

CULCAIRN OASIS

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CULCAIRN'S CORONATION DRIVE MENTIONED IN STATE PARLIAMENT

Our Local Member of Parliament Mr Justin Clancy recently made mention of the 70th Anniversary of the planting of trees which comprise Coronation Drive.

The following entry was made in the NSW Legislative Assembly Hansard by Mr Clancy on 20th June 2023.

"Seventy years ago on 2 June 1953 the community of Culcairn gathered and worked to mark the historic coronation of Queen Elizabeth II, by the planting of White cedar and Kurrajong trees along Coronation Drive, Culcairn. Coronation Drive symbolises the spirit and heritage of our region. Not only was this intended to be a recognition of the coronation but for generations has provided shade and beauty for the community and visitors to enjoy. To commemorate the Anniversary, John Ross and Kit Middleton unveiled a new storyboard and refurbished plaque. In honour of this special occasion, members of the Culcairn Garden Club gathered, some of whom were present at the original tree planting. I extend my gratitude to all the original tree planters including Lindsay Lowe, Marion Wright, Warwick Balfour, Joyce Gardiner, Richard Odewahn, John Allitt, Trevor Smith, Janice Smith and Ross Brand. I extend my appreciation to community of Culcairn who have marked this anniversary. As a community we remember and honour the vision and efforts of those who created Coronation Drive, reflecting on our unity and commitment to preserving our history."

Thanks to Mr Clancy for recognising Culcairn and it's citizens.

CULCAIRN MPS NEWS

It's hard to believe that we are almost finished with the month of July. We produced a small amount of fruit on our trees, that were planted last August, that have recently been picked. I have it on good authority that the mandarins were very sweet and tasty. We also have a few lemons that will be used to make lemon butter. We have



celebrated NAIDOC week several different ways this year. Our art activity centred around painting on gum leaves that have turned out just beautifully. We are in the process of putting them onto a frame to hang on one of our walls. We also tried some indigenous meals and pumpkin soup with an indigenous dukkha added and kangaroo meatballs cooked in a bush curry sauce with lemon myrtle damper. There was also a lemon myrtle cake for morning tea one day. I believe this was very nice and was definitely the favourite of the foods we tried. Other activities that have kept us busy have



been cooking for morning tea, diamond dot art, the children from the public school have been back to visit us, jigsaw puzzles, music and so much more than we could mention. There is always something to do to keep us busy, happy and active.

MPS STAFF PROFILE SWEETIE AND LUCY



This month we would like to introduce you to two staff members that bring a lot of joy and smiles to most residents and staff.

Sweetie is about to turn three in August. She is a long-haired Jack Russel and has been coming into visit the residents every

day since she was seven weeks old. Lucy is nearly ten and has only been coming for around six months regularly after a one-off visit. I'm not sure who gets more enjoyment the residents and staff or Lucy.

The girls can be found throughout the facility visiting residents. Sweetie loves to jump on a resident's knee and have a good scratch, cuddle or snooze. Lunch time is the girls favourite time of the day. They will always be found sitting near a few of our gentlemen that they know will give them some titbits from their plates, Sweetie does also at times give a little bark asking for just a little bit more.

Speaking of barking Sweetie at times can get a little carried away with her barking. She likes to protect all her people at the MPS and has been known to bark in her very loud and shrill yap at visitors and contractors that come in. To stop this, she has a bark collar that will spray out a citronella smell that reminds her not to bark. It in no way harms her and she generally only needs it on for around an hour once every six months.

The girls also bring a lot of joy to staff. They can help to make a difficult day a little bit easier with a big cuddle and a pat. They are great listeners to anything you would like to tell them; they never judge us and they work for little

payment. We have a resident that takes Sweetie out for a walk some mornings, I'm sure if you stopped to say hello they would both be happy to have a chat.



\sim Recipe of the Month \sim Roasted Tomato Basil Soup

Serves 4



The best homemade roasted tomato basil soup made with fresh tomatoes, garlic, olive oil, caramelized onions and optional add-ins for extra creaminess. This easy tomato

basil soup recipe is full of flavour and the best way to use up garden tomatoes! You'll never want to go back to the canned stuff after you try this.

Ingredients

3 pounds roma or plum tomatoes, cut in half

8 cloves garlic, peeled
3 tablespoons olive oil
Freshly ground salt and pepper
For the caramelized onions:
½ tablespoon olive oil
2 yellow onions, thinly sliced

Additions to the soup: ½ cup packed basil leaves

½ teaspoon dried oregano

1-2 cups water or vegetarian broth, depending on how thick you want the soup

Freshly ground salt and pepper, to taste *Optional add ins:*

Light/Regular coconut milk for a creamy vegan soup

Whole dairy milk/heavy cream for a creamy texture

Parmesan cheese, for a tangy, flavour enhancing flavour

A tablespoon or two of butter, for richer flavour

Instructions

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. Line a large baking sheet with parchment paper. Place halved tomatoes and garlic cloves on the baking sheet and drizzle with 3 tablespoons of olive oil. Generously season with salt and pepper. Roast in the oven for 40-45 minutes.

While the tomatoes are roasting, you can make the caramelized onions: Add 1/2 tablespoon olive oil to a large pot and place over medium heat. Add the onion slices and stir to coat the onions with olive oil. Cook, stirring occasionally. Check onions every 5-10 minutes until they have completely caramelized and turned golden in colour. This usually takes 20 minutes.

Once tomatoes and garlic are done roasting, allow them to cool for 10 minutes, then add them to a food processor or high powered blender and blend until

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smooth. Next add basil and caramelized onions and blend again. Alternatively you can add the tomatoes to the large pot and use an immersion blender. It's really just about what you have available to you.

After blending, transfer back to pot, turn to medium low heat and add in oregano, vegetarian broth and salt and pepper to taste. From there you can add in any additional add-ons you want (as listed in the ingredients). Allow tomato soup to simmer 10 minutes before serving. To serve, garnish with parmesan cheese and serve with grilled cheese, if desired.

Nutrition

Serving: 1serving Carbohydrates: 35g

Fat: 16.2g Fiber: 5.5g Calories: 275kcal Protein: 5.2g Saturated Fat: 1.8g Sugar: 25.7g

Recipe sourced from www.ambitiouskitchen.com

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ARE YOU EATING ENOUGH? Are you interested in social connections? Need Transport?

As we age we often don't feel like eating much or just can't be bothered cooking a meal. Are you eating just 1 or 2 meals a day? Or Splitting meals to make them last?

If you are doing either (or both) of these things your body may not be getting the nourishment it needs. It is important to keep our body fuelled with nutritious food in this cold wintery weather so that it can actively fights colds and other viruses that tend to be more common in this weather.

At Meals on Wheels we can assist you to meet your daily nutritional needs. We have a large range of healthy, nutritionally balanced meals, soups and desserts available. Our meals are designed by dietician and are very cost effective. We also have a range of smaller meals to encourage your appetite.

THE IMPORTANCE OF DESSERTS! Most people enjoy desserts. Most people also deny themselves desserts! As we age it is important to include nourishing milk based desserts into our diets. Milk based desserts can be a nourishing, enjoyable and a pleasant way of getting important vitamins, minerals, protein and calories into our bodies.

Examples of milky desserts include: Bread & Butter Pudding, Yoghurts, Custards, Creamed Rice.

Even if you are not hungry enough to eat a main meal you may manage a nourishing milk dessert. Make sure you use a big enough bowl for a generous serving and also have seconds if you feel like it. Many of our suitable for people Diabetes. Nourishing desserts can be eaten at midday and evening meals as well as for morning and afternoon tea or snacks during the day.

If you think you are not getting enough healthy and nutritious food into your body Meals on Wheels can help! We can carry out an easy nutritional screening and work together on a diet plan to help ensure your body is getting the nourishment it needs. Our meals are also convenient to have on hand for when you just don't feel like cooking and you can be confident they are healthy and balanced to support your nourishment needs.

We also provide social support and transport to people using our services, including outings, luncheons and movie days. We are heading to the movies on Tuesday 8th August. Our bus will travel via Culcairn and Walla for pickups for our clients.

If you are on a Home Care package and would like to attend outings or access meals or transport, please let your provider know and they can arrange the service

Our Outreach Hub staff will be visiting Culcairn Council Office on Wednesday 16th August and Wednesday 20th September, between 10.30am and 12.30pm. We then move on to Walla Walla Memorial Hall between 1.30pm and 3pm. Look out for our vehicle and signage!

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If you call into the Outreach Hub during the opening times, we have vouchers available for new enquiries for some FREE sample meals. We have other goodies to give away as well. Why not drop in and say hello!

Our staff will be available to help with enquiries regarding our services, Meals on Wheels, Social Support, Food Services and Transport. We will be able to help you with My Aged Care enquires and registration as well as the process of registering to receive referrals for our services.

We look forward to meeting you in Culcairn and providing these services face to face across the council

You do need to be registered with My Aged Care to access ongoing services with us - don't worry, if you aren't registered, we can help you with that as well. If you would like to participate or would like more information, please give the office a call on 0260363677. You can call My Aged Care direct on 1800 200 422. If you have any questions, please give Sue a call on 02 60363677.

CELEBRATING BOOK WEEK 2023 AT THE GREATER HUME COUNCIL LIBRARIES

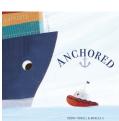
We are excited to welcome Debra Tidball as our guest children's author. She will visit the following venues, where we have invited the children from the infants departments of our local schools to meet Debra. Debra will introduce her beautiful books to the children.

Henty-10am-11am Wednesday 16 August at Henty Public School

Culcairn-11.40am-12.40am Wednesday 16 August at the Culcairn Memorial Hall

Holbrook- 9.30am-10.30am Thursday 17 August at Holbrook Library

Jindera-2pm-3pm Wednesday 16 August at the Jindera Community Hub



We also have a Book Week competition for children from preschool through to Primary School. The competition involves creating a plant collage based on this year's Book Week theme of Read, Grow, Inspire. Call in to the library to pick up your entry form, plant template and competition

details. The prize for the winning entry is a movie ticket package for one child and one adult at Regent Cinemas Albury.

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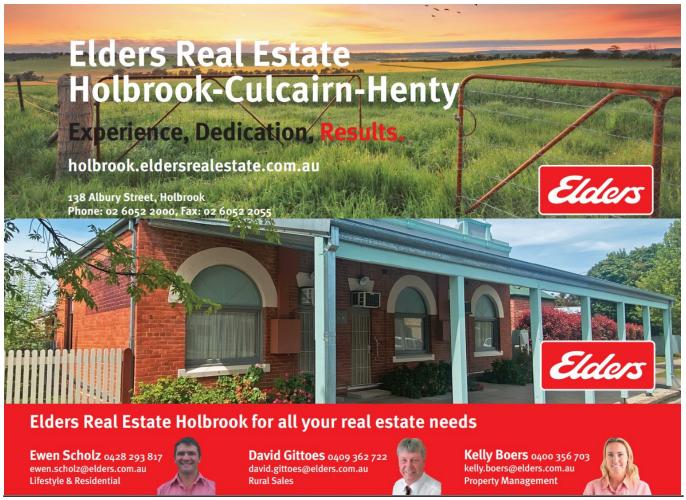
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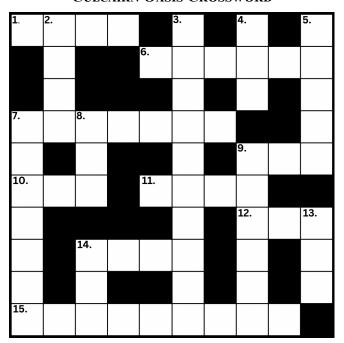
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CULCAIRN OASIS CROSSWORD



Across

- 1 For burning (funeral). [4]
- 6 Pull up from the bottom. [6]
- 7 of smoke. [7]
- 9 An atom that has gained or lost an electron. [3]
- 10 Dull behaviour pattern. [3]
- 11 The first murderer. [4]
- 12 A pigs home. [3]
- 14 Polluted haze. [4]
- 15 Device used for stabilisation [9]

Down

- 2 Period (of time). [4]
- 3 Type of joint pain. [10]
- 4 Glorifying poem, sometimes musical. [3]
- 5 Illuminating Noble gas. [5]
- 7 Malodorous swine of Africa. [7]
- 8 Consume. [3]
- 9 Between the ball and the ankle [6]
- 13 Tibetan Ox [3]
- 14 Knight [3]

-created by Casey Tucker

I have no special talent. I am only passionately curious.

—Albert Einstein



Did you know that Year 7 & 8 Students attending Billabong High School have the opportunity to opt in to SRE one day a week?

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- Offer regular Scripture classes that teach the Bible
- Help Christian students to continue to grow in their faith
- Give opportunities for students to raise questions regarding faith, values and world views
- Encourage students to value one another and their relationships

HAPPINESS

Everybody, everywhere seeks happiness, it's true, But finding it and keeping it seem difficult to do. Difficult because we think that happiness is found Only in the places where wealth and fame abound. And so we go on searching in palaces of pleasure Seeking recognition and monetary treasure, Unaware that happiness is just a state of mind Within the reach of everyone who takes time to be kind

For in making others happy we will be happy, too. For the happiness you give away returns to shine on you.

- Helen Steiner

LIFE LESSONS—No. 2

An English teacher wrote these words on a white board: "woman without her man is nothing". The teacher then asked the students to punctuate the words correctly.

Interestingly, results varied greatly. The boys wrote: "Woman, without her man, is nothing." whereas the girls wrote: "Woman! Without her, man is nothing."

Lesson: From different perspectives the same words can mean something very different. Choose your words wisely...







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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

We want to continue improving the content of the Culcairn Oasis Newsletter, as such we would love our readers input.

If you have any suggestions for inclusions or improvements that could be made, please feel free to write to us at our email culcairnoasis@outlook.com or 1 South Street, Culcairn NSW 2660.



Netball and AFL Results

Murray Magpies U17

Culcairn Reserves

Murray Magpies Reserves

Culcairn Seniors

Murray Magpies Seniors

Netball Round 12 Results		Netball Round 13 Results			
15/07/2023		22/07/2023			
Culcairn 11/under	10	Culcairn 11/under	15		
Henty 11/under	12	CDHBU 11/Under	16		
Culcairn 13/under	37	Culcairn 13/under	34		
Henty 13/under	10	CDHBU 13/Under	41		
Culcairn 15/under	22	Culcairn 15/under	13		
Henty 15/under	32	CDHBU 15/Under	34		
Culcairn 17/under	21	Culcairn 17/under	10		
Henty 17/under	51	CDHBU 17/Under	0		
Culcairn A Grade	43	Culcairn A Grade	43		
Henty A Grade	28	CDHBU A Grade	42		
Culcairn B Grade	38	Culcairn B Grade	40		
Henty B Grade	27	CDHBU B Grade	33		
Culcairn C Grade	49	Culcairn C Grade	45		
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Culcairn 13/under	32	Culcairn 13/under		Urana Road Oval	
RWW Giants 13/Under	33	Murray Magpies 13/Unde	r	11.15am	
Culcairn 15/under	20	Culcairn 15/under		Urana Road Oval	
RWW Giants 15/Under	20	Murray Magpies 15/Unde	r	10.00am	
Culcairn 17/under	29	Culcairn 17/under		Urana Road Oval	
RWW Giants 17/Under	57	Murray Magpies 17/Unde	r	11.15am	
Culcairn A Grade	39	Culcairn A Grade		Urana Road Oval	
RWW Giants A Grade	36	Murray Magpies A Grade		2.15pm	
Culcairn B Grade	35	Culcairn B Grade		Urana Road Oval	
RWW Giants B Grade	27	Murray Magpies B Grade	:	12.45pm	
Culcairn C Grade	47	Culcairn C Grade		Urana Road Oval	
RWW Giants C Grade	30	Murray Magpies C Grade	2.15pm		
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15/07/2023		22/07/23		29/07/2023	
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Henty U17	109	CDHBU U17	44	Rand-Walbundrie-Walla U17	N/A
Culcairn Reserves	29	Culcairn Reserves	44	Culcairn Reserves	63
Henty Reserves	104	CDHBU Reserves	82	Rand-Walbundrie-Walla Res	53
Culcairn Seniors	74	Culcairn Seniors	18	Culcairn Seniors	75
Henty Seniors	95	CDHBU Seniors	135	Rand-Walbundrie-Walla Snrs	66
AFL Round 15 - Upcoming		Culcairn Football Netball Ch	ub are		
05/08/2023			raising money to donate to the		
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Murray Magpies U14		N/A		we will one day live in a wor	
Culcairn U17		N/A		from MND. Several player committee members faced the	

N/A

Urana Oval

12.30pm

Urana Oval

CULCAIRN SHOW 2023 REPORT

The Culcairn Show 2023 will be held on Saturday 30th September at the Culcairn Sports Ground.

Feature events this year will include last year's popular piglet races, which it is hoped will not be rained out like last year's last race. The popular sheep shearing competition will again be on, attracting shearers from around the state.

Last year's introduction of kids sports activities were well received and they will be expanding this year to include goal shooting in football and netball, cricket activities and possibly some golf and tennis activities. Other attractions will include horse events, poultry competitions, floral art, flower arrangements, cooking,

sewing, dog show, junior show girl and boy event, stalls, scare crow competition and school kid's colouring competition.

committee members faced the Ice

Bucket Challenge on July 1st after

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and search CNFC fights MND

Round 11 at our home ground.

The schedule of events will be available in booklet form, the show Facebook page, Greater Hume Council and other websites. Any one looking to get involved is most welcome to join in. Details on how will be available in a future edition of the 'Oasis'.

THANK YOU

I wish to express my gratitude and heartfelt thanks to all the wonderful community people who have sent messages, flowers and many visits, prayers of support to me and my family. May God Bless you all.

-Fr Terence Mahedy



19th – 21st September 2023

Volunteers needed to work in the MAIN FOOD SHED

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Over many years the Football and Netball Club, Tennis Club, Swimming Pool and local schools have benefited greatly from running a food shed at the HMFD.

Members of these clubs are strongly encouraged to volunteer some time to assist their club.....but anyone (and everyone) in the community is welcome to be involved.

Running the MAIN FOOD SHED this year is an opportunity for us to raise a substantial amount of money for groups in our town. It won't happen again for several years.....so LET'S MAKE THE MOST OF IT!!!

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Ysha & families story continued...

work with a local freighting company, driving one of to learn a little about carpentry and other useful skills. their delivery vans. This brought along its own I wanted to lay a concrete slab for the base of the coop. blessings and curses. Life is funny that way, everything I needed to dig out the foundations to ensure it was nice that happens is always like a two-sided coin, it will have and level for the pour. It took me the better part of half its positives and its negatives. Thankfully for us the a day to level the ground off satisfactorily. Of course, positives of this job outweighed the negatives at the once it was dug, the chickens and my adventurous sixtime.

inherited from a nurse we had worked with in do they say? Never work with children or animals... Melbourne. We received a total of 6 chickens: 4 hens Once the slab was in place and cured the next part was and 2 cockerels.

Lumpy and Randy. Lumpy was... well... lumpy, and Randy, lets just say he did his duty well. The hens (do this up for good reason) we called: Mo, Larry, Curly and Shemp (the names of the four Stooges).

The hen we named Curly, after the silliest Stooge, was because she was the stupidest chicken you have ever

seen. You know how Turkeys can drown themselves looking up in the rain, she's that kind of stupid. There is one instance that comes to mind. The flock was out in their run, clucking away contentedly, digging up the lawn, and chasing down the grubs that probably weren't even there to start with. Out of nowhere Randy, the bigger of the cockerels, sounded a warning call letting his hareem know a hawk, or an eagle, was overhead. Like sprinters in the Olympics the chickens dashed from the open to the safety of their coop.

On a side note, if you haven't seen how a runs, picture those same sprinters, in the same race, only put them in the lower half of a padded sumo suit; it's reminiscent of that...

Anyway, back to my stupid chicken. The other sensible birds had fled. Curly, however, was head down clucking away to herself and digging up a tasty morsel. Suddenly, she seemed to be alerted to the fact that she was now alone. Her head jerked up and she spun in a circle in an attempt to locate her buddies. I swear she tilted her head in confusion and suddenly another half sumo was sprinting to the safety of the coop's cover. This is not the only occasion something similar has happened, quite often she will be the only one in the rain, or, the last still out at night. I am sure she has a death wish. The rain was a big problem for our chickens. The coop which came with the property was old and broken down. The roof leaked badly; meaning the poor

poultry were perpetually peeved by precipitation. Que DIY coop building.

Thankfully, my childhood was one full of diverse You will be happy (I hope) to know, our future got experiences. My Father and most of my brothers are brighter. The hubby was offered 4 days a week casual very handy handymen. This meant I had opportunities

month-old boy came and un-dug it. Pushing all the dirt A really fun part of our adventure was the chickens, I'd moved back into the place I'd moved it from. What

constructing the frame. Due to funds being tight, most Naming the chickens was a fun exercise. The cockerels: of what we used consisted of recycled timber. It just so happened that my parents' neighbour pulled down a fence which was perfect for our coop. After about four you know of the old comedy sketches done by The days labour the coop was finished, and the chickens Three Stooges, who were actually four Stooges? I bring could move in. With them now happy in their decidedly drier domicile, we could start eating them... but more on that later.

Ysha Tucker—Oasis Editor

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Everyone is welcome to attend on the day without registration





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HENTY-CULCAIRN PROBUS

Met at Henty Wednesday 12th July 2023. Our President Yvonne Booth welcomed everyone. Shirley told of the Probus trip to the recycling project of Halve Waste in Albury on 21st June, 2023. There was not just the recycling of furniture and bikes but the excitement of the maggot shed, where after eight days of eating, the maggots are turned into dried protein. There has already been a suggestion that we go back again for another guided tour of the Halve Waste recycling works next year. Our thanks to Sarah for arranging our guided tour, after her recent visit as a speaker to Probus.

Mavis told of a beautiful lunch on the 21st June, at the Purple Chicken, in Albury. Purple Chicken is a training restaurant for people with disabilities. Our Probus people are fans of Purple Chicken, both the food and lovely people. A framed certificate of appreciation was presented to the Purple Chicken people, after the meal. Yvonne Booth was our five minute speaker, and she told of writing a book of memories of her life for her grandchildren. Yvonne, as President presented herself with the Probus pen given as a token of appreciation to

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our speaker, amid much laughter and discussion of memories.

Our main speaker was Tom White, introduced to us by Trevor Bedggood. Tom is a farmer from Henty, working for Local Land Services Riverina, and is involved with the Murray Darling Plan, particularly as it applies to the Murrumbidgee River. He came equipped with slides to show us the areas under discussion, regarding water and the numbers of irrigation businesses, the potential of decisions to be made under the Murray Darling Basin plan, where there seems to be a want to have water for the environment, birds, fish, animals, farmers, and the more than 2.3 million people in the basin area. There are bridges, and effects on farms, wetlands and public lands all to be taken into account with the potential of a Business Plan handed to Government regarding the Murrumbidgee River mid next year. Mr White has given us just a touch of information so that we can do our own research to learn more about the Murray Darling basin plan and its management of water and possible effects on us all. Neil Meyer thanked Tom White for his information and presented him with our Probus pen as a token of our appreciation.

We send our best wishes and kind thoughts to people dealing with illness and bereavement. Our next Probus meeting will be on Wednesday 9th August at the Culcairn Bowling Club at 9.30 for a 10.00am start. We are re learning to talk to people and always love extra company. Perhaps you might like to join us too.

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