



## Your September 2022 Community Newsletter

Over the coming months we will be shining the spotlight on the various groups and clubs our great community have to offer...

### **WALLA WALLA COMMUNITY GROUPS AND CLUBS: WALLA WALLA HERITAGE CONSERVATION COMMITTEE (HERITAGE WAGON)**

*Written by Ross Krause, Françoise McPherson and Julie Barber*

**Background:** This Heritage Wagon of German design was donated to the Walla community just before Walla Walla's 125th Celebrations, by the Wenke family. Money was raised through donations to allow a small piece of land to be leased from the church to build the shed to house the wagon and protect it from the weather, insects, rodents, vandals etc. The wagon dimensions are 3m long x 1.5m wide x 2.1 m high. The exterior and interior of the Wagon Shed are shown below.



These heritage wagons were quite distinct from their British counterparts, recognised as being 'typically' German in design, with outward sloping sides and lower tray positioned inside the wheels. These wagons were first made in South Australia using hard durable red gum and blue gum which was readily available due to land clearing. This wagon is not an original wagon from Germany (none were imported from Germany due to their weight and bulk) but a replica made at Jindera Blacksmith works in about 1920. These wagons without springs were known for their strength and durability of German historical significance. Due to the presence of a central pole (rather than a pair of shafts), they were pulled by a pair or team of 4 or more of draft-type horses.

A party of German and Wendish pioneers left Ebenezer in South Australia in 14 wagons and 2 spring carts and two ridden horses on the 13th of October 1868 arriving

at Jindera, NSW on 20th November 1868. The trek party consisted of 8 families as a group of 56 people. They followed part of the Murray & Edwards rivers.

A few days after reaching Jindera the men moved on to settle for a camp near Walla Walla. They selected land and once registered, they went back and picked up the women and children for their new location where they built their new houses.

These wagons were not only used for the transport of household goods and farm equipment but they were covered with fabric and also served as sleeping quarters for the length of the journey-fulfilling the same function in the new settlement until homes were built.

The colour scheme of the wagon with blue body and red wheels was religiously motivated by the Lutheran faith. Blue symbolises heavenly love or the colour of truth and red symbolises the colour of blood or fire as well as confession. The Heritage Wagon in Walla has the names of the original Trek family members attached to the sides which are removed on public outings.

#### **When was the group started and how many members were there originally?**

The WW Heritage Conservation Committee (German Wagon) was formed shortly before the 125th anniversary of Walla's foundation.

#### **What is the function/goal of this group?**

The goal is to preserve the heritage of the Walla Walla Heritage Wagon and educate people of the town's Lutheran German and Wendish migrant history. The wagon is looked after by this committee while the Clydesdale horses are supplied by committee member Julie Barber as needed. The Heritage Wagon is not just a stationary museum piece; it is roadworthy with maintenance tasks performed as required. Each public outing means the wagon is well outside its comfort zone of sitting in its shed looking glorious and basking in the admiration of onlookers through the glass or being listless when not admired. Not only do the cobwebs need to be dusted off, there's oiling and greasing, adjusting of chains, tightening screws on metal rims attaching to wooden wheels etc. There's even an official log book for the Wagon's outings. Before the Walla 150th anniversary appearance, the old wagon received a '100,000 km service'.

The committee went over every nook and cranny with critical eyes, grease jars, dust rags and tools to make sure the old wagon looked at her absolute best for the big day. Likewise, the horses had spent many hours being driven in harness through town to acclimatise them to every sound and sight they were likely to encounter on the route. As with the wagon, they were polished and scrubbed thoroughly to look gleamingly beautiful on the day with their hairy legs being dazzling white and harnesses a shiny black.



Above: Walla Walla 150th parade led by the Heritage Wagon (Photo credit: Janene Whitty)

#### **Who are the executive position holders?**

Currently, Merv Wegener is the President and Ross Krause is both secretary and treasurer. Unofficially, Dieter Fenz and Shane Trimble are the wagon mechanics to keep the old four wheeler roadworthy.

#### **How many current members are there?**

Currently there are ten members on the committee. The photo below: shows the original

committee members in 2001. From L to R: Colin Cunningham, Rupert



Paech (dec), Noel Wilksch, Sue Spagnolo (dec), Ross Krause, Merv Wegener and Chris Wenke (moved to Qld). Since then, Dieter Fenz, Julie Barber, Shane Trimble, Don Scott, Allan Rayner and Geoff Edwards have joined as members.

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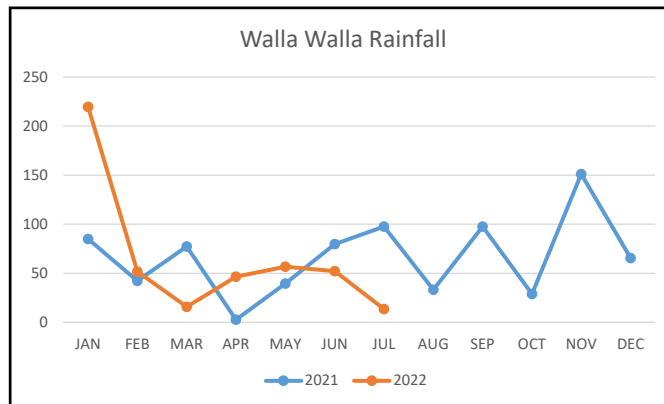


## SAVE THE DATE: SUNSHINE WALK - 6 NOVEMBER 2022

This event raises money for the Albury Wodonga Regional Cancer Centre. We are holding an event at Walla Walla, starting and ending at the Sportsground.

Look out for details on how to register or donate.

Start training for the 5km, 10km or 20km walk. BBQ & entertainment after the walk.



## WALLA WALLA RAINFALL

Rainfall at Walla Walla, as measured at the Walla Walla Post Office

### July 2022

July 13 (4.2mm), 18 (5.4mm), 26 (2.4mm), 28 (1.6mm)

Total for July - 13.6mm

For 2022 to end of July - 456.2mm

## ANIMALS PAINTED ON THE WALLA WALLA WATER TOWER

written by Francoise McPherson

The animals painted on the water tower are all residents of the Gum Swamp. Some are very common, others are rarely seen but they all have their own interesting quirks and characteristics.

### Goanna a.k.a. Australian Lace Monitor lizard (*Varanus gouldii*)

1. Many lizards can regrow broken off tail or limbs but goannas cannot.
2. There are 30 species of goanna of which 25 are found in Australia.
3. There are no goannas in Tasmania; they are only found on the mainland.
4. Being carnivorous, their diet consists of eggs, insects, small mammals, birds and other lizards.
5. Recent scientific studies suggest that goannas may actually be venomous. They also have sharp teeth and long claws.
6. Having featured on the menu of indigenous Australians, goannas are now timid and generally afraid of humans.
7. Typical clutch size is 5-6 eggs that are laid in a nest.
8. Goannas can rear up on their hindlegs, run fast and usually climb up the nearest tree to get away from danger.
9. Legs are attached to the side of the body (not underneath as in mammals) which gives them a swaying gait
10. A call to WIRES about a crocodile under a house near the Murray River turned out to be a hot and thirsty goanna.



### Yellow-winged Grasshopper (*Gastrimargus musicus*)

1. Grasshoppers pre-date the dinosaurs and primitive grasshoppers existed 300 million years ago in the Carboniferous period.
2. Grasshoppers and locusts belong to the same Order of insects (Orthoptera) but locusts have longer wings and shorter bodies than grasshoppers.
3. Grasshoppers can fly to cover a greater distance than is possible using jumping legs alone.
4. If caught, a grasshopper defends itself by spitting a brown liquid at its captor.
5. The simple eardrums are located not on the head but on the first abdominal segment under the wings.
6. Each species produces a simple melody which is unique to that species and they can't distinguish pitch very well.
7. The sound grasshoppers and locusts make is due to rubbing their hindlegs against their forewings in a process called stridulation.
8. Catapulting themselves into the air to leap and flee from danger is possible by a piece of cuticle in the knee acting as a coiled spring that is relaxed at jump off. If a human could jump as far as a grasshopper in comparison to body size (10-20x body length), we should be able to clear the length of a football field in a single jump.
9. In many Asian and African countries, locusts are an important source of protein.
10. Swarming is initiated when many grasshoppers are attracted to the same area after rainfall or irrigation. The more insects that join, the greater the need to disperse as a swarm and devour all vegetation in their path.
11. A grasshopper eats half its body weight in vegetation each day. When they swarm, they devastate food crops and pastures which can lead to famine and huge economic cost.
12. The grasshopper on the water tower is to honour the Walla Walla Hoppers football and netball teams before they became the Rand Walbundrie Walla Giants.





## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE - 25 JULY MEETING

Items on the agenda included:

- **Water Tower art** – A big Thank You to the group headed by Virginia Scholz & Karen Wenke who put in a lot of time and effort to make the painting of Water Tower possible. What a wonderful asset to Walla Walla. At this stage the official opening will be late August/early September. A grant has been approved for information signage. The painting of Water Tower was made possible by a Riverina Water grant of \$6000, Development Committee put in \$9876, fundraising from Silo Art Committee, donations from businesses, clubs, organisations and local residents, Kotzur Pty Ltd donated lift/cherry picker & accommodation and the artist was paid \$30,000 for his work, paint etc.
- **Exercise Equipment Shade Sails** – Cover over Exercise Equipment has been completed thanks to a grant of \$11,862.93 from Riverina Water.
- **Community Suggestions/concerns** – We discussed community suggestions/concerns. We have advised Council of any concerns that is their area to attend to. At our next meeting we will get a firm list of suggestions and priorities what are the most important issues to work on and draft a new "Wish List" for Walla Walla.
- **Old Town Signs** – We have acquired the old town signs that were taken down from entrances to Walla Walla when new signs were erected. We will check with Council as where these can be placed and would welcome any suggestions from the community as to where you would like to see these signs. These signs are not in the best condition, due to sitting in depot since being taking down. If you would be interested in helping with painting & upgrading these signs, please let us know on emails below.
- Also discussed – 2nd stage of subdivision Jacob Wenke Drive. Has been put out to tender for the construction of roads, drainage, sewer etc.
- Organising a Community Garage Sale for 23rd October 2022,
- Welcomed a new member
- If you would like to attend a meeting, join our committee or have a suggestion please email Leonie on [barry.leonie@bigpond.com](mailto:barry.leonie@bigpond.com) or Daniel [daniel@pjnsheds.com.au](mailto:daniel@pjnsheds.com.au). **Next meeting Monday 26th September 2022**



### TOWN GARAGE SALE

The Walla Walla Community Development Committee will be organising a Town Garage Sale to be held on the Sunday 23rd October 2022, from 8am.

If you would like to hold a garage sale at your place the cost for each site will be \$15.00. This will go towards advertising and organising. Please pay your registration fee at the WAW Bank. Please list 3 items you have for sale and these will be listed with your address, on the back of the town map. Please register and pay your fee by the end of September if possible, so we can start advertising and organising maps etc.

This is a good chance to have a cleanout before Christmas and make some extra money. This event could also be a good chance for clubs to raise money, by holding a cake stall or selling merchandise etc. Ray White Real Estate, 313 Urana Road, Lavington 60886400 will be sponsoring this event and helping with advertising.

For more information please contact Leonie Carey 0408365895 or Daniel Nadebaum 0412187698.

### SCRIPTURE CLASSES IN 2023

Scripture Teachers needed.

This year I am retiring from taking classes after many enjoyable years of teaching Scripture at the Walla and Gerogery Public Schools.

I am hopeful that someone in the community will step forward to continue or there will be no classes at Walla. Presently there is just one combined class at Walla running for thirty minutes only.

Please ring 0488256037 for further enquiries.

Maree Seidel

### CROQUET NEWS

Depending on the weather, we will be looking forward to resuming Croquet at the Bowling Club on Saturday 3 September at 9am.

You are very welcome to come along to the Walla Bowling Club on Saturday and Monday mornings from 9am to learn and enjoy Croquet.

Please wear flat soled shoes.

Helen Krause - 0427 260 737



### WALLA WALLA WAR MEMORIAL SWIMMING POOL

The Walla Walla Swimming Pool committee will be holding its Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 7th September commencing at 7.00pm at the Walla Walla Sportsground Pavilion.

Business will include Minutes of previous AGM, Treasurer's Report and election of office bearers for the upcoming swim season. If you have family that utilize the local swimming pool please consider attending to offer your support for this great facility. The existing committee have given many years service promoting and raising funds for improvements at the pool and some new members would be appreciated.

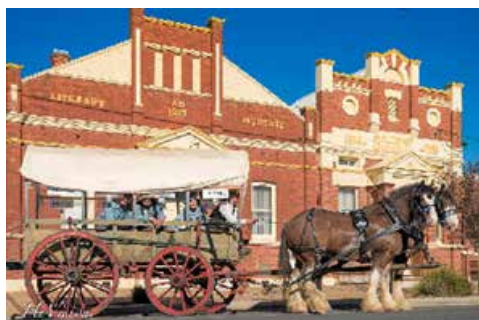
Walla Walla Swimming Pool Committee.



## WALLA WALLA COMMUNITY GROUPS AND CLUBS: **WALLA WALLA HERITAGE CONSERVATION COMMITTEE (HERITAGE WAGON)** (CONT'D FROM P.1)

**How often do members meet?** There are usually no general meetings (except AGM) unless there's a special event coming up. In that case, meetings will be held to determine logistics of transporting the wagon off site, inspecting the wagon, discuss what repairs might be needed etc. **This year, the AGM will be held on Sunday 28th of August at 2pm at the Walla Sportsground Function Room.** There are working bees held when the wagon is to go on a public outing and the wagon needs to be cleaned, repaired or modified. Likewise, the interior of the Wagon Shed needs to be cleaned or altered periodically. At Christmas time, the interior of the Wagon Shed is decorated with Christmas lights by the Community Development Committee.

**What are the biggest achievements, community contributions etc by this group?** The Heritage Wagon made public appearances leading the street parades at the Jindera 150th anniversary in 2018 (photo below) and Walla Walla's 150th anniversary in 2019. In each outing, the driver (Julie Barber) and the Wagon occupants were dressed as Germans and Wendish of the bygone era to add authenticity. The wagon (minus horses) was towed to the Memorial Cairn at Andrew & Michelle Kotzur's farm in 2017 (400 people in attendance).



The Walla Walla 150th anniversary was a joint winner of community event at the Australia Day Awards in Culcairn in 2020 where the Wagon and horses were present to accept the award. There was also an appearance of the horse-drawn Wagon at Walbundrie Show in October 2019. An article in 'Outback Magazine' in 2018 required a photo shoot in Walla Walla along Commercial Street that took 2 days (photos below).

**What is planned for the future?** The next public outing proposed for the Heritage Wagon with horses pulling it will be Zion Lutheran Church Walla Walla's 100th anniversary in early 2024. There are also plans to update the visual electronics display within the Wagon Shed using a motion detector & PIR Controlled Mains Power Switch as well as increasing humidity within the shed to avoid wood shrinkage. Investigations are underway to manufacture horse silhouettes to be placed in front of the wagon inside the shed similar to the height and body type of the draft horses originally used in the Trek more than 150 years ago.

**Are new members wanted and how do interested people join?** Contact Ross Krause on 0427 651 711 if interested in joining or attend the upcoming AGM.

*See insert for AGM details.*

*Below - Picture credits: Rob Lacey Photography*



**The Walla North Walla Tennis Club is looking for players for the 2022-2023 season (commencing early October).**

**If you are interested in playing competition tennis on a Saturday arvo, please contact: Geoff Dunlop (0473 017 492) or Toots Walkerden (0488 292 148) as soon as possible**



## **HENTY / CULCAIRN PROBUS**

Report by Helen Squires

Thank you to the lovely people who have sorted out technology problems. Having two microphones was nice. We do appreciate your efforts.

Our President Yvonne Booth welcomed our guest Graham from Belmont Probus. He has been visiting his cousin, our new member Margaret Pumpa. Graham's father had been assistant Station Master at Culcairn when Graham was about ten years old, he was playing tourist and remembering places of interest. Graham was most impressed with Greater Hume Council's sparkling public toilets. Our thanks to Councillors and staff for their efforts

The planned bus trip to Corowa and then home past the newly painted Walla Walla water tower is to be \$98.00 per person, including lunch at the golf club. Please contact Jeanie for information.

Joan Wood was our five minute speaker. Joan had worked as a telephonist at Culcairn, Henty and Holbrook. The telephone exchange at Culcairn was closed in 1969. When ladies married they were required to resign from their jobs and so, from 1953 to 1969, Joan could only be a temporary employee. Phone calls to England needed to be booked a week in advance. Other distance calls took time and patience for connections. Joan remembered names and phone numbers from the days of party lines, and some of our people, too. Our thanks to Joan for sharing her memories happiness with us. It was a lovely time.

After morning tea, we had our new Greater Hume Council Mayor Cr. Tony Quinn as main speaker. Cr Quinn told us of being born the fourth son of the family at Cobram. He told of family history where there had been drought in 1944/45 and his family having 80 draft horses, and as a result of drought, his parents having to pick up the pieces of their lives and start over again. Cr Quinn learned wool classing and went to Wagga Wagga Agricultural College and played sports, and learned that he can and likes to win. Cr Quinn married in 1972 and with his wife has a family that they are very proud of.

There were lots of discussions, questions and answers, and Cr Quinn was invited to lunch and most generously accepted, giving us more time to get to know our new friend Tony, student of political history, a man who votes on issues and moves with better ideas. He also volunteers each week at Vinnie's.

Our Vice President Beryl Meyer thanked Cr Quinn for his talk and presented him with a Probus pen.

We send our best wishes to those dealing with illness and hope that you will be well again very soon.

Next meetings for Probus are to be on 14th September and then October 12th, both at Henty.





# NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE

## WALLA WALLA BRIGADE

### CONGRATULATIONS

On Wednesday the 17th of August 2022 we held our Annual General Meeting. Thank you to all the members who turned up to have their say and cast their votes!

Following voting I am please to announce the following appointments:

**President:** David Paech

**Vice President:** Alan Odewahn

**Secretary:** Simone Feuerherdt

**Treasurer:** Elaine Carter

**Captain:** Craig Wenke

**Senior Deputy Captain:** Mat Lauritzen

**Deputy Captain:** Ray Jacob

**Deputy Captain:** Ryan Jacob

**Deputy Captain:** David Paech

**Deputy Captain:** Chris Moyle

Thank you all for your service!

### COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Walla Walla community has always provided generous support for brigade through our annual donation drive. Through these donations our brigade has been able to purchase fridges for trucks, upgrade equipment, maintain the station and support our Junior Member program.

Whilst we will not be doing an annual fundraising drive, we hope that our community members and Businesses will continue to support our Brigade. We are working towards a number of projects including enhancing our training area, improving resources such as torches/headlamps, hose drying and cleaning equipment and general training equipment.

Donations can be deposited at any time throughout the year at the WAW in person or via Electronic Funds Transfer. Account details are:

**Account Name:** Walla Walla Volunteer Fire Brigade

**BSB:** 803-070 **Account Number:** 805562

If you have any questions or would like to discuss how you can support our brigade, please contact: Craig Wenke (Captain) 0411 025 827 or Simone Feuerherdt (Secretary) 0458 292 534.

We thank you in advance for your support.

Finally if you would like to become a member of our brigade please email us at: wallawallarfsg@gmail.com

### FIRST AID - FRACTURES AND DISLOCATIONS

#### Fractures

A fracture is a break in the continuity of the bone.

A closed fracture is where the skin over the bone is not broken but there may be bleeding into underlying surrounding tissues. Considerable damage may be done to muscles and blood vessels and there may be swelling in the affected area because of internal bleeding.

In open fractures the skin over the bone is broken. In severe cases, the bone may protrude through the skin. There is great danger of infection.

Both open and closed fractures may be complicated when there is associated injury to major nerves, blood vessels or a vital organ, eg, when a broken rib punctures a lung.

**No attempt should be made by a first aider to force a fracture back into place.**



#### General Management of a Fracture

1. Follow DRSABCD.
2. Control bleeding and cover any wounds.
3. Check for other fractures.
4. Ask the patient to remain as still as possible.
5. Immobilise the fracture with broad bandages to prevent movement at the joints. See examples in the references below.
6. Watch for signs of loss of circulation to the foot or hand.
7. Handle gently. Observe the patient carefully and treat for shock.
8. Seek medical aid (doctor, outpatient at a hospital or ambulance).

#### Dislocations

A dislocation occurs when one or more bones are displaced at a joint – most often at the shoulder, elbow, kneecap or fingers. This occurs when a strong force acts directly or indirectly on the joint and wrenches the bone into an abnormal position. It always results in tearing of the ligaments which normally hold the joint in the correct position.

#### General Management of Dislocations

1. Follow DRSABCD.
2. Do not attempt to reduce the dislocation. If the injury is to a limb:
  - Check circulation and if absent move the limb gently to try to restore it.

- Rest and support the limb using soft padding and bandages.
  - Apply ice packs if possible, directly over the joint.
  - If a shoulder, support the arm in the position of least discomfort.
  - If a wrist, support in a sling.
3. Call triple zero (000) for an ambulance.

***It can be difficult for a first aider to tell whether the injury is a fracture, dislocation, sprain or strain. If in doubt, always treat as a fracture.***

#### References:

Fact sheets \_fracture and dislocation.pdf (stjohn.org.au)  
Fractures and Dislocations (health.qld.gov.au)

Next month: Heat induced conditions

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**Next gathering 28th August at 3.30pm at the Memorial Hall**

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## GIANTS FOOTBALL / NETBALL RESULTS



FOOTBALL					
	23 JULY	30 JULY	6 AUGUST	13 AUGUST	Ladder Position
U14s	def. by Lockhart 6.10.46 to <b>0.2.2</b>	def. by Holbrook <b>3.0.18</b> to 7.10.52	def. by Osborne 5.7.37 to <b>2.4.16</b>	def. by Henty 10.5.65 to <b>0.3.3</b>	7 / 11
U17s	def. Lockhart 0.1.1 to <b>17.11.113</b>	def. Holbrook <b>15.7.97</b> to 0.0.0	def. Osborne 1.2.8 to <b>5.8.38</b>	def. Henty 1.2.8 to <b>9.10.64</b>	1 / 10
Reserves	def. Lockhart 2.1.13 to <b>20.14.134</b>	def. by Holbrook <b>2.3.15</b> to 13.14.92	def. by Osborne 12.6.78 to <b>3.4.22</b>	def. by Henty 17.6.108 to <b>3.5.23</b>	8 / 12
Seniors	def. Lockhart 3.1.19 to <b>17.15.117</b>	def. by Holbrook <b>6.9.45</b> to 18.6.114	def. by Osborne 13.18.96 to <b>5.7.37</b>	def. by Henty 10.9.69 to <b>9.12.66</b>	6 / 12
NETBALL					
11 & Under	def. by Lockhart 43 to <b>4</b>	def. Holbrook <b>17</b> to 4	def. by Osborne 21 to <b>14</b>	def. by Henty 24 to <b>12</b>	7 / 12
13 & Under	def. by Lockhart 36 to <b>21</b>	def. Holbrook <b>20</b> to 17	def. Osborne 11 to <b>22</b>	def. Henty 6 to <b>17</b>	5 / 12
15 & Under	def. Lockhart 14 to <b>23</b>	def. Holbrook <b>43</b> to 36	def. Osborne 28 to <b>31</b>	def. by Henty 48 to <b>25</b>	9 / 12
17 & Under	def. Lockhart 20 to <b>43</b>	def. by Holbrook <b>35</b> to 54	def. Osborne 37 to <b>39</b>	def. Henty 29 to <b>41</b>	6 / 12
C Reserve	def. by Lockhart 30 to <b>17</b>	def. by Holbrook <b>29</b> to 40	def. by Osborne 46 to <b>17</b>	def. Henty 9 to <b>65</b>	7 / 12
C Grade	def. Lockhart 15 to <b>40</b>	def. by Holbrook <b>23</b> to 45	def. by Osborne 70 to <b>22</b>	def. Henty 33 to <b>49</b>	10 / 12
B Grade	def. by Lockhart 39 to <b>30</b>	def. by Holbrook <b>26</b> to 51	def. by Osborne 60 to <b>19</b>	def. Henty 23 to <b>40</b>	8 / 12
A Grade	def. by Lockhart 71 to <b>38</b>	def. by Holbrook <b>34</b> to 49	def. by Osborne 64 to <b>26</b>	def. Henty 33 to <b>59</b>	9 / 12



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# COMMUNITY DIARY

## SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2 • Friday night meals & Bonanza Draws - Bowling Club, from 6:30pm	3 • Croquet, 9am, BC • Hume League Semi Finals
4 • FATHER'S DAY • Hume League Semi Finals	5 • Croquet, 9am, BC • RR Library @WWPS 9am - 11am • Senior Citizens, 1:30pm @ BC • Sportsground AGM, 7pm	6 • Social Tennis, 9am Walla Courts	7 • Walla Group Fitness Classes, 5:30pm & 6:15pm • Pool Committee AGM, 7pm (p.3)	8	9 • Friday night meals & Bonanza Draws - Bowling Club, from 6:30pm	10 • Croquet, 9am, BC • Hume League Preliminary Final
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25 • Generation Life Service, 3:30pm at Memorial Hall	26 • Croquet, 9am, BC • RR Library at WWPS 9am - 11am • Com. Development Committee Meeting, 7pm (p.3)	27 • Social Tennis, 9am Walla Courts	28 • Red Cross Meeting, 2pm, Baptist Church Hall • Walla Group Fitness Classes, 5:30pm & 6:15pm	29	30 • Friday night meals & Bonanza Draws - Bowling Club, from 6:30pm	

## ADVERTISE WITH US!

Contact the Editor via [wallanewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:wallanewsletter@gmail.com) for pricing and availability.

### WALLA WALLA SPORTSGROUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

**Annual General Meeting** will be held on Monday 5 September at 7pm at the Walla Walla Sportsground Pavilion.

Business will include President's report, minutes of previous AGM, Treasurer's report, and other general business concerning upkeep of Sportsground facilities.

***If possible could a couple of representatives from each sporting club that utilise this facility please attend.***

Any other interested persons in the community most welcome.





## CHURCH TIMES

### Lutheran Church Walla Walla

1st & 3rd Sundays 9am  
2nd & 4th Sundays 10:30am  
Contact: Tim Biar 02 6029 2144

### Lutheran Church Alma Park

1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays 10:30am  
2nd & 4th Sundays 9am  
Contact: Leon Kohlhaugen 02 6029 6162

### Baptist Church Market St Walla Walla

Every Sunday at 10am  
Contact: Dorothy Cremer 0448 095 852

### Catholic Church Market St Walla Walla

1st & 4th Sundays 6pm  
Contact: Father Terence Mahedy 0458 298 363

### Anglican Church Balfour St Culcairn

1st & 3rd Sundays 9:30am  
Contact: Father Bob Done 02 6026 3691

### Generation Life Riverina Inc, Walla Walla Memorial Hall

4th Sunday 3:30pm  
Contact: Pastor Graeme Sheppard 0422 671 149

### Community Service on the 5th Sunday of the Month

The next Community Service is 30 October. If anyone has any ideas and is interested in being involved with planning contact Jenny Jacob on 0409 830 225.

## TAKE OLD CAR BATTERIES TO LIESCHKE MOTORS

The proceeds go to the Walla Walla Community Development Committee, to use as needed for our community.

Thank You Lieschke Motors!!



Show a gentle attitude towards everyone.  
The Lord is coming soon.

*Philippians chapter 4 verse 5*



## PRAYING FOR WALLA WALLA

When: Thursday 22 September 7.30pm  
Where: Lutheran Church Hall  
Prayer Requests: Jenny Jacob 0409 830 225  
All Welcome!!



## WALLA WALLA BOOK SWAP

In the Hall behind WAW - Open when WAW is.

No fees or membership. Just choose a book, keep it and swap one you have read or bring it back and swap again.  
Books for all ages.

**BOOK  
SWAP**

## BOOK CLUB

We are trialling a Thursday late afternoon meeting, 3rd Thursday of the month; 4pm - 6:30pm.

We are very keen to hear from anyone who is interested in reading and discussing a book a month, in an informal friendly atmosphere.

Contact: Marj Rayner on 0459 292 233

## SEED SWAP

Did you know the Walla Walla Book Swap now has a **SEED SWAP DRAWER!!!**

Same rules as the book swap (below). Take what you need and leave your excess to share with others.

Please use a seed envelope and write on what it is and if possible a year collected.



## LOCAL BUSINESSES AND SERVICES

### Walla Walla Bowling Club

**6029 2146**

Closed Sunday & Monday Open  
Tuesday - Saturday from 5.30pm,  
The number of patrols in the Club determines closing time.  
Meals are available Friday evenings

### Bank WAW 6029 2392

Monday - Thursday: 12.30 - 4.30pm  
Friday: 11am - 12.30pm (closed for lunch 12.30 - 1.30pm), Friday pm: 1.30 - 5pm

### Walla Walla Post Office 6029 2231

Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm; Saturday 9 - 11am

### Second Hand Rose 6029 2116

Thursday - Friday: 1.30 - 4.30pm  
Saturday: 9.30 - 11.30am

### On Demand Regional Bus

Bookings: Phone or text 0448 353 281

### Walla Walla Hair Salon 6029 2277

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9am - 5:30pm

### Walla Hotel 6029 2309

Monday - Friday: Opens at 2:30pm  
Saturday: Opens 11am  
Sunday: Opens 12 noon  
Kitchen: Thursday - Saturday 6-8pm  
Sunday 12 - 2pm  
Meals other times for min. of 10 if booked.

### Walla Food Mill 6029 2033

Monday - Wednesday: 6am - 4pm  
Thursday - Friday: 6am - 8pm  
Saturday: 8am - 2pm

### Morgan's Lookout

Non-daylight savings time: 8am - 5pm  
Daylight savings time: 8am - 7pm  
Gates are locked outside of these hours

### Terry White Chemist Walla Walla

**6029 2496**

Monday - Friday: 9am - 5pm  
Facebook: Terry White Chemmart Walla

### Justice of the Peace

Anthony Lieschke  
02 6029 2202

### Vecare Health Walla Walla

Monday: 9.30am - 5pm  
Wednesday: 9.30am - 3pm  
Friday: 9.30am - 5pm  
Ph: **6073 2605** (during Walla opening hours) or **6036 2952** (Holbrook on other days)

### Pathology Service:

Wednesday 8:30 - 11:30am  
www.vecarehealth.com.au

### Walla Police 6053 4570

Emergency: 000

### Mobile Library

Every Monday at 9am in front of the Walla Walla Public School, except public holidays

### Thistle Cafe

02 6029 2003

Trial hours Saturday - Wednesday: 8:30am - 4pm (Closed Thursday & Friday)

### Return and Earn

10c eligible containers  
Call 1300 849 781 or text 0447 927 722

## DEFIBRILLATORS IN WALLA WALLA

At present there are 2 defibrillators available 24 hours a day:

- Veranda of Walla Walla Police Station
- Veranda of Walla Walla Bowling Club



Other defibrillators available during Office hours or when venues are open include:

- Kotzur Pty Ltd - Ph: 6029 4700
- St Paul's College - Ph: 6029 2200
- Walla Walla Fire Brigade
- Walla Walla Swimming Pool
- Walla Walla Sportsground

**Please familiarise yourself with their locations in the event of an emergency**

## SENIOR CITIZENS

An enjoyable morning was spent wandering through the Jindera Museum complex, taking us back through history to our Ancestry days.

Lunch was at the Jindera Hotel, followed by a short meeting. Our September meeting will be at the Walla Walla Bowling Club on 5th September at 1.30pm, when Pastor John Borchert, secretary of the Walla Gum Swamp, will speak on aspects of the Walla Swamp. Ladies, bring a plate for afternoon tea. All Welcome! Enquiries to Dorothy Cremer 0448 095 852.

By Grace Wenke

## Seniors trip to Boree creek

Seniors are planning a trip to the Tim Fisher Park at Boree Creek on Tuesday 4th October and then to Lockhart for lunch. Seats will be available to join us on the bus, but a membership of \$10 applies.

Bookings to Dorothy 60292120.

## WANT TO SUBMIT A NEWSLETTER ARTICLE?

Please send in any special acknowledgements, articles or requests to:

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or drop them in the box at the Walla Post Office.

**Please submit all articles by 12pm on the 15th of each month**

## RED CROSS

July 27th was the Annual General Meeting of the Red Cross Branch. Nine members and five visitors attended. The National Anthem was sung, Pledge and Principals recited. Acknowledgement to Country to the Local Wiradjuri people.

President read her report thanking members for their support in difficult times. It's been very hard with meetings cancelled. But we were able to continue with Red Cross Calling and the Anzac Day luncheon. Hoping 2022/23 will be a better year for all. We are now supporting the Public School with fresh fruit and muesli bars. Also collecting personal items for victims of domestic violence. Anyone can donate to this cause...soap, combs, brushes...Remember these people have left home with nothing.

Assistant zone representative Gillian Corey was invited to come forward for the election of office bearers.

President: Dorothy Cremer  
Vice President: Maree Seidel  
Secretary: Valmae Ryan  
Assistant Secretary: Karen Ofak.  
Treasurer: Jill Kohlhagen

She congratulated each of the executive and wished them well in the coming year. She then presented 10 year award Badges to Lyneen Merkel, Karen Ofak, Jenny Jacob and Maree Seidel. Jill Kohlhagen received a 25 year certificate.

Our Guest Speaker, Nicole Smith, was invited to come forward. Nicole is the Relieving Principal of the Public School. She spoke of her love for teaching and of her return to our school, having started as a Kindergarten student going right through to Billabong High then on to get her teaching degree. Nicole was presented with a gift.

Meeting closed and a lovely afternoon tea was enjoyed.

**Next Meeting: September 28th at 2pm at Baptist Church.**

Dorothy Cremer

We acknowledge the generous support for the community newsletter from Kotzur Pty Ltd (printing) and the Walla Walla Post Office (newsletter distribution).

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## INTERNATIONAL DOG DAY

*written by Françoise McPherson*

Each year, International Dog Day is observed on August 26th and it was founded in 2004 by an American lady named Colleen Paige. The aim of this day is twofold: encourage people to adopt rescue/shelter dogs and highlight the important jobs that dogs do.

The way dogs are perceived and treated has changed a lot over the last 50 years. Back then, dogs were left alone in a backyard all day but now most dogs are regarded as much loved family members sharing their owners' couches and even beds. Many dogs get exercised daily and accompany their families to work, on holidays and take part in activities such as surfing, paddleboarding, hiking and even ride along on motorcycles wearing their own dog helmets.



No longer named Fido, Blackie or Rover, the most popular dog names for 2022 are Bella, Luna, Lucy for females and Charlie, Milo and Buddy for male dogs.

Animal shelters all over Australia are now inundated with the number of surrendered dogs being 3x higher than usual. The RSPCA in Victoria saw an increase from 50 to 150 surrendered or unclaimed 'lost' dogs per month (!) since Christmas 2021. This surge is due to 3 reasons:

1. Many were adopted or purchased during the various Covid-induced lockdowns when people were lonely in isolation. Now that lockdowns are over, these dogs are now themselves lonely and not coping. Lockdowns also meant that 'pandemic puppies' were not socialized properly or received obedience training which enhances their anxiety levels as adults now.
2. The steep increase in the cost of living and owners can't afford to feed their dog or pay for veterinary care.
3. housing crisis where people are struggling to find pet-friendly rental accommodation or having to move in with friends or family minus their dog.

Large shelters such as the RSPCA, Animal Welfare League and breed-specific dog rescue organisations are desperate for more adoptions to happen as well as needing foster carers to foster dogs awaiting adoption.

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## INTERNATIONAL DOG DAY [CONT'D]

Walla Walla has many dogs which represent no less than 15 breeds. There are over 200 pure breeds recognized by the Australian Kennel Club. Within a breed, there can be smaller and larger versions as in Poodles and Schnauzers. There are also breeds which have two or three different coat types such as the Dachshund which is longhaired, wirehaired or shorthaired.



Some quirky breeds have been developed such as dogs with blue tongues (Chow Chow), dogs with little or no hair (Mexican Hairless and Chinese Crested), dogs that don't bark but yodel (Egyptian Basenji), dogs with dreadlocks (Hungarian Puli & Komondor), dogs with split double noses (Turkish Catalburun), dogs with 6 instead of 4 toes (Norwegian Lundehund) and dogs with webbed feet (Portuguese water dog; Newfoundland) among others.

L: Chow Chow; R: Komondor

Some jobs that dogs were bred for are well



known such as Alaskan Malamutes and Siberian Huskies pulling sleds, Labradors guiding those who are vision impaired, Kelpies and Border collies herding sheep and Bloodhounds tracking missing persons. However, there are some more unusual jobs that dogs are trained for also.

In the medical field, dogs have been trained to sniff out and detect early stage cancer cells, Covid-19 and the change in body odour about 15 minutes before a patient experiences an epileptic seizure. Their acute hearing is put to good use in training dogs to be Hearing Assistance dogs for deaf owners alerting them to a ringing doorbell, whistling kettle etc. so they can live an independent life.



Livestock guardian dogs such as Maremmas and Pyrenean Mountain dogs were bred to protect sheep and goats against wolves and foxes but these days

are also guarding free range chickens and even penguins on islands near Warrnambool (the movie Oddball featured the original Maremma protecting Little Penguins).



Other unusual jobs for dogs are

1. sniffing out truffles which are a gourmet mushroom growing underground.
2. sniffing out insects that potentially damage artworks in museums.
3. diving down to 15 feet to catch live lobsters off the ocean floor.
4. detecting noxious weeds such as orange hawkweed in Kosciuszko National Park.
5. tracking down feral goats in national parks for eradication
6. tracking down injured koalas on Kangaroo Island after the 2019-2020 bushfires.



7. keeping airport runways clear of rodents and the birds of prey they attract.
8. detecting electronics such as USB drives to potentially find evidence of illegal pornography.
9. smelling wine-tainting chemicals while the wine is still in the barrel to prevent such spoilt wine from being bottled.
10. Lifeguard dogs patrolling Italian beaches alongside human lifeguards in the busy summer tourist season.



In Australia, dogs are celebrated through the Dog Lovers Show in Melbourne and Sydney, the travelling Top Dog Film Festival which also screens in Albury each year, festivals such as the Castlemaine Kelpie Muster and competitions such as the annual Dinner Plain Sled Dog Sprint.

Some Guinness World Records for dogs:

Tallest dog: Zeus, a Great Dane who was 44 inches high. Standing on his hindlegs, he was 7 feet, 4 inches tall.

Largest litter: 24 Neopolitan Mastiff pups.

Longest ears: Bloodhound Tigger's ears measured 13.7 inches long.

Longest tail: Keon the Irish Wolfhound had a tail measuring 30.2 inches long.

Longest tongue: St Bernard Mochi Rickert has a tongue that is 7.3 inches long.

Dogs really are the most versatile, intelligent and loyal animal ever domesticated and they enrich our lives in so many ways. Love your dog!

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## Year 11 Biology Field Study

The two Year 11 Biology classes braved the wintery conditions to conduct a field study at the Walla Walla Gum Swamp Reserve. The students carried out several experiments to determine the abiotic conditions at various locations within the reserve and measured the abundance and distribution of species present. They also collected specimens for examination and identification back in the lab.



## Sporting Excellence

In the last few weeks, St Paul's students have ably represented the College in a variety of sporting events. Congratulations to **Sara Burns** - selected in the NSW Under 19 Women's Cricket Team, **Tully Proctor** - BISSA Athletics 13 Year Age Champion, and **Scarlet Galvin** - Co-Captain CIS Under 18 AFL team. We commend you on your talent and the time you have invested in developing your skills.

## Australian Geography Competition

A number of our student geographers performed very well in the recent Australian Geography Competition, with 5 Credits awarded for placing in the top 25-35% of students in their year levels. They were **Connor Inglis** and **Faith Weston** in Year 7, **Ella Donoghue** and **Thomas Sinca** in Year 8 and **Lilly Kohlhausen** from Year 9. Four students received Distinctions for placing in the top 10-25% of students in their year levels. From Year 7 **Jasmine Lieschke** and **Thomas O'Keeffe**, Year 9 **Hannah Lennon** and Year 10 **Alex Aliento** and one High Distinction for placing in the top 6% of students in their year level was **Vinnie Cheng** from Year 8. Congratulations Vinnie on this wonderful achievement!



From left: Alex Aliento, Jasmine Lieschke, Faith Weston, Ella Donoghue, Anita Morton (Principal), Hannah Lennon, Lilly Kohlhausen, Vinnie Cheng and Thomas Sinca.  
Absent: Thomas O'Keeffe and Connor Inglis

## Community Garden

We have been harvesting lettuce, kale, cabbage, Chinese cabbage, purple cauliflower, broccoli, spring onions, parsley, pumpkins, spinach, tomatoes, carrots, radishes, beetroot, big white cauliflowers and poppies.

Students have learnt that succession planting of seedlings throughout the year is key to successful weekly harvests, as well as learning the key to propagation from cuttings, layering and division propagation.

