



International Lantern Parade

Congratulations to Pavilion Arts and Sustainability for staging the recent International Lantern Parade, funded by a grant from Creswick & District Community Bank®.

On a very balmy night on 21 September, several hundred Creswick families gathered at the Skate Park in Albert Street to acknowledge and celebrate the *international nature of our migration to Australia*. School children dressed in national costumes and carrying home-made lanterns added to the festive atmosphere.

Transition Creswick and Aquatic Centre members served hot meals to the hungry. The meals proved very popular at the Creswick Fire Station who hosted that part of the event. Creswick Lions Club were also actively involved in the logistics.

The highlight of the evening was the fiery spectacle 'Burning Boats' created by local artist Jennifer Powell, and funded by Regional Arts Victoria.



Photos by Terry Hope. See more photos on page 11



A troupe of dancers from Ballarat's Chinese Australian Association entertained the audience before sunset. Other entertainment included performances from students from St Augustine's School, Tim Drylie led the Seven Hills Singers and Town Crier Phil Greenbank led the parade on a circuit around the Skate Park. The parade concluded what was a delightful coming together of Creswick people of all ages.

Pavilion Arts and Sustainability Inc. initiated the event with the goal of becoming an annual total community event with a changing theme.

Creswick District News

The CDN is a community newsletter imparting local information. Copy is invited from individuals and community groups reporting or advising on local events.

All contributions are accepted in good faith with no intention or desire to misinform or offend.

Articles must carry the name, phone number and/or email address of the sender.

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AUSTRALIA DAY BREAKFAST 2018

Can you help?

The Lions Club and Creswick Historical Society will again be coordinating the Australia Day Breakfast hopefully with the assistance of the Creswick-Smeaton RSL, Creswick Football/Netball Club, Creswick Scouts and Venturers and Mount Prospect Tennis Club. We would like to invite any other community groups and individuals interested in becoming involved to contact Jack van Beveren (5345 2658) or Pat Tacey (0429 581 591).

A meeting will be convened in mid-November to plan the event.

Pat Tacey Secretary Creswick Lions Club



MUSIC NEWS

Upcoming Concerts

The end of the year is fast approaching and there are some excellent concerts coming up.

The Four Seasons Fine Music Festival continues on Saturday 28 October at 7.00pm, with the *Babaganouch Gypsy Ensemble* performing at St. Paul's in Clunes followed by the organ and trumpet concert, Rhys Boak and Bruno Siketa, in St. John's Creswick at 2.00pm on Sunday 29 October.

The Ballarat Choral Society perform in St. Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday 8 October at 2.30pm and the next Piano for Pleasure concert at the Art Gallery of Ballarat will be on Sunday 12 November, at 2.30pm.

Bronislaw Sozanski

Hand written articles

While articles received by email is the preferred method of the CDN Team, hand written articles are accepted. However, for accuracy especially with names, it is requested that names be printed in BLOCK LETTERS in handwritten articles.

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December: Frid 1, Sat 2, Wed 6, Thurs 7, Friday 8, Sat 9.

BYO: Drinks, glass, nibbles & laughter.

BOOKINGS: \$15 - 0458 516 275.





2017 CRESWICK GARDEN LOVERS WEEKEND

Saturday 11 November. 9.00am-5.00pm

Sunday 12 November, 9.00am-4.00pm

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Now in its fourth year, this annual community event is organised by Business & Tourism Creswick Inc. The Creswick Garden Lovers Weekend brings together a dedicated group of amateur gardeners, local artisans and creative green thumbs who open their gardens to the public.

This spring garden event showcases private and well known gardens, and celebrates the skills of passionate gardeners in and around Creswick.

Visit and enjoy seven diverse private gardens and chat with their creators, including rural gardens, backyard and courtyard gardens, and evolving gardens. Entry fees have been reduced this year, to just \$5 per garden. Children will have free entry.

Visit outstanding and iconic commercial gardens and nurseries in the region, including: Lambley Gardens & Nursery at Ascot, Brenlissa Nursery at Mt Rowan, Bells Water Gardens, Newlyn Antiques & Cottage Garden Nursery and Maze House, all in Newlyn, and Overwrought Sculpture Garden & Gallery at Blampied.

There will also be the Creswick Garden Club's delightful Flower Show at the Town Hall, basket weaving, ceramic and

glass garden decorations, and more.

Tickets can be purchased on the day at the Creswick Neighbourhood Centre, 19-21 Victoria Street. This is also the collection point for maps.

Please note that there are no EFTPOS facilities at the venue, but there are two ATMs in town. Online bookings are available at www.trybooking.com/309144.

More information is available at www.creswick.net/whats-on/calendar-of-events/. You can also find us on Facebook: Creswick Garden Lovers Weekend, or follow us on Instagram: [@creswick_garden_lovers_weekend](https://www.instagram.com/creswick_garden_lovers_weekend).

A big thank you to our sponsors, Hepburn Shire Council and Creswick Neighbourhood Centre.

Enquiries: info@creswick.net

Marg Giles – 0419 326 453; Sandy Jennings – 0405 717 321



Ophir Cottage Garden

John Curtin Aged Care

Unfortunately, John Curtin Aged Care will not be participating in the Garden Lovers Weekend this year. The building project has resulted in some hazards which would not be conducive to the public enjoying the gardens. Apologies for any inconvenience and the Centre looks forward to a bigger and better event in the future.
Jenni Sewell, CEO.

Will this be the last Kingston Agricultural Show?

The **150th Kingston Agricultural Show** will be celebrated at the Kingston showgrounds on Sunday, 3 December. Look for the show program on the Kingston Agriculture Society's website www.kingstonshow.org.au. It will be available from approximately 18 October. Everyone is most welcome to attend and witness the presentation of special 150th commemorative medals to each champion horse and dairy goat.

That is the good news. The not-so-good news is that these will be the only competitions this year and there will be no other entertainment.

The other not-so-good news is that this will be the **last Show** unless a group comes forward with a well-developed mid-to-long term plan (e.g. 5 - 10 years) for the Show's, (and therefore the Society's), continuance, or with a similar plan for the showground itself to continue to exist. This would need to provide for the preservation of the grandstand and the grounds usage for agricultural and community purposes.

Submission of plans by 10 January, 2018, are invited. These will be considered by the committee at its January 2018 meeting. More details are available on the Society's website.

Kingston Agricultural Society Committee

FIRE READY ? Remove possible fire hazards and materials from your property.

HE WAS ONLY 16

Over the past three years, many events commemorating significant moments and battles of World War I have been acknowledged. On 31 October, the Centenary of the Battle of Beersheba, will be remembered. The great significance of this is that it was the last Cavalry Charge in Military History. Significant also is the fact that many Australian boys took part in that Charge, as part of the 4th Light Horse Regiment. Worthy of acknowledgement is that ten of those men were from the Creswick District. They were:—

Trooper **Harold Thomas Wickham**, born in Creswick, enlisted on 17 March 1917, at Mildura, Service Number 3650. His enlistment papers showed these details; aged 21 years, 5 feet 4½ inches tall, weight 112 pounds, eyes - blue, hair - brown, of Presbyterian faith, a farmer of Walpeup. Next of kin was his uncle, Thomas Bell. After training at Seymour, he sailed on the *Port Lincoln* on 22 June 1917 and disembarked at Suez on 3 August. Harold joined his Regiment at Tel-el-Fara in September and was wounded in action at Beersheba in October. He was taken to the Casualty Clearing Station where he died from multiple gunshot wounds to his legs the following day. In finalising paper work on this young man, it was found that he was the son of Thomas Bell, not the nephew, as he had claimed and that he had been **ONLY 16** at time of enlistment. At most, he was 17 years old at death.

Trooper **Joshua James DIAL**, born in Allendale, 1895, enlisted at Ballarat on 5 January 1915, a 19-year-old labourer, son of Joshua James Dial. He sailed on the *Caledonian* on 10 August from Melbourne, joined C Squadron, 4th Light Horse, at Gallipoli in October 1915; served in the Palestine campaign where he lost the use of his right arm and hand. He spent much time in hospital from then on, as well as Officers' school at Kelah from February to March 1918. Joshua embarked on the *Essex* at Kantara for return to Australia on 15 June 1919, disembarked at Melbourne on 25 July, and discharged medically unfit, due to loss of power in right arm on 16 November 1919.

Trooper **William John GRIGG**, born Newlyn, 1894, enlisted at Ballarat on 15 January 1916, a 21-year-old farmer, son of Richard Grigg. He sailed from Melbourne on the *Itria* on 18 April 1916, landed at Suez on 29 May and joined the 4th Light Horse at Ferry Post from the training camp at Serapeum in February, 1917. William was detached to Hotchkiss Training School Marakeb, from Zeitoun in May 1917, where he passed the Howitzer Gun Course. By August, William was suffering debility and tonsillitis, but re-joined his Regiment at Kazar on 21 August 1917. He became ill again with malaria at Solomon Pools in June 1918. He left the Suez on the Hospital Transport *Leicestershire* for Australia on 22 December 1918. William died at Dean on 13 April 1932, aged only thirty-six.

Trooper **Alfred JOHNSON**, born in Creswick, 1895, enlisted at Broadmeadows on 28 August 1914, a grocer aged 19 years, son of Alfred Johnson of Creswick. He sailed on the *Wiltshire* from Melbourne on 20 October 1914, with C Squadron, and landed at Gallipoli on 25 May. He was transferred to hospital at Malta with shell shock and impaired hearing in August, then transferred to England and admitted to County of London War Hospital, Epsom, in September 1915. Alfred returned to Egypt and re-joined the 4th Light Horse at Tel-el-Kebir on 4 May 1916. He was with the Camel Regiment for a short time, and with 4th Light Horse Headquarters, but re-joined the Regiment on 3 August 1917. After another stint in hospital, he re-joined the Regiment at Tel-el-Fara in October 1917. Alfred spent more time in hospital with myalgia, and then transferred to Port Said in April 1918. Alfred returned to Australia on the *Wiltshire* on 20 August 1918, disembarked at Sydney on 3 October, and was discharged, medically unfit, on 21 October 1918. He returned to live in Creswick where he died 25 September 1945.

Trooper **John Mc ALPINE**, born in Smeaton, 1872, enlisted at Wangaratta on 14 February 1917, a 44-year-old farmer. Next of kin was his brother, Charles Mc Alpine. He embarked at Melbourne on the *Boorara* on 10 May 1917, served with the Veterinary Unit during the voyage and disembarked at Suez on 20 June. From the 4th Light Horse Training Regiment, he was moved to Beach Camp on 13 August 1917. John was transferred to the Casualty Clearing Station suffering diarrhoea in November, 1917 and was discharged to Moascar in December 1917. He re-joined his Regiment at Belah in February, 1918 but was admitted to hospital suffering periostitis of right leg soon after. He was transferred to the Kantara hospital, then to Rest Camp at Port Said, returning to his Regiment in May 1918. He then served at Solomon Pools and Camp Ludd. He embarked on the *Essex* at Kantara for return to Australia on 15 June 1919 and discharged in Melbourne on 24 August 1919.

Trooper **Hugh Francis MISKIN**, born Allendale, 1898, enlisted at Melbourne, 24 January 1916, in 16th Reinforcements, 4th Australian Light Horse, a labourer aged 18, son of Horace E. Miskin, Allendale. He embarked at Melbourne on the *Itria* on 18 April 1916, and disembarked at Suez on 29 May. He was transferred from 1st Light Horse Training Regiment at Tel-el-Kebir to Serapeum on 29 May, 1916, then to 1st Double Squadron in July, and to Camel Corps at Moascar in November. Hugh was admitted to Military Hospital, Cairo, suffering debility in May, 1917. He moved to the School of Instruction at Zeitoun in June, 1917. In July he entered the Hotchkiss General Course for instruction and then re-joined his Regiment at Kazar soon after. Hugh was charged with Conduct Prejudiced to Good Order and received Military Discipline in April, 1919, in that he left Camp without a permit, and was fined two days' pay. He embarked at Kantara on 15 June on the *Essex* for return

to Australia, and disembarked at Melbourne on 25 July. Hugh was discharged in Melbourne on 8 September 1919.

Trooper **Ernest Henry NETHERBY**, born in Creswick, enlisted at Mortlake on 18 July 1915, in 9th Reinforcements, 4th Light Horse, a 24-year-old labourer. Next of kin his foster mother, Mrs. Sarah A. Howells, *The Pines*, Mount Cole, near Ararat. He sailed from Melbourne on the *Hororata* on 27 September 1915, with 9th Reinforcements, 4th Light Horse and posted to C Squadron at Heliopolis on 2 January, 1916. Ernest was admitted to hospital with mumps in early March and discharged on 21 March. On 23 March, he was charged with gambling in camp. He was found guilty and sentenced to 168 hours' detention. Ernest was killed in action at Palestine on 2 May 1918 and was buried four miles east of Jordan. Mrs. Howells had fostered Ernest as an infant and raised him as one of her own. His blood relatives would not be known 'by anyone living now', she said. She would receive all medals until a closer next of kin might be found.

Captain **John PARKIN**, later Major was born in Kingston in 1877. A former student from Geelong Grammar School, and with some Military experience he enlisted at Broadmeadows on 18 August 1914, aged 37 years. His next of kin was his brother, Thomas Parkin of *Pine Grove*, Kingston. He sailed from Melbourne on the *Wiltshire* on 19 October 1914, and landed at Gallipoli on 24 May 1915. John was appointed Captain and Commanding Officer of C Squadron, 4th Light Horse in early June. He contracted dysentery and was shipped on the *Gascon* to Gibraltar, then to England and admitted to 3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth and treated for paratyphoid. John returned to Australia on the *Marathon* on 8 August 1916. He disembarked at Melbourne on 24 September and was admitted to hospital at MacLeod. John then sailed from Sydney on the *Port Lincoln* on 11 June 1917, to return to the Front and landed at Suez on 6 August. He re-joined the 4th Light Horse Regiment at Tel-el-Fara and was appointed Temporary Commanding Officer of C Squadron on 20 October. He served during the Palestinian and Syrian campaigns. John was seconded to Australian Mounted Division as Claims Officer on 21 March 1918, but became ill with thrombosis a couple of days later. He returned to 4th Light Horse at Tripoli in January 1919 and was appointed Temporary Major. He returned to Australia on the *Essex* on 15 June 1919 and disembarked at Melbourne 25 July. His Appointment was terminated on 23 September 1919. John Parkin died at Creswick in 1951, aged 74.

Trooper **William Royal SELKIRK**, born Allendale, 1896, enlisted at Ballarat on 8 November 1915, a 19-year-old coach builder. His next of kin was his widowed mother, Mrs. Christina Selkirk. He sailed from Melbourne on the *Itria* on 18 April 1916, with 16th Reinforcements, 4th Light Horse and disembarked at Suez on 29 May. He went into Training Camps at Serapeum and El Ferdan, then to Ferry Post with 4th Light Horse in February, 1917. William served in the Palestine Campaign, was shot in the head in an attack



Members of the Creswick Light Horse Troop at a recent ANZAC parade

on the Turks at Summeil on 10 November, was taken to Mounted Division Field Ambulance, but died of his wounds.

Trooper **Stanley George WOODS**, born Broomfield, 1890. He enlisted at Ballarat on 5 February 1917. His next of kin was his wife, Mrs. Louisa Jane Woods, 9 Skipton Street, Ballarat. He sailed from Melbourne on the *Boorara* on 10 May 1917, and disembarked at Suez on 29 June. Stanley joined the 4th Light Horse in August 1917, as it was leaving the beach camp near Marakeb for Kazar. Stanley served during the Palestine and Syrian Campaigns. He reported ill, with facial sores near Shilta in December 1917. He was sent to Rest Camp at Port Said and returned to training at Moascar in January 1918. Stanley re-joined the Regiment at Tripoli in November and was with the 4th Light Horse when it returned to Egypt in February 1919. Stanley boarded the *Essex* for return to Australia on 19 June 1919, disembarking at Melbourne on 25 July. He was discharged on 24 August 1919 and died at Yarraville in 1956, age 67.

Of such were the men of the 4th Light Horse, ordinary Aussie blokes, some still developing into grown men, some deprived of that maturity by war. All doing their part in conflict. Note that three of them sailed on the *Itria*, and two on the *Boorara*. These are the men who will be remembered on 31 October.

Lest We Forget

Creswick & District Historical Society

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New Ashes Walls

Finally the Creswick Cemetery's new ashes walls are complete. Thank you to Daryl, Bev, James, Paul and Wendy for moving everyone's ashes and making sure they were placed carefully in the new wall. The small vases should be reattached shortly. Absolutely **NO** large vases or ornaments are to be placed in the Rotunda.

If you require a small vase please speak to Wendy so she can let you know the requirements. If you are having trouble locating the ashes of someone who was shifted please give Wendy a ring- 0412 382 267.

Thank you to the Langi Kal Kal work crew for making the new rose frame at the cemetery and to Bev for the donation of a lovely pink climbing rose. It is looking lovely.

Wendy Ohlsen Secretary Cemetery Trust



John Curtin Aged Care Building Project nearing completion

John Curtin Aged Care is very pleased to announce that the current building project is nearing completion. An entire wing has been upgraded and extended, Reception and Administration areas have been renewed, and work is continuing on the new laundry, the upgrade of the kitchen, a Café and the residents' Gymnasium.

The 33rd Annual General Meeting of John Curtin Aged Care will be held at 7.00pm on Monday 23 October in the Bill Huntley Function Room. Directly following the meeting, the new wing will be officially opened with a ribbon cutting and an art exhibition.

Please feel welcome to join us at this celebration, and to help us thank our major donor, Creswick & District Community Bank®. RSVP is required for catering purposes by 16 October, by phone 5345 9999 or email info@jcac.org.au



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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

33rd Annual General Meeting of

John Curtin Aged Care Inc.

Monday 23 October, 2017, 7.00pm, Cushing Ave,
Creswick.

BUSINESS:

- Confirm minutes of previous Annual General Meeting
- Receive the report of the Board and audited Statements of Accounts for year to 30 June, 2017
- Election of Board members
- Qualifications for membership
- Presentation of Life Governors
- Transaction of any business of which at least seven (7) days' notice has been given.

NOTE

Nominations for election of Board Members on the prescribed nomination form close with the undersigned on Friday, 14 October, 2017.

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Creswick Lions Club

In September five members of the Creswick Lions Club, along with 500 other Lions, attended a reception at Government House, hosted by State Governor Linda Desau to mark the centenary of foundation of Lions International in America. Today Lions Clubs International extends the mission of service – in local communities, with 46,000 clubs in in over 200 countries. The needs are great and services broad, including sight, health, youth, elderly, the environment and disaster relief. At the local level our club serves the Creswick and District community by supporting organisations and individuals as well as helping out with welfare needs. Being a Lion is a fulfilling experience open to members of all ages.

Regrettably, we have had to cancel the upcoming Garage Sale. Many of our members are aging and unable to do the heavy lifting required to collect, store and transport the many heavy items donated. The garage sales have been a major source of funds distributed through the community, thanks to the tireless work of Max Ainley and his band of helpers. The Lions Club would like to continue with some form of this activity but need an organization or club to partner with and share profits. If any group would like to discuss this see the contact details below.

A magnificent rocking horse made by members of the Creswick Men's Shed, will be the main prize in the upcoming Christmas Raffle.

As always we invite interested members of the community to come to a meeting to meet with current Lions. Contact Membership Chairperson, Bernardette (0419 326 052), for more information. We meet on the second Monday of the month at the RSL Hall.

Pat Tacey, Secretary Lions Club of Creswick 0429 581 591 or creswick@lions201v1-4.org.au



Creswick & District Historical Society

This week is a very full one for this Society. The display in the RSL Hall opens on Saturday, 21 October at 2.30p.m. The Beersheba Commemorative Dinner will be held that evening in the Town Hall with guest speaker Mr. Richard Bradley, author of the History of the Light Horse. The Exhibition will be manned all week and somewhere, in there, the usual monthly meeting will be held in the Seniors' Club Rooms on Thursday, 26 October at 2.00pm.

Do join us, we might need to be propped up in a corner. Hopefully, the main agenda item will be 'where will we go for Christmas Dinner?'

Hon. Sec. 5345 1310



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Gorse eradication is not a one-off job, it is ongoing. Be vigilant and spray or remove new growth as it appears. If your property adjoins a property with a gorse problem, please contact the property owner or the authority responsible for maintenance of that land - their gorse problem is putting you at risk. Help keep our environment safe.

Bald Hills - Creswick Landcare Group

Correction. The September Bald Hills-Creswick Landcare article titled *Tree Planting Day* incorrectly stated that Mitch Flogg from the Hepburn Shire Parks and Gardens staff assisted. This should have read that Mitch Hogg assisted.

Senior Cits

Each day we get a hint of better weather which is yet to come. However, there was no 'hinting' at the wonderful *Australia Sings Choir*, it was full on great entertainment. Next Social Day, 27 October, will be the usual hot lunch followed by the *Celtic Band* to entertain. Seniors Flower Show, also on that day, will surely be a grand display worth seeing.

The November Social Day will be afternoon tea with the *Vintage Brass Band* to entertain. There will not be lunch on this day.

As Christmas is quite near a reminder date for the calendar is Christmas Lunch on Sunday, 10 December. Get well wishes to anyone on the sick list.

June Gray, 5334 6526



Apex Club 50 year Celebration

Members of Creswick OASIS and former members of Creswick Apex Club at a recent dinner to celebrate 50 years since the formation of Apex in Creswick.



Top Left: Barry and Eileen Coveney

*Top Right: John Bunn
President of Creswick OASIS*



Left: Robert and Glenda Hipwell, and Elaine Wrigley (back)

*Below: Aileen Preston
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11th Annual BBQ and Community Get-together

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There will be a local band jamming 'At the Station' throughout the afternoon and Captain Koala has been booked to entertain the kids one more time! After ten BBQs, we have mastered the proceedings with Dazza's Quality Meats for the BBQ, gas from Vic LPG and great door prizes from those kind enough to support our gathering.

This annual event is a great time to chat with the fire brigade and catch up with your community, so we will look forward to seeing you there on the 29th. Please consider bringing a salad or a sweet to contribute.

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Photo by Ray Spencer

Creswick Photo Prize Wrap Up

This inaugural event, held during the Ballarat International Foto Biennale, was appreciated by all who visited, with many comments about the high standard of the images. The Creswick & District Community Bank® Award was given to Melissa Jane Cachia for her sepia-toned *Silent Lake*.

Apart from three Highly Commended entries, (Leslie Scott, Donna Crebbin and Charmaine Hardy), the Peoples' Choice Award went to local photographer Donna Fernando for *Hay Bales at Sunset*. Thanks to the Creswick & District Community Bank® for their sponsorship of this Award.

The input of Patron Jeff Moorfoot, OAM, and Judge Julie Millowick was central to it being a successful event. The CRWA inc Arts Group of Peter Mc Arthur, Xersa Farrance and Judy Henderson look forward to doing it all again in 2018!

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St Augustine's Primary School Students in Japanese national costume.

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Creswick Capers The Music Time Machine

Creswick Primary School knows how to do things in a big way. The recent school musical performance was another great example of just that! All the children worked together to perform *The Music Time Machine* for the whole community. Each class level selected a decade from which to choose music and choreographed some amazing dancing.



With about 200 visitors attending the matinee and around 400 attending the evening performance, the multi-purpose building was bursting at the seams. The costumes were colourful and elaborate and left you in no doubt of the time zone they were related to. The amazing outfits were worn by some very excited and energetic students who surprised all who watched with their precision and stage awareness.

With dancing and singing to music such as *Ghost Busters*, *Girls Just Want To Have Fun*, *YMCA*, *Nutbush*, *ABC*, *'What does the fox say?'* – the audience soon found themselves tapping their feet in time with the beat of these timeless classics. The older students displayed gusto, rhythm and skill whilst the younger student added cuteness and confidence beyond their years!



The performances were compered by student leaders who did an outstanding job introducing each act and controlling the seamless movement of classes on and off the stage.

2018 Enrolments and Planning

This year is still a long way from being over but already the planning for next year has begun.

To assist the school with preparations for next year, we ask families with new Foundation/Prep students to complete enrolment forms as soon as possible and bring them to the office. If any families would like a school tour, please contact the office on 5345 2044.

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St Augustine's News

School Sports Day



On 15 September, all students participated in the school athletics sports held at school. The event was well attended, team spirit was high and many students went that extra yard to dress in house colours to support their team. It was a fantastic occasion and highlights how well our students can compete and support each at the same time. Competition was fierce right until the end, with Gold team receiving the most points at the end of the day.

The community support was amazing. Thanks for taking the time to share the day with us; your efforts were much appreciated by all. Our P&F Committee organised and cooked a sausage sizzle for us all; it was another highlight of a very successful day. Thanks to Wazza and all staff for the brilliantly organised day.

Earlier in the month, the Year 5/6 class ventured to Melbourne to attend a three-day urban camp. From all accounts, the experience was extremely worthwhile and all returned with amazing stories of their adventures.

On Friday 22 September, the last day for term three, the school celebrated by coming dressed in their favourite football team colours. The day started with a parade of all the colours followed by fun footy activities to lead up to recess at 11:00am.

Enjoy the month

Terry Brennan

Principal

Artists Exhibition

Student Art in Creswick Shops

Pavilion Arts Creswick would like to thank all the primary school children who have allowed their art work to be displayed in the shop windows. In the ten days prior to the Creswick & District Artists' Exhibition (4 -7 November), the displays will be repeated. Due to customer interest, many supportive shopkeepers requested this happen. Good for Business! Good for the reputation of Creswick and district - a cradle for Budding Artists.

All district students are welcome to participate. Email us with your details. **Don't miss out!!!**

Sizes are A4 and A3. Photography, painting, mosaic or any medium is acceptable and encouraged. Show us what you love about the place you live in – people, animals, nature, home or landscape –the choice is yours.

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Further information available on the Kingston Agricultural Society's website www.kingstonshow.org.au.

Garden Club News

Hello fellow gardeners,

November 7 is the Club's next meeting, which again will be the Melbourne Cup day Progressive Luncheon.

This involves visiting four gardens, nibbles at first garden followed by soup, sandwiches and sweets back at the senior Citizens rooms in time to watch the big race. The cost for the day is \$10, everyone is welcome but the Club does need to know if you're planning on joining us a week before, as the event is catered for.

December 5 meeting is the Club's Christmas lunch break up. Again it is catered for by a local chef so we need to know if you are attending by Friday 17 November. Price for lunch will be \$30pp, Senior Citizens Club rooms at 12.30pm. Please remember to bring a posy to exchange as a gift. It can be flowers, herbs, or foliage; whatever you have in your garden.

To book a spot for these events, please call Phyllis on 5345 2514 or Leanne on 0437 518 159



Kingston Friends of the Avenue

Kingston Open Gardens takes place on Saturday, 18 November, the weekend after the Creswick Garden Lovers' Weekend.

Three very different gardens will be open between 10.00am to 4.00pm. The cost to view the three gardens is \$10. Tickets will be available on the day at the feature garden, the former Kingston Primary School. Many of you have been filled with curiosity as the garden has developed – this will be your chance to take a look!

Food and refreshments will be available. There will also be a plant stall and entertainment at one of the gardens.

Thank you to Hocking Stuart for their sponsorship and to the gardeners for being so generous in inviting us to see their creations.

BOOK LAUNCH

Peter Rickard's book, *Sentinels of Service – Volunteers of the Kingston Avenue of Honour*, will be officially launched at 2.00pm on the Open Garden Day by Dr Robert Webster, President of the Victoria RSL. This will take place at the corner of Kingston and Victoria Roads. Please look out for signage. The book will be available for purchase and representatives from local organisations will be given a free copy.

Other Events:

Saturday, 21 October – Creswick Market plant stall

Saturday, 11 November at 11.00am
Remembrance Day Service at the Monument
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Companion and Farm Animals



1st Creswick Scout Group Queen Scout Award

Creswick Joeys, Cubs, Scouts and Venturers have had a busy year with many youth members completing major badge work and a lot of the Cubs preparing to go to Cuborree at Gillwell Park in Gembrook. The Group would like to take this opportunity to thank the community for their support with the Cuborree fundraising including Creswick & District Community Bank® Branch, Lions Club and Victoria Street Craft Group. The Cubs head off on their great adventure on Tuesday, 3 October.

The Group would like to welcome Hayden Wilson (Whiteclaw) as Assistant Cub Leader supporting Sara Jones to provide Joey and Cub programs for six to ten and a half year olds on Thursday nights.

The Scout Troop has also been very busy, preparing for Cohen Shield, a camping competition held in the Ballarat District annually in October. Jennie Boyd and Darren Hand are providing fantastic Scouting programs for ten and a half to fourteen year olds on Monday night.

The Venturer Unit has also been busy having fun and working towards their Venturer Award and Queen Scout Award. **Rowan Meehan is to be congratulated on attaining his Queen Scout Award**, which will be presented on 15 October, 11.00am at the Scout Hall, followed by a State Presentation at Government House at a later date. Rowan is the first Queen Scout in Creswick in three years and plans to continue being involved in Scouting and applying for RMIT using his Queen Scout experience. Venturers supports fourteen to seventeen year olds and meets on Thursday nights.

For more information: <https://scoutsvictoria.com.au>



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100 YEARS AGO

Compiled by Creswick Museum

October 2, 1917

Kooroocheang- Much enthusiasm is being shown by local residents in the approaching entertainment in connection with the State School Patriotic Fund and favored with fine weather the usual good time should be experienced.

October 5, 1917

The recent fine weather had been the means of attracting snakes from their holes. On Tuesday, Mr. R. Wall (Sexton at the local cemetery) killed a large black snake which two ladies had almost stood on. It is reported that a very large reptile was also killed at the botanical gardens this week.

October 9, 1917

Creswick Bowling Club and Tennis Club – Smoke night social on Saturday evening, 13th October, at 8 o'clock in American Hotel meeting room. Presentation of trophies, musical programme. Tickets 3s. T. McIndoe, Sec.

October 12, 1917

A meeting of the creditors of the Creswick Gas Company will be held at the office, Cambridge street, on Thursday, 25th October, at 4 pm. The business is to determine whether an application shall be made to the court for the appointment of any person as liquidator in the place of or jointly with the liquidator appointed by the company, or for the appointment of a committee of inspection.

October 16, 1917

A consignment just dispatched by the Creswick branch of the Red Cross Society to headquarters contained 86 shirts and 60 pairs of socks.

October 19, 1917

A local poultry fancier has a pen of five black Orpington pullets, hatched in November 1916, and from the 28th July to 11th October 1917, they laid 273 eggs, an average of 3.36 or nearly 3 ½ eggs per day. For the first 14 days of this month the five pullets laid 58 eggs, being an average of 4 1/7 eggs per day.

October 23, 1917

The curt official announcement that for the first time the mail from Western Australia, and by way of Freemantle to the old world, would be carried over the trans-continental line last week is a reminder that in spite of war the development of Australia has not wholly ceased.

October 26, 1917

The Christmas mail to soldiers abroad filled 12,130 bags, which is a record. It was made up of 961 bags of letters, newspapers and packets, and 11,169 parcels. Of the total consignment, 9,562 bags were dispatched from Victoria, as compared with 8,545 forwarded at this time last year.

October 30, 1917

So far the preliminary arrangements necessary for the establishment of a knitting and hosiery factory in Creswick have not been completed, this being due to the fact that the capital for the plant which the residents are expected to raise has not been fully subscribed.

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OPEN: Monday – Friday 8.30am – 5.00pm
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Wednesday 25 October 10.30am.

Baby Rhyme Time will follow at 11.30am.

Free session

Parents' Club at the Hub

Mothers, fathers and carers of babies and pre-school aged children are invited to this informal group to connect with other parents in the Creswick area.

Every Tuesday at 11.00am.

Baby Rhyme Time Sessions. between 10.30am and 11.30am

Reminder: We have a Home Library Service for those people who are unable to get into the Library because of illness or accident. This can be a temporary or long term service. For more details please see the staff or phone the Creswick Hub.

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Creswick's Centenary of Beersheba Events

Commemorative Dinner and World War I Exhibition

The Creswick-Smeaton RSL, in conjunction with the Creswick and District Historical Society and the Creswick Light Horse Troop are combining to host two events to mark the Centenary of the famous Charge at Beersheba by the Australian Light Horse.

The first is a Commemorative Dinner on Saturday 21 October 2017, 6.30pm for 7.00pm in the Creswick Town Hall; medals may be worn. It is fortunate that Phillip Bradley, one of Australia's leading military historians and author of the recently published book, *The Australian Light Horse* has agreed to speak at this Commemorative Dinner. The cost is \$40 for a three course meal and drinks included. Contact Val Lawrence 5345 1310 or Michael Clark 5345 1161 for tickets.

The second event is a week-long **exhibition of World War I and Red Cross Memorabilia**, including some items from the Charge itself. The Exhibition will be in the Creswick RSL Hall in Albert St from Saturday 21 October to Sunday 29 October. The Creswick Light Horse Troop will provide a living exhibition of one or more kitted horses and uniformed Troopers on each of the weekend days. Opening hours are 9.30am to 4.00pm.

The Exhibition will be opened by Mr Phillip Bradley at the RSL Memorial Hall, Albert St, Creswick at 2.30pm on Saturday 21 October, 2017.

Both events will help reveal why this charge ('the last cavalry charge in history') is such a significant part of Australia's history. The feature article elsewhere in this issue makes real the connection that Creswick has with this important event.

The organisers gratefully acknowledge the support of the local Branch of the Creswick and District Community Bank® Branch in the running of these events.

Michael Clark

Christmas in Creswick

There is a group in town called *Christmas in Creswick* and the members have been working all year for our town's Christmas decorations. They have been running raffles with the major one at the start of the year followed by Wood raffles. There is a Sausage Sizzle in Ballarat still to come and a few more Christmas raffles. The members of the group have been working hard to make this a wonderful Christmas for everyone to enjoy.

The Creswick & District Community Bank® Branch were the first to contribute to the Christmas event. The RACV Goldfields Resort were second with a very generous donation. The Hepburn Shire Council along with local shops and businesses have contributed with prizes. The members of the group could go on and on like the Grammy Awards thanking everyone. So a BIG THANK YOU to all. The Creswick Men's Shed have outdone themselves once again. Thank you very much.

It is hoped to have the decorations up by the first of December. The job of putting up the decorations will take two days. The Lights in the shops will also start on 1 December. To allow the people of Creswick to vote for their Favourite Window or display there will be boxes outside the Chemist and the Newsagents. A trophy will be presented to the winner and it is hoped that this will continue each year.

The children of the three Creswick and Newlyn primary schools are making lovely wooden Christmas decorations to add to the shop windows which have been supplied by the Timber Training Centre. A Christmas tree, supplied by Parks Victoria, will be erected outside the RSL Hall.

Santa will be visiting Creswick this year on 15, 22 and 23 December in the RSL Hall where family members can take photos for themselves. The members of *Christmas in Creswick* are excited with what has been achieved so far and hope everyone will enjoy the Christmas season.

If anyone would like to join in, and if you feel you have something to contribute, please ring Jan on 0488 426 336.

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Creswick/Smeaton RSL News

The next few months are going to be busy for all the sub-Branch members.

The Exhibition in the RSL Hall and the Beersheba Commemorative Dinner will be coming to fruition in the next week or so. It has been a lot of work for RSL and Historical Society members. Full details in a separate article in this issue.

The RSL has joined the modern social media age. For some time we have had a web-site set up and maintained by Phil Greenbank. Now, courtesy of the talents of Major Liz Boulton, there is a Facebook page and a Twitter Account.

The various addresses are:

Web Site: <http://www.creswicksmeatonrsl.org.au/>

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The selling of Remembrance Day poppies and tokens will take place early November, and there are a number of services around the district to organise.

The sub-Branch have been fortunate enough to be given a slot to conduct a Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings later in November. That should help balance the books! Planning for the Christmas function, at a date to be decided, is also underway.

Michael Clark

Creswick Anglers Club

Annual Award

Once again Shane Jeffery out fished other members to remain Club Champion for the season 2016 to 2017. Shane, his family, and other members attended our annual dinner and presentation night, which was held at the historic railway station. An open fire along with good food greeted our invited guests who were impressed with the hospitality a small club can offer.



Shane Jeffery

Members are involved in the Ballarat Hatchery, fish care and the Ballarat and District Angling Association - Creswick has it all. Members assist fisheries with the release of fish at Hepburn, Newlyn, Dean and Cosgraves, which have all been stocked with rainbow and brown trout. St George's and the back pool of Calembeen have been stocked with yellow belly.

For any information required email Alison on alisonclair_birch@hotmail.com

Judy Rienets

Victoria Street Craft Group

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Saturday October 21, Creswick North Primary School, Market Day, Info 0447 654 071, 0418 597 230

Saturday October 21, Creswick & District Historical Society *Battle of Beersheba Commemorative Dinner* Creswick Town Hall 6.00pm. Bookings Michael 5345 1161 Val 5345 1310.

Saturday October 28, Ballroom Dancing, Creswick Neighbourhood Centre Hall, 2.00pm – 6.00pm Entry \$5 Please bring plate. Elizabeth 0402 777 852

Sunday October 29, Voga Cycling Club, Junior Social MTB ride, Hammon Park, 11.00am www.vogacycleclub.com.au

Saturday & Sunday November 11-12 Creswick Garden Lovers Weekend. Enquiries: info@creswick.net

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

Saturday, 18 November, Kingston Friends Open Gardens, 10am – 4pm

Sunday November 19, Voga Cycling Club, The Brackenbury MTB Challenge, Hammon Park, www.vogacycleclub.com.au

Thursday November 30, Creswick Theatre Company, Opening Night, *Riverboat Follies*, by Carol Cole.

Friday, Saturday December 15, 16. Town Hall Market. Calling for interested Stall Holders and Community Groups for this special pre-Christmas Town Hall Market: Friday 5.00pm-8.00pm, Saturday 9.00am – 2.00pm Call Jan 0437 092 747 for more details. Be Quick!

REGULAR AND ONGOING EVENTS

Anglicare Emergency Food Relief - second Tuesday. Centrelink card holders. Blankets available winter months. St Johns Anglican Church Hall, Napier Street 10.00am-11.30am

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 every month. 7.30pm 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 0459981066 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 10.30am and 11.30am. Wednesday 11.30am

Creswick Lions Club second Monday every month. 7.00pm R.S.L. Hall. Fourth Monday location to be advised Carolyn Garguilo Pres. 0417 349 049, Pat Tacey Sec. 0429 581 591

Creswick Market - Creswick Neighbourhood Centre, Third Saturday every month 9.00am-1.00pm A happy small town market, Bookings 5345 2357 creswickmarket.com.au

Creswick Museum - Open 11.00am-3.30pm Saturday and Sunday every week and Public Holidays 5345 2845 Currently closed for renovations creswickmuseum.org.au

Creswick Pre-School Childcare Fridays - School Terms. 9.00am to 1.00pm Bookings ECKA 5339 5055

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 Hall

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

Joey's, Cubs, Scouts and Venturers - every Thursday during school term. Tony or Verena 5345 6154 or Amanda Pascoe 5345 2228

Movies at Court House Theatre - third Friday every month. 7.30pm entry by donation

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

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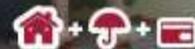
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