

Monthly newsletter of the Clunes Tourist and
Development Association

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Hats off! Grade 6 graduation 2021. See page 4

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

#### Paul Fleckney

On behalf of the newsletter team, I would like to wish everyone a happy new year and all the best for 2022. We have enjoyed plenty of warm, sunny days so far and let's hope these continue! However you've been spending your summer - be it catching up with friends and family, enjoying a coffee on Fraser St, swimming in the Clunes pool or one of the nearby lakes, chilling with a book or getting busy in the garden - I hope you've stayed well, safe and happy.

Have a story to share? Get in touch at newsletter@clunes.org. We'd love to hear from you!

### MARKET UPDATE

Chris Culvenor



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The December market was held in perfect weather and despite the heavy rain and damaging storms in the surrounding district during the preceding week, we also had perfect weather for our January market.

A strong line up of market stalls in December followed again in January with two new farmers market stallholders (Sweet Yourself and Phil's Conifers) and a big crowd. Thank you Doug Jeffreys for the music, standing in for Thomas Fenner (HMS Ash) in January. Thomas will play in February.

The wood raffle was again very well supported and the winning numbers were 11 and 12. Well done stallholder Victor (The Dumpling Man) and Clunes local Lowa Paszko. Stallholders Paul (Home of Bakeology) and Mellisa (Sweet Yourself) drew the raffles. Thank you everyone for your ongoing support. Next market is February 13th, 9am - 1pm.

## CLUNES COMMUNITY NEWS

Submissions welcome. Please send articles to the email address below. Submit text as Word or Pages files only. Submit photos and ads as .jpg or .png files. **No PDFs.** 

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### WHAT'S ON FEBRUARY 2022

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## Words with Attitude

A collection of stories celebrating the resilience and achievement of Clunes's older generation during the pandemic.

Our voices can be heard because of the formation of Attitude – Ageing Well in Clunes and the support of Clunes Neighbourhood House, Clunes Tourist and Development Association and the Hepburn Shire Council.









Scan to hear some of their stories

#### WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO AGE WELL?

In Clunes, when the Senior Citizens Club closed and there was risk that the building would be re-purposed, our community decided ageing well took attitude. It seemed a bold, even controversial name when it was chosen. But it was important because the name demonstrated intent. The intention to find and support the kind of attitude needed to make ageing well possible in Clunes.

What we didn't know when Attitude -Ageing Well in Clunes was launched was that others in Victoria identified attitude as the no.1 attribute necessary to age well in a changing world too.

In our own journey to understand what it takes to Age Well, this publication has provided the best summation of the priorities ahead of us that we have found to date.



In 2022, digging deep to understand ageing well on a broader scale is a vital part of discovering how we can address this locally. Why not have a read so you can join in the conversations ahead of us?



Obtain a copy of the Ageing Well in a Changing World from BOOM Clunes, 28 Fraser Street, Clunes. Open 10am -3pm Thursday - Monday.

Or email co-ordinator@clunesnh.org for an electronic copy



# CLUNES PRIMARY SCHOOL

Sonia Jardine

Welcome to 2022 everyone!

#### End of 2021 Clunes Primary School Awards & Year 6 Graduation 2021

Our Year 6 Graduation Dinner was a lovely evening held at school on the last Thursday of the school year, 16th December. Our students thoroughly enjoyed themselves! Our families were particularly resilient given our outdoors Awards Presentation process due to the COVID-19 restrictions.

Our heartfelt thanks to Jen and her team from the Clunes National Hotel for providing the delicious meal and to our volunteers, all past students, for providing excellent table service: Olivia Kinnersly, Kara Longmire and Sophie Longmire. Mr. Steve Kinnersly, our retiring School Council President, gave a heartfelt speech. Our Year 6 students demonstrated brilliant confidence and enthusiasm in running their own graduation evening.

We extend our sincere thanks to Mr Ash Burke, Year 5 /6B Classroom Teacher, and our staff support team for all of the planning and organisation that ensured the evening was such a success.

Congratulations to all our 2021 Year 6 students. All the very best for the future!

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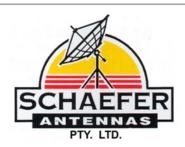
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   student attending a Maryborough
   school in 2022) Tom Stevenson
   (presented by Lyn McKinnon)
- Arts Award 2021 Bethany Kenna & Chayse Twentyman (presented by Vicki Anderson)
- Maryborough Education Centre
   Award (MEC) 2021 (special 2021
   Book Award for a student attending
   MEC in 2022) Malakie Jones
   (presented by Ash Burke)
- 2021 Hepburn Shire Clunes PS Student Citizenship Award - Daniel Impey (presented by Tessa Halliday)
- Hon. Catherine King 2021 Clunes PS Community Volunteers Award-Andrew Webb and Jo Kenna (presented by Penny on behalf of Catherine King).





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## FREE LENDING LIBRARY

Denise Fordham

#### **Brief Action Update**

Happy New Year! As we kick into gear again this year there will be a bit of a planning theme at our next meeting as we map out some key goals for 2022.

#### **DELWP Visit**

Just before Christmas, four DELWP employees who hadn't seen the building before or for a long time undertook a tour of the free library. All were very complimentary of the work undertaken thus far and excited for the future of the building. Ongoing talks continue to resolve the payment of old bills and the committee is hopeful this visit has put the library at the top of the list for applicable grants when the opportunity arises.

#### **Love Clunes? Love History?**

Want to leave a legacy? Please help us!

If you visit the museum, read the signs around town or a book on the history of Clunes, it quickly becomes evident how many of our old buildings have been lost.

These icons of the past are irreplaceable and sadly the Free Library is very much at risk of being lost and becoming just another 'once was' sight in Clunes. The Clunes Former Free Lending Library is in need of a helping hand to keep things moving along.



If you are new to town, or have been watching from afar, there's no better time than now to come along to a committee meeting and see how you can get involved. You can be as active and involved as you like!

Volunteering is a very rewarding thing! And it can be great for your mental health, providing a sense of purpose and a connection to the community. You might meet new friends, discover a new passion or skills and maybe even have some fun!

#### Keen to find out more?

Join the Facebook page: Clunes Former Free Lending Library, or contact us via email at committee. CFFLL@gmail.com.

Meetings: 4th Thursday of each month, usually at the Free Library but check the FB page or call me, Denise, on 0431 908 796.



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## **CLUNES GOLF CLUB**

#### Brendon Butler

2021 was another challenging year for all sporting clubs. While our events calendar was interrupted, we got through it with a lot of patience, flexibility and cramming stuff into the last few weeks. 2022 has started with some of the same tensions.

#### 2021 Champions

Singles Matchplay: John Young

Pairs Matchplay: Ian Rowland & Dean

Marshall

A-Grade Stroke: Dean Marshall B-Grade Stroke: Brendon Butler

Nett Stroke: Kevin Steart Eclectic: Dean Marshall

Noel Keeshan Shield: Dean Marshall Medallist of the Year: Kevin Steart Longest Putt of the Year: John Johnston. The inscribed perpetual trophies can be

viewed at the club rooms.

#### 2022 Committee

President: Ray Skinner Captain: Ian Rowland Treasurer: Phill Burnie

Secretary: Christine O'Donnell

Committee: Brendon Butler, Robert Dixon, John Johnston, Joanne Love, Kevin Steart.

We warmly acknowledge the service and contributions of retiring committee members - Lawrie Lees and Graeme Rowland - and office holders - Ann Jones, Spike Jones, Margaret Bird (a combined century across just these 3!).

#### **Recent Events**

Each year, we are privileged to host the Rod Cartledge Memorial Stroke Event. Rod Cartledge was admired and respected both as a golfer and for his broader contributions to the Ballarat District Golf Association, and particularly the Creswick club. His family sponsor this event, and his son, Andrew, joined us and awarded prizes to the winners: Rob Hopcroft (men) and Christine O'Donnell (women).

We held Round 1 of the Noel Keeshan Shield on 12 January. Kevin Steart has taken the lead with a 35; by the time you read this it will all be over but I will convey the results in the next newsletter.

#### **Coming Events**

We will inaugurate the Margaret Fox Memorial event on 19 October, 2022. It will be a 4-ball-best-ball competition. Margaret's friends and family will provide the prizes and trophies.

We play a regular comp every Wednesday and Sunday, with tee-off at 9:00am through the warmer months. We have a twilight event on Thursday evenings from 5:00pm - a casual, pairs competition over 9 holes, with the winners receiving a chicken (each) – hence the name of the event, the 'Chicken Run'. Afterwards, a bit of socialising in the club house with a light supper, and the chance to pick up a meat tray (from Long View Farm & Meats) and a bottle of red (from Criterion restaurant).

## **CREATIVE CLUNES**

Creative Clunes

Happy New Year! 2022 hasn't started off as we had hoped – thanks covid – but nevertheless we are enthusiastically in the planning stages for our beloved annual event in which we present a celebration of books, stories and the written word over the first weekend in May. This year, in our beautiful regional township of Clunes, the Clunes Booktown Festival will take place across the weekend of April 30 – May 1. We are optimistic!

For this festival we are programming another amazing line up of talented writers, storytellers and artists to come to Clunes to entertain, wow, inspire and uplift us all. We will be approaching the festival with safety in mind and will be taking precautions, as we did for Turn The Page in 2021, to keep our community and visitors safe. We will also look at programming some online events so those in our community who want to enjoy components of the festival from home can do so.

Image from 2019 Clunes Booktown Festival, by Chloe Smith Photography.

At the heart of the Clunes Booktown Festival are our book traders and this year we are thrilled to be inviting them back to Clunes. We have 40+ book traders who will be bringing you books old and new. If you, or someone you know, is keen to have a book stall at this year's festival, please email the office directly for a registration form at admin@creativeclunes.com.au.

We will be making a call out shortly for volunteers to help us make the festival a success again this year so if you think you might like to be involved, please keep your eye out for that when it opens.

We are planning the return of our Booktown on Sunday series, which is to be held on the 3rd Sunday of the month in Clunes, with a fabulous line-up for the year to be announced soon.

Don't forget to follow us on our social media for updates on the festival #clunesbooktown and hop onto our website <a href="clunesbooktown.com.au">clunesbooktown.com.au</a> to subscribe to our newsletter for our program release and ticket info. Also, if you see us around the town, don't hesitate to stop for a chat or call up to see us at the old Railway Station. Our door is always open ... on Tuesdays and Thursdays!



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### CLUNES GARDENING CLUB

Sue McVeigh

Happy New Year to all and welcome to a new year of gardening combined with socialising in Clunes.

Our first meeting for the year will be held on Monday the 7th of February at The Warehouse in Collins Place, in the upstairs gallery. Please be there at 10.15am for a 10.30 start. This will also be our AGM, and we invite nominations from interested people to become Office Bearers for the club. We will have refreshments after the meeting so please bring along a small plate of food to share, if you are able.

We hold regular meetings on the first Monday of every month, sometimes at The Warehouse (10.15 for 10.30 start) OR on a field trip (9.15 for 9.30 departure with car pooling).

We warmly welcome any members of the community with an interest in gardening to come along, share the knowledge, get to know fellow Clunians and enjoy what should be an informative and enjoyable program for the year.

Tips for February gardening – HOT weather!!

- Always apply fertilisers to plant in the cool part of the day
- Make sure there is moisture in the soil before feeding, and water well afterwards
- Feed fast growing leafy vegetables and herbs fortnightly with a liquid plant food. (Ref: ABC Gardening Australia magazine. January 2022)

Happy gardening everyone and remember to stay cool and hydrated!!



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**Anglican Church** St Paul's, Templeton St. Worship: Eucharist for all ages 10am on 1st & 3rd Sundays, followed by bring & share lunch. All welcome. Enq.: Father Chris Keast Home: 5332 4723 Mobile: 0427 911 792 Email: ckeast@ballaratanglican.org.au for baptisms, weddings & funerals.

**Art Attack / Circus** Primary school students from 3:30pm - 5pm and Secondary school students 5pm - 7pm Tuesday afternoons at Clunes Football / Netball Club during school terms. Call 5345 4078.

**Clunes & District Agricultural Society** Meet 8pm on 3rd Thur of month from Feb - Oct. Nov meet Thur before Show & Thur after. President: Jenny Redpath Ph. 0400 613 153; Secretary: Gayle Wrigley Ph. 0400 907 506; Homecrafts: Julie Spittle 5343 4201. Website: www.clunesshow.com.au.

**Clunes & District Young Farmers** Meetings every 2nd Tues, 7.30pm at the Young Farmers club rooms at Show Grounds. A friendly, social environment for anyone aged 16-30. Contact: Jenny 0400 613 153.

Clunes Angling Club All welcome. Meet on the first Monday each month 7.30pm, old SMB building.

**Clunes Artists' Group** Meet 1st Saturday of the month starting 10.30am and every Thursday at 12.30pm as a working group. Venue: Attitude, 25 Fraser St. Enquiries: Marlene 0409 355 857.

**Clunes Bowling Club** Social Bowls every Wednesday, 6pm arrival for a 6:30pm start. Contact Josh Polson 0417 300 969 or polsy1031@yahoo.com.au.

Clunes Book Club Enq.: Karen: 5345 3703. Meets 7:30pm on the 3rd Mon of the month at the Bowling Club.

**Clunes Crafternoon** Mondays Meets 4th Monday of the month at the Clunes Neighbourhood House 12-3pm BYO lunch + craft projects, all crafts + kids welcome.

Clunes Field & Game Eng.: Eric 5345 3571.

**Clunes Football & Netball Club** Enq.: Chris Hill 0420 780 588 or Kath Milne 0448 453 665, www.clunesmagpies.com.au. All welcome.

**Clunes Free Lending Library** Meetings held 4th Thursday of each month at 7.30pm. Enq.: Graeme Johnstone (Chairman of the Committee) 0427 534 532 or via e-mail at thedukesbb@bigpond.com.

**Clunes Garden Club** Meet on the first Mon of the month at 10.15am at Attitude. Outing days meet at 9.15am. For info, please contact Secretary Susan McVeigh 0400 557 434 or President Deirdre Krausgrill 0425 707 972.

**Clunes Golf Club Inc** Ph: 5345 3499. Contact Ray Skinner 0428 056 509 or Lawrie Lees 5345 3034. Course 18 holes, sandscrapes, par 70, all year round play. Non members \$10 green fees for 18 holes. \$5 with Member. Under 16 free. Visitors welcome on Sunday/Wednesday competition days.

**Clunes Landcare and Waterways Group** New members always welcome. Contact: Chris O'Donnell 0408 034 017 or cluneslandcare@gmail.com for information.

**Clunes Library** at The Warehouse-Clunes, 36 Fraser St (next to Collins Place). Open Mon & Thur 10am-6pm, Wed & Fri 10am-4pm. Sat 10am-3pm & Sun 11am-3pm. Closed Tue. Ph: 5345 3359.

## **Community Groups**

**Clunes Men's Shed** Open 10am-12pm Mon, Wed & Fri at the Community Gardens, 18 Alliance St. A safe and friendly space for men to meet in a workshop setting. Enq.: Peter Chandler 0438 222 095.

**Clunes Museum** Seeking volunteers to help catalogue the Collection in the Museum Workshop from 10am each Thursday. Committee meets every 2nd Thursday of the months at 10am in the Ulumbarra Room at the Warehouse. Enq.: The Warehouse 5345 3359 and leave message for Museum.

**Clunes Neighbourhood House** Youth, art & community programs, printing services, free internet, gallery available for hire. 70 Bailey St (at Bottle Museum) Ph: 5345 4078, Email co-ordinator@clunesnh.org. Open 9-3 Mon-Fri. Website: www.clunesnh.org.

Clunes Pre-School 109 Fraser St. Enq.: 5345 3228 or clunes.district.kin@kindergarten.vic.gov.au

Clunes Reconciliation Group Enq. Pat Hockey 0457 463 971 or pat@breaze.org.au.

Clunes RSL Membership enquiries to the Secretary, Mr Lindsay Pritchard, on 0427 028 556.

**Clunes Tourist & Development Association** During COVID, meetings will be held online. Contact President Dorothy Russell dorothy@clunes.org or Secretary Damien Whitten 0458 553 200, damien @clunes.org

**Clunes Trekkers** Regular weekly town walks for any fitness level. Varied bush walks for medium to experienced walkers. Contact: Lois Nichols on 0467 331 136.

**Clunes Writers' Group** Meets on the second Monday of the month (including public holidays), at Attitude on the corner of Fraser and Templeton Streets from 1pm -3pm. For further information contact Patsy Skinner on 0407 377 610.

Community Garden 70 Bailey Street, Clunes. Meets Tuesday and Friday at 10am.

**Creative Clunes Inc.** Organisers of the annual Clunes Booktown festival and monthly Booktown on Sunday author talks. Volunteers always welcome. Enquiries: 5345 3947 or at the Railway Station, Service St.

**Lee Medlyn Home of Bottles Management Committee** Meets on the 3rd Monday of the month at the Bottle Museum, 70 Bailey Street, Clunes at 10.30am. Visitors welcome.

**Mad Chatters Club** Meets every Wednesday at 2pm to 3.30pm for a casual get together at Rose & Oak café. New members are most welcome. Contact Carmel on 0421 635 369.

**Monday Night Netball Clunes** Every Monday evening during school terms. 2 seasons per year. Enq.: Lana 0427 781 080 or Liz 0429 453 808.

**Spare Parts Club** Meets 1st Tues of month 2pm to 3:30pm, Clunes Community Health Centre. Enq.: Georgina 5345 9150 or Barbara 0410 946 095.

Tourello Red Cross Meetings as required. Please contact Janet Harrison for information on 5345 3060.

**Uniting Church** St Andrew's. 12-14 Service St (Wesley Campus). Worship services at 11am on 2nd and 4th (Holy Communion) Sundays and last Sunday of school term at 4pm including meal and activities for all ages. Everyone welcome. Enq.: Rev Rosemary Carter 0431 286 285 or rosemary.carter@internode.on.net.

**Yoga Classes** At Clunes Attitude every Tuesday 7pm, and Chair Yoga Friday 11.30am. All levels welcome. Enq: Lily 0459 138 797 or lilymason75@gmail.com or www.lilymasonyoga.com.

## ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

Pamela Habib

On 8th January, St Pauls Anglican Church, Clunes, hosted the Annual Music Recital held by Organs of the Gold Fields. Over two hundred and fifty people from far and wide attended and enjoyed fine meditative harp and organ music and later enjoyed our beautiful town and fine cuisine. We took all necessary safety precautions for the safety of all attendees. It was a wonderful day had by all after a long shut down.

In December we had a lovely evening of carols, which was officiated by Rev Roger Dyer. It was great to see many Clunes people join us for this annual festive service followed by refreshments outside on an enjoyable mild evening.

We hold regular services on the 1st and 3rd Sundays at St Paul's at 10am and we look forward to welcoming all.



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#### JANUARY STORM IMPACT

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Council staff have carried out secondary impact assessments on private residences impacted by the storm. To request an assessment, or find out about available support (including counselling, social support, financial assistance and more) call our Storm Recovery team on 5348 2306 during business hours.

For more information visit our website at www. hepburn.vic.gov.au.

#### **INCREASED RISK OF GRASSFIRES**

This time of year brings an increased risk of grassfires, which can spread quickly and are extremely dangerous. Mow or slash grass around buildings to help protect your assets and clear woodpiles and flammable items from around your home. Please operate machinery and outdoor equipment with care, as these may create sparks that can start a fire.

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#### HAVE YOUR SAY ON WVTNP

Don't forget to have a say on the Western Victoria Transmission Network Project (WVTNP).

Council is strongly opposed to the proposed route and large terminal station to be located in our Shire. We are looking for community input to help guide our submission into the Environmental Effects Statement. Throughout the process Council will keep the community informed on significant dates and ways to make formal submissions. Council will hold information sessions about making a formal submission in coming months. More details will be available in early 2022.

To have your say visit https://participate.hepburn.vic.gov.au/WVTNP.

#### SUSTAINABLE HEPBURN

What is your vision for a Sustainable Hepburn?

We want to hear from you on how both Council and the community can improve our environmental sustainability, now and for future generations. Have your say by completing a short online survey at <a href="https://participate.hepburn.vic.gov.au/sustainable-hepburn">https://participate.hepburn.vic.gov.au/sustainable-hepburn</a>.

Sustainable Hepburn will be a new strategy; Council's updated commitment to environmental sustainability. Community consultation activities kicked off during December with the formation of a Sustainable Hepburn Community Reference Group who will start meeting in February. The four themes for Sustainable Hepburn are:

- A Beyond Zero Emissions Council
- Natural Environment and Biodiversity
- A Low Waste Shire
- A Climate and Water Resilient Shire.

Together we can make a difference and create a (more) Sustainable Hepburn.



#### **COVID RESULTS**

The State Government is asking people to report a positive Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) result as soon as possible.

You can phone 1800 675 398 or complete this online form - https://dhvicgovau.powerappsportals.com/rapid-antigentest/.

More information - https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/report.

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As a member of the Andrews Government, please feel free to contact me to discuss any State Government matters you may have.



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