

REDHEAP REVISITED

A guide to 1896 Creswick based on Norman Lindsay's novel *Redheap* has recently been published by Creswick newcomer, Andrew Bell.

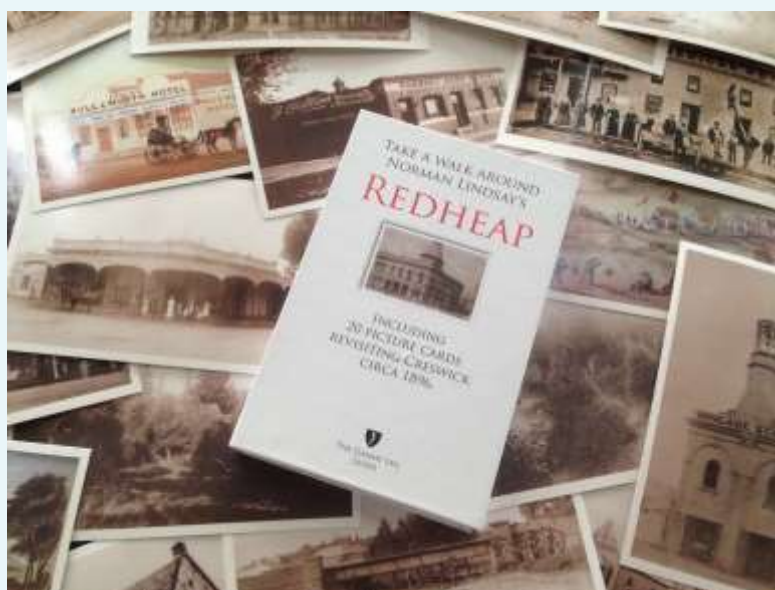
Andrew's maternal grandparents came from Creswick and he and his siblings used to holiday in Bald Hills Road as young children. On a visit fifty years later, with a copy of *Redheap* tucked under his arm, Andrew was astounded by how many locations in the book were still recognizable. Inspired by this, he decided to track down other sights that had long disappeared.

Redheap is the pseudonym given to Creswick by Lindsay, named for the red mullock heaps left over from the gold diggings. The guide, consisting of twenty picture cards, follows in the footsteps of Robert Piper, the protagonist of Lindsay's novel, through his romantic dalliances, pranks and general adventures about town. Accompanied by extracts from the novel, we revisit some of Creswick's forgotten old sights; including the imposing Fire Brigade bell tower that once soared behind the Town Hall; and the stone parapets of Davies Bridge, over which Robert Piper leaned to watch the sluggish flow of Creswick creek. (Some things never change.)

So, take a walk around Norman Lindsay's Redheap, and see how Creswick appeared 120 years ago. You'll be surprised at how much has changed – and how much hasn't.

A deluxe hardcover version is available at Creswick Post Office and The Bean & Barrow Café, and a softcover version is available at the Creswick Visitor Information Centre.

Andrew Bell



Creswick Band Members Tour of Austria

See story on pages 10 and 11



Rob in Lederhosen

Creswick District News

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Creswick District News AGM

**Tuesday August 21,
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Creswick Information Centre

Creswick & District Aquatic Centre Inc AGM

Creswick Neighborhood Centre

**Wednesday 5 September
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**Tuesday, 18 September,
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Monthly Totals as sent to Bureau of Meteorology by Frank Slade,

	2017 mm	2018 mm
January	34	30
February	37	6.5
March	44.4	30
April	106.5	17
May	39.5	93.5
June	12.5	68
July	72.7	79
August	59.3	
September	51.5	
October	64	
November	55.1	
December :	58.5	

CHILDREN'S PHOTOGRAPHY EVENT

**September 28 – 30,
Creswick Town Hall**

This event is a part of the Creswick Museum's Norman Lindsay Magic Pudding Children's Festival and is facilitated by the Creswick Railway Workshops Assoc. Inc. Awards are being sponsored by the Creswick Community Bank® and Creswick Business & Tourism.

More information is available on
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Creswick Photography Prize -
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FUTURE OF FORESTRY EDUCATION IN CRESWICK

Community Meeting



A community meeting was held recently to discuss the future of education at the University of Melbourne's rural campus in Creswick, the former Victorian School of Forestry. The University has released its plans for the future of its forestry Masters program, which include rebranding the program and moving much of it to Melbourne, to be based 'mostly out of the Parkville campus'.

Enrolments in forestry have declined in recent years and the University hopes that moving the course to Melbourne will see student numbers go back up. The relocation of the program to the city will mean that the majority of forestry coursework will no longer be based in Creswick, though some forestry courses, forestry research and coursework for other disciplines will still continue at the historic campus.

The meeting took place at the Creswick Town Hall, with over fifty concerned locals attending. Leon Holt, meeting organiser and Creswick graduate, said 'we were very happy with the turnout, it just shows how much the community cares about maintaining Creswick's long history as the home of forestry'.

State MP Louise Staley was present at the meeting to hear the community's concerns, as was Hepburn Shire Councillor and Deputy Mayor, Cr Don Henderson, and a representative from the office of Catherine King MP, the Federal member for Ballarat. Councillor Henderson opened the meeting, reflecting on the long history of forestry in Creswick. 'The School of Forestry is an important part of this town's history and helps the local economy, we want to work with the University to make sure it has a strong future here', he said.

Professor Ian Woodrow, Head of the School of Ecosystem and Forest Science, spoke on behalf of the University of

Melbourne. He told the meeting, 'we have been working on our plan for the forestry Masters for over a year, and we have listened closely to all our stakeholders. The new course will build on what we already offer. With more subjects based in Parkville, we expect student numbers to increase, and that's a good outcome for forest science education'.

The meeting ran for over an hour and a half, with many locals and others connected to the historic school getting a chance to have their say. Leon Holt said, 'it was great to hear how well-informed the community is about this issue, I think the University got the message - if there's any way for them to keep the forestry Masters program based in Creswick, that's what we want to see happen'.

Meeting organisers will be preparing a submission to the University of Melbourne, calling on the University to suspend their planned changes to the current forestry Masters program. Leon Holt said, 'there's definitely more that can be done before committing to these big changes, we want to work with the University, the forestry industry and the government to find a way to keep the forestry Masters program focused on teaching foresters, and to keep it based at the historic School of Forestry in Creswick'.

'Courses like forestry should be taught at rural campuses like Creswick, where the forests actually are, not in the middle of Melbourne.' - Leon Holt, Forester and Creswick graduate

Concerned members of the public can still have their voice heard by getting in touch with event organisers at leon.holt@hotmail.com or signing the Change.org petition (just search 'save Creswick, home of forestry').

HONOUR ROLL INDUCTEE 2018

DOUGLAS MCLEAN LINDSAY 1904-1974



Douglas McLean Lindsay (known as Doug), was born in Kerang, Victoria on 30 June 1904, the elder child of John and Alice Lindsay. He had a younger sister, Jean. He grew up in Kerang and completed his education at the local High School (by coincidence, being taught by E. J. Semmens who was later at the Creswick School of Forestry). Doug finished his schooling at Year 11 – Leaving Certificate, but returned to the school after the summer holidays as a teacher of Maths and English.

After a year or two of teaching, Doug returned to work on the family farm as his father was ill. He later applied for and started work as a reporter on the *Kerang Times*. He was still working there in 1928 when, on a train trip, he met Talbot Nolan who was then the owner of the *Creswick Advertiser* and was in need of an Editor. An agreement was reached and Doug moved to Creswick as Editor of the *Creswick* paper which was then published twice weekly.

The company was not simply a newspaper. It was a thriving printing business that did work for scores of businesses throughout the Ballarat district and further afield.

As Editor, Doug also had the responsibility of reporting the doings of all the many organisations, clubs and sporting teams, local news and anything else that happened in

Creswick. Of course this gave him entree to all of these entities and eventually he joined many of them and took office in several.

In 1941, Doug married Marguerite (Marge) who also became involved with the newspaper, particularly supporting Doug when he was ill in 1960, when she edited the paper while he recovered. They lived at first in Clunes Road before moving to 118 Napier Street and they had three children: Jennifer (1943), David (1946) and Jeanette (1949).

In the late 1930s Doug became State Secretary of the Potato Growers Association of Victoria, a position he held for many years. Coming from a farming background, he had a broad appreciation of problems affecting farming people and retained a personal interest in country affairs and betterment of country towns.

Doug started and published a weekly newspaper called *Potato Grower News* which had a circulation to local producers, national and even overseas organisations; and his enthusiasm, work and advice was greatly appreciated by growers. During WWII especially, farmers were anxious to know what was happening in the industry under wartime controls, as potatoes were considered to be an essential food and the Government supported production. This involvement continued until his retirement in 1974.

As well as his duties at the paper, Doug became involved in nearly every community organisation around the town and district. He was a Government appointee on the Creswick Hospital Committee for over thirty years until his death. He was Treasurer for many years and President of this Committee from 1941 to 1943. In the Annual Report of 1974/75, the Senior Vice President, Mr Colin Wrigley, expressed the Board's sympathy and acknowledged his outstanding contribution to the Committee.

Doug was on the Committee of Management of the Koala Park and St. Georges Lake Reserve. This was a Government appointment, as noted in the *Victorian Government Gazette*. Mr Lindsay served on the Committee of the Koala Park and St Georges Lake Reserve until his death. He played a part in the Elderly Citizens' Club, Creswick Progress Association, Creswick Swimming Club, Creswick Golf Club, Creswick Tennis Club, Sportsmen's Club, Anglers' Club and the Clunes Football League, which Creswick was part of at that time.

Calembeen Park was important to the town - the centre of town in summer - special trains coming from Melbourne for swimming and diving competitions and *Music for the People*. Many people will recall the Australia

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Day Carnivals and the Miss Creswick Competition. Doug was on this Committee for at least twenty-six years.

Doug was a long-time member of the Board of Management of St Andrew's Church, of which he was an Elder. He also served as a Justice of the Peace for many years. Doug was a regular and talented member of a troupe of singers and actors called the *St. Andrews Players* who entertained throughout the district over many years. Marge, who was also a member, and Doug often played opposite each other in productions.

His community involvement also extended to teaching clubs how to conduct meetings. Doug was a member of the Creswick Havilah Lodge for fifty years, being Master of the Lodge from 1941 to 1942 and Treasurer from 1956 to 1970.

At the *Creswick Advertiser* Doug Lindsay and his business partners moved their business from a very old run-down building on the site of the ANZ Bank, (now Twin Needles) and erected a new, purpose-built premises in Albert Street. This was a real confidence booster for the town. The paper usually sustained about five families and did so for decades. It was the second oldest continuing newspaper in Victoria, after the *Geelong Advertiser*.

Doug showed real leadership qualities in the way he treated people equally. He did not take sides and whilst urged to stand for Council on many occasions, he always took the middle ground so that everyone could get a fair hearing. He was courted by both sides of politics but always treated them equally and courteously.

Through his position with the paper, Doug was instrumental in creating appeal funds for people who had suffered disasters, and district people always contributed strongly. For years there was a radio appeal for funds on 3CV (Bendigo) for all the hospitals of the region, and Doug was the voice of Creswick Hospital. He was also the usual suspect when a compere was required for events like a beauty pageant at Calembeen Park on Australia Day, or *Music for the People* concerts in the pines behind the lake.

Doug and his business partners worked right through the Depression years, through the wartime and post-war years when times were tough for everyone. They sustained the district with information that was vital for everybody's spirits.

Doug was highly regarded by his peers. Many tributes were given when the business was sold in early 1974 and the Shire Council held a celebratory dinner and presented Doug with a picture and a plaque to be attached to the Advertiser building. Hepburn Shire acknowledged Doug's contribution and support as the roving reporter of sport in the community by naming the sporting reserve *The Doug Lindsay Recreation Reserve*, on the western edge of Creswick, in his honour.

When Doug Lindsay passed away in 1974 many tributes were given for his newspaper work, his work with potato growers, his many community involvements and most of all for his contribution to the spirit of the town through his activities.

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LIFE IS NOT A DRESS REHEARSAL

While I was having breakfast in England recently, I saw on a cereal packet the words, 'Life is not a Dress Rehearsal'. It set the little grey cells working and when I finished my breakfast I had written a poem.

Life is not a dress rehearsal,
there is no second chance.
So try to do it right first time.
Just like a ballet dance.

Think before you leap,
is what we should do each day.
Relax, sit down, take time,
and then go out to play.

If you feel like baking cakes,
'cos that is what you love.
Or weeding in the garden,
put on your rubber glove.

Don't take a step that you'll regret.
Sit down and think it through.
Planning doesn't hurt at all.
It makes a better day for you.

So try to take it easy,
as you work your way around.
Be positive, choose what you want,
so a better life is found.

Arlene Geoffrey



Kingston Friends of the Avenue News

Many thanks to the recently-retired Friend Ed Murphy for his contributions over the past four years; including his roles as Chair and writer of many successful grant applications. The current committee of the Kingston Friends of the Avenue is made up of

Julie Baulch - President,
Claire Rowlands - Vice President,
Marg Robinson - Secretary and
Chris and Jeff Meager.

Many thanks to all who attended the recent Planting Day with special thanks to Catherine King MHR, Peter Somerville OAM, *Friends of Sandy and the Light Horse* and Chris Fawcett and Billy from the Creswick Light Horse Troop.

The Friends website has received a wonderful update with thanks to Leah Armstrong, Nick Morton and Norma Morton. It will be kept up to date with events and activities at kingstonavenueofhonour.org.au Don't forget to visit our Facebook page as well.

The Working Bee on Sunday 9 September starts at 10.00am and will conclude at 12.00pm. Please register at the Fire Station. Please bring hand tools for pruning. High visibility jackets and a barbecue lunch will be provided.

The plant stall at the Creswick Market will start again on Saturday 15 September. If you have any donations of plants, pots or potting mix please call Margaret on 5318 0400.

Julie Baulch

The logo for Peter Tobin FUNERALS. It features the name 'Peter Tobin' in a large, serif font, with 'FUNERALS' in a smaller, sans-serif font below it. A circular emblem with a leaf design is positioned between the two names. The background is a light grey with faint leaf patterns.

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THE ART OF LIVING

By Craig Barrett



I have always loved gazing at the sky and the clouds.

As many young kids did, and hopefully still do, I would search for pictures in the clouds – animals, toys, buildings – anything I could find that would connect me to the sky and the clouds and bring us together as being of the same stuff.

In more recent years, my mum and dad with my wife and myself, would sit on their back verandah at Bright in north east Victoria and gaze skyward. Mum was especially taken by a deep blue summer sky filled with colourful parachutes of the paragliders that would launch themselves into the heavens from the nearby mountain top. She loved watching them wheel round and round searching for the thermal updraft that would take them higher and higher again and keep them high in the sky as long as possible. Alas, they all had to come to ground eventually.

We would also marvel at the high altitude contrails - the lines formed by the jets flying so very high overhead. These lines scribed across the sky are formed when the water vapour from the jet exhaust mixes with the extremely cold air way up there to form ice crystals. Sometimes the contrails last for a few moments, sometimes they last for hours. My wife and I, living in the south of France many years ago, could count fifteen or more contrails at a time in the winter sky over our village.

With mum, we also watched the massive summer thunderhead clouds passing over, threatening violent storms or the risk of lightning strikes – never welcome in the mountains in summer. We would contemplate the quiet of the low lying clouds nestled against the hills – and the silence of the fog (really just a cloud at ground level). And of course, the rainbows!

We all had great enjoyment from those gravity defying beasts of the air – the birds. Especially the flocks of yellow tailed black cockatoos that would come down from the high country during rough weather and glide effortlessly to feeding and roosting places in the valley.

Last week, whilst pruning the roses for dad, I witnessed something I had never seen before. A large flock of black cockatoos were coming out of the pine forest where they had been feeding on the seeds of pine cones, to a roost tree nearby. One of them had something large in its beak. He was carrying a pine cone.

He decided to grab a take away as they left the forest!

Mum passed away on the second of July.

The sky now will always be mum for me. Blue, or cloudy, hail or shine. From horizon to horizon. Every rainbow.





Creswick Museum

CELEBRATION OF THE PUDDING

The Museum had a very successful opening by Catherine King of *In Celebration of the Pudding* on Friday 13 July. The members are now working on the Children's Festival, which will take place September 28, 29 and 30, 2018. The exhibition will close on Sunday, 14 October 2018.

NORMAN LINDSAY DOLL RESTORATION

One of the items on display from the Art Gallery of Ballarat is the doll *Rose* made by Norman Lindsay. Val D'Angri was given the task of restoring the doll before it went on display in the Gallery. On Saturday 18 August, from 10.30am at the Creswick Hub, Val is giving a talk on how she went about the task. All are welcome. The talk will last about 30-45 minutes.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

The Museum is looking for volunteers to help with opening the Museum at weekends. The time of opening is 11.00am to 3.30pm and a volunteer would work with a member of the Committee. If you are interested in helping to make the Museum accessible to visitors to our town, please call in to discuss on a Saturday or Sunday.

Margaret Fullwood

Senior Cits News Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting was an important part of the July Social Day. The Committee stood down and the meeting was presided over by Ray Martin. All Office Bearers were voted in unopposed, as were the seven general committee members. We all look forward to a successful and happy 2018-2019.

Creswick Seniors Club give thanks to the Lions Club of Creswick for their contribution of \$500.00 towards the enjoyment and comfort of the members.

Next Social Day, 31 August, will see entertainment by Phyllis Quick and her group, they are a lot of fun. The usual yummy hot lunch will be served around noon.

Seniors Club lost a valued member in Marj Gray who passed away on 19 July. Marj enjoyed her games of Scrabble and Euchre each week and will be sadly missed. Get well wishes to anyone on the sick list.

June Gray
5334 6526

Creswick Wholefoods Collective

Like many good things, the Creswick Wholefoods Collective was initiated by a local group of enthusiasts. In this case the group was keen to source locally produced food, grown organically or chemically free and purchased in bulk to be available at very moderate prices. Growers were sourced, interested consumers contacted and the Creswick Wholefoods Collective was launched two and a half years ago.

During this time, the membership has grown to over fifty, the range of foods has increased, and a sense of community and friendship is growing. Home produce is donated for free distribution.

It is now located in the Creswick Neighbourhood Centre (CNC) which gives security of tenure; and the group can rub shoulders not only with the Community Garden and Transition Creswick, but also with the many people in and out of the Centre.

Members pay a small joining fee. They bring their shopping bags, paper bags or containers to the venue and choose the bulk foodstuffs they wish to purchase - after a quick lesson on how to use the price calculating scales! Being a Collective, the members work together to make it a vibrant little hub on shop days.

The 'shop' is open twice a week for three hours - 1.00pm to 4.00pm on Friday and 11.00am to 2.00pm on Saturdays at Creswick Neighborhood Centre. On Creswick Market Day, the Saturday hours are 1.00pm to 4.00pm. Pop into the Wholefoods Collective via the back door of the CNC and see the amazing array of local and mostly organic grains, dried fruit, honey, fresh fruit and sometimes vegies and eggs - being just some of the luscious goodies available. Organic vegetable boxes from Mt Prospect Organics may be ordered. These are available year-round except for January.

For more information phone Trish on 0490 340 702.



Cemetery News

Just a friendly reminder to all visitors to Creswick Cemetery now that the ground is very wet. Please don't drive on grassy areas, keep to the gravel tracks and parking bay. The area in between Lawn G and the sheds is a designated parking area for angle parking.

The Cemetery Trust Secretary, Wendy, is available at the cemetery on Mondays and Thursdays from 8.30am if you need any help, or have any enquiries or you can ring 0412 382 267 to make an appointment.

The Trust would like to thank the Victoria Street. Craft group for their kind donation of a seat for the Rotunda.

Wendy Ohlsen
Secretary, Cemetery Trust



Creswick and District U3A

AGM
10.00am Creswick RSL Hall
Thursday 20 September

Guest Speaker

Gerard Mansour the Commissioner for Senior Victorians



Gerard Mansour is a highly respected and passionate advocate for the needs of older people. With over twenty-five years of leadership experience within the aged and wider community services sectors, Mr Mansour contributed significantly to industry capacity building, policy development and enhancement of services for older Australians.

In 2012, Mr Mansour became the inaugural National CEO of Leading Age Services Australia, the peak national body representing the aged and community care industry across Australia.

Prior to this, Mr Mansour was the CEO of Aged and Community Care Victoria for six years. Mr Mansour says a priority is the focus on quality of life, workforce participation and access to services for senior Victorians. This means maximising opportunities for all, including those who are marginalised or disadvantaged.

In December 2016, Gerard was appointed as Victoria's Ambassador for Elder Abuse Prevention

U3A Creswick and District invite all who are interested to attend the meeting and hear this guest speaker. Gerard will speak at 11.00am after the AGM and there will be an opportunity to join the meeting between 10.45am and 11.00am. At 11.00am as a courtesy to our speaker no late comers will be admitted.

This is a rare opportunity to hear a speaker of this calibre. There will be time for questions. The Commissioner's role is not individual advocacy or for resolving complaints about government services for seniors.

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Creswick Lions Club

Wood Raffle

Due to the success of the Club's June Wood Raffle, they will be out again during August holding a second Wood Raffle. This will be drawn at the local August Market. Thank you to the Lions members who sold tickets on some very icy mornings in June and thanks to the community for your support. I would like to announce that the winner of the first Wood Raffle was Jan Shanks of Clunes.

The Club also had a very successful evening hosting the July Trivia Night at the Farmers Arms hotel. Thanks to all those who attended to support Lions and to those who donated prizes for the Trivia winners and for the small raffle on the night. A big thanks to Greg from Yeehaa Trivia for being a great emcee and to the Farmers Arms for being wonderful hosts.

Planning has commenced for the Club's major fundraising event of the year to be held at the end of October. If you're after an evening that gives you an opportunity to win from over 100 prizes, then keep your eyes posted for ticket sales to our 'Two bob Auction' at the start of October.

If you have something new that you are willing to donate, then please contact myself or Bernadette Tacey on 0419 326 052. We would be very grateful for donations however small that can be used at this fun community fundraising event.

Creswick Lions is a small group of committed community minded people who are always seeking to involve new members; so that we can spread ourselves even further in our fundraising efforts for those disadvantaged, or in need of additional support in our community. Please call the Membership Chairperson Bernadette for more information.

Carolyn Gargiulo

Secretary – Creswick Lions Club 0417 349 049

Creswick Garden Club News

Hello fellow gardeners,

The Club's Learning Day with Jerry Coleby-Williams at RACV Goldfields Resort on July 28, was a great day. An audience of 168 people enjoyed Jerry's talk which consisted of lots of hints and tips for the garden.

At the August meeting, the members had Attila Kapitany talk to us on succulents. Attila is an expert in his field and gave us a great, informative presentation. He also brought along lots of plants and books to sell.

At next month's meeting on September 4, we have Marilyn Hewish coming along. Marilyn will give a presentation on Moths. Everyone is welcome to come along. 1.15pm Senior Citizens rooms. \$2 entry.

Leanne Murray, Secretary

Creswick Band Members on the Ballarat Wind Orchestra TOUR OF AUSTRIA



Tour Group photo in costume 2088 metres up in the Alps.

Creswick Brass Band members Rob, Tamara, Alex and Janice were privileged to be invited to play with the Ballarat Wind Orchestra on their recent tour of Austria for the annual Mid Europe Festival, which is one of the most important international blow music festivals in Europe. The band played eighteen pieces of music from all around the world that represented *Carmen's* tour of Europe looking for love (played by internationally-acclaimed Mezzo Soprano, Sally-Anne Russell). The Band performed a preview of this show at the Wendouree Performing Arts centre prior to the trip with members of the Haddon, Ballarat Memorial and Creswick Bands helping out.

Tamara and Alex play trumpet, Janice plays French horn and Rob plays tuba. All were asked by the Ballarat Wind Orchestra, with Mario Dobernig (Conductor), if they would be available for two weeks in July to go on the third Ballarat Wind Orchestra tour. The first tour was also through Austria (which included the Mid Europe Festival in Schladming), and

the second tour was through China. The Ballarat Wind Orchestra was the only Australian band at the Schladming Festival, along with bands from Sweden, Holland, Italy, and other countries, forty-three bands over five days, over six different stages throughout the town.

The tour started on 30 June with a day stopover in Bangkok. Here, along with the other band members, everyone enjoyed the sights of the city on Tuk Tuks, river boats and admiring amazing temples. It was a very early (or late) start to Vienna with a 1.00am flight that was delayed until 3.00am, so some very tired bandies arrived in Vienna at 9.00am Austrian time. Once the group was booked into their accommodation, the first stop was to the local shopping area, Rochusgasse to shop for Lederhosen and Dirndls (Austrian traditional dress). Most of the band were outfitted and looked fantastic with all the colours of the Dirndls.

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The Wind Orchestra had their first rehearsal in the Vienna Konzert House, in the room where the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra practise, which was amazing; ready for their concert of Sacred hymns and music, at Stephansdom (St. Stephen's Cathedral) the next day. This was a very special treat for the band as getting to play at St. Stephen's is extremely difficult to do. Luckily Mario knew the right people to ask and the band played during a Mass and then at a small concert afterwards. St. Stephen's Cathedral was amazing - and to top it off, outside we met some people from Ballarat who were also doing a tour of Europe!!

The following day with free time to explore the city the group visited the Summer Palace of the Habsburgs, WOW! It was astounding. As well, they took a tour of the catacombs under St. Stephen's in the city which was very interesting; and from the top of the North Tower gained a fantastic view of the city. The next day in Vienna they headed to the wharf for a catamaran trip down the Blue Danube to Bratislava in Slovakia. Beautiful scenery the whole way, and then a tour of the town; some of the group by bus, and others completed a two-hour walking tour.

A double-decker bus, complete with bar and hostess, picked everyone up the following morning and took the group to Stainz, where the next concert was being held in the main square of the town. The group stayed in a lovely hotel on the square and the band, dressed in their Austrian costumes, performed their concert for the local townsfolk after the local band had played. The performance was well received with two encores played.

After staying the night at Stainz they headed to Kleinlobming for the next concert. Here the band was asked to put up a team to play human table soccer. It was hilarious. Amazingly one of the teams came third and another gained fourth place against locals who had been practising all year!!

The concert went well and after an overnight stay in a lovely



Rob, Tamara, Janice, and Alex (front) in St. Stephen's Cathedral

chalet at the edge of town, the group then headed off to Vipiteno, Italy then on to Swarovski Crystal; and then Kleinwalsertal, for a day of bike riding and visiting a gorge with a three-and-a-half kilometre walk to the top. Spectacular!

After dinner that night the band had an impromptu gig on the balcony of their hotel to warm up for the concert - 2088 metres up in the Alps. This drew a crowd of about fifty people and the hostess of the hotel brought out schnapps for the band as a thank you. The concert the following day was amazing again; and it was most interesting getting the equipment up in the gondolas for them to play.

From here the band members headed off to Munich for two rest days; exploring the town and travelling to Dachau to visit the concentration camp, which was very moving. Their tour of Munich was fascinating, starting with a bus trip around the old town then walking for one and a half hours through the old quarter.

The next destination was Schladming where the Mid Europe Festival was being held. On arrival here, after cases and equipment were unloaded, the group then hopped back on the bus to visit the glacier 3000 metres up at Dachstein. WOW!! This was amazing again. The views were unbelievable and the road up the mountain was windy and quite long.

Then it was concert time again in the square. Fabulous crowds attended and everyone joined in and had a wonderful time. The Italian Band *The River Boys* even joined in playing and singing when the band played *Dem Land Tirol die Treue*. The following day the band played in the Congress (Hall) and again another great concert was enjoyed by many people. The band were then invited to play in the *Austrian Tattoo* which was fabulous and enjoyed by several thousand people.

The following morning they were off to Vienna airport for the long journey home. What a wonderful two weeks with a bunch of wonderful people in a stunning country.

Wendy Ohlsen



Janice, Rob, Tamara and Alex in Austrian traditional dress



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NORTHERLY NEWS

It has been a busy start to the term at Creswick North. The school has had Parent/Teacher interviews, a series of Open Days, a school working bee and visits from *Glasses on Wheels* and the Royal Flying Doctor Service. The school is also scheduled to visit the Creswick Hub for Book Week. Grade F/1 are learning about How the World Works, Grade 2/3 Australia and Grade 4/5/6 Indigenous Australians.



Grade 4/5/6 recently picked olives from the two olive trees in the front garden and these have been preserved. The process can take up to a year before they become edible. We have also prepared the garden beds for future planting. Just some examples of sustainability at Creswick North!



The school has recently had the Honor Roll restored by Jude Schahinger, as a result of a grant received. This included some board repairs and updating lettering. Many thanks to Phil Greenbank for his ongoing assistance and all others who provided help. It looks fantastic!

Enjoy your month!

Marcus Murrell
Principal



CRESWICK CAPERS

Purchase of a defibrillator

Creswick Primary School has received a grant from Creswick & District Community Bank ® Branch. Thanks to the fundraising of the Parents' Club the bank donated \$1500 towards the purchase of a Defibrillator. This is now stored near the First Aid room. There is also a shelf in the Multi-Purpose Building where the defibrillator will be housed when there are events being held. With Sudden Cardiac Arrest being one of the leading causes of death in Australia, a Defibrillator could make the difference between life and death.

The school would like local residents to know that they now have a Defibrillator, able to be used by anyone in the community if needed.

Mount Rowan Performance

In June students viewed a performance by students from Mount Rowan Secondary College titled *Fabled*, they were joined by students from Creswick North and St Augustine's came later in the day for another performance. Some students' thoughts on the performance:

Sorrel - *It was funny and I liked the turtle and the hare story the best.*

Kieran - *My favourite part was when the tortoise and the hare had a race because it was funny.*

Tyson - *I really liked it because there was lots of music and singing. I liked how the stage was set up.*

Taya - *I liked it because it was funny when the bunny came up and started rapping about when it was little.*

Jayda - *It was really funny and the Mt Rowan kids put a lot of hard work into it.*

In July the Year 5/6 students attended *Biolab* in Geelong for the second time this year. *Biolab* is a government funded Maths and Science Centre run by the Department of Education. The students had a fantastic day using heart rate monitors, microscopes and reaction measuring machines to learn about the body.

Breakfast Club



The school Breakfast Club is back in full swing. The two volunteers, Linda and Julie, have now been joined in the Breakfast Club team, by parent Sharon Hughes. I would like to thank these ladies. The students love coming to Breakfast Club to have yummy porridge, toast, Vita Brits, Cheerios and a hot Milo and to chat with their friends.

*Melanie Stewart,
Acting Principal*



ST AUGUSTINE'S NEWS

Golf Tournament and Netball Competition

Throughout June our year, five/six students have enjoyed golf clinics run by Tony Collier. There were a number of our students who showed potential, and as a result, they have been entered to play in an upcoming golf tournament happening early August. Congratulations to Patrick Bennett, Angus Barrett, James Martin, Khye Erdody, Lacie Smith, Claudia Martin, Poppy Charleson and Mia Wallis.

On another sporting arena, as I am writing this, our school mixed netball team consisting of Poppy Charleson, Claudia Martin, James Martin, Angus Barrett, Sam Crilly, Riley Mahar, Lilly Euvrard, Caitlyn Hocking and Charlotte Prendergast are competing in a District Netball Competition. They have won seven games in a row and played an Elimination Grand Final. The team won the Elimination Final 5 goals to 4 goals and won the Grand Final by two goals. An amazing effort by all, thanks to Lou Charleson for coordinating the day.

As the year is fast drawing to a close, I would like to remind those who are thinking of placing their children in St. Augustine's in 2019 to make contact with the school as soon as possible. There are still places available across all grade levels, so please contact the school office to make an appointment.

Enjoy the month

Terry Brennan, Principal

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Creswick Neighbourhood Centre What's On Offer?

It was great to meet some of our district's new arrivals at the recent New Residents Welcome Session, and for those newbies who didn't make it to the Town Hall event, a very warm welcome from all at the Neighbourhood Centre.

The Centre offers a warm and friendly atmosphere to enjoy a wide range of classes and workshops for all ages - toddlers to seniors. Classes are held weekdays, weekends and evenings and are detailed in the Centre's latest term brochure available online, from the Creswick Library, many local shops and the Creswick Visitor Information Centre. If you'd like an electronic copy of the brochure sent each term, please go to our website and subscribe with your email address. Check out our active Facebook pages for both the Centre and for our lively monthly Creswick Market too.

Join in activities such as Playgroup, Yoga, or Life Drawing. Visit the increasingly popular Wholefoods Co-op and join Transition Creswick - an environment and sustainability interest group. Get involved in the Community Garden, learn to grow your own vegetables – save money and eat home-grown flavourful produce.

You don't need to be attending a class to come to the Neighbourhood Centre. Just drop by for a cuppa and a chat, a wander round, check out the thriving community garden, admire the historic buildings, our hand-built pizza oven and the gorgeous mosaic couch. All at the Centre look forward to meeting you soon!

Trish McMahon



Winter Festival

Saturday, August 4 was ethnic night at St. John's, Creswick when the *Kavisha Mazzella Trio* entertained. The audience listened to beautiful violin music from Northern Europe with a background depicting falling rain, bouzouki music with a touch of Greece and traditional Italian songs to guitar accompaniment. It was a vibrant, toe tapping evening, singing, clapping, dancing in the aisles - typical of hundreds of years of people united through music. A joyful night that spoke of families, love, and tradition. Top that off with mulled wine and hot savouries served to the large attendance.

Then Sunday at St. Paul's, Clunes, a most enchanting program - a string quartet from the Melbourne University Conservatorium of Music. Four elegant young ladies - two violins, viola and cello, rendered string quartets by Joseph Haydn and Claude Debussy. Absolute magic! These young ladies have only been performing together since 2017, and have already given concerts in Europe and U.S.A. Their dedication and devotion shines from their performance.

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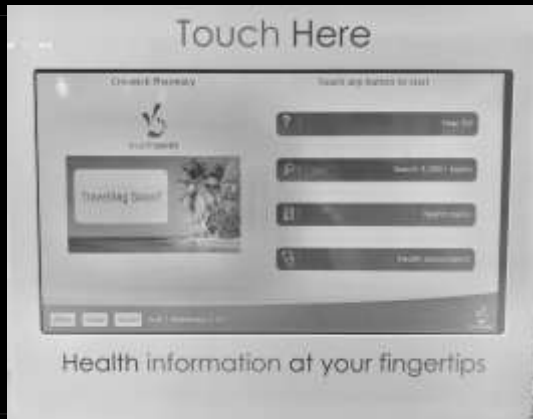
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CRESWICK & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The next meeting of the Creswick & District Historical Society will be on Thursday, 23 August, in the Seniors' Club Rooms, Water Street, Creswick, at 2.00pm. Planning is underway for the Society's contribution to Family History Week in October, so bright ideas are needed.

The cairn near Davies Bridge is about to be installed, the kitchen in the Town Hall is complete and the book on WWI soldiers is almost done. The members do not sit idle and watch history go past. We are too busy making it happen. Join us if history is your interest.

Last year, the Creswick boys who were at the Battle of Beersheba were mentioned. In compiling the list of Creswick volunteers, WWI, another lad was found - not with the 4th Brigade but the 3rd Light Horse Field Artillery. Private John Thomas STILL, enlisted on 22 September, 1914, in 'C' Squadron, 8th Battalion. By May 1915, he was in Egypt and heading for Gallipoli. He suffered a gunshot wound and was moved from Casualty Clearing Station to Port Said. Following that he contracted tonsillitis. He spent time at the Overseas Base, Helouan in December and was at Serapeum in February 1916, but was in hospital, Road Head with peritonitis in May. June saw him back in action. John was transferred to the 3rd Light Horse Battalion, Machine Gun Squadron at Bally Bunion in November but tonsillitis struck again in November. He was then wounded in action at Gaza in April, 1917. Another stint in hospital at Cairo, then back to the front. More tonsillitis and another abscess followed. On 18 October, 1917, he re-joined his unit, only to be wounded at the Battle of Beersheba on 31 October and died of his wounds the next day.

Have you bought a copy of *Portraits of Creswick Through The Years* yet? Supplies are dwindling so don't miss out. Available from the Post Office or contact the Hon Sec.

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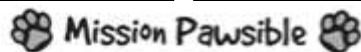
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August 2, 1918

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August 6, 1918

Mollonghip- Gifts of Potatoes- Through the generosity of residents, a good number of potatoes is being accumulated at the Newlyn railway station for the Caulfield Military Hospital.

August 9, 1918

A meeting of those desirous of forming a district anglers' club will be held at the American Hotel on Saturday (tomorrow) afternoon, at 1.30 o'clock. It is hoped that there will be a good attendance.

August 13, 1918

Allendale- Tennis club- The annual meeting of the Allendale Tennis Club was held in the library on Thursday evening last, and the following officers were elected: - President, Miss Kidd (re-elected); Treasurer, Mrs. Finch (re-elected); secretary, Mr. A. W. Lawson. The club has many lady members but the secretary is hopeful that more gentlemen will join, for it is his intention to re-organise the club, and challenge Creswick, and come down on them "like a wolf on the fold."

August 16, 1918

On Friday evening, the 9th inst., at the usual meeting of the Forestry School Debating and Literary Society, a competition was held in connection with one of the two trophies donated by Dr. Sleeman, the prize to be awarded for the best prepared speech. Sir A. J. Peacock and the Rev. W. H. McCook B.A., adjudicated. Some very fine speeches were given, and the honors were finally divided between N. MacDonald (Repatriation) and G. Liston (Appeal for War Bonds).

August 20, 1918

It having been found that the 225 trees planted in the Creswick Shire Avenue of Honor were not sufficient to recognise all those who had gone from the shire to the war, it has been agreed that 25 guards and trees additional be procured. A "Working bee" will take place next Saturday, at 1 p.m., for the purpose of erecting the guards and planting the trees.

August 23, 1918

Dean - Honor Roll - An honor roll is to be obtained for the Dean Public Hall. When complete it will contain over 50 names. It is now being constructed by Messrs Tunbridge, of Ballarat, and will be placed in position towards the end of September.

August 27, 1918

An examination for appointment as telegraph messenger, Creswick, will be held locally on the 7th September next. Candidates must be between 14 and 16 years of age. Applications close with the postmaster, from whom application forms and full particulars may be obtained, on the 5th approx.

August 30, 1918

The euchre tournament in St. Augustines' hall next Wednesday evening will be a champion contest, the lady and gentleman winners being entitled to rank as champions for the season. Twelve games will be played and the prizes will be the gifts of Messrs John Charleson and Hy. Peacock. There should be a large attendance to take part in this tournament.



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The Member for Western Victoria Jaala Pulford recently said the new measure has the strong support of the Creswick community, which raised concerns about the safety of pedestrians crossing the busy road.

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Tuesday August 21, Creswick District News AGM 4.30pm at Creswick Visitor Information Centre

Sunday September 2, Kite Festival, Dean Recreation Reserve 12.00pm Free Entry BBQ lunch available Enquiries 0438 304 479

Wednesday September 5, Creswick & District Aquatic Centre Inc AGM 7.00pm Neighbourhood Centre

Thursday September 6 and 13, Mental Health First Aid Training 9.00am – 4.30pm Info and registration Brian Dunn 5321 6587 or brian@hhs.vic.gov.au Creswick Community Health Centre

Saturday September 15, Creswick Market, 9.00am – 1.00pm Creswick Neighbourhood Centre. A happy small town market creswickmarket.com.au

Tuesday September 18, Smeaton Presbyterian Church presents Blumes Fashion Parade at Smeaton Bowling Club 10.00am

Thursday September 20, Creswick and District U3A AGM, 10.00am RSL Hall. Guest Speaker 11.00am Gerard Mansour Commissioner for Senior Victorians

Sunday October 14, Sheep Dog Trials, 7.00am – 5.00pm Dean Recreation Reserve. Entry by Donation Enquiries 0438 304 479

REGULAR AND ONGOING EVENTS

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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

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

Creswick Museum - Open 11.00am-3.30pm Saturday and Sunday every week and Public Holidays 5345 2845 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

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

Joeys, 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 7.00pm-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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