Creswick and Clunes predominantly aged between 5 and 17.

Left to right, Club secretary Kent Mallinson, Branch employee Kristin Living, Branch Manager Ian Flynn, Branch employee Natalie Lee, Cougars Club President Chantel Leaver. Members of the under-13s team: L-R Lucie, Gabe, Jimmy and Archer. Photo L Jennings



Creswick Museum News *In Celebration of the Pudding*

The present exhibition in the Museum *Far from where the Golden Wattle Blooms* featuring the names on The Cenotaph, originally known as the Fallen Soldiers Memorial, will finish on Sunday, 1 July, 2018.

This will give the Museum members two weeks to set up the next Exhibition, *In Celebration of the Pudding*. The Museum will be recognising 100 years since Norman Lindsay published his book in 1918. The exhibition will run from July 14 to October 14. During the September school holidays there will be a three day Children's Festival.

In addition to Norman's artworks there will be on display

costumes from Victorian Opera's recent performance of *The Magic Pudding*; Melbourne Museum is lending their model of Captain Cook's *HMS Bark Endeavour*; and State Library bronze figurines of the famous four characters.

The Museum members are hoping that the schools in Hepburn Shire will support the Children's Festival by entering the art competition. Norman was very fond of cats. Besides drawing and painting cats he kept numerous cats at Springwood. Some were house companions and others roamed the bush but knew where to get a good feed. The Children's Festival will be from October 28, 29 and 30 at Creswick Town Hall.

Margaret Fullwood

SENIOR CITS 50th Birthday Celebration



Creswick Senior's Club members, friends and visitors from six surrounding Clubs, could not have wished for a better day to celebrate their 50th birthday milestone. President Brian opened proceedings with a most

informative speech reminding of earlier years. A representative from Catherine King's office also gave a warming speech on her behalf.

The birthday cake was beautifully decorated, thanks to Norah. Three of our young ladies had the honour of cutting the cake, Phyllis, Shirley and Jean. (L-R in photo)

The next Social Day, 29 June, will be our usual hot lunch at 12 noon. Afternoon entertainment will be by Ricky Lea, guitarist and singer. A pleasant day to look forward to.

Best get well wishes to anyone on the sick list.

June Gray -
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Kingston Friends of the Avenue News

Going Places

A new local business, Creswick Bus and Coach, has generously donated advertising space on the side of two buses to promote the Kingston Avenue Centenary Day event to be held on Remembrance Day 2018.

The buses have already travelled to Adelaide, Melbourne, Sorrento, Kyneton, Woodend, Geelong and Castlemaine. Who knows where they will have been by Sunday 11 November?



CRESWICK GARDEN CLUB NEWS Learning Day with Jerry Coleby-Williams

Hello fellow Gardeners,

The Club has had a busy couple of months. May, saw the Club's biggest turnout for a meeting with seventy-six people attending. This was largely due to our guest speaker, Alison Pouliot, who gave a captivating talk on fungus.

The June meeting was the AGM. Those present at the luncheon were asked to bring along a cutting, plant, bulb or seeds to swap with someone else. A great day.

The Club would like to remind everyone to book their places for this year's Learning Day with Jerry Coleby-Williams. This will be held on Saturday 28 July 9.30am – 3.30pm at the RACV Goldfields Resort. The cost is \$60 per person which includes morning tea and lunch. For bookings call Phyllis on 5345 2514 or Leanne on 0437 518 159. Bookings close 29 June.

Next month's speaker, at the meeting on Tuesday 3 July will be Grevillea expert, Graeme Woods.

\$2 entry all welcome, 1:15pm start at the Senior Citizens Clubrooms, Water Street.

Leanne Murray

You may have seen the Kingston Friends around the place selling biscuit tins or at the Creswick Market with plants as well. Thanks for all your support. We will be taking a small break over the winter, but will return in September.

Many thanks to those who have donated poppies and wool at the Creswick Hub. We have received sufficient wool but are happy to accept completed poppies, and buttons in black, green and white. When you leave poppies at the Hub or if you have already donated unidentified poppies, please leave us a note. If you would like more wool or patterns, please let the Hub staff know.

Peter Rickard's book, *Sentinels of Service*, is being prepared for a reprint, so if you would like to purchase a copy, it is not too late. If you believe your family history may be incorrect, please email kingstonfoa@gmail.com promptly. The book can be viewed at the Creswick Hub/Library and the Creswick Visitor Information Centre.

Leah Armstrong and Julie Baulch



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JOHN STEPHEN JAMES 1870 - 1950



Creswick Fire Brigade Uniform worn by John James c1920

A lifelong resident of Creswick, who gave exemplary service of fifty-four years to the Creswick Fire Brigade, and many years to the Mechanics Institute and free Library.

John Stephen James was born in North Creswick on 8 January 1870, to John Thomas James and Sarah Jane (nee Brown). The family lived in King Street and John Thomas was recorded as a miner and a drover. The other children of this marriage were Henry and Agnes (Mrs F Dean).

John Stephen was also known as 'Jack' and lived all his life in Creswick,

residing at King Street, Prince Street and Napier Street.

He married Eliza, daughter of Richard and Jane Woolcock who had moved to Creswick from Daylesford when Eliza was a young girl. Eliza and John had four daughters, Dorothy, Ivy, Pearl and Dulcie.

John was a grocer, a Commissioner for Taking Affidavits, a Mining Registrar from 1913 until his death and, at one period an Electoral Registrar.

Electoral rolls show he was a Librarian at the Creswick Mechanics Institute and Free Library for at least twenty-eight years and also served as Secretary for many years. In their 2015 book *These walls speak volumes* Pam Baragwanath and Ken James said, '*Mechanics Institutes were local, independent, self-funded and self-help institutes. They were the first voluntary systems of libraries, educating and community-building in Victoria*' ... an important place in the development of the Creswick community.

On 28 June 1894, aged twenty-three, John joined the Creswick Fire Brigade and for the next seventeen years he served the Fire Brigade as a fireman at a time when the main means of extinguishing a fire was a ladder, a hose and a container of water. The men had to pull the hose reel to the fire site before fighting the fire. It was many years before rural Brigades became mechanised.

On 1 January 1910 John was appointed Secretary of the Fire Brigade, a position he held until his death in 1950. The duties entailed in being Secretary were to convene and hold meetings, to make records of the meetings and to deal with correspondence. He was commended annually for the meticulous way in which his books were maintained.

In 1920 John was appointed to the position of Treasurer, a post he held for the next twenty-seven years, once again being praised for the manner in which he performed his duties.

In December 1920, John was appointed Station keeper for the Brigade, which required keeping the fire fighting equipment clean, safely stored and in good order, as well as

making sure the Hall was clean and neat. He continued in this role for fifteen years, until 1935. In all, John James gave the Creswick Fire Brigade fifty-four years of continuous service.

Mr James also played in the Creswick Drum and Fife Band as a boy, probably at nine or ten years old, and then played in the Creswick Brass Band. In 1896, while John was still in the band, a Bazaar was organised which made enough money to buy uniforms for the whole band.

John became more involved with the Fire Brigade and less with the band as band practice and fires sometimes clashed. In the *Creswick Advertiser* 'Personality of the Month' it was reported that Ralph Featherstone, the Band Master one day said to him, '*one or the other Jack, if you are going to stay in the band, you can't go marching off with the firemen on band nights.*' He chose the fire brigade!

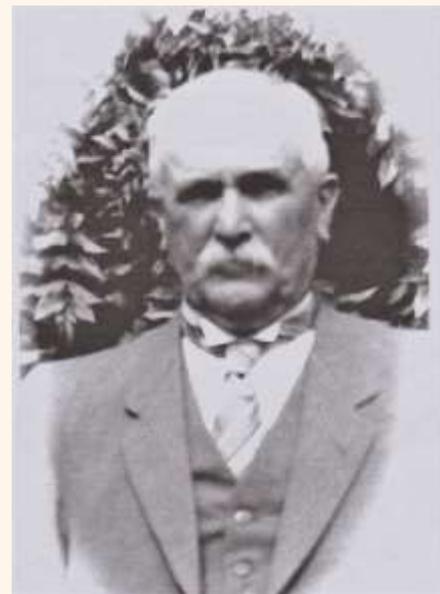
As well John was Master of the Creswick Havilah Masonic Lodge in 1910 and Lodge gardener in 1918. The garden was later turned into lawn.

It was very clear that he was highly respected in all the roles that he undertook. In the Minutes of the Creswick Fire Brigade 1923 Annual Meeting, Mr B Grose, a member of the Country Fire Brigades Board said, '*To say anything about Mr James would be like gilding refined gold or seeking to paint the lily.*'

At the Centenary of the Fire Brigade Dinner, four years after Mr James' death, Mr C Daw, the Chief Officer said, '*I must mention one officer who has passed on. Your late Secretary, J. S. James, who gave so many years of faithful service, even to the end his books were well-nigh perfect.*'

John James passed away on 23 December 1950, aged 80, and was buried in the Creswick Cemetery with Jane, who had predeceased him in 1947 aged 72.

Citation provided by Creswick & District Historical Society





**CRESWICK LIONS CLUB
Raising Funds with
Snags and Trivia**

At the May Creswick Market, Lions were able to raise the required funds from their barbecue stall to purchase an iPad for one child through the *Keely's Cause* project. A thank you to everyone who bought a snag in bread or an egg and bacon sandwich. Purchases and support of their fundraising efforts will now see one child with an intellectual disability or Autism benefit from a wonderful learning resource. The Club will be presenting the \$500 cheque to Ballan Lion's President and *Keely's Cause* committee member Sharon Murphy at their July changeover dinner.

A reminder that on Wednesday, 4 July Lions will host the popular monthly Farmer's Arms Trivia Night. Please help them make this evening a great success by gathering up family and friends to make a table. \$10 per head is great value which includes trivia fun and bar snacks but more importantly raises funds for Creswick Lions Club which goes back to supporting our wonderful community. No bookings required; just turn up ready to get those brain cells working!

Carolyn Gargiulo,
President
0417 349 049



**Hepburn Shire Council
BRUCE LUCAS
APPOINTED INTERIM CEO**



Recently Hepburn Shire Council appointed Mr Bruce Lucas, General Manager Infrastructure, as the Interim CEO from 2 June 2018, following the departure of Mr Aaron van Egmond.

Mayor Cr John Cottrell said, *'Bruce is a highly valued and competent member of Council's leadership team, who has the skills and knowledge to lead the organisation through to the appointment of a new CEO.'*

Mr Lucas said he was looking forward to the challenges that the role presented. *'I look forward to working with the Mayor, Councillors and all our staff, to keep the organisation moving forward until the new CEO commences.'*

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Creswick Bowling Club

Annual Casserole Luncheon

The club AGM was held on 30 May. Gerry Flapper was elected as Chairman of the Board of Directors, Vice Chairperson Judith Caddy, Administration Secretary Bernie O'Malley, Board Treasurer Alan Annear.



Garry Flapper, Chairman of the Board

Ladies AGM results are: President Judith Caddy, Secretary Joyce Head, Treasurer Chris Boyd.

Men's AGM results are: President Trevor Booth, Secretary Ron Head, Treasurer Ross Pricor.

BDBD Delegates: Joyce Head and Gerry Flapper.

Both ladies and men's indoor bowls pennant sides are doing well. Men's Division 3 is currently on top of the ladder.

Winter lawn bowls are currently being played – men fortnightly on Tuesdays, phone Barry 5345 2639 for details. Mixed bowls are played on each alternate Thursday, phone Beth 5345 2432 for more details.

The Annual Casserole Luncheon will be held in the clubhouse on Thursday 5 July, \$15 per head.

Everyone is welcome.

To book for a group phone Beth 5345 2432.

Joyce Head



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BAND NEWS

Oh for a B flat Tuba!



The Band has been blessed with a flow of donations lately, and were gob smacked and humbled to receive over \$2,000 from the Ten Willing Workers of Creswick – thank you so much to Norma Clifton, Joan Hepworth, Beth Huntley, Joan Neil and Margaret Orr for such a lovely surprise. Our aim to purchase a B flat Tuba (the big one!) this year has become much more realistic now.

A stripped-back Band recently provided entertainment to a very enthusiastic audience at the Creswick Historical Society Honour Roll Dinner. The Band loves playing for local community events, so if your group has something happening, feel free to get in touch – a full band, down to a duo or quartet, can be provided.

One great side effect of winning a National title is that other bands want to come and play with us. Darebin City Northern Brass, a B grade band based in Melbourne, will travel to Creswick on 16 June to have a workshop with us. Both bands will put on a concert at the St. Andrews Uniting Church Hall. Those present will hear the Creswick Brass Band premiere their new march *Champions*, written especially for the Band by Mark Witham while the Darebin Band will also play, and the concert will finish with the combined bands playing.

As always, keep up-to-date with the Band via Facebook. If you would like to have a toot with us pop in on a Thursday night, and if you have any queries or are interested in booking the Band, contact us at creswickbrassband@hotmail.com

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5th Annual Creswick Cup Trivia Challenge

Friday 13 turned out to be a lucky day for one team at this year's Creswick Cup Trivia Challenge. The winners from 2016 returned to knock last year's champions, *Macca's Minds*, off the podium in a close-fought contest. *I Ned Beer* was ably led by team captain, Dan Madigan, who accepted the Cup from Aquatic Centre Secretary Julie Moran and declared it 'Grouse'.

2018 CCTC Winners: I Ned Beer!



The Cup is donated each year by Don and Joan Sargeant. The trivia challenge is run every year as a fundraiser for Creswick & District Aquatic Centre and once again, a night of hilarity and musical mayhem was had by all.

Guests also participated in an auction of items generously donated by district businesses. Thanks go to the hard-working Aquatic Centre Committee; Don and Joan Sargeant; Sovereign Hill; AAG Property; Forest Massage; Pipers by the Lake; Garda Williams and Creswick Football & Netball Club. Creswick Cup Trivia Challenge has been generously sponsored for five years by Creswick & District Community Bank® Branch.

Peter Tobin
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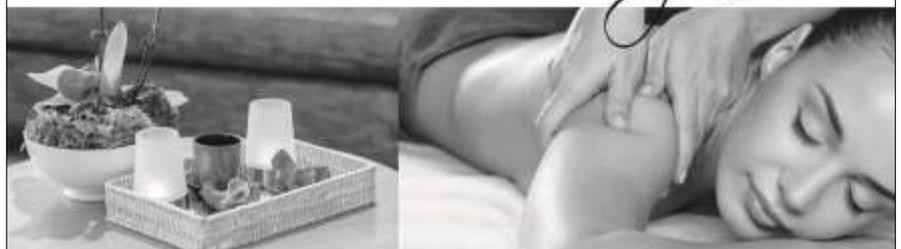
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Glen Park Street Library — Share the Joys of Reading



Street libraries are becoming very popular especially in the US and New Zealand. They are starting to become popular in Australia with over 600 officially registered. Glen Park is the first school in Ballarat to have a street library and only the fourth in the city.

The Street Library organisation says on their website:

Street Libraries are a beautiful home for books, planted in your front yard. They are accessible from the street, and are an invitation to share the joys of reading with your neighbours.

Street Libraries are a window into the mind of a community; books come and go; no one needs to check them in or out. People can simply reach in and take what interests them; when they are done, they can return them to the Street Library network, or pass them on to friends.

There have not been mobile library visits to Glen Park in many years. Lately many young families have moved into the area and we wanted to not only provide access to quality junior fiction for those families but to also showcase the excellent library to the whole of our local community. The Glen Park School value reading and quality literature and want to make that available to pre-schoolers and those who don't even (yet) attend our school.

Currently there are brand new classic children's fiction including books suitable for pre-schoolers and for teens in the Street Library situated at the front of Glen Park school on Ralston's Road. So if you are passing Glen Park, stop and see what there is to borrow. The library will be updated regularly and have an adult reading month every July with books suitable for adults and a family month with books that might be interesting to parents of school age kids and adolescents every September.

Check out Glen Park Primary School on the school's website and on Facebook.

Tony Shaw, Principal

Creswick Apprentice to Compete in Nation's Largest Skills Competition

Warren Cartledge, a 19-year-old apprentice from Creswick, has been selected by WorldSkills Australia to compete against the best up and coming Australian tradespeople at the WorldSkills National Championships, which were held in Sydney in early June. The championships are part of Skills Show Australia 2018, held at the International Convention Centre (ICC) Darling Harbour. Over 400 competitors from across the country competed for the title of National Champion in fifty trade and skill categories.

Warren is a student at Federation University and is employed by Spanners and Sparks Automotive in Ballarat. He will compete in the Automotive Mechanics competition at the Skills Show and earned his place at the National Championships after a strong performance at the 2017 WorldSkills Australia Regional Competitions.

'Being chosen to compete at Skills Show 2018 in the National Championships is such an honour and I can't wait to see what I can achieve,' he said. 'I'm very grateful to WorldSkills Australia for this opportunity, and to my employer and Federation University.'

WorldSkills Australia CEO Brett Judd said WorldSkills Australia was nurturing and developing the skills of young Australians, and congratulated competitors for 'excelling in their fields and reaching such a prestigious national level'.

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THE ART OF LIVING

By Craig Barrett



Fence lines, like song lines, define the rural landscape, linking moments of activity and events. These webs of wire and wood tracing across the countryside, some now so old and made with forgotten hands and tools. Encompassing, keeping in, keeping out.

To perceive the essence of these structures is to comprehend our tie to the land – as settlers and farmers – wanting to own and to belong. Before European occupation, the indigenous peoples had their own ‘fences’ – not of steel, wire and wood – but they knew exactly where the boundaries lay between different groups, families and tribes, and, would seek permission to enter other peoples’ lands.

Our fences run across the land like calligraphy, or like musical annotation. They rise here, fall there. They link other interesting features – gates, sheds, stock ramps. Sometimes they seem to make no sense at all - running straight through a swamp or down a cliff face – just because some bureaucrat somewhere drew a line on a map! I have often marveled at how some of these fences, gates and stock ramps were built. When I think of that back breaking effort needed to cut hardwood, sink the postholes by hand and notch the timbers for the classic post and rail fence. Unbelievable.

I have drawn fence lines that run for hundreds of kilometres across gibber plains in the outback. Chipping out post holes in that country must have been hell. Not forgetting, of course, the incredible dog and rabbit proof fences constructed years ago but still needing regular upkeep.

At one location along the dog fence that is the Queensland, New South Wales and South Australian border in Sturt National Park – in the brick red sand near the scattered ruins of a fence keepers hut, I found a small bronze Australian Military Forces button. The story I have in my mind, is of a soldier returning from the noise and carnage of the First World War, taking up a job in one of the quietest and most peaceful parts of the country, near Camerons Corner on the three state border. My soldier still wears his army tunic as he rides the fence line making repairs. Of course, I can’t prove any of it – except for the button in my hand – but it is a good story. I know that is where I would head for. It remains a favourite place of mine for that very solitude.

After many years working on mechanical themes in my art – mining, earth moving, construction – I find now I am increasingly drawn toward the organic, the handmade, the accidental, the incidental.

I am less preoccupied with how significant we are in the landscape, more with how insignificant we are.

Craig Barrett

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BUSINESS & COMMUNITY Networking evening

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Hosted by Business & Tourism Creswick Inc., forty-five representatives of local businesses, including the **Creswick & District Community Bank® Branch**, recently attended the business and community networking evening.

It was an enjoyable and informative evening with local businesses getting to know each other. Thank you to the Bank for their support and to the **RACV Goldfields Resort** for providing the venue, drinks and canapes, and friendly wait staff. Please check out the re-vamped website, www.creswick.net. It is your *one stop shop* for all things Creswick including information about our town and its history, things to do around town, what's on, and a comprehensive local business directory.

Business and community group listings on the website directory are **FREE**. To add a listing please fill in and submit the contact form at www.creswick.net/contact. As well as contact details and information, you can include logos and photographs. If you already have a listing on the directory, please let us know if it needs updating or logos/photos added. Please contact us via the online contact form. To find a local business search: www.creswick.net/creswick-directory

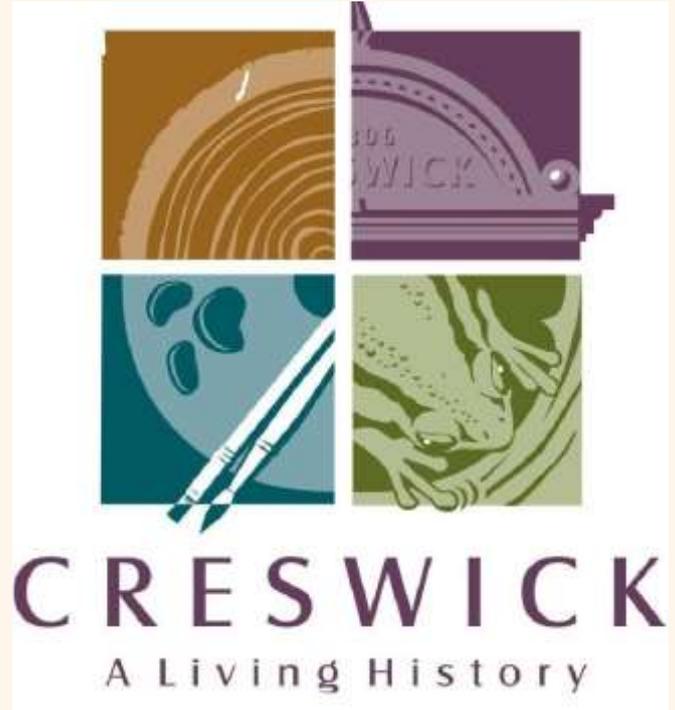
There is a listing of local community events, meetings and events calendar at: www.creswick.net/whats-on. Again, this is provided for **FREE**, so please let us know about your upcoming events so they can be promoted.



Creswick & District Community Bank® Branch staff chatting with local business representatives.



Creswick a Living History logo Forestry History Art Conservation/Nature



Many people will have noticed that the revamped Creswick Hub now features a logo on the upstairs fabric of the building which is visible from the street. Titled *Creswick a Living History*, it was developed by the former Creswick Development Committee with community consultation in 2006 and funded via a Streetlife program. The logo was designed for multiple purposes with a suite of designs and products produced which included banners, poster template and a style guide. A Creswick brochure, printed business directory, Creswick website were also developed.

All logo designs are available free of charge for community groups to use if they wish to promote a Creswick event or with their own Club logo, or on printed matter related to Creswick. The designs are available in colour and greyscale. The four quadrants of the brochure represent Forestry, History, Art and Conservation/Nature. Each quadrant can be used individually to suit a particular event or as a whole.

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You can view the logo on www.creswick.net or for further information contact Margaret Giles, Secretary Business & Tourism Creswick Inc at info@creswick.net

FAREWELL TO ST THOMAS AQUINAS CHURCH, CLUNES

In April present and past parishioners, members of St Augustine's Creswick congregation, those of other faiths and the people of Clunes gathered to bid farewell to the church of St Thomas Aquinas, Clunes.

Judy Houston, Assistant Director of the Organs of the Goldfields Festival, spoke of the historical and musical significance of the French harmonium from the mid-19th Century which has been gifted to the Clunes Museum. For the last time within the bluestone walls of the Henry Caselli designed church, which opened in 1874, former organists of the parish, Mary Loiacono (nee Power) and Anne Marie Culvenor, played the harmonium.

Meg Barry of Ullina spoke of all who had been part of the St Thomas Aquinas parish with its churches at Smeaton, Talbot and Lexton. They were the pioneers, the townfolk and the miners from the golden days of Clunes, the farming families from the district, including her own family, who are remembered in the stained glass window behind the altar. She made special mention of the stained glass windows – the jewels of the church in memory of local families.

Research into the history of the church is ongoing and photographs have been taken to be placed in the Clunes Museum so the story of the parish will not be lost. Meg told of the women of the parish who did the flowers, polished the brass, the dedicated housekeepers of the presbytery, the choirs and the organists, the hard working Committees of men and women, who organized the many fund raising events, the Boxing Day sports. There were the parish priests who guided their flock and the teachers in the

once thriving parish school. Who could forget the annual Catholic Ball at the Town Hall with the legendary suppers with tables sagging under the weight of cream cakes and sponges and the gallons of coffee boiled in the copper - no cappuccinos or lattes then!

On a lighter note with apologies to John O'Brien of *Around the Boree Log*, Meg recited,

*'The Saint Thomas Aquinas congregation stood about,
Coat-collars to the ears,
And talked of stock, and crops, and drought,
As it had done for years'*

There may have been more than one Hanrahan well known for his forecast of disaster

'We'll all be rooned before the year is out.'

There is so much to remember with gratitude from the early years of the small wooden chapels. It is fitting that the parish of St Thomas Aquinas has come full circle and now returns to the parish of St Augustine's where it all began. Many of those present adjourned to the Warehouse, adjacent to the Museum, cut the cake, shared memories and renewed old friendships. So it is farewell to the parish of St Thomas Aquinas Clunes.

Sincere thanks is extended to the many people involved in the organising and running of a very successful day.

Meg Barry

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The second concert, the Kavanagh Brass quintet, was a rich combination of five instruments. Once again young musicians – two trumpets, trombone, tuba and French horn. We were won over with the first item, the *Fanfare to La Peri*, music that could have graced the Royal Wedding ceremony and we could have danced in the aisles to the last item which was music from Bizet's *Carmen*. These young people talked of their instruments and where they were being taken by their talents. It was exciting stuff to hear. A superb weekend enhanced by the usual expert catering of the Parish ladies in the original Church, which was imported from America and is one of the oldest buildings in Clunes.

Recently Greta Bradman sang at Clunes with the recently restored organ, one of only two of its kind in the world, back in operation.

MUSIC NEWS

Two very special concerts scheduled for June should keep your spirits up as the weather cools. By the time this newsletter is distributed, Greta Bradman will have performed at St. Paul's Anglican Church in Clunes. This was a great opportunity to hear one of the finest singers in the country.

The Ballarat Symphony Orchestra will present their Youth Concert in the Wendouree Centre for Performing Arts on Sunday, 24 June at 2.30pm. This event links rising stars with the great local orchestra in a program of colourful orchestral works. Enquiries: www.wcpa.com.au

Bronislaw Sozanski



Cemetery News

Thank you to Bev, Rob, Daryl and Wendy for the hard work helping tidy up the lawn graves and to the Langi work crew who also helped. It was much appreciated. The lawn graves are starting to look really nice with the new lawn popping up.

A reminder to stay on the gravel roadways during the winter months. The ground is very soft after some rain and cars could easily get stuck.

Wendy Ohlsen - Secretary Cemetery Trust

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CRESWICK CAPERS

Leadership Conference and School Camp

A delicious afternoon tea was enjoyed by lots of Mums, Nannas, Grandmas and Great-Grandmas on Friday, 11 May. There was a wonderful turnout, where our special guests got to sit and have a relaxing catch up with each other. Thank you to all of our community who came and we hope you all had a lovely Mother's Day.

On Friday, 4 May, forty-three of our Year 3-6 students attended Goldfields Regional Athletics to compete in a variety of events. The other schools involved were Daylesford PS, Clunes PS, St Michael's PS and St Augustine's PS. The students' effort, behaviour and attempts at their personal best performance were outstanding. At the end of the day the scores were totalled and the shield was presented to the winning school. We jumped and clapped with excitement when it was announced that Creswick PS was the winning school.

We would like to thank all the parents and families that came to support our students and big congratulations to all the students on their amazing efforts.

On Wednesday, 2 May, our leadership group of students attended a Leadership Conference. They had a fun and exciting day where they met a lot of students from other schools. The students learned about transforming themselves into leaders; that being a leader includes having a positive attitude, using positive words, displaying positive actions, having integrity and showing care and kindness to others.



Students in an Aboriginal Humpy at the Pioneer Settlement, Swan Hill

During the week from Monday 21 to Wednesday 23 the Senior Unit Teachers and 110 students attended camp. We travelled to Swan Hill to visit the Pioneer Settlement and stay at the lodges. Over the course of the three days the students got to participate in a variety of activities. These included a cruise on the paddle steamer *Pyap* and learning about indigenous culture, musical instruments, games and clothing from pioneer days. Students also rode in a vintage car and a horse-and-carriage. The highlight of the camp was *The Heart Beat of the Murray Laser Light Show*.

Melanie Stewart, Acting Principal



ST AUGUSTINE'S NEWS

Aussie Rules Competition



On Monday, 7 May, our school accepted an invitation to join with three smaller schools and experience the fun of participating in a round robin Australian Rules football competition held at St Patrick's College Ballarat. Eight boys from St Augustine's combined with students from St Michael's Daylesford, St Brendan's Dunnstown and St Mary's Clarkes Hill to make up a team. The weather was not ideal but it did not dampen spirits. The team put in an awesome performance, and missed a place in the grand final by only one kick. Our boys were delighted with the day and will hope for another invitation next year.



The school is now well and truly settled into the new art space and producing some amazing pieces of art. Sincere thanks to the Parish Priest, Fr Gary Jones for his kind donation of the new space and for supplying the funds to remodel and renovate the building. Before the end of this term, it is hoped to move the school library across to the new space as well.

On Thursday, 17 May and Monday, 21 May, the Life Education Mobile Learning Centre visited the school. For over thirty years, Life Education has collaborated with schools, teachers and parents to empower Australian children, preparing them to make safe and healthy choices.

Enjoy the Month!

Terry Brennan Principal

NORTHERLY NEWS

Mountain Trail Bike Team in Junior Brackenbury



Marcus Murrell (Principal), John Grant (CBA Branch Manager), Isabelle and Jordy (School Captains) and Zelma Brugger (Business Manager)

On Tuesday, John Grant from the Commonwealth Bank Creswick Branch, presented Creswick North school with a \$10,000 cheque as a result of a recent grant application. This money will be used to enhance the school's vegetable garden and sustainability, help develop a student focussed cooking program and buy some further equipment for the school's Breakfast Club. A big thank you to John and all the staff at the Creswick Branch!

Well done to our Mountain Trail Bike team for their efforts recently in the Junior Brackenbury. Under trying conditions they all did a fantastic effort. Creswick North looks forward to competing again in this great community event next year.

All classes have been focussing on implementing our new writing program, with the aim to improve students writing skills. They have certainly enjoyed playing interactive group word games based on synonyms and of course Kung Fu Punctuation, which they performed at a recent school assembly. The aim of VCOP is to increase students written vocabulary, improve their

ability to edit their own work; whilst constantly being reminded of proper punctuation. This term is all about familiarising students with the four elements, Vocabulary, Connectives, Openers and Punctuation (VCOP).

Foundation/1 had a lovely time with the student teachers from Federation University last week. Thanks go to Mrs Seare and Mr Smith for their committed and enthusiastic approach to working with the children. We wish them well in their future careers. The school community now has Mrs Robb joining us in the Gr2/3 classroom.



Lastly, Creswick North is now taking enrolments for 2019. If anyone would like to book a personalised tour of the school or receive an enrolment pack, please contact the school on 5345 2012 or creswick.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au Enjoy your month!

Marcus Murrell Principal.

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June 4 1918

Ratepayers in the Borough of Creswick are reminded that unless their rates are paid before or on the 10th day of June, their names will be omitted from the ratepayers roll.

June 7 1918

In connection with the billeting of the men coming to Creswick on the itinerary tour arranged by the State Recruiting Committee, 30 out of the 35 billets necessary have been provided. The secretary (Mr. Down) would be glad if any willing to accommodate any more of the men would let him know today or tomorrow.

June 11 1918

Kingston- Potato Digging- Potato digging is in full swing throughout the district. Many good crops are being harvested. The weather is favourable, the farmers ought to have good results.

June 14 1918

A Local Land Board will sit at the Shire Hall, Kingston, next Tuesday at 10.30 am when Mr. Charles J. Joy (land officer) will hear evidence regarding the proposal to revoke the reservation of the Smeaton Racecourse and Ullina park.

June 18 1918

An urgent appeal is being made by the Australian branch of the Red Cross Society for the collection of petrol, benzine and kerosene tins and cases, for 6000 of these tins are needed each month to cut up to make smaller tins in which to despatch biscuits to prisoners of war; and the cases are needed in which to pack goods for the front, 1000 being needed immediately. In addition, 7lb treacle and golden syrup tins are required. The Creswick branch will be glad to receive donations of any of the above.

June 21 1918

A 'working bee' is set down for tomorrow (Saturday) commencing at 11 am to erect the tree guards in connection with the Creswick Shire Avenue of Honor in recognition of those who have gone to the front. It is hoped that there will be a large attendance of shire residents to take part in the work.

June 25 1918

Ullina – Despite a rather tempestuous evening a fair attendance of residents assembled at the Mechanics' Institute last Monday evening, for the purpose of considering the advisability of planting an avenue of honor in memory of the sacrifices made by the boys who enlisted from and have been associated with the district. After some discussion, in which the argument was brought forward that the planting of a local avenue of honor would be tantamount to repudiation of the shire avenue, it was unanimously decided that an avenue be planted. The idea of the shire avenue being planted on a lonely road south east of Kingston has not appealed very strongly to district residents, consequently the proposal to plant one locally is sure to be taken up enthusiastically, and carried out with patriotic thoroughness.

June 28 1918

Some time ago we announced that Corporal John L Mounsey had been awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal for gallant military conduct. – When a signal station near to his position was destroyed by shell fire he showed great promptness and resource in dealing with the situation. He laid a new line, and was the means of re-establishing communication with as little delay as possible. He had always shown great skill and determination at his work. Corporal Mounsey is a native of Allendale, and is 27 years of age. He is the eldest son of Mr Fletcher Mounsey and grandson of the late Mr. John Sloan and the late Mr. Lancelot Mousney.



Historical Society

A great night was held in Creswick Town Hall, for Heritage Week, when the Creswick & District Historical Society held its annual Honour Roll dinner. Three past citizens of the town were acknowledged for their contribution to the community - Mrs Cora Cartledge, Mr Douglas Lindsay and Mr John James.

Now it is back to the regular beat of life with the next meeting in the Seniors' Club Rooms on 28 June. Have you thought of joining this Group? You would be most welcome, maybe even learn something of this town in which we live. Remember - Thursday, 28 June in the Seniors' Club Rooms, at 2.00pm. Need more information? Phone 5345 1310.

Volunteers Afternoon Tea at Glenlyon Hall

Volunteers from Hepburn Shire were invited to an event in appreciation of the enormous amount of hours volunteered across the Shire of Hepburn.

The Mayor Cr John Cottrell welcomed the guests. He acknowledged the Dja Dja Wurrung, traditional owners of the land. He shared many statistics about the hours and numbers of people who volunteer in many capacities all over Australia, without whom our world would be a much less loving and caring place. The Mayor thanked those present for the work they do, and asked them to encourage friends to join groups with common interests.

The guests included volunteers from Visitor Information Centres across the shire. The group from Creswick was diminished because some were busy volunteering their time to set up the Town Hall for the annual Historical Society Honour Roll dinner.

Brian Bainbridge, Environmental Diversity Officer for Hepburn Shire was the guest speaker. He spoke about suitable plants to grow in gardens which attract small birds. Brian offered help in our town and the area in his role to encourage and improve environmental diversity.

A lovely afternoon tea was enjoyed, complete with cucumber sandwiches. The Glenlyon Hall is a valuable asset, recently renovated with much voluntary help from the Glenlyon Progress Association. Perhaps Creswick could benefit from a similar gathering place for such events?

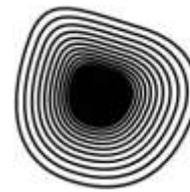
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Regional Centre for Culture Winter in Creswick

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There's so much going on around the region as the weather gets cooler and there are plenty of wonderful indoor performances and exhibitions to get to. Here's some of what's on offer in Creswick:

In Search of Lost Evenings at the Creswick Hub, Hepburn Libraries & Council Customer Service - June 21 to July 8. Treasure the opportunity to hear the stories of Creswick's older residents in a sound installation by anthropologist and artist Dr Amie Sexton.

www.timeout.com/melbourne/art/in-search-of-lost-evenings

In Celebration of the Pudding - 100 Years of the Magic Pudding at the Creswick Museum from July 14 to October 14. An exhibition of artworks and artefacts related to Creswick-born Norman Lindsay's classic children's tale, first published in 1918. Also on display upstairs is a selection of works by artist Michael Salmon.

www.creswickmuseum.org.au/exhibitions/current-exhibition/

Visit the RCC website at rcc2018.com for full event listings ranging from inspiring monthly author talks in Clunes (Booktown on Sundays) to photographic exhibitions in Maryborough, dance theatre in Daylesford, and a play performed in the trees of the Vaughan Springs Reserve.

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Creswick Hub Movie Club – Friday 6 July, 1.30pm
Toonworld Cartooning Workshop - Tuesday 10 July, 1.30pm
NAIDOC Week Storytime with Ron Murray Friday 13 July 1.30pm

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Thursday June 21 – Sunday July 8, *In Search of Lost Evenings* Creswick Hub, sound installation by anthropologist and artist Dr Amie Sexton

Saturday June 23 – Sunday July 1, Creswick Museum Exhibition ANZAC 2018 *Far from where the Golden Wattle Blooms*

Saturday June 30, Regional Centre for Culture, Free Singing Workshop, Creswick Neighbourhood Centre, 10.30am

Wednesday July 4, Trivia Night, Farmer's Arms Hotel, \$10 head, no booking required

Thursday July 5, Creswick Bowling Club, Casserole Luncheon Noon - 2.00pm, \$15 All welcome Info Joyce 53 451 445

Saturday July 14 – October 14, Creswick Museum Exhibition *In Celebration of the Pudding*

Saturday July 21, Creswick Market, Creswick Neighbourhood Centre 9.00am – 1.00pm. A happy small town market creswickmarket.com.au

Sunday July 29, Bald Hills Creswick Landcare AGM at Creswick Neighbourhood Centre 4.00pm

Wednesday August 8, Words in Winter Open Mic poetry and short stories, American Hotel 7.00pm-9.00pm Theme *Change and Chance*

Saturday August 18, Creswick Market, Creswick Neighbourhood Centre 9.00am – 1.00pm. A happy small town market creswickmarket.com.au

REGULAR AND ONGOING EVENTS

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Australian Red Cross - first Tuesday every month. RSL Hall 2.00pm 5345 8318 or email jackandnorah@vic.australis.com.au

Business & Tourism Creswick - first Tuesday every month. Farmers Arms Hotel, 4.30pm Info 5345 2759 or contact via Facebook

Creswick Cemetery - Gates Open 9.00am to 5.00pm - Daily

Creswick & District Aquatic Centre Inc. - first Wednesday Feb. Apr. Aug. Nov 7.00pm Phone 0434 071 185

Creswick & District Historical Society - fourth Thursday every month (except December and January) Seniors Club rooms 2.00pm. Ph 5345 1310

Creswick & District Hospital Auxiliary meets at hospital last Monday monthly 7.30pm. No meeting in June. New members welcome.

Creswick & District U3A - 0459 981 066 or email u3a3363@gmail.com or www.creswicku3a.com

Creswick Garden Club - first Tuesday every month (except January) Seniors' Club Rooms 1.15pm. Phyllis 5345 2514

Creswick Havilah Lodge - fourth Thursday every month meeting 7.30pm Bob Orr 5345 2165

Creswick Library Baby Rhyme Time Sessions, Tues and Wed 11.00am Parents' Club Tue 11.30am

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Creswick Market - Third Saturday every month 9.00am-1.00pm. Creswick Neighbourhood Centre, A happy small town market, Bookings 5345 2356 creswickmarket.com.au

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Creswick Probus Club - first Tuesday every month (except January) meetings St Andrew's Hall, 10.00am. Inquiries Bob 5345 2165

Creswick Senior Citizens - last Friday each month members enjoy social day and \$5 Lunch at Seniors' Clubrooms 12 noon

Creswick Visitor Information Centre - volunteers meet first Thursday every month 10.00am RSL

Creswick Walking Group - Tuesdays and Thursdays 8.30am. Meet Albert Studio, Cnr Ballarat Rd and South St. All Welcome, Rain, Hail or Shine.

Creswick Ward meeting - second Monday every month. Cr Don Henderson 7.00pm Creswick Railway Station

CRWA Members Meeting - First Sunday every month 1.00pm after Working Bee. Railway Workshops Precinct Judy 5345 1374

Folk and Acoustic Club - Second Friday 7.30pm American Hotel; fourth Friday 7.30pm Creswick Railway Station. Enquiries Kate 0409 179 481, John Harris 5345 2095

Goldfields Spinners - every second Friday from 10.30am at Railway Station, Creswick Rebecca 0416 843 847, Fiona 0402 181 925

Joey's, Cubs, Scouts and Venturers - every Thursday during school term. Enquiries via Scouts Victoria website scoutsvictoria.com.au

Museum Research Centre - Cnr Raglan and Cambridge Sts. Friday and Saturday 11.00am – 3.00pm every week

Music Jam for music lovers - every Friday 7.00 - 9.00pm Neighbourhood Centre Audience welcome

Playgroup - John Curtin Function Room every Wednesday 9.30am Amanda 0427 502 568

Pole walkers - St Georges Lake car park. All ages \$2.00 week. Tuesdays 8.00am – 9.30am Info. Eliz Rhook, Hepburn Health Service 5345 9150

RSL meeting - Last Wednesday each month 12 noon. RSL Hall Michael Clark 0409 421 547

Tipplers - third Wednesday every month. email: wheeler@cbl.com.au

VOGA Cycle Club Regular group rides that may be road, CX or MTB. Details on VOGA Facebook page. Free club membership via www.vogacycleclub.com.au

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