



The Art of Living

By Craig Barrett

One thing I do really enjoy about our winter is the fog. Such a mystery. Descending in the still of the night. I nearly wrote, *like a thief*, but fog is the exact opposite, it does not rob or take from us. It gives in spadesful. Who hasn't looked up at wonderful, beautiful clouds in the clear blue sky, or been in awe of the spectacular colour and light shows of clouds at dawn or sunset?

Well friends, fog is the cloud that has come down to visit us. I do wonder if the *fog cloud* is equally impressed by us - that might be why she does not stick around too long. As a painter, I love the way that fog envelops us in the landscape and only reveals little by little as we move through it. Speaking personally, I think that is what any great artwork should do. Whether it be a painting, a sculpture, a film, a ballet, a book, or a piece of fine music. If you get the whole picture up front, what else is there to discover?

I love the damp feel of the cloud on my cheeks as I walk through it - and especially the quiet. The fog seems to mop up a lot of noise, thankfully, traffic in particular. I found that same effect in the snow living in France many years ago. Silence ... always a big fan of silence myself.

Just coming back to that thought of the slow reveal in the fog, the shapes of things, the colours, the lines, are all part of that mystery that slowly unfolds. Colours are softer, but rich none-the-less. For me, they seem to take on a more intimate hue, as if I am the only person these are shown to. Not the brashness of a hot summer day in glaring light that most people shield their eyes from. In fog, lines become clearer as you get closer. Shapes are gloriously fuzzy - what kind of magical beast is approaching me in the mist? Wonderful!

Walking in fog is such a gift for quiet contemplation. Not being able to see or hear everything of the human clutter is sheer joy. The world slowly becomes clearer as we come closer to what is near to us.

So, next foggy morning, rug up and enjoy a long contemplative walk to see what you don't usually see.

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Creswick District News

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF BUSINESS & TOURISM CRESWICK INC.

An invitation to those interested in a networking opportunity

The Annual General Meeting for Business & Tourism Creswick Inc (BTC) will be held on 24 August at the American Hotel at 7.30pm. The meeting will be preceded by dinner at 6.00pm (at own expense) and all are welcome.

BTC is a representative body for the Creswick & District business community and welcomes participation from both business and community members.

The *Creswick of the Lindsay's Trail*, the *Creswick Garden Lovers Weekend* and the current rebuilding of the *Buried Rivers of Gold Trail*, are all BTC initiatives

BTC is also working on innovative ideas to attract people to shop in Creswick during December in the lead-up to Christmas.

The committee hold monthly meetings on the first Tuesday of every month at the old Creswick Railway Station building at 5.00pm. All welcome.

For more information, please contact the secretary, Margaret Giles, at info@creswick.net.

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Rainfall

Monthly Totals as sent to Bureau of Meteorology by Frank Slade.

	2019	2020	2021
	mm	mm	mm
January	3.0	53.5	134.5
February	23.0	34.0	13.0
March	15.0	36.5	79.5
April	13.5	97.5	20.0
May	161.5	60.5	79.0
June	133.5	62.5	99.9
July	65.0	35.7	106.5
August	98.0	124.5	
September	57.5	67.0	
October	34.0	73.0	
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December	20.5	58.5	
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Winter Wedding at Creswick Town Hall

Local Girl Marries

The Creswick Town Hall was the perfect venue for a winter wedding for Jessica and Liam Millin, who were married on Saturday, 3 July. Jessica was supported by her sister, Sarah Gibbons as Maid of Honour and Liam by his cousin Daniel Pennant as Best Man.



Photo courtesy of One Point Photography

The couple chose the Town Hall for the ceremony for sentimental reasons, with Jessica and Sarah having grown up in Creswick with family ties dating back six generations. Like other family members they recall events such as school concerts, trivia nights, spelling bees, graduations and dances. Jessica and Sarah's uncles remember going to the movies when projector movie shows were shown in the Hall.

Liam's mother, Anne, travelled from Perth, Western Australia to attend the wedding along with Jessica's parents, Judy and Gary Gibbons, long-term residents of Creswick. Liam's father Neville has also been a resident of the town for the last three years. Well wishes were received from family in New Zealand and interstate.

The Town Hall was transformed into a beautiful array of colour and warmth with décor provided by *Swans Lane* and wedding flowers arranged by Lani Chapman of *The Petal Press Co.* Lani completed her apprenticeship with *Jenny Burke Florist*.

The celebrations continued with a reception at *Pipers by the Lake*. A croquembouche wedding cake was supplied by *Le Pêché Gourmand* and catering for the weekend was supplied by *Smokeytown Café*. The wedding photography was by Scott from *One Point Photography*.

Jessica and Liam will make their home in Berwick in Melbourne's south-east and will continue to make many return trips to Creswick.

Judy Gibbons



**Creswick
Garden Club**
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New Committee Details

Contact details for the new Garden Club Office Bearers are:

President: Pam Lockhart 5331 7426
Vice President: Jenny Jolliffe 0408 735 068
Secretary: Maria Marco 5345 8263 or 0410 499 007
Treasurer: Elly Van Oirschot 5345 2342 or 0437 167 005

As numbers are still limited for the meeting on 7 September, please register with Jenny by Friday, 3 September if you wish to attend. The guest speaker will be Craig Miles from *Orchids of Distinction*.

Happy gardening, stay safe, stay warm. Hopefully the show bench can be just that, so bring flowers, fruit and vegetables. Remember too, plants that can be grown from root divisions for the trading table. For example - easter daisy, shasta daisy and lychnis.

Maria Marco
Secretary

FAREWELL TO LOCALS

Mick Griffin

A quiet Achiever

Long-time local resident, Mick Griffin, died recently after a short illness. Mick, a man of deep faith, was a committed and active member of St. Augustine's congregation with his involvement over many years including care of many aspects of the church, school and parish and leading the praying of the Rosary for parishioners who had died. Working within COVID-19 restrictions family, friends and members of the parish community were able to hold a fitting farewell for Mick.

For many decades Mick had been an active member of the local St Vincent de Paul Chapter visiting and assisting people in need in the district and working with the other church agencies in the area. His commitment extended further with him being part of the team manning the Society's phone service in Ballarat.

Those present at Mick's funeral heard of his love of Country and Western music and the writings of author Charles Dickens. Sympathy is extended to Mick's wife Carmel, their children and their families.

James (Jimmy) Stephenson

Football player, supporter and Coach

Tributes to Jimmy on his recent death spoke of a man with a good sense of humour, a story-teller, a keen football fan, fisherman and gardener, supplying family with produce. Following his father's involvement, Jim was a player, keen supporter and coach of the Creswick Football Club with the Club's records showing that he won the League's Best and Fairest Award in 1959.

In an article written by Joe Dean in the *Creswick Advertiser* in February, 1972, Jim is mentioned among others '*for their outstanding feats in sport*'. Jim then went to Melbourne and continued his career playing with St. Kilda in what was then the VFL (Victorian Football League). Later Jim began coaching the Creswick Senior team and was coach of the Senior Premiership win in the early 1960s.

Jim was one of three coaches of Creswick Seniors Premiership teams who were present at the celebrations of the 150th Anniversary of the Creswick Football Netball Club in June 2019. Sympathy is extended to his family and friends.

Brigette Liebenstein

Farewell was also said recently to Brigette Liebenstein for whom Creswick had been home for many years. Originally from a small village in Bavaria, Brigette was born in 1928. She and her husband, Oscar, married in 1953. Owing to conditions in post war Germany, they migrated to Australia in 1959.

After working in Melbourne for a number of years, then returning to Germany for a period, they eventually made their way back to Australia and settled in Creswick during the late 1970s. Sadly Oscar, after only a few years living in Creswick, died of a heart attack in 1981.

Fortunately for Brigette she had met, Urgen Venier, who had come from the same village in Bavaria. Urgen and his wife Sonja looked upon Brigette as their adopted mother and as the years went by, grandmother and great-grandmother. Subsequently, Brigette made many trips to New South Wales to join in family celebrations with Urgen and Sonja.

In recent years, Brigette was seen walking around town, talking to and taking an interest in those she met until, with declining health, she became a resident of the Creswick Nursing Home. Because of COVID restrictions the Venier family were unable to come from interstate for her funeral. A small group who assisted with Brigette's funeral met and lit a candle in memory of her. At the same time the Venier family lit a candle and were joined in remembrance of their great friend.

BRENDAN SMITH

The American Hotel, one of the earliest buildings in Creswick, continues to maintain a significant place in the town's fabric – both physically and spiritually. The current owner, Brendan Smith, is well aware of the hotel's importance and is committed to continuing this legacy.

Brendan grew up in Echuca then worked in Mildura managing the Grand Hotel with Stefano de Pieri. After working and managing other hotels, he came down to Ballarat to look at Craigs Hotel. With another couple as partners, Brendan and his wife Wendy, spent much time and money restoring and renovating that famous hotel until they sold out and moved to Creswick.

The Smiths took over the American Hotel in 2004. *'Our main aim has been to renovate it as best as we could.'* In the early years, most of the profits went back into improvements. *'I wanted to create a hotel that Creswick could be proud of again.'*

Since then, Brendan has made continuous improvements to the building. The kitchen was the first to be renovated, together with the bar and bistro areas. The old manager's residence was converted to four single rooms and one double room. All the plumbing and electrical fittings were upgraded. There is also a well designed outdoor area with views to Brackenbury which is sure to be popular in the



warmer months. Brendan's next challenge will be to revamp their website and social media presence. Brendan is particularly proud of the new pressed metal ceilings in the bistro, as well as the new function rooms, both small and large, which are able to cater for all kinds of functions. Indeed, the American has recently been kept very busy with bookings for a number of reunions and wakes held over from last year. This has meant that many interstate visitors have enjoyed what the rest of the town has to offer.

Brendan and his team are very proud of the American's place in the history of Creswick. The hotel was the Cobb and Co depot for many years and the meeting place for many organisations. The original stables can still be seen out the back, as well as the old *Bullion Room* where gold was kept before being taken to Melbourne. There are also many reminders of the town's connection with the Lindsay family,



Wendy and Brendan

with sketches and photographs displayed along the staircase.

The American prides itself on its commitment to using, where possible, local produce in its kitchen, but Brendan is also keen to point out that the prime objective is to source the best possible quality produce at the best possible price



and consistency – even if sourced from further afield. Since the pandemic, new chefs have been engaged but nearly all of the front of house staff returned. Of the ten or so staff, most are locals. *'They are the backbone of the operation – we pride ourselves on good customer service with a country flavour.'*

Brendan Smith's personal belief is simple – leave things better that you found them. At the American Hotel, he has indeed fulfilled this objective, to the benefit of Creswick and the wider community.

Maria Taylor

See back page for more photos

I write in response to Alison Trevenen's article in the July Creswick District News.

When I became a resident in John Curtin Aged Care (JCAC), it was emphasised to me that JCAC was now my home. I compare it to my childhood home. It wasn't a perfect place, but we all rubbed along together and grew up loving and respecting each other. When there was disharmony or a decision to be made which affected us as a group, we met it head on and worked together to find a solution. It was an inclusive, open group, no matter what happened, we were one. As adults we still have a strong bond.

JCAC has recently experienced a restructure. Alison Trevenen states, 'Everything has been examined: staffing, rosters, facilities, processes, equipment, IT'. But where are the people? Where is the human element input in this, the workers and the residents, the engine room and recipients? There is no mention of the happiness and well-being of those who live here (and for which we pay). That is sadly missing.

Another quote from Ms Trevenen, 'It is through change improvements are made'. This is not necessarily so. A

change may not be what is required. The staff has been reduced or their position changed, causing grief to some residents, grief due to long-standing, strong relationships suddenly disappearing, without even a goodbye.

There appears to be staff cuts in every department except Administration at this stage. Those working on the floor tell me they are *time poor* and speak openly of being *stressed and fatigued*. This, of course, can become a health and safety matter.

This is not criticism, but as I see it, further considerations are needed.

Boards, as we know, are important to an organisation, bringing with them an independent and an experienced point of view as required. I'd like to record my appreciation to the Board of JCAC for their time and considerations over the years they have given to this important Facility in our community.

But, it is important for the Board to remember as Ms Trevenen wrote, 'the duty of care is firstly to the residents'.

Marjorie Atkinson



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Over the last few months we have been working on a draft 10-year Community Vision and 4-year Council Plan, which includes a Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan (MPHWP).

We are very pleased to be able to present it to the community for your review and feedback.

Council developed these strategic documents following extensive community consultation earlier this year as part of the Hepburn Together Project.

We had an extraordinary amount of community input, with more than 1,460 people and different community groups involved.

This really is a community-led project. We hope you can see how we have incorporated many of your ideas into our ambitions for our four-year Council Plan, and the ten-year Community Vision.

THE PROCESS

The Hepburn Together project is a critical community engagement project where community members were integral to the process. The engagement process to develop these important strategic documents involved four broad stages:

Stage 1 - Development of the Community Engagement Policy

Council developed a Community Engagement Policy to document Council's commitment to community engagement and to identify the processes to be followed when undertaking engagement.

Stage 2 - Broad Engagement

The purpose of the broad engagement was to gather a wide range of feedback from the community to inform the later deliberative engagement stage. During this stage (between 27 February to 8 April 2021), Council heard from 1,463 people or 9.1% of our entire community, an outstanding result. We asked people to consider:

- Where are we now?
- Where do we want to be?
- How do we get there?

Stage 3 - Deliberative Engagement

Council facilitated open and random recruitment to enlist 40 citizens reflecting the demographics of the Shire to be involved in targeted and intensive engagement. This community panel developed 15 Priority Statements that were recommended to Council for consideration.

Stage 4 - Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan Engagement

To inform the development of the Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan (MPHWP) specific engagement was undertaken to seek feedback and input from Hepburn Shire residents and health and wellbeing partners. The targeted engagement was conducted in partnership with Central Highlands Rural Health to align priorities and focus between the MPHWP and the Health Service's public health planning.

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THE DRAFT

The draft is now complete and was presented to Council for endorsement for public exhibition. Public exhibition will occur between 28 July 2021 to 27 August 2021.

The five Focus Areas identified in the draft are common to both the Community Vision and Council Plan. These will drive Council's focus, investment and resourcing into the future. They are:

- A resilient and sustainable environment
- A healthy, supported and empowered community
- Embracing our past and planning our future
- Diverse economy and opportunity
- A dynamic and responsive Council.

In addition to these five Focus Areas, the MPHWP contains 21 Priority Statements, 4 MPHWP specific Priorities, 114 Strategies, 17 MPHWP Strategies and 22 Strategic Indicators.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSIONS

Due to the recent COVID lockdown, face-to-face community information sessions were not permitted to proceed and had to be cancelled. In early August we held three online community sessions to provide information about the process to develop these documents, along with an overview of the outcomes.

HAVE YOUR SAY

We invite you to have your say on the Community Vision and Council Plan. You can read the draft at <https://participate.hepburn.vic.gov.au/hepburn-together> and provide feedback online by completing a short survey.

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CRESWICK LIONS

The Creswick Lions Club held a second wood raffle during June. The club is proud to announce the winner of the garden trailer load of wood was Sue Orbach-Iles from Smokeytown. Thank you again to everyone who purchased tickets. A reminder that there will be one more wood raffle this year during August.

The change over dinner was held at the American Hotel at the start of July. Pat Tacey will see another year as

President. Some changes include Barb in the Secretary role and Bernardette as Treasurer. Maria will take on the membership chairperson position and Peter, Vice President. In reporting on the previous year, Pat thanked members and supporters and acknowledged that 2020-21 was a difficult year for the club with COVID curtailing many activities. However, the club was still able to support local community groups, welfare needs and individuals, distributing just over \$8000.

The Bunnings store in Creswick Road Ballarat provided another sausage sizzle fundraising opportunity on Saturday, 31 July. The gods were smiling down with the forecast rain



Creswick Lions Club Office Bearers

due to come in from lunch time not arriving till pack up at 4.00pm. This made for a very successful day, and the club would like to acknowledge the support of all those who got down to the store and bought a sausage or two. And a big shout out to Bunnings for providing community clubs and organisations with all the gear and venue to be able to raise much needed funds.

Interested in becoming a member of the Creswick Lions Club? Please call the number

below if you would like further details. The club meets once a month on the second Wednesday at the RSL Hall.

A reminder that the club is still collecting old car batteries (contact Peter 0419 899 810) as well as glasses (collection boxes are located at the Hub, Neighbourhood Centre, Senior Citizens) for the Lions Recycle for Sight program (these are refurbished by Lions and distributed overseas). Please contact Peter or Pat to offload any of these items.

Membership enquiries should be sent to creswick@lions201v1-4.org.au or 0429 581 591

Pat Tacey, Creswick Lions Club

SENIOR CITS NEWS

Once again Social Day had to be cancelled because of the specified number of people allowed to attend the gathering at the Seniors' Club rooms. However, we were not entirely beaten because we anticipated the number of members who could have a game of bingo and euchre, along with a chat and a cuppa.

We will try Social Day again, living in hope of no more number limitations, so we do hope to see you all on 27 August for lunch and entertainment. A warm welcome will

be extended to our new members on that day. September social, all being well, will be the Seniors' Flower Show, so gardeners, start pampering potted plants and flowers.

The Annual General Meeting was deferred to the August meeting.

Get well wishes to anyone on the sick list.

June Gray

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MORE WINTER GARDENING

By Rhonda Cotsell

July in my garden has been quietly busy. I am still out there daily, though for shorter periods than the other friendlier seasons. My fingernails are permanently rimmed with dirt and I have a nasty rose bite on my right thumb. All I am doing however, is dealing with winter growth and change in the form of an explosion of weeds and grass. Also, there are thriving plants that have grown too big for where they are and need a tidy up.

Carpets of fledgling forget-me-nots, marigolds, Australian native violets and weeds are invading all available spaces. I discovered the straggly limb with two bitten leaves of a lemon verbena poking through a suddenly thriving echium. The echium, a cutting from an old friend who knew I liked blue flowers, is flourishing in the wrong place. When I googled to find images of the flowers it was a nasty surprise - less the knee-high parent it came from and more a large and undisciplined scramble. Its towering blue spikes however look spectacular and maybe it will flower this year. I don't want to miss that. The lemon verbena is now in a pot with some of my homemade potting mix, topped with a two-tiered green mulch layer under straw. When I patted it into its new home I was suddenly surrounded by a delicate, soft, sweet, lemony perfume. I hope it survives.

It is a home-taught gardener approach but one of the joys of gardening is that you can do what you like in your own, despite the rules you have learnt. Despite errors like these in my garden, my plants, and others in my street are looking strong and healthy. There are still moments of unexpected beauty, like the vivid yellow of a single jonquil I found almost shouting out from the mass of mainly brown, black and greys surrounding it. It is bucketing down as I write, but regardless of the bitterly cold nights and mornings, my frost burnt geraniums and gardening in mud - and though I sometimes envy those who head north to escape the cold - I still prefer to experience the vastly different worlds our Victorian gardens offer each season.



Cemetery News

Due to the very wet ground at the cemetery, it is requested that visitors keep to the paths and roadways while walking around. If walking a dog, please also keep to the paths and roadways as the outer grass areas are very uneven and saturated. Keep dogs on leads and please pick up after them.

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Wendy Ohlsen

Secretary

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August 3, 1921

Severe wintry conditions have been experienced for the past few days. On Saturday afternoon there were a couple of light falls of snow.

August 6, 1921

The Railway Commissioners intend making an inspection of the Daylesford to Creswick line next Wednesday. They expect to reach Creswick at about 3.54 o'clock in the afternoon.

August 10, 1921

Mechanics' Hall, Smeaton – A Grand Ball will be held on Friday, 19th August, commencing at 8 pm. Good Music. Efficient M.C. Moonlight.

Admission – Gents, 3/-; Ladies provide. C. DeQ. Robin, Hon. Sec.

August 13, 1921

Mr. C. W. Jebb, secretary of the executive committee of the "Back to Creswick" movement, acknowledges the receipt, per Miss E. Merritt, the secretary, of the sum of £3/5, being the proceeds of the social recently held at North Creswick by a company of young people.

August 17, 1921

A meeting of members of the Creswick Victory Brass Band and interested citizens was held in the band room on Mon-

day evening, to further discuss the question of the band's future. Lack of interest had been shown by some playing members, and several instruments were vacant. A previous meeting had appointed a committee to interview members with a view to keeping the band going and also to endeavor to obtain new members.

August 20, 1921

Attention of residents of the Smeaton district is directed to Mr. Chas. Lobb's advertisement on this page. Mr. Lobb has taken over the grocery, drapery, boots and shoes and ironmongery business, formerly carried on at Smeaton by A. Evans and Son. A trial is solicited and satisfaction is guaranteed.

August 24, 1921

Town Hall, Creswick. The Annual Catholic Ball will be held on Wednesday, 24th August, 1921. Dancing from 8 pm. Till 4 am. Supper provided. First class music. Efficient M.C. Moonlight.

Double Ticket, 5/-; Lady, 3/-; Single tickets, 3/-. D. Heagney, Paul Cushing, Joint Secretaries.

August 27, 1921

Newlyn, Floral Fair. A preliminary announcement appears in our advertising columns, of a floral fair to be held in the Methodist Sunday School, Newlyn, on Thursday afternoon and evening, 20th October, in aid of trust funds.



Health and community services across the Macedon Ranges and Hepburn Shire have come together to develop a new COVID-19 vaccination campaign under the banner 'Get the Jab Done'.

Central Highlands Rural Health, Hepburn Shire Council, Macedon Ranges Shire Council and Sunbury and Cobaw Community Health have all endorsed this codesigned campaign to ensure community members have consistent and trusted vaccination messaging across the region.

Central Highlands Rural Health CEO Maree Cuddihy said:

'Over the next few months you'll notice our campaign messaging popping up in health and community facilities across the region, as well as in print media. It's been great working on this campaign with our colleagues in health and community services and we hope it will help encourage our community to 'get the jab done'.

Hepburn Shire Council Mayor Cr Lesley Hewitt said:

GET THE JAB DONE

'The more people vaccinated, the greater the protection our Shires will have against COVID-19. Both the Hepburn Shire and Macedon Ranges are popular tourist destinations ... and we want to be able to welcome people back to our region with open arms. The COVID-19 vaccine is our best shot at making this happen'.

COVID-19 vaccines are free, safe and voluntary. They have been approved by Australia's Therapeutic Goods Administration, meeting strict standards after being thoroughly tested for safety. All vaccines carry a very minor risk of adverse reaction, however the risk from contracting or spreading COVID-19 is much greater.

The COVID-19 vaccine is available through vaccination centres across our state and a full list can be accessed here: <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/vaccination-centres>.

General Practices also carry a supply of the COVID-19 vaccine. Please speak with your local GP clinic directly.

Call for entries for the Creswick Spring Festival 2021 Art Show.



It's time to fill that blank canvas, to carve that stone, to mould that clay, or to do whatever it is you do for art's sake.

When is it? Friday 29 Oct – Tuesday 02 Nov, 2021.

Entry deadline? Monday 25 October, 2021.

Where is it? The Creswick Town Hall.

\$1,000 Bendigo Bank Annual Art Prize.

\$250 People's Choice Award.

Please contact us at info@creswickartspavilion.org.au

for your entry form.



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Pavilion Arts & Sustainability Inc. would like to thank
The Community Bank Creswick & District for making this event possible.



Creswick Capers

Lockdown, Postponements and Transition

Term 3 was shaping up to be a busy one but with lockdowns, it has once again proven to be a little challenging. Some of what was planned which may need to be changed included:

Mars 2035, a production created by our zoned secondary school, Mount Rowan College; Olympic MAG Days for both the Senior and Junior Units; Sporting Schools featuring basketball; a Fire Safety program for the whole school; involvement in the Central Highlands Rural Health Active to School Passport program; kinder visits by students and staff; Puberty Education for senior students; having pre-service teachers in classrooms from both local universities; camps for grades 3/4 and 5/6; Book Week activities including an incursion of *G'day Asia*; Maths transition challenge for grades 4 - 6; a School Performance which is held every second year.

Whilst the school will wait and see what can proceed and what can be re-scheduled, learning across whatever platform needed will continue and students will be offered as many opportunities as possible.

One other important event during Term 3 is Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews. Whether they can be held in person or over a *Webex* platform, it is essential to maintain communication between all stakeholders in students' learning. Students usually get to display and discuss work they are proud of, parents have the opportunity to look through their workbooks, students can talk about any challenges that they are facing and together, possible solutions and pathways can be discussed.

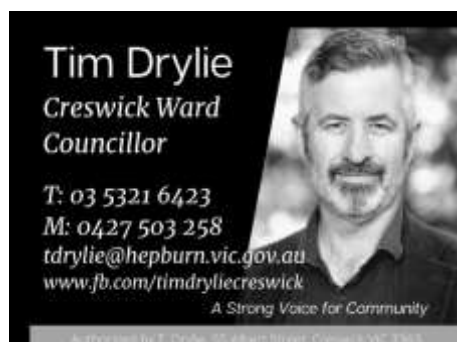
Another part of Term 3 is Transition. Grade 6 students know their secondary schools for 2022 and many of these schools have their own individual Transition Days. However, we like to take a larger cohort of students to a variety of activities that our zoned schools have on offer. These include productions, sporting days, curriculum-based challenges and much more. At the other end of the age range, our Junior Unit teachers and students visit the local kindergartens and their students come to Creswick PS to experience what their primary school days may contain. All these events are so valuable for children in familiarising themselves with new surroundings and routines. As a parent, it is also important for you to look at what best suits your child by contacting the school with a list of questions that you may be wondering about.

Vicki Hughes

Classroom Teacher

CRESWICK DISTRICT NEWS Annual General Meeting

Subject to the relevant COVID-19 restrictions at the time, this AGM will be held at the Creswick Visitor Information Centre at 4.30pm on Tuesday, 24 August.





Northerly News

Surviving Lockdown

Term 3 began well at Creswick North Primary School after the winter holiday break, but unfortunately the school went into another short lockdown period with home learning not long after.

The students are amazing and they quickly adapt between school and home learning. It's great to have a chat to nearly every student each morning via video conference and then they continue submitting their work online throughout the day. Parents are also very supportive with their child's learning which is wonderful to see. The school, however, looks forward to being back on-site so the students can learn and socialise together.

Before the lockdown period, the students were learning about NAIDOC week and furthering their understanding of the culture of the First Peoples. They also began learning about the Tokyo Olympics, which links in with Phys Ed and Japanese programs. They are studying the different countries competing and held a mini Opening Ceremony, complete with flag-bearers.

The foundation students recently celebrated one hundred days of school. Their task was to dress up as if they were one hundred years old and there were some great-looking elderly citizens!

There has been expansive building and landscaping works occurring over the past year at Creswick North PS. For those who haven't been up to visit for a while, it's worth coming to have a look. The new BBQ area, complete with tables and seating around the school, is nearly complete and the school is looking forward to being able to invite parents for a picnic. Fencing and the car park area are also currently being upgraded and an exciting new challenge-course playground is planned before the end of the year.

To see all the amazing changes to Creswick North Primary School, book in a tour of the facilities on 5345 2012.

See photograph on back page

Matthew Reyntjes

Principal



Kingston, Friends of the Avenue Inc.

As we experience a wet and windy winter, the Avenue demonstrates its resilience. The deep watering will surely be of benefit and the early buds are appearing, reminding us that spring is not too far away.

Our next meeting will be held at 7.00 pm, Wednesday, 11 September at the *Commercial@Kingston*.

Julie Baulch

Community Afternoon Tea

Commercial@Kingston 2.00pm, Saturday, 18 September.

Everyone is welcome, come along and:

Learn about the Agricultural Society, Avenue of Honour and Fire Brigade

Meet your community and learn how you could be involved.

Meet your Ward Councillors.

Find out how to access the community defibrillator.

Only fifty places are available. Registration required to *kingstonfoa@gmail.com* by 12 September.

Inquiries to Julie 0448 071 583

CONGRATULATIONS

Creswick & District News and the community in general, extend congratulations to marathon runner, Lisa Weightman. Competing in her fourth Olympics, a marathon in itself, Lisa, one of three Australians in this event, finished in twenty-sixth position. Lisa is the daughter-in-law of local couple Vicki and Peter McArthur. Well done to them all.



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Hub Open: Monday - Friday: 8.30am - 5.00pm
Saturday: 9.00am - 12.00pm

What's on at the Creswick Hub?

All library services have resumed after COVID-19 closures and limited services. We would like to thank our community for their understanding during that time. Library programs are being slowly re-introduced into being onsite.

For updates on programs and what is available, please follow our Facebook page or contact Hub staff directly on 0428 964 419. Home Library Services will resume in due course and we will advise those who use this service when it becomes available.

Creswick Hub,
68 Albert Street. Phone: 0428 964 419
email library@hepburn.vic.gov.au
Libby Rigby, Team Leader Creswick Hub and Clunes Warehouse

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Upcoming Events & Happenings in Creswick & District

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

The Annual General Meeting for Business & Tourism Creswick—Tuesday, 24 August at the American Hotel at 7.30pm. Contact Margaret Giles on info@creswick.net

Tuesday 31 August, Applications close for Jared Tallent Junior Sports Person Award. Contact Community Bank Creswick & District Bank for application forms.

Sunday, 5 September, Dean Kite Festival, Dean Recreation Reserve. Enquiries Brian 0438 304 479

Saturday, 18 September, Community Afternoon Tea, 2.00pm Commercial@ Kingston.

Sunday, 10 October, Dean Sheepdog Trials ('Old Sniff' Classic), Dean Recreation Reserve. Enquiries Brian 0438 304 479

Friday 29 October – Tuesday 2 November, Pavilion Arts Creswick Spring Festival 2021 Art Show. Enquiries at info@creswickartspavilion.org.au.

Saturday 6 November – Sunday 7 November, Creswick Garden Lovers Weekend. Enquiries to info@creswick.net, Sandy 0405 717 321 or Margaret 0419 326 453

Saturday 6 November – Sunday 7 November, Creswick Old Masters Exhibition Havilah Masonic Lodge

Anglicare Emergency Food Relief – 2nd Tuesday of the month 10.30am – 12.00pm. All Concession cards welcome, ring ahead on 5333 0600 to receive your pre-packed Food Hamper. Collection is from St Johns Anglican Church Hall, Napier Street, Creswick.

Australian Red Cross - first Tuesday every month. RSL Hall 2.00pm 5345 8318 or email nstubbbs3@bigpond.com

Business & Tourism Creswick - first Tuesday every month. Old Creswick Railway Station 5.00pm Info 5345 2759 or contact via Facebook

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

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

Creswick & District Historical Society - fourth Thursday every month (except December and January) Seniors' Club rooms 2.00pm. Phone 5345 2065

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 Folk Club Second and fourth Friday 7.30pm, Creswick Railway Station, Contact John Harris 0428 842 234

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

REGULAR AND ONGOING EVENTS

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

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

Creswick Lions Club second Wednesday every month. 7.00pm R.S.L. Hall President Pat Tacey 0429 581 591.

Creswick Market - First and 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 Saturdays only 11.00am to 3.00pm. 5345 2845 creswickmuseum.org.au

Creswick Probus Club - first Tuesday every month (except January) meetings St Andrew's Hall, 10.00am. Inquiries Joan 5334 4207

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

Creswick Senior Cyclists - meet Sundays and Wednesdays, 10.15am Creswick Band Rotunda. All casual cyclists welcome.

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

Cr Tim Drylie by appointment Creswick Community Hub Ph. 0427 503 258 Email: tdrylie@hepburn.vic.gov.au

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

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

Museum Research Centre - Closed until further notice Email requests only to info@creswickmuseum.org.au

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

Pavilion Arts & Sustainability Inc meets 7.00pm on the 1st Monday of month Creswick Neighbourhood Centre

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 1.00pm. RSL Hall Phil Greenbank 0490 374 006

Tipplers - third Wednesday every month. email: barrymarj@hotmail.com

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

Please contact individual organisations regarding possible changes to their meeting schedules.

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