



## St. Augustine's Primary School Creswick

### Start of the School Year

*St. Augustine's  
School Leaders for 2019*

The school year at St. Augustine's has started with seventeen Preps joining the school community and all have settled into their new routines with a minimum of fuss. We welcome a new staff member to our community. Angelique Greene will be teaching the three/four class. It looks like St. Augustine's is going to have a very exciting and productive year and I look forward to sharing the journey with you all. Until next time enjoy all you do.

In finishing I would like to introduce you all to the school leaders for this year.

#### **St. Augustine's School Leaders for 2019:**

**School Leaders:** Charlotte Prendergast, Christian Morrison, Sam Crilly and Lilly Euvrard

**Sports Leaders:** Logan Thomas, Zac Allen and Mia Gervasoni

**Arts and Culture Leaders:** Lacie Smith and Caitlyn Hocking

**ICT Leaders:** Jock Elsworth and Riley Mahar

**Student Representative Council Leader:** Jesse Cooke

**Student Representative Council Members:**

**Year One/Two:** Evie Singline and Ruby Howie

**Year Three/Four:** Milla Preston and Charlotte Fawcett

**Year Five/Six:** Jesse Cooke, Lily Bennett and Ned Charleson

*Terry Brennan, Principal*



*St. Augustine's Student Representative Council Members*

## Creswick District News

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## Improvements

Thank you to the Shire and workers  
for the new concrete footpaths around the town.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to young local woman Caelli Greenbank, one of five women of the district, who were inducted to the Heather Mutimer Honour Roll for Women at the recent International Women's Day celebration held at the Creswick Town Hall.

## ANZAC DAY 2019-CRESWICK PROGRAM



- 6.00am Cenotaph Albert St. Creswick - Dawn Service
- 6.30am Gunfire Breakfast - Creswick Town Hall
- 9.00am Service and Wreath Laying - Kingston Avenue of Honour Memorial
- 9.30am Wreath Laying - Soldier's Section Creswick Cemetery
- 10.00am Wreath Laying – Memorial stones RSL Hall
- 10.15am Assemble near Splash Park on Albert for ANZAC March
- 10.30am March step Off - near Splash Park on Albert St, Creswick
- 11.00am Cenotaph Creswick. - Remembrance Service
- 12.00pm 2 UP at American Hotel - Albert St, Creswick. 12.00pm-6.00pm
- 2.00pm Creswick Brass Band *Salute to the ANZACS* Concert, Creswick Town Hall

### creswick Rainfall

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

	2017	2018	2019
	mm	mm	mm
January	34	30	3
February	37	6.5	23
March	44.4	30	
April	106.5	17	
May	39.5	93.5	
June	12.5	68	
July	72.7	79	
August	59.3	70.5	
September	51.5	22	
October	64	33.5	
November	55.1	40	
December	58.5	80	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>635</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>26</b>

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## Creswick Neighbourhood Centre Waste Away Day

Sunday, 24 March  
10.00am to 2.30pm.

It's soo hard to type with my fingers crossed...but I'm hoping that by the time your eyes fall on this page, the rain has been falling on Creswick! Here at Creswick Neighbourhood Centre (CNC) most things are still with us, but perhaps looking a little bit sulky. Do hope that your gardens have survived.

Talking of struggle brings to mind the weekly struggle many of us face dealing with our household waste. There always seems to be too much of it! It doesn't help that there's often confusion about what's recyclable and what must go into landfill. Help is on its way!

Creswick Neighbourhood Centre is delighted to invite you to our Waste Away Day on Sunday, 24 March from 10.00am to 2.30pm. (Thanks go to Hepburn Shire Council for funding which contributed to this event, as well as a current CNC project to demonstrate waste reduction and better treatment of domestic waste.)

More good news – the **Waste Away Day** includes lunch which is completely free. The day will look at the benefits of composting and worm farms; what goes where, do I need to wash that? And much more.

Bookings are essential on 5345 2356.

Trish McMahon



## Diabetes Information Session

### Which Smart Phone Apps are best for people with Diabetes?

The Diabetes Management Team at Hepburn Health have put their heads together and come up with some recommendations about which smart phone apps will work best to help people manage their diabetes.

The diabetes educator, dietitian, physiotherapist and podiatrist are aware there are numerous smart phone apps available all claiming to support people to better manage diabetes. But which ones work and which don't?

An information session is planned at the Hepburn Health, Daylesford Community Health Centre where people dealing with diabetes will be offered help choosing the best smart phone apps.

Monday 25 March  
Time: 3.00pm – 4.00pm

Hepburn Health - Daylesford Community Health Centre

**For all enquiries and to register call 5321 6550.**

#### E-WASTE DISPOSAL INFORMATION

Council's transfer stations are accepting e-waste free of charge. E-waste is collected and processed through a product stewardship scheme operated by TechCollect.

For information on e-waste, visit  
[hepburn.vic.gov.au/e-waste/](http://hepburn.vic.gov.au/e-waste/)



## A Focussed Forecast Fair Weather for Jane Bunn



A crowd of over 150 packed the hall at Smeaton Recreation Ground on Thursday, 21 February to experience TV weather presenter Jane Bunn's unique style. A qualified meteorologist, Jane gave a clear and concise explanation of our local weather patterns and what we could expect weather-wise over the next few weeks and months.

Her talk was followed by a presentation from the Dean/Newlyn Young Farmers and their support for mental health initiatives. This event was organised and sponsored by Creswick & District Community Bank® Branch and Rural Bank.



# Huntley's Supermarket

## Family was at the 'Heart of Creswick'

Bill Huntley, who passed away in 2003, together with his brother Ian, owned and ran Huntley's Supermarket which was an institution in Creswick for nearly fifty years. Whilst speaking with Ian, Iris Huntley (Bill's wife) and with long-term employees, one is struck by the closeness and camaraderie they still display together – even more than fifteen years since the shop at 47 Albert Street was sold. In fact, as they all agree – it was like they were one big family.

Bill purchased the shop at 47 Albert Street in 1954 from D H Moar. Mr Moar had owned it for five or six years before he retired due to a back injury. As Ian points out: 'Shifting stock in a supermarket is very hard on the body'.

Before 1957, the store was a 'Service Grocery Store' – people would come to the counter and ask for their requirements. This also meant that orders from outlying customers would be taken at their homes and returned to the store to be filled then delivered back to them the next day. Ken Neil, a long-term employee with Huntley's, remembers riding out to get the orders on his bike after school.

Ian and Bill's grandfather opened their original store at 85 Clunes Road, North Creswick (now the location of Flemo's), in 1916. During the depression of the 1930s, their mother took over the store which in those days sold as much animal feed as normal groceries. Ian Huntley continued running that store till it was sold in 1974, then joined his brother Bill at the new store as the 'fruit and veg man'. Indeed, together with his wife Beth, and Bill and his wife Iris, they made a formidable family business partnership.

Innovation was a catch-cry at Huntley's. They became a self-service supermarket in 1957. In the 1990s Huntley's became the first supermarket in Western Victoria to install new registers with scanners – even before Ballarat had them. Ian remembers that customers were very wary of this new technology at first. Another innovation was seven-day a week trading. Bill and Ian were initially reluctant to extend their hours as it played havoc with family weekend sporting commitments, but by the early 1990s, the store was open seven days a week.



Joan Neil, Janette Squires and Kathy Gray

Huntley's had numerous brand reincarnations over the years: *4-Square* in the 1950s, *Goodfellow* in the 60s and 70s, *Rite-way* in the 70s, *Foodway* in the 80s and 90s until finally finishing as *Foodrite* before it was sold in 2003. All these names belonged to *Composite Buyers*, a buying group servicing independent groceries throughout Victoria and the Riverina. Bill Huntley was a Director of *Composite Buyers* for a number of years.

In the early days, the groceries were transported from the warehouse in Melbourne by rail. Goods were loaded on the train, then trucked from Creswick station to the premises. Ian concedes that this kept trucks off the roads, but it was not the most efficient system. The goods suffered damage when rail trucks were shunted roughly from one train to another, and there was also the issue of double handling – bags of sugar and flour could easily burst when delivered first by truck to the train and then taken off the train onto another truck to the supermarket. By the mid 1970s, Huntley's groceries were delivered by road with the advantage of door to door deliveries.

### Road Replaces Rail

*In 1972 an Enquiry was held in Victoria, set up by then Premier Henry Bolte, into the Deregulation of Road Transport. Bill and local transport operator, David Preston, put together a submission which was presented to the Hearing in Ballarat supporting deregulation and allowing road transport to operate freely in the state of Victoria. Prior to this all freight had to be moved by rail.*

*In 1974 as a result of this Inquiry road transport was given more freedom to move freight by road and Preston's transport company started carting groceries from Melbourne to Huntley's and has continued to do so for the past forty-five years including to the present day IGA Supermarket.*

As Creswick's population grew, so did customers' expectations. Major extensions were undertaken in 1986, at a cost of \$300,000. The fruit and vegie section was expanded, a new deli was built and fresh meat was added to the offerings. Even the old dunny out the back (which reportedly was also the place for the local SP bookie) was replaced.

Bill's wife, now widow, Iris, was in charge of the accounts her whole married life. She remembers working first on a very old typewriter, but when thinking about changing to an electric typewriter, her daughter frightened her with the story that the keyboard was different on the new machines. It was not long, however, before she taught herself to use computers too.



*Ian Huntley, Sheree Mason, Bec Oswin, Bill Huntley, Ken Neil, Tony Ryan, Michelle O'Brien, Brad Robinson, Annie Kellas*



*Above: Tony Ryan 1960s*

*Left: Arthur Bellingham outside the old dunny*

*Photos supplied by Ian Huntley and Joan Neil*

Huntley's was well-known for employing local young people. Many Creswickians growing up in the second half of the last century were given their very first jobs at Huntley's – packing shelves or working on the registers. Neither Ian nor Iris have any idea how many they took on but think 'it would have been in the hundreds'.

It is clear that Huntley's were very good employers who inspired strong loyalty. Ken Neil worked there for over forty-six years – as storeman, night-fill manager and all around 'fixer'. His wife Joan was there for almost thirty years too, working the registers and being a 'deli-rat'. 'We cooked a lot of chooks!' They still chuckle at the jokes and tricks they played, together with Janette Squires and Tony Ryan, also long-term employees.

Huntley's really was the heart of Creswick. Former customers will tell you that this was the place to see neighbours and friends and catch up with news and gossip. Customers would go in for one or two items and leave an hour later, having caught up with the latest news and footy scores.

The Huntley brothers were well known for their kindness and community mindedness. When the big fire came through Creswick in 1977, the Red Cross was set up at the RSL Hall, making tea and sandwiches for the helpers. Bill Huntley came into the Hall and handed the supermarket keys to the ladies telling them to help themselves to whatever they needed. This sort of kindness engendered a fierce loyalty amongst their customers that lives on today.

Steve Sellars, together with three partners, purchased the supermarket from the Huntleys in 2003. Steve is in awe, and extremely grateful, for the support that the townspeople and staff members continue to show the supermarket, now branded IGA. He is confident that his plans for the new store in construction across the road will more than repay their loyalty. Those plans will be detailed in the CDN April issue. Stay tuned for the next chapter in this Creswick institution!

*Maria Taylor*



## Creswick Lions Club Supporting a Local Family

In February the Creswick Lions were made aware of the local Davidson family and their tough start to 2019. Creswick Lions has been pleased to be able to support the family and little George's fight against Neuroblastoma. The proceeds of the Club's February Creswick Market BBQ have gone to the family and we would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who bought something from the BBQ or placed money in the donation box. Little George's mum Katie is pictured below flipping a snag at the February market alongside Lions volunteer Bill Weidner and Lions member Kevin O'Hehir. If you are interested in making a donation to help the family in their fight against this terrible disease, please go to the *go fund me* page at

[www.gofundme.com/little-georges-neuroblastoma-fight](http://www.gofundme.com/little-georges-neuroblastoma-fight)



With the overwhelming success of the inaugural *Two Bob Auction*, Lions Club members have agreed to run the event again. Please block out Saturday, 26 October in your diaries to attend this fun evening at the Doug Lindsay reserve. More information is to come throughout the year. If you have any new items that you wish to donate for this great fundraiser, please drop us a line at the below email or call Bernie, Peter or myself.

Just a reminder that in **May** each year the **Lions Club distributes funds collected from fundraising activities to various community groups, organisations and individuals.** Any organisations or individuals requesting financial assistance are invited to write a short submission outlining the project, cause or event they would like assistance with, proposed costs and other sources of funding being sought. Lions considers all submissions on their merits; however limited funds mean that not all proposals can be fulfilled. **Written submissions will be received until 30 April** and should be posted to Creswick Lions Club, PO Box 55, Creswick or emailed to [carolyn gargiulo@gmail.com](mailto:carolyn gargiulo@gmail.com)

Please contact Bernardette 0419 581 052, Peter (President) 0419 899 810 or Carolyn (Secretary) 0417 349 049 if you are interested in learning more about Lions. The Club meets on the second Monday of each month.

*Carolyn Gargiulo, Secretary*  
*Creswick Lions Club 0417 349 049*



## CRESWICK BAND NEWS Preparing for National Championships

March is here and that means that the National Championships are only eight weeks away – the Band has been rehearsing twice a week in February, and this will continue in March as the members prepare to head for Brisbane for Australia's premier festival of Banding. The Band is sounding good, and is really looking forward to it.

The Youth Brass have begun rehearsing again and it's good to see a couple of new faces taking their first steps into the world of music – it's always a delight to see the joy on someone's face when they play their first few notes. Katrina and Fran have also begun teaching musical theory to our Youth, and there are many keen learners bent over their theory books.

The Band enjoyed a productive day playing at the drawing of the Ballarat South Rotary Club car raffle. While no Band member won the car, the Band made nearly \$3,000 through selling tickets.



The Band would also like to extend its gratitude to the Creswick Havilah Lodge, which has given a sizeable donation to the Band's Instrument Fund. Band members were delighted to be invited to the Lodge for the donation, to share supper with the members, and play a few tunes for them.

The Band will be out and about in March, playing at the Begonia Parade, and for the Centenary of the Creswick-Smeaton RSL.

*Roger Clark*



# Trip to France

## Representing Hepburn Shire and Daylesford RSL

On 18 April, 2018 both Lilli Bowyer, a senior student from Daylesford College (formerly Daylesford Secondary College) and Penny Ellis, the College Vice Principal, embarked on an adventure that would take them halfway around the world to France. As part of their journey, they would have the opportunity to represent the Hepburn Shire Council and Daylesford RSL at the Villers-Bretonneux Centenary Service. They spent two weeks in France, visiting four towns: Paris, Amiens, Rouen and Le Havre. These locations were chosen for their convenience of access and their cultural history with consideration given to budget and time constraints. Both Lilli and Penny are very appreciative of the opportunity and wish to express their gratitude for the community's contributions, donations, time and interest in this trip, as well as the opportunities and experiences they have had while in France and since returning.

The purpose of the trip to France was to explore the long-standing connection between the Hepburn Shire, especially Daylesford College, and the Victoria School in Villers-Bretonneux. John Grant (a former staff member at the college) and his students, crafted wooden carvings as a gift to the Victoria School to be displayed in the school hall, representing Australia's good-will towards France after the war. The selection process for the Scholarship required a written application followed by a panel interview consisting of representatives from Daylesford College, Daylesford RSL and Hepburn Shire Council.

Villers-Bretonneux is a tiny village town, thirty minutes from Amiens and two hours from Paris with a population similar to Creswick. During World War I, as the Germans made their attack on the Somme, they planned to capture the town of Amiens. For this to happen, first they had to apprehend Villers-Bretonneux, in which the Germans succeeded on 24 April, 1918. In the late hours of the same day, the 13th and 15th Australian Brigades fought and surrounded the Germans, resulting in the recapture of Villers-Bretonneux on



25 April. Unfortunately, the town was left in ruins and with the destruction of many buildings, the children were consequently left without a school. Generously, the school children from Victoria raised enough money to rebuild the school in Villers-

*Penny Ellis and Lilli Bowyer presenting the book 'Sentinels of Service' by Peter Rickard and a biscuit tin from the Kingston Friends of the Avenue to the Victoria School in Villers-Bretonneux.*



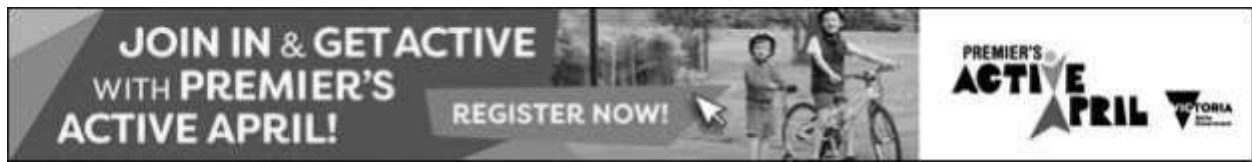
*Lilli holding the wreath made by volunteers from the Hepburn Shire Council.*

Bretonneux as a proof of their love and good-will towards France. As a result, the school was named the Victoria School. Amazingly, inside the school hall are wooden carvings that were made by John Grant and his students from the then Daylesford Technical School, forever bestowing a connection to our community.

Penny and Lilli were immensely excited to attend the Villers-Bretonneux Centenary Service, which was held at the Australian National Memorial in Villers-Bretonneux. The Centenary was to commemorate 100 years since the Australians retook the town of Villers-Bretonneux. Lilli noted that she underestimated just how cold it would be that morning, but agreed that, *'it is a small sacrifice to make for such a life-changing opportunity'*. She continued saying, *'it was emotional yet beautiful to see pictures of soldiers as their faces were displayed.'* With the conclusion of the service, Lilli and Penny proudly laid a beautiful wreath, made by volunteers from the Hepburn Shire, during the public wreath laying. You may have spotted them on the ABC broadcast of the commemorations. They had hoped to visit the Sir John Monash Centre in Villers-Bretonneux later that day but were unable to make it due to the severe train strikes throughout France.

Both Lilli and Penny would like to say a heartfelt thank you to both the Hepburn Shire Council and the Daylesford RSL for sponsoring their trip. They expressed that this opportunity has changed their lives in many significant ways, saying that they, *'will hold onto these memories forever.'*

*Lilli Bowyer*



# Don't be sidelined – get active this April

Registration has opened for this year's 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Premier's *Active April* campaign, which has gone from strength to strength since it was introduced in 2008, with a record 124,913 Victorians taking the pledge last year, including more than 5,000 teams and 2,000 families.

This year's challenge is encouraging parents to get active while they are on the sidelines supporting their children, setting a good example and kick starting healthier habits for the whole family.

Registration for *Active April* is free and everyone who signs up will receive ten free YMCA gym passes or access to a participating local government gym facility.

Participants this year will also have access to the *Get Active Workouts* video series through an app, which features thirty different ten-minute workout ideas to inspire and motivate participants of all ages and abilities.

For further information and to register visit [www.activeapril.vic.gov.au](http://www.activeapril.vic.gov.au).



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## Kingston, Friends of the Avenue Working Bee and ANZAC Day

The Friends always like to give the Avenue a tidy up before ANZAC Day. If you are able to assist between 10.00am and 12.00pm on Sunday, 7 April, please register at the Obelisk and bring your own hand tools. High visibility jackets and lunch will be provided.

Plants and the Kingston Avenue of Honour Song by Neil Adam, the Creswick Brass Band and the Kingston singers, will be for sale at the Creswick Market on Saturday, 20 April.

There is a following of keen gardeners who regularly come looking for something different. If you have plants that fit this category and have time to take cuttings to share, please bring them along to the Market or phone Marg on 0427 457 365.

The ANZAC Day Service will be conducted at 9.00am and will be held at the Monument at the corner of Victoria and Kingston Roads. A cuppa and Anzac biscuits will be shared afterwards at the Commercial@Kingston Cafe and Gallery.

*Julie Baulch*

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## Can you help the CDN Team?

Thanks goes to those who have approached the CDN Team after the recent calls for assistance with the publication of our local newsletter.

The Team is now looking for someone to help with the book-keeping for *Creswick District News Inc.* This voluntary role would require a few hours work a month to process the invoices for advertisers and keep records and prepare a monthly report for the Committee. QuickBooks is the software used at present. If you are able to assist in this role, please contact us via email at [cdn@cbl.com.au](mailto:cdn@cbl.com.au)

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# Christmas in Creswick 2018

## Best Window Display Winner



The year has gone by so quickly already. The Christmas in Creswick committee thank all who contributed to decorating our town last Christmas. A huge thankyou to all who worked hard for our town to look lovely once again for Christmas.

Thank you to Creswick's Travis Smithard, Daylesford's Fells Electrical, Geoff Neal who helped with everything, Peter Hanley (Santa) and of course, the shop owners for helping make the town look special once again. Well done!

**This year's Best Window Display winner is  
Bec, The Farmers Wife. Congratulations!**

Bec now has her name on the Trophy with the Creswick Pharmacy, the winner in 2017. Thank you to all who voted for their favourite window display. A great response this year!

A big thank you to Rosemary and Robert from our local Newsagency for helping out so much, the Creswick Hub for their support and Mick Bikicki from Kingston for our forever Christmas tree at the rotunda. The rotunda looked amazing!

A big thank you to our Santa for dropping in. We are lucky to have that wonderful space, thank you so much to the Creswick – Smeaton RSL. The children loved it and had terrific photos taken. Thank you to the Creswick Neighbourhood Centre for supporting us once again.

Another successful year of *Christmas in Creswick*.



## Cemetery News

A big thank you to Elly and Elaine for their hard work in the rose garden, your help is much appreciated. Also thank you to the Langi Kal Kal work crew who put in a few days' work to help tidy up the weeds. Great work.

Please remember when placing flowers at a grave to place them in the appropriate vases beside the headstone. Please, don't place them on the grass or concrete in front as this causes a hazard when mowing. Also, please refrain from using glass as this gets very fragile after constant temperature changes and they break very easily.

Have you done the Self-Guided tour of the notable citizens and Australasian No. 2 Mine graves yet? Pick up your brochure from either the Museum or the Creswick Visitor Information Centre.

Wendy Ohlsen - Secretary

## Creswick & District Historical Society

### Meeting Date/Honour Roll Dinner

The next meeting of the Creswick & District Historical Society will be held in the Seniors' Club Rooms on Thursday, 28 March at 2.00pm. Thank you to all who came to hear Jon Grant talk about staying safe on-line. The banks deal with the fraudsters, who are out there in numerous guises, every day of the week.

Coming up is the annual Honour Roll Dinner, always a good night. Don't miss out on booking a seat or a table for that event.



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# The Art of Living

By Craig Barrett



When I was about four years old, I was given my first set of oil pastels. Opening the lid on that little box of jewels, I was hooked. I can still remember that oily smell of that small rainbow coloured dozen. I must have been about thirteen when my oldest brother lit the fuse to shape my adult life by giving me a beginners set of oil paints. That brought everything together – the smell of oil and turps, the feel of a brush, and, the colour. No longer bound by the colours supplied by the manufacturers of pastels and pencils, I could now mix my own.

Colour is such an amazing phenomenon. It *colours* our thinking in so many ways. We talk of someone having a colourful past, a colourful personality or using colourful language. I don't know about you, but I even dream in vivid colour. Whether it be the clothes we wear, the flowers we like, or in a myriad of other ways, we express ourselves and our personalities through the colours that furnish our lives.

One famous English maker of artists' paints produces almost one hundred and twenty different colours in oils and one hundred in water colours. Most artists in a lifetime would not use them all. Most of us would probably not select more than a dozen or so. I seem to stay with about ten favourites. So many extraordinary works of art have been created with a very limited palette of colour. The unbelievably rich cave paintings of the first Australians immediately spring to mind, similarly the cave paintings of prehistoric Europe, and both using only black, white, red and yellow ochre. The Egyptians, Greeks and Romans also produced fabulous works with a small range of colour.

Historically, pigments for paint were often very expensive. In the thirteenth century, the gem stone lapis lazuli, which we use to make the beautiful ultramarine blue, was actually more expensive than gold. Many of the pigments used were extremely toxic and probably shortened the life of medieval artists significantly – red lead for example and vermillion, (a wonderful but unhealthy cocktail of sulphur and mercury). I have hanging in my hallway a fourteenth century manuscript written in these pigments. I also have a recipe from a twelfth century French abbot for the making of black ink for manuscripts. In short, it involves the boiling down of bark from acacia trees – reducing and reducing further until a paste remains. The paste is then allowed to dry completely into a solid ink block. When the liquid ink is required it is ground in a pestle and mortar with RED wine - voila!

By the way, we don't all see colour the same way. Many insects and birds see in ultra violet light. For all his peacock glory, his peahen girlfriend doesn't see it. She only sees a hazy purplish display. Must be his dancing that impresses.

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 May 18th, June 15th  
 July 20th, August 17th  
 September 21st, October 19th  
 November 16th, December 21st

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## Senior Cits News

### Social Days

Many members and friends came along and enjoyed the Social Day lunch and games of Trivia. Thanks to Ted, Arlene and Wilma for organising the tricky questions.

Congratulations went to another of our long time members, Mollie, upon reaching the milestone of her ninetieth birthday. The Social Day was graced by her presence as she received cards and flowers.

Autumn has arrived and hopefully some pleasant weather, along with good rain, which will make most seniors happy.

Next social day, 29 March, will be a summer lunch and entertainment by the Sing Australia choir.

Best get well wishes to anyone on the sick list.

*June Gray,*

5334 6526

## Pavilion Arts & Sustainability

A social activity on the Australia Day weekend was arranged to enable the Committee to say 'Thank You' to all those practitioners of the arts, art lovers, and supporters who contributed in myriad ways throughout the year, and to introduce new Committee members - President Peter Hanley, Vice President Trish Stannus, Treasurer Bruce Kronberger and general members Earl Ingleby and Ian Kronberger. Malcolm Sanders, of Regional Arts Victoria, also attended. The Committee appreciated his good company and advice and enthusiasm for *Pavilion Arts & Sustainability*. As plans for the year are developed, naturally, we need people to volunteer in areas of their passion.

Meetings are held on the second Wednesday each month at the Creswick Neighbourhood Centre at 7.00pm. Next meeting will be on 10 April. Another member is being sought to replace the retiring artist representative, Francis Hooper. Please think about this.

If you have events or shows coming up this year remember *Pavilion Arts & Sustainability* have a Facebook Page, see CADRAC - *Creswick & District Regional Arts Community* - for promotion of the arts and to promote your creative ideas. Hope you will make use of the page and will look for items posted.

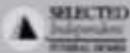
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## New Residents – Save the Date!

New Residents Welcome functions for the first part of 2019 have been confirmed for 23 March and 22 June.

These are friendly informal sessions enjoyed by those who attend, comprising a Morning Tea Welcome event held in the Creswick Town Hall for all new residents where they can hear more about Creswick and its history as well as meet many locals involved in all manner of activities. There will be short presentations from the Hepburn Shire, Police, Hepburn Health, CFA and SES to relay important information about these agencies and their work within the Shire. Everything you ever wanted to know about the various local Clubs, Groups and Associations will also be there, some in printed form and some via members who can advise you in person.

The Welcome starts at 10.00am with morning tea and the session begins at 10.30am and ends at 11.15am. If you wish to attend, please contact if possible, by email [railwayworkshops@gmail.com](mailto:railwayworkshops@gmail.com) or by SMS to 0407 622 463 or call into the Creswick Hub and let them know. This is a joint initiative of the Creswick Railway Workshops Association (CRWA), Creswick and District Residents Association (CADRA) and U3A, supported by the Hepburn Shire.

Judy Henderson - Hon Sec CRWA Inc.



**Creswick  
Garden Club**

Inc. A00037187L  
President: Phyllis: 03 53452514

### Melbourne International Flower and Garden Show

March will be a very busy month for the Creswick Garden Club, with the Bus Trip to the *Melbourne International Flower and Garden Show* on Wednesday, 27 March. The bus will depart from the old Post Office at 8.00am (sharp) and return at approximately 5.00pm.

### Jane Edmanson at RACV

On Saturday, 30 March, The Club presents Jane Edmanson, ABC *Gardening Australia* presenter, at RACV Goldfields Resort, 9.30am until 4.00pm.

The next Garden Club monthly meeting is on Tuesday, 2 April with Guest Speaker, Kerrie Jennings, whose topic will be Kokedama (a style of Japanese bonsai).

Happy Gardening,

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This was a rich display of Church music over a wide period of time and a great contrast to the cluster of folk songs that made up the second part of the program. They were joyful and happy and an encore was begged.

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## Creswick & District Historical Society

### Annual Dinner/Honour Roll Nominations Open For 2020

The Creswick Honour Roll Sub-Committee is currently busy researching people who have been nominated for the Honour Roll Board due to the huge contribution they have made to Creswick during their lives.

The Society is also now organising the annual dinner to be held at the Creswick Town Hall on Friday, 24 May, 2019. If you wish to attend this event, which is now one of 'the' social highlights of the year, then mark this date in the calendar. Details on how to obtain tickets will be published in the April edition of *Creswick District News*.

Nominations for 2020 are now open and forms can be obtained from the Creswick Visitor Information Centre or the Historical Society. If you know of someone who qualifies as having performed outstanding service to the community and people of Creswick, please complete a nomination form by the end of August 2019.

*Marj Poole*

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### Parents' Club @ the Hub

Tuesdays at 11:30am - Mothers, Fathers and Carers of babies and pre-school aged children are invited to connect with other parents.

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11:00am every Wednesday

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## Creswick Play Day

*Free for toddlers and their families*

A Play Day is being hosted by the Hepburn Health Service Supported Playgroup and the Creswick Neighbourhood Centre to celebrate National Playgroup Week 2019. Families and children are invited to come along to 'Creswick Play Day' for 0-5 year olds at the Creswick Neighbourhood Centre on Wednesday, 27 March 2019 from 11.00am - 12.30pm with the aim to promote ALL playgroups running throughout the Hepburn municipality.

Along with numerous children's activities, the Creswick Library will run a Story Time at 12 noon and there will be a special visit from the Tooth Fairy!

A healthy morning tea will be provided by Hepburn Health Service. A range of allied health services will attend to provide families with information on maternal and child health service, dental services, speech and occupational therapists.

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## March 4, 1919

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## March 7, 1919

Heavy Rain- District Registrations. In the early hours of Tuesday morning a shower of rain took place, and at 9 am the registration at the local town hall was 7 points. Between that time a little after 12 o'clock noon, there was a couple of thunderstorms, which registered 74 points. At 9 am on Wednesday the register was 76 points additional, making 1 inch 50 points for the 24 hours, and 1 inch 57 points since the commencement of the rain.

## March 11, 1919

After an extended vacation, caused through the epidemic of pneumonic influenza, the State Schools opened yesterday for the first time since the "breaking up" last December.

## March 14, 1919

The annual St. Patrick's Day sports and races at Blampied will be held in Boyd's paddock tomorrow (Saturday) afternoon. This gathering has proved successful for years past, and the indications point to another good meeting tomorrow. Horse, foot and athletic events constitute the programme, and a real good day's sport is promised for 1/-.

## March 18, 1919

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Tenders, returnable to Geo. Tait, Creswick, on or before March 24, 1919. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

## March 28, 1919

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# Creswick Capers

## Start of Term Activities – Preps/Picnic/Athletics



Above: 2019 Prep students  
Left: Footsteps Dance Program

It has been a busy start to the 2019 school year at Creswick Primary School. Twenty-seven excited Prep students began their journey and made a fantastic start to school, spending time with their buddies and getting to know other students in their grade. We are very proud of the amazing start they have made to school.

On Wednesday, 27 February, the school community came together to celebrate the beginning of the school year. It was a very informal, relaxed evening where House Captains ran activities for the children and families got to have a sociable evening picnic. It was a fantastic opportunity for parents to get to know each other and teachers and parents to interact and socialise. The weather was kind with a cool change coming in during the evening. Thank you to the school community members who came for this event.

In preparation for the whole school Athletics Day, students have been participating in *Fitness is Fun* sessions for ten minutes each day where they practise specific sports such as discus, relay, long and triple jump and shot put. These sessions are run by the House Captains as part of their leadership role.

During term one all students have been participating weekly in the *Footsteps Dance* program learning fun dance moves led by instructor Tasha. It has been wonderful to see the students displaying school's value of Personal Best and having a go with huge smiles on their faces. Everyone is looking forward to the final session on Thursday, 4 April when parents and families will come and watch the students display all of their hard work.

*Melanie Stewart, Acting Principal*

## SCHOOL DAYS

Do you remember when we went to school?  
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Although now it's not playtime, it's called recess.

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It wasn't one of my favourite joys.  
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Now reading a book was my favourite pleasure,  
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## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

**Saturday March 23**, New residents meeting Creswick Town Hall, Morning tea 10.00am, session 10.30am - 11.15am.

**Sunday March 24**, Waste Away Day, Creswick Neighbourhood Centre 10.00am - 2.30pm  
Booking 5345 2356

**Wednesday March 27**, Creswick Garden Club bus trip to Melbourne International Flower and Garden Show, Cost \$45  
Bookings Phyllis 5345 2514 or 0418 303 405

**Wednesday March 30**, Hepburn Health Service hosts Creswick Play Day, Creswick Neighbourhood Centre, 11.00am - 12.30pm.

**Saturday March 30**, Creswick Garden Club presents Jane Edmanson, ABC Gardening Presenter, at the RACV Goldfields Resort 9.30am - 4.00pm Morning Tea and Lunch included \$65  
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**Sunday April 7**, Kingston Friends of the Avenue, Working Bee 10.00am-12noon

**Saturday April 20**, Creswick Market, Creswick Neighbourhood Centre 9.00am - 1.00pm. A happy small town market  
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**Thursday April 25**, Creswick-Smeaton RSL Dawn Service 6.00am Cenotaph, Creswick

**Thursday April 25**, Kingston Friends of the Avenue, ANZAC Day Service, 9.00am at Monument, Cnr Victoria and Kingston Rds.

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

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

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

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

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

**Creswick & District U3A** - 0459 981 066 or email [u3a3363@gmail.com](mailto:u3a3363@gmail.com) or [www.creswicku3a.com](http://www.creswicku3a.com)

**Creswick Garden Club** - first Tuesday every month (except January) Senior's 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 11.00am Parents' Club Tue 11.30am Story Time 11.00am Wed

**Creswick Lions Club** second Monday every month. 7.00pm R.S.L. Hall President Peter Cowie 0419 899 810, Secretary Carolyn Gargiulo 0417 349 049, Membership Chairperson Bernardette Tacey 0419 326 052

**Creswick Market** - Third Saturday every month 9.00am-1.00pm. Creswick Neighbourhood Centre, A happy small town market, Bookings 5345 2356 [creswickmarket.com.au](http://creswickmarket.com.au)

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

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

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

**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](http://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

**Pavilion Arts & Sustainability Inc** meets second Wednesday of month Creswick Neighbourhood Centre 7.00pm

**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](mailto: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](http://www.vogacycleclub.com.au)

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