



## MUSIC IN THE COMMUNITY – SOMETHING TO SING ABOUT

### A kids' choir for Creswick!

With the full support of Creswick PS, St Augustine's PS and Creswick North PS, *CresFest* is working to grow a Kids' Choir for the town. We have managed to secure the services of the fabulous and highly experienced choir leader Stella Savvy of Ballarat's Coco Sounds, as the teacher. Stella has many years' experience running the choirs Sweet Monas and Mini Monas and also producing massive community and children's singing events for The Boite – Melbourne's much respected multicultural music presenter, which is mentoring the creating of this new choir. The idea of a choir for children is in keeping with the ethos of *CresFest* – see below.

Stella Savvy has worked with young children for more than twenty-five years and she is passionate about spreading the joy of singing through choirs, also broadening global knowledge and sharing culture at the same time. Stella says '*singing in choirs has many health benefits and can help children gain confidence whilst being supported by their peers*'.

The goal is for the new Creswick Kids' Choir (led by Stella) to perform at the Gala Opening of *CresFest* on Friday, 1 April 2022. The group will be working towards this as a very specific goal. The Creswick Kids' Choir is one of three community music projects being fostered by *CresFest*.

#### ***CresFest* is Coming!**

A coalition of groups under the umbrella of the Creswick Neighbourhood Centre

have joined together to bring you *CresFest* on the first weekend of April 2022 – Creswick's festival of music and dance. We thank the major sponsor IGA and government supporters in Regional Arts Victoria and Festivals Australia. Other business partners and local supporters are coming on board daily. It will be a weekend to remember for the town, with lots of great acts signing up – from Bollywood to blues, from sitar to saxophone, from rags to ragas.

To register and be the first in-the-know, visit [www.cresfest.com.au](http://www.cresfest.com.au). Tickets go on sale 15 October!

Judy Turner – *CresFest* Convenor

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- For more info call Judy Turner 0438560741

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## SENIOR CITS NEWS

### New Committee

Plans are easily made, but very hard to carry out these days. The Social Day, including the Seniors' Flower Show on 24 September will go ahead if at all possible. Keep fingers crossed.

As the committee was unable to hold the Annual General Meeting, the nomination forms were passed on to Welfare and the election of committee officers is as follows:

President Gary Neumann  
Treasurer Norah Stubbs  
Secretary June Gray

Ordinary committee members are:  
Norma Clifton; Joan Hepworth; Elaine Wrigley; Annie Vinke and Betty

Neumann. As there are vacancies, readers may put their hand up for a place on the committee. Please ring June on 5334 6526.

After a long stay in hospital, it was sad news to learn that 'Ted' Stewart had passed away. His games of Triominos and bingo calls will be greatly missed. Goodbye to a long-time, valued member of the Senior Citizens Club. Sincere sympathy to his family and friends.

Get well wishes to anyone on the sick list.

*June Gray*



## Rainfall

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

	2019 mm	2020 mm	2021 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	66.5
September	57.5	67.0	
October	34.0	73.0	
November	71.0	52.2	
December	20.5	58.5	
TOTAL	695.5	755.4	598.9

## VICTORIA STREET CRAFT GROUP

### Special Effort Results

The Victoria Street Craft Group would like to thank everyone who donated prizes for the Special Effort. Also, due to COVID, I would like to thank the girls for their support in selling tickets.

Under the circumstances it went very well.

Winners were:

- 1<sup>st</sup> R Smith
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Brad Odgers
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Marg Bond
- 4<sup>th</sup> Marg Bond

Thank you once again.

*Rita Flapper*



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# CRESWICK BOWLING CLUB NEWS

## Announcement of Life Membership Awards

Despite the frequent disruptions caused by COVID lockdowns, the Creswick Bowling Club has continued to demonstrate why they are a club that performs. Earlier this year, club championships were conducted in both the Mens and Ladies section in Outdoor bowls.

This year's Ladies Champion, Beth Huntley, is closing in on the record for most Club Champion awards.

The Men's Champion for 2021 is Michael Booth, one of our young players. Both Beth and Michael went on to represent Creswick in the Ballarat *Champion of Champions* competition and did extremely well. Michael won his first match but was just beaten in his second. Beth made it to the Final and was beaten on the last end.

This year, Creswick Bowling Club bestowed Life Membership status on Beth Huntley. Beth has been a strong, hardworking member of the club and a driving force for encouraging women of all ages to come along and try bowls.



Beth Huntley – Life Member  
Creswick Bowling Club  
(Photo - Debbie Matthews)

In another first, Gerry Flapper was given the honour of receiving Life Membership status from the Ballarat District Bowls Division, now disbanded, for his outstanding contribution to Junior Bowls Development with the Ballarat District for over twenty-five years. He becomes the first member of the Creswick Bowling Club to receive

this honour from the BDBD. The new body for the area is now the Ballarat Highlands Bowls Region.

Throughout the winter months, Creswick was represented in the Ballarat Indoor Bias Bowls Competition by one ladies team and two mens teams. A very successful season with all three teams finishing in the four of their respective competitions. The ladies, in particular, had a stellar year, finishing on top of the ladder. Unfortunately, they were beaten by Invermay in the preliminary final.

Division two in the men's competition finished fourth but fell in the first semi-final. A different story for Division 1 which finished on top of the ladder. After losing the first semi, they bounced back in the preliminary final and were

successful in the Grand Final. What makes this win more satisfying is that this is the sixth year in a row that Creswick has won this Division. To further boast, Creswick also won the Mens Triples Championships and Gerry Flapper competed in the *Champion of Champions* Competition, but narrowly missed out in the semi-final on the last end.

During September, the Club will try to hold practise



Gerry Flapper (left) ,Life Membership  
Ballarat District Bowls Division  
Jim Waight, Life Member BDBD  
(Photo - Bernie O'Malley)

matches between the local clubs - Smeaton, Daylesford and Learmonth, prior to the 2021 season kicking off on Saturday, 2 October for the Saturday Weekend Competition and Tuesday, 12 October for the Midweek Competition.

The Club is always looking for new members to come along and try out for bowls. There have been some promising bowlers come along on open days who would certainly be capable of playing pennant bowls. Members of the community are encouraged to take the plunge and come along, there are willing people to help and guide. Even if you don't commit to Pennant bowls, you will be most welcome.

There is also a social side to the Club with many non-bowling members who enjoy the Club's facilities at Friday Night Dinners which will hopefully re-start late September. It is proposed to hold an *open try-bowls*, starting around 5.30pm and finishing by 6.30pm for dinner. Again, everyone is most welcome to become a Social Member and enjoy the hospitality extended by the club.

Further information can be obtained through the Facebook page or by contacting Bernie on 0437 102 059.

Bernie O'Malley



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## Denise Jackson – An Illustrious Career

In August, Denise Jackson retired after a varied and rewarding career which had its foundations in nursing.

Her parents, Rita and Bob Perkins, lived and worked in Ballarat. Rita worked as a nurse. Bob was a bike mechanic and had his own business, Holland Bikes, in Sturt Street. They had four children: Polly, Denise, Kristine and Neale.

Denise started school at Sebastopol Primary School and when the family moved to Pleasant Street, she continued at Pleasant Street Primary and then Ballarat High School. She loved school, particularly the social aspects, becoming the class clown (*'like dad'*). She enjoyed *'just mucking around'* with her friends. Having failed her Intermediate year (year ten)

exams, Denise approached her form teacher, in typical forthright style, to ask her to check the records. Surely, there had been *'a huge mistake'*! Sadly not, but it may have been the jolt she needed. Denise settled the following year, learning became enjoyable and she excelled. Both Rita and Bob valued education highly. Although there was no pressure put on them to do so, Denise and her sisters all chose to follow careers in nursing.

At the end of Leaving (year eleven), Denise applied to do nursing at the Ballarat Base Hospital (BBH). Throughout the application process, she felt it helped her that *'everyone knew mum'*. She was accepted, moved into the Nurses' Home and eight weeks of Preliminary Training School followed. Denise loved life in the Nurses' Home where life-long friendships were forged. She relished her new independence and enjoyed the lively social life. At one point, she returned to her room to find that she had missed a visit from her mother who had left a note reminding her that *'cleanliness is next to godliness'* and that *'we still live in Pleasant Street'*.

After initial training, she began three years of nursing studies during which student nurses were paid \$35.00 per fortnight. They were very young and Denise remembers how they supported each other as they dealt with confronting and sometimes terrible experiences. Throughout their training, emphasis was placed on acquiring clinical skills, which they learnt on the job from senior nurses and their peers. They worked hard and Matrons were all-powerful.



Photo: Courtesy Peter McArthur

Denise did well in the final state-wide exams and was invited to train as a theatre nurse.

During this time, Denise met Evan Jackson. He too had chosen a nursing career and was working at Lakeside Psychiatric Hospital. They married in 1974 and set up home in Wendouree.

Denise continued to train and work in theatre. In 1976, she left to become the practice nurse at Howitt Street Group Practice, before returning to work in the operating suite at BBH in 1979. Andrew was born in 1980 and Natasha in 1981. Various roles followed over the next few years, as she and Evan juggled work and family commitments. She had some part-time work, including two days per week in the operating suite at BBH and six months working in aged care.

With the children at school, Denise returned to full-time work at BBH in 1986.

By this time, surgeons and theatres had become specialised. Advances in technology had driven changes in sterilisation practices, as had the emergence of blood-borne viruses. Personal protective equipment (PPE) was much improved and more widely used. As always throughout her career, Denise felt it was important to *'keep up with the science'* and pursued further education. She finished her nursing degree at Ballarat University, studying at night while working full-time.

Denise and Evan decided to build a house in Creswick and the family moved to Bald Hills Road in 1990. Denise pays tribute to the *'good families, good people'* they came to know.

A new perioperative course was being developed at this time at BBH, focused on the care given to patients before, during and after surgery. The course co-ordinator had academic oversight and Denise was employed as its Clinical Educator. Initially the course used input from surgeons, anaesthetists and clinical staff. This was invaluable to the success of the course, which is now a Post Graduate Diploma administered by Deakin University.

In 1993 Denise left BBH to manage the operating theatre at Castlemaine Hospital. She spent four years there and loved her role, being in charge of the sterilising department, day surgery and operating theatre.

Cont/...

## Denise Jackson – An Illustrious Career

The Australian Standards, which mandated practices in sterilising services, had just come into force and the hospital administration was very supportive as Denise implemented the necessary changes to traditional methods.

Denise moved back to the BBH once more in 1997 to fill the role of Perioperative Clinical Educator. After eighteen months, Denise left to take up the position of Business Manager of the theatre complex at Bendigo Health. In 2000 she again returned to the re-named Ballarat Health Services to become Nurse Unit Manager of the sterilising department, the position she held until her retirement. Denise undertook a Graduate Certificate in Infection Control and Sterilising Services in 2001.

There were many subsequent changes and her role grew. Staff numbers increased from ten to thirty-eight. When she started there were three theatres, now there are six. Technological advances in surgical equipment presented challenges and brought changes to sterilisation methods. Chemical use also changed to keep up with increasing knowledge and safer practices. Occupational Health and

Safety standards have improved markedly. Denise is very proud of her staff, a very experienced and hard-working team who have all undertaken additional education with her encouragement and support. Denise hopes that whoever comes after her will appreciate the high standards she and her staff have established. At the same time, she hopes that they might also bring fresh insights and see opportunities for further innovation.

Denise is appreciative that nursing has allowed her to have a varied career, working in clinical situations, in management and in education. She has been able to travel, present at conferences and serve on specialist committees.

So, what next for Denise and her family? She loved her job but now there are other adventures to be had - and, she asserts, more champagne.

Congratulations, Denise, on a wonderful career and best wishes for whatever comes next.

Cheers!

*Miriam Tonkin*

## POSTPONED

### CRESWICK GARDEN LOVERS WEEKEND 2021

Given the current status of COVID-19 and the spread of the Delta variant in Victoria, regretfully, the Creswick Garden Lovers Weekend Committee has decided to postpone the event for 2021. Business & Tourism Creswick Inc, who sponsor the event, fully supports this decision.

The organisers know everyone will be disappointed, but this decision has not been made lightly and is for the following reasons:

- the stress for the Committee in planning this event has been considerable, given the uncertainty around the spread of COVID-19 in Victoria;
- the logistics of operating a COVID-Safe event in the current environment would be too onerous for volunteers and garden owners;
- the group has a responsibility for the safety of volunteers, garden owners and the local communities;
- organisation is at a point where expenses relating to the event (promotion being but one) will escalate; and
- a sudden lockdown could be announced at any time.

The event is now planned for 2022 and is being considered as either an autumn event in April and/or the usual spring event in November. Watch this space!

*Sandy Jennings and Marg Giles  
on behalf of the CGLW Committee*

## CAN YOU HELP?

### Search For Descendents

Whilst doing some family history research, no information can be found on Thomas Louis Stewart (Gray). His parents were Thomas Edmund Stewart (Gray) and Esmeralda Olive Moyle. He married Evelyn Elizabeth (maiden name unknown), who died on 18/07/1996.

I am looking for any descendents who could provide more information about them.

Please reply to: [roslynechivers@gmail.com](mailto:roslynechivers@gmail.com).

## FRIENDS OF PARK LAKE

### Rake and Burn

The Friends of Park Lake are still trying to do a rake and burn before the fire ban comes in again. If the weather is suitable, the intention is for Saturday, 18 September at 9.30am.

If that fails, 25 September will be the back-up option. Please advise Val if you are attending, so catering for lunch can be organised. Thank you for your support.

*Val Lawrence, 5345 1310*





# Edmund (Mannie) Stewart

1934-2021

## 'The man of the house'

When Ted Stewart was five years old, his dad drove trucks. Living with his grandmother, aunt, mother and sister left young Ted 'the man of the house' during his father's overnight trips. In a short time this title evolved into Mannie, the name by which his family and a few locals still know him.

As a young man Ted loved the Tour de France and would often cycle out to Newlyn. He must have taken the love of the feeling of the wind in his hair right through his life, as until recently, you would often see him zipping along Albert Street in his electric wheelchair, hair slightly depleted.

During the floods of 2010 and also 2011, Ted was displaced from his home and temporarily relocated to the Creswick Hospital where he applied his woodworking skills to the entertainment of the patients,



Mannie and Arlene ready for Sunday School

making gifts for them to paint in the activity group he formed. His sister Arlene says 'We all still have loads of Ted's wooden knick-knacks'. Ted was community minded in other ways as well, driving for Meals on Wheels and being very involved with the Senior Citizens.

In fond sisterly remembrance, Arlene recalls eighty-one years of being mercilessly teased by Ted. He accused her when they were kids of knowing only one phrase, 'I'm going to tell Mum on you!' When she was a girl, Ted's daughter Karen loved bushwalking with her dad around Creswick, which she remembers often unintentionally turned into cross-country trekking, as there was 'lots of going the wrong way, resulting in a lot of bushwhacking'. His daughter Judy remembers her dad as being a really loving father, dedicated to his work and making sure that everything was done right.



## CRESWICK LIONS

### Thanks to Outgoing Secretary

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of past and present Club members to extend a very big thank you to Carolyn Gargiulo for her dedicated work as Secretary of the Creswick Lions over the last few years. Thankfully, Carolyn is still a member of the Club, providing valued assistance to myself and all at Club functions.

It's been quiet on the Lions functions scene recently, however we are planning for future events. Upcoming functions will be advertised at the usual places around town. Events that will be happening, COVID restrictions permitting, are the monthly BBQs at the Creswick Market and a BBQ scheduled for 23 October at Bunnings Ballarat.

Earlier this year, Jill, a Creswick resident, enquired if Lions could perform some restoration work on the Lions bench near the corner of Albert and South Streets, (opposite *Inspiration*). Unfortunately, COVID restrictions and an exceptionally cold and wet winter have delayed works on this project. The seat has been vandalised beyond repair but rest assured Jill, it has not been forgotten. Club members are also negotiating with Hepburn Shire Council

re improvements to the Lions playground in Bridge Street. Interested in becoming a member of the Creswick Lions Club? Call membership chairperson Maria Marco (0410 499 007) or email [creswick@lions201v1-4.org.au](mailto:creswick@lions201v1-4.org.au) for further details. Any enquiries welcome.

Barbara Urry, Secretary

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## UPGRADE TO LOCAL FACILITIES

**Calambeen Park** - Council will undertake a major renovation of the existing toilets and pavilion at Calambeen Park in Creswick. This is the refurbishment of the existing brick building to house three large unisex accessible cubicles each with a shower and new fixtures and fittings. We will also upgrade the existing path that joins the swimming area with the amenities, and link it to a new accessible car parking space near the building.

**Hammon Park** - Council will construct a new toilet facility that will integrate with the Creswick Trails trail head at Hammon Park. This facility will include a 'Changing Places facility', which provides the highest level of accessibility in public toilets. This is the first of its kind in the Shire. It will include an adult change table, shower, toilet, sink, electric hoist and ample space to move around. In addition, there will be a unisex accessible facility with a shower and three ambulant toilet cubicles. We anticipate that construction will begin before the end of the year.

Find maps and designs for these projects and more at <https://participate.hepburn.vic.gov.au/toilet-upgrades>.

## CRESWICK TRAILS NETWORK UPDATE

Progress toward a planning permit for the Creswick Trails continues with documentation being finalised for the assessment of the planning permit application. See details above on a new toilet facility for the Creswick Trails trail head at Hammon Park. For updates visit the project website at <https://creswicktrails.com/progress>.

## NEW FOOTPATHS ON THE WAY

At the August meeting, Council awarded contracts valued at \$270K that will see the delivery of the 2021/2022 footpath expansion and renewal program. We are responding to community calls for better footpaths by working to improve footpath infrastructure around the Shire.

There will be 1.46 kilometres of footpaths constructed through the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program Stage 2 in the townships of Creswick, Clunes, Trentham and Daylesford. The footpath works across the Shire have been identified through a combination of actions in the Walking and Cycling Strategy, asset condition analysis and customer requests.

Safe and effective pedestrian networks increase the liveability and community activation in townships.

## MELBOURNE CUP HOLIDAY

Melbourne Cup is set to become the official public holiday for the entire Hepburn Shire. Council conducted an online survey in July, which found that 94% of respondents voted in favour of a shire-wide Melbourne Cup public holiday.

Previously, townships on the western side of the Shire have observed the Ballarat Show Day public holiday, while the rest of the shire observed the Melbourne Cup public holiday. Ballarat City Council and Golden Plains Shire recently voted to make Melbourne Cup Day the observed public holiday.

Council will write to the Minister for Small Business and request Melbourne Cup Day be declared as the official public holiday for the whole Shire.

## TRACKS AND TRAILS

Thank you to everyone who completed the recent survey regarding feasibility work into exciting opportunities for outdoor recreation in the Shire.

The two opportunities on which community feedback was sought were the possibility of extending the existing tourist rail from Bullarto to Trentham and creating a rail trail from Daylesford to Fern Hill continuing all the way to Hanging Rock. The response was excellent with over 800 people having their say.

We will present a report to Council outlining the engagement feedback and feasibility study outcomes in October. Keep an eye out for updates on our project webpage at <https://participate.hepburn.vic.gov.au/tracks-and-trails>.

## DRAFT COUNCIL PLAN

Our draft Community Vision and Council Plan, which includes the Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan, were open for public feedback until 27 August. We developed these strategic documents following extensive community consultation earlier this year as part of the Hepburn Together Project.

Thank you to everyone who has been involved in the process, including attending community pop-up sessions or providing valuable feedback in person or online.

The draft documents will be considered at the September Council meeting for endorsement.



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# SAVING OUR GOLDEN HISTORY

The Central Victorian Goldfields has an extraordinary story to share. This story is directly relevant to many Australian families, including families in Creswick and the surrounding district who can trace their family history back to the gold era.



The Central Victorian Goldfields have the best preserved goldrush landscape anywhere. The mullock heaps and mining relics scattered across the landscape, tiny miner's cottages, grand houses, shops and beautiful public buildings are still here to tell the gold boom story.

Many people are not aware that in recognition of the importance of the Central Victorian Goldfields region, 13 local governments, including the Shire of Hepburn, have partnered to secure UNESCO World Heritage listing. This can be a slow process but if successful, the Central Victorian Goldfields would join the list of World Heritage Sites in Australia, which include the Sydney Opera House, the Royal Exhibition Building in Melbourne and the Great Barrier Reef.

According to the Goldfields World Heritage website, leading World Heritage experts have confirmed that inscription of the Central Victorian Goldfields can be achieved. The Goldfields have been described as 'the most extensive, coherent and best-surviving landscape anywhere that illustrates the global gold rush phenomenon' (Gamble, 2020).

Work on the proposed UNESCO World Heritage Bid has been ranked as a priority project for the Shire of Hepburn.

The Shire, RACV Goldfields Resort and Creswick & Community District Bank have recently provided funding for the *Buried Rivers of Gold* self-drive tour of the deep lead goldfields in and around Allendale, Broomfield, Creswick North, Kingston, Smeaton and Smokeytown. Business & Tourism Creswick Inc. are completing work on new signs along the *Buried Rivers of Gold* trail. As soon as the signs are in place, a brochure and map will be made available to describe the route and to pinpoint the best places to take in the panoramic views.

Securing World Heritage listing would bring significant benefits to the region, including increased tourism to Creswick and beyond. According to the Goldfields World Heritage website, the financial benefit for visitation to the Goldfields region would add an extra \$25 million per year into the economy. UNESCO listing would provide an opportunity to apply to UNESCO for funding for improvements.

The community owes a great deal to the many local volunteers who have made a valuable contribution over decades through their efforts to preserve, record, celebrate and cherish the Goldfields. The plan to submit a UNESCO World Heritage Bid demonstrates that the Goldfields have a connection to the past which has deep meaning and it is worth protecting the integrity of the Goldfields for its broader cultural significance to Australia and the wider world. A successful bid has the potential to provide financial prosperity to the district through increased tourism over many years. The UNESCO World Heritage Bid will take time, meanwhile local heritage sites continue to need protection.

Recently, many have been alarmed to learn that towers and transmission lines from the Western Victoria Transmission Network Project are planned to be built through the district, including over the *Buried Rivers of Gold* trail as shown in the diagram opposite.

Goldfield heritage sites have been carefully pinned by community members as part of the community consultation process for WVTNP but it is not clear whether AusNet are listening and understand the significance of gold era heritage

to the community. Community leaders have raised concerns about whether the consultation process is a tick and flick exercise. WVTNP is still in the planning and approval stage and will be subject to intense scrutiny from many different angles, including compliance with requirements to avoid transmission towers and lines adversely affecting heritage and landscape.

More information about the bid for UNESCO World Heritage listing is available at [www.goldfieldsworldheritage.com.au](http://www.goldfieldsworldheritage.com.au).

The *Buried Rivers of Gold* brochure and self-drive map will be available soon.

Written by Penny Swain



Business and Tourism Creswick gratefully acknowledges the supporters of the Buried Rivers of Gold Project:



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# MAP OF MAJOR MINES ON THE 'BURIED RIVERS OF GOLD', CRESWICK



Map of the Central Victorian Goldfields region.

## DID YOU KNOW?

In today's money, the value of the gold won from the Creswick district has been estimated to be around \$70 billion.

The first officially recognised gold discovery in Victoria was in Clunes in 1851.

The Central Victorian Goldfields is one of only a few intact goldfields left in the world.

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The Madam Berry No. 1 mine was one of the most successful gold mines in Victoria producing over 10,000 kilograms of gold from an area of roughly one square mile.

The New Australasian No.2 mine on the outskirts of Creswick was the site of one of Australia's worst gold mining tragedies when 22 gold miners were killed.

During the peak of the deep lead mining era, Allendale's population grew to around 5,000 as thousands of miners and families came to the district.



The Buried Rivers of Gold brochure containing information and a detailed map of the Deep Lead goldfields will be available at the Creswick Visitor Information Centre or visit [www.creswick.net](http://www.creswick.net)

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# 100 Years Ago

Compiled by Creswick Museum

## September, 3 1921

Tomorrow afternoon, at 3 o'clock, in the Creswick Town Hall there will be a united Bible Sunday demonstration, given by the children of the various Sunday schools. There will be a combined choir, and duets, dialogues, etc, will be rendered.

## September, 7 1921

Recently applications were made by the committee of the Creswick District Hospital Carnival for the proclamation of Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> November, as a public holiday in the borough; and the Smeaton Agricultural Society asked that Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> November, be also proclaimed a holiday. The requests were considered by the council on Saturday evening, and were granted.

## September, 10 1921

A "pound night" is to be held at the Creswick school next Tuesday evening, under the auspices of the Old Scholars Association, and it is hoped that there will be a large attendance of former scholars. There will be a good musical programme, as well as games.

## September, 14 1921

Allendale. The construction of the new live stock trucking yards at the local railway station is about

completed, and before the departure of the staff of workmen, the overhead passenger ramp is being overhauled and altered in design for the convenience of pedestrian traffic approaching and leaving the passenger platform.

## September, 21 1921

Newlyn Hall – A Tennis Ball will be held in the above hall on Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> October, at 8 p.m. First Class Music. Efficient M.C. Supper provided. Double tickets, 3/-; Extra Lady, 1/- H. May, Chairman. J. Grigg, Hon. Secty.

## September, 24 1921

Creswick District Hospital – Donations of Eggs will be gladly received by the above institution. They may be left with the Head of Teachers of the various Schools of the District. Robt. Wall, Secty.

## September, 28 1921

In aid of the rescue and missionary work of the Salvation Army, a gift tree and young people's programme will be held in the town hall next Saturday afternoon. Cakes, refreshments, etc., will be sold. Those who purchase tickets at 1/- each are entitled to a gift, but others will pay a silver coin for admission.

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## CRESWICK CAPERS

### First 100 Days and Mini Olympics

Well the term didn't exactly play out as planned and listed in last month's *Creswick District News* column, but some very exciting activities were completed with the students between lockdowns.

The Junior Unit celebrated 100 days of learning and dressed up as students of the *past* on the first day back after Lockdown 6.0. Activities from years gone by were explored and many activities completed around the concept of 100. The Foundation students were also presented with their *First 100 Days At School* certificates.

Both Units (Junior and Senior) conducted separate Mini Olympics held in conjunction with the Tokyo 2020 events. The Junior Unit students were placed into *Countries* and re-enacted the arrival of the Olympic Torch, they created gold medals and conducted a variety of team events. A Grade 1 Olympian described the day as '*having lots of fun pretending to carry the torch to the ceremony*'.

In the Senior Unit, the students worked in their House teams, which were multi-aged from Grade 3 to Grade 6. Each of the four Houses became a country, selected a name for their country, chose its representative colours, created a banner, developed a flag, a headband or a mascot and came up with other ideas which could be incorporated. At one stage throughout the day, each country came to participate in the Olympic events at the Stadium. That ranged from paper plate discus, to balloon volleyball, to shower loofah shot put. A closing ceremony was held where *athletes* entered the stadium waving their flags and carrying their banner, before singing or chanting their musical inspirations.

Each of the Prime Ministers (House Captains) spoke to the crowds about how they had selected their ideas. Medals were then presented to the winning country based on the events, sportsmanship, co-operation and the four school values of Respect, Resilience, Safety and Personal Best.

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## NORTHERLY NEWS

### Flexibility in Student Learning

It's amazing how the students at Creswick North Primary School are able to quickly switch between school and home learning. Nearly every student has a chat each morning via Video Conferences, then submit their work online throughout the day and the teachers provide valuable feedback. The parents are also very supportive with their child's learning, which is wonderful to see. Everyone looks forward to being back on-site again so the students can learn and socialise together.

In between Term 3 lockdowns, students have managed to fit in lots of great activities. All grades have been studying the Olympics which was wonderful and tied in beautifully with the weekly Japanese lessons. They have now turned their attention to the Paralympics and doing some work on these amazing athletes and their sports.

Also on a sporting theme, the annual swimming program at *Swim & Survival Academy* in Wendouree, managed to get started. Even though there was only one week of the two week program before lockdown, the students still learnt a lot and had large amounts of fun as well!



The Junior School Council (JSC) is made up of student representatives from all year levels. They are always a busy and active group. Every week they organise and run 'Market Monday' where they sell items such as icy poles, pancakes, soup or hot chocolate. The money raised goes towards a worthy school project and this year some of it will fund a new 'Buddy Bench'. Apart from local fundraising, the JSC look more broadly to the rest of the world and fundraise for other charity groups. This is done several times a year with the most recent being contributing towards *Jeans for Genes* day, which raises money for genetic disease research.

Lots of local Creswickians have joined the Past Students Facebook page. As the school dates back to 1878, there is a lot of history to be shared. There are many who are posting lots of old photos, stories and memories. If anyone would like to join, just search 'Creswick North Primary School - Past Students' on Facebook and request to join.

The new BBQ area along with tables and seating is now complete. The school is looking forward to being able to invite parents for a picnic! To see all the amazing changes to the school, book in a tour of the facilities on 5345 2012.

Matthew Reyntjes, Principal

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## *Clunes and District Agricultural Society Inc*

### ANNOUNCEMENT - CANCELLATION

With regret, the Clunes & District Agricultural Society announce that the 2021 Clunes Show, due to be held 20 November, 2021, has been cancelled due to the continuing health concerns faced by the community.

The Society is an active, long standing volunteer committee with over sixty-five members and is disappointed that for the second year running, what was due to be the 160<sup>th</sup> Clunes Show, cannot be held. The Society would like to thank all sponsors, exhibitors, patrons, stewards and judges for their ongoing support. Additionally, thanks to the large number of other members of the Clunes community whose contribution is critical to making each show a success.

There are many exciting projects that will continue over the next twelve months to improve the facilities. The main upgrade will be the replacement of the ageing toilet block. All council permits have been received and demolition will start shortly. This project has been made possible with support from a federal government Ag Show grant and generous co-contributions provided by Community Bank Creswick & District Branch, Central Victorian Livestock Exchange, Wesley College Clunes and Waubra Wind Farm.

It is hoped to welcome everyone back to the 160<sup>th</sup> Show, now planned for 19 November, 2022 with the aim being to hold the *Best Show Ever*.

*Jenny Redpath, President 0400 613 153*

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**Anglican Parish of Springmount:** St John's Church, Napier Street, Creswick.  
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**Australian Red Cross** - first Tuesday every month. RSL Hall 2.00pm 5345 8318 or email [nstubs3@bigpond.com](mailto:nstubs3@bigpond.com)

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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. 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](mailto:u3a3363@gmail.com) or [www.creswicku3a.com](http://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.

**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 Secretary Barb Urry 0423 536 794 [urrybarb@gmail.com](mailto:urrybarb@gmail.com) Membership Chairperson Maria Marco 0410 499 007 [mariamarco3363@gmail.com](mailto:mariamarco3363@gmail.com)

**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](http://creswickmarket.com.au)

**Creswick Museum** - Open Saturdays only 11.00am to 3.00pm. 5345 2845 [creswickmuseum.org.au](http://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](mailto:tdrylie@hepburn.vic.gov.au)

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**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

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**Friday 29 October – Tuesday 2 November,** Pavilion Arts Creswick Spring Festival 2021 Art Show. Enquiries at [info@creswickartspavilion.org.au](mailto:info@creswickartspavilion.org.au).

**Saturday 6 November – Sunday 7 November,** Creswick Garden Lovers Weekend. POSTPONED

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

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

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it's time to plant tomato seeds and give lots of tender loving care to your flowers. Plant, prune and feed. Get those quilts and craft projects finished.

This year is going to be big. Anyone can enter, not just Creswick Garden Club members. We really need the lovely locals to support this year's Show. There will be a plant stall from 9.00am on Saturday, 6 November, either outside or inside the Town Hall.

Really hoping the Club can meet in October. To confirm attendance, please call Jenny on 0408 735 058, by Friday, 1 October. The Guest Speaker is to be confirmed.

Show schedules will be available at the Post Office and *Creswick Flowers* in October. Entries will open as soon as you have your copy and need to be submitted by Thursday, 4 November.

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