

## AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Clunes' resident Jane Lesock has been named Hepburn Shire Council's Citizen of the Year in the Australia Day Awards.

Jane with her husband Paul run Mount Beckworth Wines and have been active supporters of the community since moving to Clunes full time in 1993. For the last five years they have run their Cellar Door in Clunes where Jane has also become an ambassador for the town and never hesitates to support any event in the community.

Jane has been involved in many of the local groups and events including:

- Clunes Tourist & Development Association - Active member and Treasurer for past 16 years
- Clunes Coloma Days, Feast on Fraser & Banquet @ Bailey - all fund raising events for local organisations which have raised over \$35,000
- Clunes Community Dinner – Co Event Co-ordinator for the past 12 Dinners. Each of these events have previously been awarded "Community Event of the Year"
- Clunes Australia Day Celebration – Co-ordinator for past 6 years on behalf of Hepburn Shire

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### **Nurse-on-call update** by Michael Cheshire

The Clunes Health Committee is still fighting to reinstate the Nurse-on-call Service and I would like to update you on progress.

To recap, for those who do not know the details, the Hepburn Health Service closed the Nurse-on-call Service in November 2011 citing difficulty in obtaining nurses to work on the service.

The community formed a committee to fight for the reinstatement of the service. This Committee has a range of members from the community, both long-term and more recent arrivals. I chair the Committee.

Following my approach to the Health Minister's Office in late November, I received a promise for the extra funding just before the opening of the Clunes train service. Since then, we still do not have our service returned despite repeated discussions with Hepburn Health Services a range of government representatives. You may

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### **NURSE-ON-CALL UPDATE ...continued from Page 1**

remember we postponed the protest rally at the opening of the railway station on the basis of the promised funding.

We have explored the possibility of an ambulance service being based in Clunes but this looks like a long shot.

The best that the Hepburn Health Services could offer was training for 20 volunteers to take on the after hours service. With such high volunteering in Clunes already, we said no thanks.

My Committee has decided to continue our struggle with a range of activities to pressure the State Government to reinstate our Nurse-on-call Service.

We think our Nurse-on-call Service fits nicely into the government stated policy of an integrated health service, hospital-in-the-home service and keeping older people in their homes as long as possible.

We will pursue this argument with passion.

So what can you do to help? You can:

- be ready to rally when we have a suitable event organised in the near future;
- write to the Minister for Health, David Davis, Level 22, 50 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne, Victoria, 3000 asking him to reopen the valuable and essential nursing on call service. Please also make a copy and deliver it to Clunes Newsagency marked Clunes Health Committee.

Keep up the passion as our Committee believes that we may need to be in this fight for a long while. There are a other examples in Victoria where the Community has won because they kept up the pressure over a long period.

**Chair: Michael Cheshire Phone: 5345 3777 Mobile: 0418 500 680 Email: jp33@bigpond.com**

### **CITIZEN OF THE YEAR ...continued from Page 1**

- Buy Local Campaign Committee for Hepburn Shire
- Clunes Monthly Newsletter – Co-ordinates editing and Invoicing
- Ballarat Winemakers – 20 year association holding positions of Treasurer and Vice President and active Committee Member plus promoting Clunes at the same time
- Inaugural recipient of “Outstanding Contribution to Tourism” through Hepburn Regional Tourism in 2009.
- Meals on Wheels volunteer at Clunes for last 7 years
- Clunes Back to Booktown – Organisational support and Treasurer for 1<sup>st</sup> year of Event

- Clunes Community Christmas Carols – Working Committee with Clunes Primary School & Wesley College
- Lions Youth of the Year – Judging Panel for the past 6 years
- Volunteer at Wesley College at Clunes each term to teach cooking to the students

Jane was employed by the National Bank for 25 years and they were reluctant to lose her as a valued employee and for her organisational skills. As you can see our community has now benefited. Jane was named “Female Citizen of the Year” at the 2011 Clunes Community Dinner, and we believe that she is a most worthy person to be named “Citizen of the Year” for the Hepburn Shire’s Australia Day 2012 Awards.

- submitted by Neil Newitt



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This year is going to see a huge change in the life of the Clunes Museum. Established in 1974 and opened in 1976 there have been many changes to the interior of the building, most were needed to accommodate the ever increasing collection of historical objects relating to Clunes. Also space for the introduction of a Research Department which has proved an excellent service to those seeking information about family, events and the history of our unique gold town.

The Federal Government Regional Development Australia grant enabling the development of the Clunes Community and Interpretive Centre will be a huge step forward for the Museum and its volunteers. While exciting, this also creates a massive task – packing up the collection and completely clearing the building by

mid to late 2012. Our volunteers will need the assistance of many people who are willing to work with our archivists to safely pack the collection ready for transport to storage.

If you are able to spare some of your time to help us we would very much like to hear from you. We are starting to compile a list of people who are willing to help and hope to get started by the beginning of March.

If you are able to help please contact the Clunes Museum Curator Pat Cook on 53453020 or email [trishcoo@wideband.net.au](mailto:trishcoo@wideband.net.au) and leave your name, telephone number and days that would suit you best to help.

- submitted by Pat Cook, Curator Clunes Museum

## CRESWICK CREEK WALKING TRACK CLOSED IN CLUNES

The creek walk at Clunes between the football oval and the causeway has evidence of a possible landslide.

On Friday 20 January the path was closed (with authority from Hepburn Shire CEO) and as consequence he has authorised the closure of the path until further notice.

The Flood Recovery Office will now engage a geotechnical engineer to conduct an assessment of the area and determine a suitable course of action.

- submitted by Meaghan Francis, Communications Coordinator, Hepburn Shire Council

## ORGANS OF GOLDFIELDS CLUNES - 16 JANUARY 2012

Clunes was again delighted to have the return of the Festival.

The CTDA have been sponsors of this event for many years and to have recitals in small towns are well sought after.

The number of visitors to Clunes was above expectation. First recital in the beautifully restored Wesley Bluestone Church was repeated due to demand and again two recitals were held in the Town Hall.

Estimated number of visitors to Clunes for the day was 500. Every effort was made to give the visitors a warm welcome and meet their needs.

Businesses opened up especially for the day and were well rewarded. Thanks to all for making the effort.

Being a warm day, tables and 60 chairs were set up under the shady areas in Collins Place – thanks to Ken Gibson and Paul Lesock for this and the RSL for the loan.

The visitors loved it and after spending the entire day, either enjoying the recitals, lunching or buying up, left with a good feeling and have promised to come back.

- submitted by Jane Lesock, Treasurer - CTDA

## Look who's joined PRD Jens Gaunt

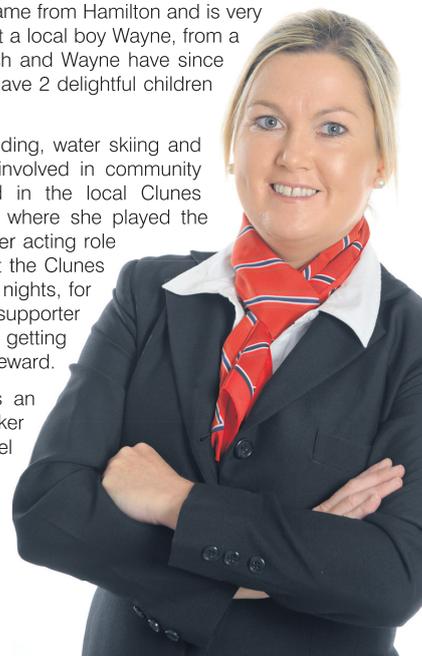
We are delighted to announce the appointment of Tash Martin to our highly regarded sales team.

PRD Jens Gaunt welcomes Tash Martin as their new real estate agent to service Clunes and surrounding districts. Tash has worked in the real estate industry for approximately 4 years in the Clunes and Creswick areas and is far more than just an agent, she's an integral part of the community and an avid supporter of community events. Tash originally came from Hamilton and is very much a country girl at heart and met a local boy Wayne, from a farm at Smeaton 13 years ago. Tash and Wayne have since married, built their new home and have 2 delightful children who attend the local primary school.

Tash enjoys playing tennis, horse riding, water skiing and camping. Tash also loves getting involved in community events and recently was involved in the local Clunes production of 'The Dimboola' play where she played the role of Rene the Bride. She loved her acting role as it was a lot of fun and it brought the Clunes community together for a couple of nights, for a few laughs. Tash is also a huge supporter of the local Clunes Show and loves getting involved with the horses by being a steward.

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## COMMUNITY GRANTS ROUND 2 - APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

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- Community Strengthening - Projects with an emphasis on connecting communities and building community capacity (grants of up to \$2,000)
- Community Events - Events primarily targeted at local community, street parties, days of celebration or Commemoration (grants of up to \$2,000)
- Arts and Culture - Projects that have a focus on culture and/or arts activities (grants of up to \$2,000)
- Small Equipment - To finance the purchase of minor equipment to assist community organisations (grants of up to \$2,000)

Program Guidelines, Application Forms and further information are available on the Council's website [www.hepburnshire.com.au](http://www.hepburnshire.com.au) or by contacting Customer Service on 5345 8399. Applicants are encouraged to read the relevant Community Grants Program Guidelines and Application Form carefully before making a submission. Applications close at 5pm on Friday 23 March 2012.

## HEPBURN SHIRE COUNCIL COMMUNICATION SURVEY

You will notice a request to participate in a communication survey in your next rates notice.

Please take the time to provide your feedback! The survey only takes a few minutes and will help Council to deliver messages to you based on community preference.

This is a great opportunity to influence our communication practices. If you do not receive rates notice for February, you can participate in the survey online at [www.hepburnshire.com.au](http://www.hepburnshire.com.au) or by visiting one of our customer service offices. Surveys need to be returned by 29 February 2012. If you have any questions about the survey contact Meaghan Francis, Communications Coordinator on 5321 6451.

## HEPBURN SHIRE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Council has created a 2012 calendar of events which is available from our offices or by calling into one of our visitor information centres.

## MARCH ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING IN CLUNES

The March Ordinary Council meeting will be held at 5.30pm on Tuesday 20 March Clunes Town Hall. If you would like to submit a question for Council to address during the meeting, please note that it needs to be received by Council by 12noon on Tuesday 20 March. You will then have the opportunity to ask a supplementary question once your initial question has been answered by your Council.

*- submitted by Meaghan Francis, Communications Coordinator, Hepburn Shire Council*

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### **Welcome to 2012**

As we enter into the a new year we look forward to welcoming 2012 and getting back to the rebuilding of the infrastructure that was so badly damaged when mother nature took her anger out on us last year. Just as the year was coming to an end, on the 19th of December 2011, approximately, 60mls of rain fell in Clunes and Creswick and surrounds in approximately 20 minutes. This of course caused minor flash flooding. On the 20th the staff braced themselves for the repercussions within the community. The office received 43 phone calls and 19 walk ins. So we ended the year on a very busy note. We have recently received several letters of appreciation from the community regarding the ongoing works that have taken place. We would like to thank the entire community for their patience whilst continue to restore the damaged infrastructure. Many of these works take a vast amount of time to complete.

### **Bridges and Culvert Works**

Work is continuing on the Hepburn Shire's Flood Effected Bridges and Culverts, with most work Completed in the Blampied, Clunes, Creswick Drummond Eganstown, Kooroocheang, Rocklyn, and Tylden Areas Crews have moved into the Clydesdale ,Dry Diggings, Franklinford and Yandoit areas. There may be some disruption to traffic in these areas but delays will be Kept to a Minimum. In some areas Traffic may have to be diverted around the works. Also work has Commenced on clearing and replacement of damaged drainage pipes and End walls in the Clunes area.

### **Tennis Club —Clunes**

The Deputy Premier—Honourable Peter Ryan paid a visit to Creswick on the 10 January 2012 and announced that a grant application for the Clunes Tennis Club had been successful. An amount of \$66 000.00 was awarded for the facility to be reinstated, this will go towards restoring the much needed community facility.

### **Recovering from the floods—Watch this space**

Experienced psychologist Dr Rob Gordon will be in visiting Clunes shortly. Dr Gordon will speak to the community about recovery after an emergency such as flood.

Dr Gordon has more than 25 years experience working with people who have undergone traumatic events and is highly sought after for his specialised knowledge of the psychology of emergencies and recovery. Once the dates are finalised we shall advise you accordingly.

### **Restoration of Gravel Roads Projects**

The restoration of flood affected gravel roads and shoulders within the Hepburn Shire is well progressed. Over the past few months the Council appointed contractor has been working systematically through he Shire from north to south. After completing at Creswick the crew will return to the Clunes area to address some minor gravel road works. It is expected that restoration of the flood affected gravel roads will continue into February 2012. The Hepburn Shire Flood Recovery Office acknowledges the patience of the community with regard to the wait for the works to be undertaken. As the works crew moves through your area, there will be varying degrees of traffic management undertaken. The Hepburn Shire asks drivers within the community to adhere to the temporary works site speed limits and to be aware of workers in the roadside and slow moving machinery.

### **Clunes Walkway**

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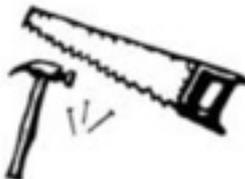
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# AUSTRALIA DAY 2012

To start off the celebrations for Australia Day, a large group of Clunes people attended the Civic Reception at Daylesford Town Hall for the announcement of the Hepburn Shire Australia Day Awards.



**Jane Lesock with past Hepburn Shire Citizen's of the Year - Mac Fawcett and Wally Cook**

The traditional walk up Mount Beckworth to watch the sunrise was well attended and for your reward, a breakfast of pancakes, tea and coffee were waiting for you. The Australian Flag was raised at this event which was attended by Cr. Neil Newitt and Mayor Cr. Klein.



Thanks to Helen & Graham Hardy and Billie Drife who make this event possible.



In the evening, things were set up in Collins Place for the community BBQ.

The evening was attended by Cr. Neil Newitt who gave the Australia Day Address and Cr. Janine Booth who gave the Public Affirmation.

Clunes Primary School 2012 Captain & Vice Captain, Paula Maki and Cameron Dick recited their own worded poetry. Well done and keep up the good work.

To finish off the formal part of the evening, Doug Garth and Hayden Harvey our own Citizen's of the Year lowered both the Australian and Hepburn Shire's flags.

A large group of locals then sat around and enjoyed the BBQ and entertainment by local jazz band "Justin Time".



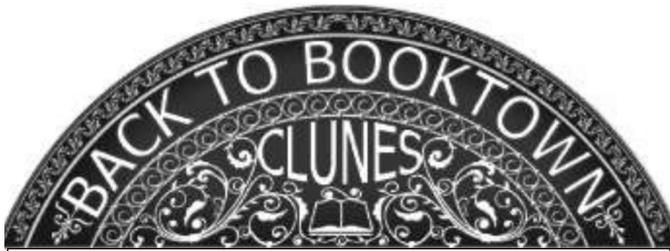
Thanks to the Hepburn Shire Council who generously sponsor the Australia Day Events.

Thanks to the following people who helped setup, cook and served – Elizabeth & Lova Paszko, Helen Roberts, Robyn & Gerard Giltinan, Graeme Johnstone, Debbie Britton, John Ford, Janet Devenyns, Joy Cheshire, Paul Lesock, Neil Newitt, Alice Newitt & Hannah McGuire. Thanks also to the Clunes RSL for the loan of the BBQ.

Special thanks to Michael Cheshire – President of the Clunes Tourist & Development Association who did a great job as MC for the evening.

Again hope you all enjoyed yourselves.

*Jane Lesock - Clunes Australia Day Coordinator*



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Pre-school storytimes 10.30am, 3rd Wednesday of the month

### PREPARATIONS FOR BOOKTOWN

This year the Library will be transformed into the Land of Narnia for Back to Booktown in May. As part of that idea we will need plastic Christmas trees (no decorations required), and dress up clothes. Can you help?

- submitted by Catherine Hill, Clunes Library

## Clunes RSL SUNDAY LUNCH

A Sausage Sizzle and Devonshire Tea is held at the Clunes RSL, 30 Fraser Street, on the second Sunday of each month from 9.30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This is a fundraiser for the Clunes RSL run by the Womens Auxiliary.

## CLUNES COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

*Produced by the Clunes Tourist and Development Association Inc.*

*Printed by the Clunes Primary School.*

### COMMUNITY NEWS:

Submissions (including photographs) welcome, preferably sent electronically to the email address below. Priority will be given to news items and are subject to available space. Name of group or individual will be printed with all items submitted.

News items, notice of meeting, results - up to 3 lines will be listed free-of-charge for Clunes social and sporting clubs on the COMMUNITY GROUPS page (space permitting).

Display ads are available to community groups at half commercial rates.

All material to reach the CTDA by the 22nd day of the month.

Note: articles, photographs and ads not to exceed 2Meg in size.

Hardcopy items can be left at the Clunes Newsagency, Fraser St.

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Edited by Jane Lesock.

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## CLUNES FIELD & GAME BRANCH

*Note: As the newsletter is not published in January, the results and reports from the December 2011 event are published below, along with the results from the Goldfields Challenge and the January 2012 event.*

### DECEMBER REPORT

Clunes Field & Game Branch held the final event for the year with 83 shooters attending.

President Eric Jones presented the Club Annual Awards with Clayton Flowers taking out the 2011 Club Championship on Handicap and Milton Rodda accepting the 2011 Club Championship OTG. Congratulations were extended to both Clunes members on their shooting efforts during the past 12 months.

Results:

High Gun: I Cooke 42/50

AA Grade: S Wallace 40, I Gill 38, P Stowe 36

A Grade: S Coad 40, B McManus 39, A Edwards 32

B Grade: T Summerhayes 38, J Coates 35, S Allison 34

C Grade: C Drew 35, B Jones 28, M Millar 27

Veterans: J Johns 37, E Jones 35, M Rodda 34

Ladies: J Voigt 19

Under 18: B Schwarz 27, D McManus 26

Under 15: B Burke 25, W Voigt 24

### GOLDFIELDS CHALLENGE

A fantastic weekend of simulated clay target shooting was had by contestants supporting a combined event hosted by Ballarat and Clunes Field & Game Branches.

The two-day day 'Goldfields Challenge' 150 target OTG event sponsored by GB Corsivia and Intoshooting was well supported by shooters on both days.

Ballarat Branch hosted the first day of the competition at their Haddon range, the second day

was conducted at Clunes Branch simulated shooting range.

This inaugural Challenge was well received by shooters, and both branches are hopeful of this becoming an annual event on the clay target shoot calendar.

Results:

High Gun: S Krezlik 131/150

AA Grade: W Cooke 120, M Cooper 115, M Collins 109

A Grade: P Dumesny 121, P Newell 121, P Meekings 114

B Grade: T Summerhayes 107, M Canavan 102, C Flowers 101

C Grade: G Collins 86, J Foote 82, I White 66

Veterans: M Rodda 120, E Jones 117, I Cooke 112

Ladies: J Voigt 72

Under 18: Z Ansell 88, M Boxell 76

Under 15: W Voigt 94, J Evans 77, B Voigt 75, L Cooke 37

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### JANUARY REPORT

Clunes Branch hosted their January monthly 75 target OTG event which was conducted in conjunction with the Goldfield Challenge, attracting 126 shooters.

Results:

High Gun: A Fuge 65/75

AA Grade: S Krezlik 60, M Cooper 59, P Lee 56

A Grade: P Dumesny 60, G Philipson 59, K Kivinen 58

B Grade: S Allison 58, C Flowers 55, D Smeaton 54

C Grade: J Foote 47, Darren McMahon 46, F Stambanis 46

Veterans: M Rodda 58, E Jones 56, B Rafferty 56

Ladies: R Robinson-Agg 41, J Voigt 33

Under 18: J DiCicco 48, Z Ansell 41

Under 15: C Kivinen 58, W Voigt 39

### THANK YOU

Marley and Bridget Mookhoek would like to thank everybody for their kind wishes and blessings on the safe arrival of Zeke Adrian Mookhoek on 23 December 2011.

### THANK YOU

Thank you to the many people that have come up to me with congratulations on being named Hepburn Shire's "Citizen of the Year" at the Australia Day Awards. I felt very honoured and humble to be nominated and totally surprised to be awarded.

It is a pleasure to work with so many wonderful people in the community of Clunes; I believe we can make a difference in helping each other out.

My congratulations also go to Doug Garth for his nomination. Doug is highly regarded not only as a person but also for his volunteer work.

Jane Lesock

# COMMUNITY GROUPS NEWS & RESULTS

Free listing (up to 3 lines) for Clunes social and sporting groups. Items may be edited for space reasons. Information is supplied by community groups and published in good faith. Community groups can purchase additional display ads for half normal price.

**As this is the first newsletter for the new year, could each of the groups below check their details and contact the newsletter (email: [clunesnewsletter@iinet.net](mailto:clunesnewsletter@iinet.net)) with any changes.**

**All Nations Masonic Lodge** Every first Tuesday except January. New members most welcome. Contact Secretary: Grant Gamble at [gamble@vic.australis.com.au](mailto:gamble@vic.australis.com.au) or 5345 3080, 75 Worsley Road, Clunes,

**Bingo** Every Tuesday evening 8pm at Clunes Senior Citizens Hall, 25 Fraser St. Everybody welcome.

**Booktown Bookshop** Cnr Service & Fraser Streets, open 7 days 10am-4pm. Phone Pam on 5373 8001 (shop) or 5345 4022 (home). We particularly need afternoon volunteers, and little as 3 hrs once a month on a regular basis is a help, but more is better! If you are interested, please stop into the shop or phone Pam.

**Clunes & District Young Farmers** Meetings every 2nd Tuesday of the month at the National Hotel, 8pm. A friendly social environment for anyone between the ages of 18 to 30. Contact either Ben or Lisa on 5345 3750.

**Clunes Angling Club** All welcome. Meet on the 1st Monday of the month 7.30pm, old SMB building behind Fraz garage.

**Clunes Art Group** Contact Marlene 53 453093 or Liz: 53 453807. NEW MEMBERS WELCOME.

**Clunes Badminton Club Inc** For further information ph: Billie Drife 5343 4233. Our competition runs at the Clunes Sporting Complex, 7:30pm. All levels and ages from Secondary School to Veterans welcome.

**Clunes Bowling Club** Enquiries Vic Dunn 5345 3300.

**Clunes Book Club** Enquiries Roma ph: 5345 4037. Book club meets 7.30pm on the 2nd Thursday of the month at the Clunes Library.

**Clunes Chess Club** 4pm each Friday at Clunes Library.

**Clunes Community Garden** Alliance St. Enquiries John Paine ph: 5345 3968 Key available at Valley of Gold Service Station.

**Clunes Country Women's Association** For women of all ages; junior members also welcome (aged 8-18 years) Contact Judy - 5345 3342, or Margaret - 5345 4040. Meetings held 3rd Wed of each month, 7.30PM, at Clunes Neighbourhood House, 6 Service St. Various community service activities held throughout the year.

**Clunes Field & Game** Enquiries ph: 5345 3571. **SEE REPORTS AND RESULTS ON PAGE 9**

**Clunes Football & Netball Club** Enquiries: Doug Garth (President) 0428453808 or [Clunesmaggies.com.au](http://Clunesmaggies.com.au). All welcome.

**Clunes Garden Club** First meeting Monday 6 February at 1.30pm at Senior Citizens' rooms when we will plan the year's activities. A guest speaker has been invited. Further information: Jill Taig 53453059

**Clunes Golf Club Inc** Ph: 5345 3499. Contact Kevin Steart 5345 3127 or Laurie Lees 5345 3034. The course features 18 holes, sandscapes, par 70 and all year round play. **NON-MEMBERS CAN PLAY 18 HOLES FOR JUST \$5 GREEN FEES.** Every Wednesday is over 55's (but younger players welcome), HIT OFF AT 11am at the Talbot Golf Club.

**Clunes Library** Fraser Street, Clunes. **NEW OPENING HOURS** Tuesdays and Thursdays: 10.00am - 1pm; 2.00pm - 5pm Saturdays 10.00am - 1pm. 3rd Wednesday of the month open from 10.00am - 1pm. Pre-school storytimes 10.30am, 3rd Wednesday of the month

**Clunes Museum Volunteers Committee** 36 Fraser Street, Clunes ph: 5345 3592. The volunteers meet on the second Thursday of the month at 10am. A warm welcome is extended to new volunteers

interested in preserving the history of Clunes and making it accessible to the general public.

**Clunes Neighbourhood House Inc.** 6 Service St Ph: 5373 8426 email: [thegateway@clunes.org](mailto:thegateway@clunes.org) open: 9:45-3:15 Tue-Fri. Call or email to express interest in our new courses.

**Clunes Playgroup** - meets at the Clunes health centre 10-12pm every wednesday of the school term. A great place for mums and their preschoolers to meet and enjoy each others company. Enquires Ruth Kinnersly Ph:53434216

**Clunes Pre-School** 109 Fraser Street Clunes Ph: 5345 3228 email: [clunes.district.kin@kindergarten.vic.gov.au](mailto:clunes.district.kin@kindergarten.vic.gov.au). Enrolments for 3 & 4 yr olds being taken now. 3 year olds - Tues 9-11:30am, 4 yr. olds - Tues & Thurs 9am-2:30pm. Expressions of interest welcomed to conduct a separate 3 yr. old program.

**Clunes Probus Club** Meets every second Tuesday of the month at the Clunes Town Hall at 9.45am. Visitors most welcome. For information contact Barb Webb on Ph: 5345 3865 or Barbara Fyfe Ph: 53453579.

**Clunes Saturday Netball Club** Meetings held at the Clunes Community Centre, 3rd Thursday of the month, 7pm.

**Clunes Senior Citizens Club Inc** Further information from the Secretary - Eileen Bradsworth on 5345 4097. Come along to Bingo every Tuesday night commencing at 8pm. All welcome.

**Clunes Swap Shop** The Swap Shop is located at 99 Bailey St. Pre-loved clothes, books, CDs, DVDs, household items, toys etc. are available for swapping, or you can make a gold coin donation. Proceeds go towards running costs. Donations of suitable goods always welcome. The Swap Shop is run by Andrew Brown, who appreciates assistance whenever possible, with sorting, tidying, serving etc. For all enquiries please ring Andrew on 5345 3853, or call in. w/days 10-4, Sats 10-1.00

**Clunes Tourist and Development Association** 7.30pm Third Monday of each month at Clunes Town Hall.

**Tourello Red Cross** meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at 2 pm at the RSL Rooms, Fraser St. One of the oldest Red Cross Branches, you are most welcome to join this wonderful organization and support your community membership.

**Clunes Writers Group** Meets 2nd Monday of the month at 1.30pm, at the Clunes Neighbourhood House. This is an informal, friendly group which will hopefully stimulate us all to write!

**Flood Coffee and Cake Group:** contact Lesley Tydeman 0400466324.

**Goldfields Central Gold Prospecting Club.** Meets 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7.00 pm at the National Hotel. All interested people are welcome. Inaugural meeting October 19th. Darren Kamp 0439 453884

**Lee Medlyn Home of Bottles Management Committee** Meets at the Bottle Museum, 70 Bailey Street Clunes on the first Wednesday of the month at 2pm. Visitors welcome.

**Spanish Conversation Group:** For information call David 0429 838 537

**Yoga** Every Tuesday evening 6.30pm at Clunes Senior Citizens Hall, 25 Fraser St. Everybody welcome.