



# CULCAIRN OASIS

CULCAIRN AND DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

May2020



**Culcairn Cricket  
Club Inc**  
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The 2019/2020 Cricket season was another good year for the Club.

As a club we now run under the banner of Cricket Albury Wodonga - Hume, we have been this way for 2 seasons now, combining the old Brockelsby and District Association and the Hume Association.

We still field 4 teams, A Grade, B Grade, U16 and U13. It was a very mixed season this year especially with the heat, the fires and now corona virus. Unfortunately, due to regulations with gatherings we weren't able to hold our presentation day but we are looking forward to hopefully completing this as soon as the regulations are lifted.

This season both the A Grade and B Grade struggled at times to field teams and there needs to be a huge thank you to the junior players who stepped up week after week to help these sides out. Well Done Boys! Unfortunately, both teams didn't manage to make any finals but tried hard all year, so great effort to all who not only played but filled in. We did have a very memorable game in the B Grade where the team consisted of Fathers and Sons/Daughter. Congratulations to Andrew and Mitchell Turner, Craig, Zac and Grace Wilson, Scott and Harry Lee and Karl and Caleb Webster.

Our U16 team capped off another great season claiming the Premiership from arch rivals Osborne, I must mention Osborne were undefeated throughout the season, so a super huge effort and congratulations to the Boys. This was a Back to Back Premiership for the U16 team who also had the victory last year against Osborne. The U16 team was coached by Craig Wilson for both of these premierships so a big congratulations to Craig. Craig was assisted this year by Cameron Knust so congratulations to Cameron also. Our U13 team came extremely close to the Grand Final this year but were unfortunately beaten in the semi-finals. This team of youngsters have improved remarkably over the last 2 years and are to be highly commended. Well done to Paul Jenkins and Cameron Wood for all the time they have put in with them.

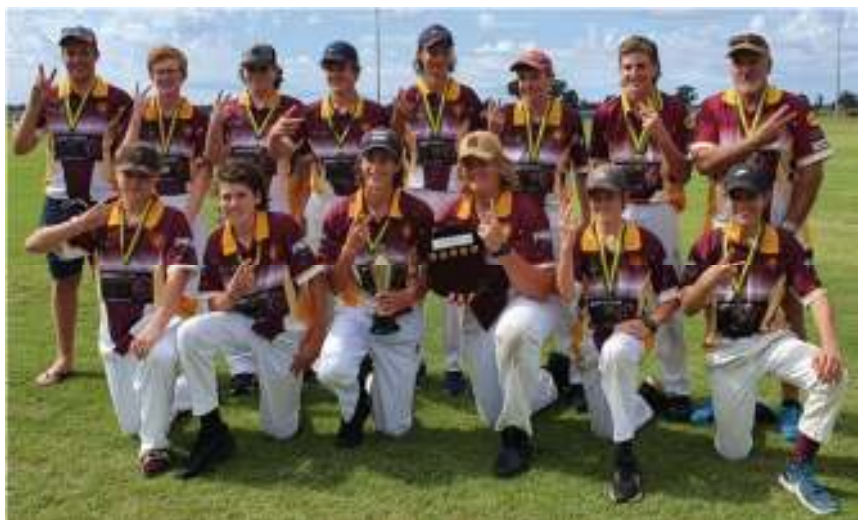
This year we also ran the Woolworths Blasters program consisting of Master Blasters and Junior Blasters. The ages ranged from 5yrs to 11yrs, there was an awesome turn out of both boys and girls for this program and a huge thank you must go out to Vince Chaffey and Steven and Jolonna Brand for their dedicated time on a Friday evening to run this for the club.

This year also marks 125 years for the Cricket Club, so if anyone has any Cricket Memorabilia from the Club from the last 125 years we would be interested in hearing from you.

As a club we are always looking for any new players of any age along with anyone interested in volunteering to help out with the club in anyway ie: coaching, assisting with coaching, fundraising, anything at all really.

Finally, a big "Thank You" to the following people: Vince Chaffey (President) Terry Wild (Vice President) Craig and Sharon Wilson, Paul Jenkins, Lee Roberts, Cameron Knust and anyone else who has helped out over the season.

Secretary/Treasurer Stacey Turner



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Next deadline 9am  
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### Oasis Contributions

We are seeking articles from community groups and residents that would be of interest to the Culcairn community.

Articles are free to submit and will be included in the next edition.

We encourage sporting groups, clubs, schools, associations to use the Oasis to keep your community informed of coming dates, events and news. If you would like to receive a reminder email before the due date please send us your email address.

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## PROPOSED RENAMING OF THE COACH TERMINAL AREA AT CULCAIRN

At the March 2020 meeting, Greater Hume Council resolved to rename the Coach Terminal area at Culcairn as "Allan Fifield AM Park", in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the Culcairn and district community and NSW Local Government over many decades.

Written comments are invited regarding the proposed renaming of the Coach Terminal area and can be made in writing to General Manager, Greater Hume Council, PO Box 99, Holbrook NSW 2644, or via email to [mail@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](mailto:mail@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au) or via Have Your Say link on Council's website [greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](http://greaterhume.nsw.gov.au).

Comments will be received until Monday, 29 June 2020 and a further report to consider community comments and feedback regarding the proposed renaming of the area will be considered at Council's July meeting

## CULCAIRN SHOW 2020

The Culcairn Show Committee held its annual meeting in March before the virus stopped meetings. The meeting elected Max Scheetz as President, Stephen Trickett as Secretary, Jenni Turner as Treasurer and Andrew Godde and John Knobel as Vice Presidents.

Max wishes to thank all those who were approached and took up other positions on the committee so that the show could run in 2020. Some new activities are planned for the 2020 show. The show committee decided to continue to plan for a Culcairn Show on the Saturday of the Long Weekend in October.

A better understanding of the personal distancing requirements in early October may be better known in late June. The executive will continue to meet by Zoom to plan for the show in October and will explore the possibility of holding some events later in the year if we are unable to proceed on the set date.

Any members with business for the executive to discuss can communicate with the secretary at [culcairnsociety@gmail.com](mailto:culcairnsociety@gmail.com) or leave a message for the secretary to contact you on 60298683. The committee looks forward to seeing you at the 2020 Culcairn Show.





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The COVID-19 pandemic has changed the way we live. We are collecting images of life in the area during this unprecedented time so that we can show how life changed during this Virus. Please put this material aside and we ask you to mail or drop the material into the Library when we reopen.

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1. Take a photo of your life right now – how you work, learn, eat, stay fit, keep informed and stay entertained.

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## CULCAIRN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Hello all, as with many other organisations we haven't met for the past couple of months. One development worth mentioning is that the Greater Hume Shire Council has considered our request to re-name the Culcairn Coach Terminal Area. We have suggested it would be a nice tribute to the late Alan Fifield if this park was named after him. Council has decided it will be re-named "Alan Fifield AM Park" after a 28 day public exhibition which began on the 7th of April 2020. Our committee will work with Council to have an appropriate new sign made to be placed in the Park later in the year. The Regional Designs men from Corowa have featured in the Border Mail again (Monday 28th of April 2020) as they have been nominated for a prestigious award. We would still like to engage their services to draw up a master plan of Culcairn for future placement and planning of community areas, parks and buildings for use now and future generations. If you have any ideas or suggestions, please contact Ken Scheuner (Chairperson) at the Culcairn newsagency or (secretary) [kirsty@wilkschestate.com.au](mailto:kirsty@wilkschestate.com.au)  
Thanks! We look forward to seeing everyone out and about again soon, some semblance of normality as the talk of easing some restrictions have been discussed politically.

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## **DOCTORS AND HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS URGE PEOPLE TO KEEP APPOINTMENTS**

General practitioners, pharmacists and other health care providers across the Murrumbidgee region are calling for people to continue maintaining their routine health checks. While people are encouraged to stay at home to stop the spread of COVID-19, some people are cancelling routine check ups and appointments which may put them at greater risk. Wagga General Practitioner Dr Tracey Purnell said providers around the region are seeing a decline in patient numbers and this is a very real concern for people's health. We all know how important it is to practice physical distancing and to stay at home to reduce the transmission of coronavirus, but accessing health care and receiving ongoing medical support for existing medical conditions are acceptable reasons for you to leave home," Dr Purnell said. "If you have a chronic health condition requiring regular management, it is important you continue to receive the care you need and maintain scheduled appointments with the various health professionals involved in your care. "Equally important is consulting your GP if you notice something change or you have a health concern. "Ultimately, maintaining regular health checks, during this time will help keep you well and out of hospital. Vice President and Chair of the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners – Rural, and Glenrock Country Practice GP Associate Professor Ayman Shenouda said health care providers were safe to visit. "All healthcare providers are practicing excellent infection control measures to ensure patients are in a safe environment, and some appointments can even be done over the phone," Dr Shenouda said. "With both individuals and healthcare providers both following the national recommendations of good hygiene, social distancing and personal protection procedures, the risk of catching the virus while you're visiting your health providers is minimal. "I would encourage people to call their local practice or healthcare provider to see if your appointment can be done over the phone or if you need to come in person," he said. Murrumbidgee Primary Health Network's (MPHN) CEO Melissa Neal said a campaign highlighting this important health message launches across the region today. "Several of the region's health professionals from a range of disciplines like general practice, pharmacy, pathology, allied health, mental health and ambulance are meeting with us regularly to collaborate around COVID-19 measures, and it was through these meetings we were alerted to a decline in people attending their scheduled medical appointments," Ms Neal said. "Together we have developed a community campaign to encourage people to keep their medical appointments and regular health checks just as you would under normal circumstances. "It's an important health message. We want to ensure people can maintain their wellness and alleviate any unnecessary pressures on the hospital system," she said.

**COOOEEE CULCAIRN** Hello Everyone from Gwen & Dave Cullen. It is 2 years since we left Culcairn and settled in Bundaberg. The weather is really great although the humidity can be a bit tiring. Winter is great and we do wear warmer clothes, but not too many. Three months and winter is over. Where we live, the shops that we need are about 5 to 10 minutes away by car. We both have motorized scooters (gophers) in use, which is fun. We still have our cars and licenses for now. After 12 months we left the retirement village and bought a 2-bedroom home with a small front and back yard. Gwen goes to a craft group Monday morning and plays cards on Monday afternoons. She goes to another craft group Wednesday afternoons and plays indoor bowls, which she loves, and is a lot of fun. Dave goes around and about, but doesn't join clubs etc. We both have made many friends(associates) in friendly Bundaberg. We had a lovely time in Culcairn, except for the cold winters. Thinking of you all, as we all spend isolation time because of the virus. Cheers Gwen & Dave.  
**A Big Thank You to Gwen & Dave for their generous donation to the Oasis.**

### **CULCAIRN LHAC HEALTH MATTERS**

To help protect you, your family, patients and residents during the COVID 19, access to the Culcairn MultiPurpose Service, including the Residential Aged Care facility, is restricted. Families are now able to connect with each other through video conferencing sites such as Zoom, FaceTime and Skype, with residents being assisted to use the facility's new iPad.

Those concerned about visiting loved ones in serious health should call the hospital on 02 60446100 for further information.



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## AGED CARE REPORT

A Big Hello from the residents at Culcairn Health, This month has been about staying connected with our loved ones. We have been extremely lucky to have our LHAC purchase an IPAD for the residents. We have started to use Zoom, Skype and facetime with families. The looks on resident faces when they see their family on the screen is one of wonder and joy.

I am very proud to say that Anzac Day was not forgotten here. Jack and Mavis have held a beautiful remembrance ceremony for all residents in the dining room. We have videoed it and when families are able to visit again we will be happy to share it with you. Residents also got together and have baked some Anzac biscuits for all to share for several days.

Today we have been busy making signs to put on our fences for our drive by visit tomorrow. All residents are looking forward to have family and friends drive by. Even if we can only wave, shout out a hello and catch a little glimpse of our families it's something to hold onto until we can see them again and have a huge hug.

There are still many activities going on inside. We have our exercise program, bingo, cards, cooking, music, word games, happy hour, and quizzes. Our residents are able to move freely through the facility and join in with anything that they like. Our notice board is full of pictures and letters from children locally and some in Beechworth and Melbourne. We have a pen pal exchange with a facility in Wales. If you would like to send a letter to any resident or as a group, please feel free to email it to me at [toni.shutt@health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:toni.shutt@health.nsw.gov.au) or you can leave it at the front desk. We have a lovely big book with all our pictures and letters in it.

## ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATION PHOTOS 2020

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The governments emergency measures mean we can provide meals to anyone aged over 65 without a My Aged Care referral for a period of up to 6 weeks. Now is the time, if you were wondering, to try our meals without the need for an assessment. We have a large menu - over 80 soups, snacks, small meals, main meals and desserts for you to choose from – something for everyone! Meals are available right across the Shire, including the more remote areas – we delivery anywhere. We are also still providing Social Support and can assist with shopping, appointments or just someone to talk to. Due to the pandemic the majority of our volunteers are having a break at the moment so they can stay home and stay safe. We want to thank those people that have contacted us to volunteer but we are unable to take on any new volunteers at this time due to social distancing and the inability to induct and train new people. We have also had some phone issues over the past few weeks, some people receiving a message that our phone is no longer connected when they call us. As of today, we think this has now been rectified however if you do get that message please call our mobile instead. Our contact numbers are 02 60363677 or 0428 466455.

Stay safe and stay well everyone. Hopefully things are a bit more normal soon.

### CULCAIRN FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

Well we certainly live in uncertain times and along with many other aspects of our lives sporting competitions have faced many issues. The situation with football and netball leagues differ greatly which could mean different start times as overseeing bodies have different views about possible commencement of seasons...if the competition happens at all!!! Information received by the club changes constantly so we cannot predict what may happen for the remainder of this year. Let's just say we need to be patient, flexible and prepared depending on directions given by higher authorities. The best we can do is encourage people to maintain fitness and, if possible, get outside and work on skills with family members or 1 other person. Keeping fit and focused will help our physical/mental health now and be a benefit if the competition does get underway.

We know lots of people are missing their sport...either as a player or supporter. Let's just hope that we can get to enjoy it again soon. To keep up to date check our Facebook page occasionally as important updates will be posted there. GO LIONS

### COUNCIL UPDATE

In response to the COVID-19 Coronavirus pandemic, Council resolved to assist ratepayers, businesses and residents by adopting the following support measures:

- Waiving interest on outstanding rates and charges for the period 1 April 2020 to 30 June 2020.
- from 1 April to 30 June 2020 rent on commercial premises impacted by the COVID - 19 pandemic be reduced by 50% where the business continues to trade in a limited capacity and 100% where the business temporarily ceases to trade.
- refer to the Budget Workshop the freezing of water, sewerage and waste collection charges.
- amend the Local Purchase Preference Policy to provide a minimum 10% weighting for local businesses to 31 December 2020.
- Further, that reports on the impact of COVID-19 be submitted to each monthly meeting of Council.

In response to the COVID-19 situation, demand for Council's child care services have been dramatically impacted. Responding to the crisis, Council officers have been actively lobbying government to raise the issue of the funding shortfall in childcare revenue.

In response the NSW Government has agreed to fund the shortfall in revenue, and Council agreed to monitor funding options for Local Government childcare services and, if required, call on the Minister for Education, Hon Dan Tehan MP and Member for Farrer, Hon Sussan Ley MP for the immediate introduction of further relief measures for local councils who provide critical childcare services to their communities.

Council approved an additional works project for the current year, being: \$15,000 – St Joseph's School - extension of parking bay in Blair Street to be funded from savings from the Creek Street footpath at Jindera .

Meeting agendas and minutes are available for viewing at any time on Council's website.

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