



Your September 2020 Community Newsletter

REMINISCENCES

As I sit at the word processor and my computer I'm thinking how much we have come to rely on technology and the avenues it has opened up for us....but when it breaks down how much we miss it.

My parents were Hubert and Olive Odewahn, I have a brother, who lives at Walla, another brother deceased whose son Cameron lives in Walla, and two sisters.

Telephones



At Braefield we shared a telephone party line, with Hill and Dale and Bona Vista. Our number was 30S and neighbours were 30U and 30I. The telephone to the three properties were connected together, so neighbours could listen to each other's incoming, and outgoing conversations, considered rather bad manners if one did. It also meant that one could speak to the other without going through the exchange. Incoming calls was three short rings were for us. A line was connected to the Walla exchange. For 'outside' calls the telephonist controlled and directed the calls to the correct number from the Walla "exchange" through a switchboard.



The telephone was on the wall and it didn't have a dial but it had a handle one turned to call the exchange. Trunkline calls were charged in three minute intervals, the cost depending on how far away the recipient was. When I was working as a bush nurse it cost me \$1.60 for 3 minutes to ring home, or for my parents to call me. Albury to Walla was a trunk call but not as expensive as further away. There was a day rate and a night rate.

After moving to Dallaroo it took a year to have the telephone connected and then we could ring up between 6am and 10pm...we were no longer on a party line, now a continuous service. Our number was 103. The handset still had a handle which one turned to call the exchange. Sometimes the switchboard at the exchange was so full



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Greater Hume Children Services - Walla Walla News

We acknowledge the Wiradjuri people and the land where Walla Walla services takes place and recognise elders past, present and emerging.

The GHCS Walla Walla have been very community-minded this term; engaging strongly with their local businesses, as well as, to a wider audience through fundraising.

The highlight of this term was National Pyjama Day (Fri 17th). The children all engaged in discussions about what it means to be a foster child, and how they can help those that are not so fortunate. This was then followed by a week of baking cakes and muffins in our centre kitchen, where the children assisted educators in cooking up a storm. We then walked around the township (all dressed



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MESSAGE FROM THE WALLA WALLA POLICE STATION

I am Senior Constable Drew Gibson. I took up the position in Walla Walla in July. I have transferred from Bourke NSW and have worked in both remote and city locations.

I have moved to Walla with my wife Amy, who is a forensic investigator at Albury Police Station. I wish to thank everyone for welcoming us to the Walla Walla Community. I am looking forward to getting out and meeting everyone in the community.

If you wish to contact me my email address is 49776@police.nsw.gov.au. For pressing matters please contact Albury police station on 02 6023 9299. For all emergency matters contact Triple 0.

If you see me on duty feel free to call in and say hello.

Thank You Cake Stall

As time is approaching when the Markets at the Hall will recommence, I thought it's time to let you all know that I will NOT be having the CAKE STALL. I have discussed this with Nola, my co-helper, and this decision was made.

The Cake Stall was started in April 2016 to raise money for the research of cancer. During that time, we together have raised money for various cancer eg, Prostate, Beia Foundation, Breast Cancer, Pink Ribbon, New Cancer Centre in Albury & 2 local families.

In all, **\$6,730 was raised**. I have said in other Walla Newsletters, **THANK YOU to the ladies who each month added extra to our Stall. You know who you are. Your Extras were much appreciated!**

Dorothy Cremer



NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE

WALLA WALLA BRIGADE

Brigade Update

During August our brigade has welcomed 5 new volunteer members who have completed their Volunteer Induction and commence training.

These members are busy working towards gaining their Basic Firefighter Qualification (BF) which is the minimum requirement to hop on a truck and respond to a fire/incident. We anticipate that these members will be qualified in time to assist during the upcoming fire season.

We have also continued to work with our Junior Members who are working well Together. They're gaining skills, confidence and knowledge every week. We are lucky to have such a great young group to work with.

If you're interesting in joining our brigade contact us via: WallaWallaRFS@gmail.com or call Shai on: 0401 668 597

ARE YOU PLANNING TO CONDUCT A HAZARD REDUCTION OR PILE BURN?

Did you know that there is a legal responsibility to notify all adjoining neighbours (including those separated by a road or waterway) at least 24 hours before you light?

To make notifying authorities easier you can now lodge an electronic notification of your intention to burn off by visiting <https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/notify>

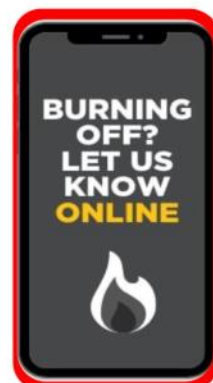
This simple web based program is suitable for both computers and smart devices.

Should a Total Fire Ban be declared, people will receive an email and/or SMS message advising not to proceed with burn.

For the moment residents of Albury, Greater Hume, Federation and Berrigan Shire Councils can contact the Albury FCC on 02 6051 1511 if you have any questions or need assistance.

Things to remember:

- During the Bush Fire Danger Period or when your fire is likely to endanger a building, you must obtain a Fire Permit to burn which can be obtained from the NSW RFS or Fire & Rescue NSW.
- It is the responsibility of the person lighting the fire to ensure they are abiding by all Council and State government regulations and obligations.
- Failure to notify authorities or your neighbours could lead to the responsible person being issued with a \$1,100 infringement or other more serious legal action being taken.
- It's your fire and your responsibility



Visit: www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/notify



UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP

Grace and Fleur are two sisters and we are banding together to offer delicious food to the Walla Walla community and surrounds.

After recently purchasing DJ's Fine Fast Food, we are very excited to rebrand and start a new venture.

With a few new ideas up our sleeves we hope the community welcomes us with great support. Over the coming months you'll see some new friendly faces and some great changes.

We look forward to working with the community and supporting the local businesses.

So make sure to pop in and grab a coffee and say G'DAY!

Our cafe will be opening **Monday September 7th**, opposite Kotzur.

See you then.



PLAYERS WANTED

WALLA NORTH WALLA TENNIS CLUB

The Club is planning for the summer tennis season which starts in early October. We aim to field 5 teams in the Hume Country Tennis Association. It does not matter what your standard is, as tennis is one sport that caters for all levels of ability. So there is plenty of opportunity for any new arrivals to town to have a game at some stage.

We particularly invite any young tennis players starting out to come down and have a hit. Next month the club will begin our Thursday afternoon practice session. This is a great opportunity to learn how to play the game.

Don't forget about our social hit during the week, each Tuesday morning from 9.30 am.

If anyone is interested in a game or just a hit then please contact John Seidel on 0429 039 322.

SOCIAL TENNIS

We realise how very fortunate we are to be able to enjoy our weekly tennis, when so much sport is unable to take place. We follow the guidelines, and have been happy to welcome quite a few players each week. The weather has been good, although a cold wind. Why don't you come and join us? We love having extra numbers.

We play at the town courts every Tuesday from 9.30 am.

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that one had to wait.

The manual telephone was an advantage when there was crisis in a family or an emergency such as a fire, as the operator kept everyone in touch.

In those days a telephone was a luxury and quite expensive.

The telephone exchange in Walla was part of the Post Office on the corner of Commercial and Queen Streets.

Several local people were employed as telephonists at Walla and occasionally the Post Office clerks filled in, and they all did a wonderful job.

Telecommunications were controlled by the PMG [Postmaster General's] department until about 50 years ago

Pictured are a switchboard, a wall telephone and the 'new' phone both of which needed two batteries.



Were they really the "Good Old Days"?

Roma Freeman

PRAYING FOR WALLA

Join us as we pray for each other, our community, and the world. We meet on the fourth Thursday of every month at the Lutheran church hall from 8pm. Our next meetings are 27th August and 24th September.

For prayer requests please contact Pastor Dan Mueller (0413 032 455).

WALLA CRAFT GROUP

We meet each Thursday at the Town Hall from 10 am to 12 noon.

Everyone Welcome. Gold coin donation to cover hall hire only.

All Arts and Crafts welcome. People wanting to learn are welcome or just drop in for a cuppa and a chat.

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Walla Walla Community Markets

Sunday 13th September

12-2pm

Town Hall

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Weeds and Beauty at Walla Walla

Spring has sprung and our area is absolutely beautiful. It can't be missed. The crops are a magnificent deep shade of green. The wattle trees, daffodils and canola flowers are a beautiful yellow. With a bit of artistic licence, we can say we are surrounded by green and gold. Has there ever been a nicer combination of colours than green and gold? The sporting fraternity don't think so. Green and gold were chosen in 1984 as the official colours of Australia in international sports. And the colours are worn with pride ever since. And at Walla Walla, we see those colours every day at this time of year.

Golden wattles are our national flower, and they can be seen in many places near our town and certainly not in every other area of Australia. Green and gold. Walla Walla. It would be nice if they would rhyme.

Wattles are the first to tell us the end of the worst of winter has arrived. But weeds too like to flower at this time of year. Soursob, patto, onion weed, marshmallow, stork's bill, capeweed, sticky weed, thistles, nettles, and more. Dealing with them is a important, but the chief energy in our town must once again be focussed on **bindii**. The **bindii** plants will come up in October, and rapidly grow in what for them is a perfect season. We have to look for them in

NSW AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL HISTORY SOCIETY Inc

Web-
site: nswfootballhistory.com.au

email: History.nsw@afl.com.au

Football History Society Chases Club Histories

The NSW Australian Football History Society, based in Sydney, is slowly building up a collection of material which reflects a significant influence on the game within the state.

Amongst these are over 1800 Sydney football records and almost the same number of Riverina match programmes, the 'Crier', 'Sou Wester' and 'Aussie Ruler' have been digitally scanned and are viewable on the Society's website:
www.nswfootballhistory.com.au.

More recently over 70 Hume Football League Records have been added to the collection and are also viewable on



the website.

Slowly the Society are adding written histories of various football clubs in NSW and are seeking more.

A number of clubs have celebrated a significant anniversary with the publication of a history book. The Society has copies of Howlong and Holbrook football history publications and are looking to acquire copies of the Culcairn, Jindera, MCU club booklets and more.

If you have access to any of these or know where the Society can obtain a copy (happy to pay), please contact the Society's president, Ian Granland on 0412798521.

any areas where they were last year, especially where there are no other plants, as they do not like competition. Almost certainly, they will be there again, hopefully in less numbers than last year. With annual united efforts, we will win. There is no worse thought, botanically thinking, than having **bindii** plants all over the place in our town!

I'll tell you more about capeweed and stork's bill next time, before they go to seed.

Herb Simpfendorfer



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28th August Friday 8am to 3pm

30th August Sunday 11am to 2pm

6th September Sunday 11am to 2pm

11th September Friday 8am to 3pm

20th September Sunday 11am to 2pm

COMMERCIAL STREET ACROSS FROM
PJN

Contact Janet 0419 149 887

mummajsfoodhub@gmail.com

CHURCH UPDATE & WORSHIP AT HOME OPTIONS

Local churches have slowly started to resume their services due to COVID-19 restrictions being lifted.

For more information please contact:

Lutheran Church Walla Walla & Alma Park

The Lutheran church currently has three worship options:

(1) Join us in our building at Walla (17 Commercial St): 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month at 9 am, 2nd & 4th Sundays at 10:30 am.

(2) Watch our live-stream video each Sunday from 9am on YouTube (search "Walla Lutheran Parish").

(3) Receive a worship at home resource in your mailbox each week (contact our pastor or parish office).

Contact: Pastor Dan Mueller 0413032455

<https://walla.lutheran.org.au>

Baptist Church Market St. Walla Walla

Worship services at Walla Walla Baptist Church have resumed at 10am on Sundays and will continue if restrictions allow—shortened service, no singing, no Sunday School.

Please phone Pastor Susan Barnes for details on 0417 549921.

Catholic Church Market St. Walla Walla

Contact: Father Terence Mahedy 0458 298 363

Anglican Church Balfour St. Culcairn

Contact: Father Bob Done 6026 3691

If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

Romans 10 v 9

RURAL CARE LINK

Ring 6026 3001 or 0475 594 073

Jindera Community Hub, 83 Urana St.

URGENT NEEDS:

- ⇒ Lifeline 13 11 14
- ⇒ Beyond Blue 1300 224 636
- ⇒ Mensline Australia 1300 789 978

MAINLY MUSIC

For parents and children under school age.

At the Baptist Church, 5 Market St.

Cancelled until further notice

Enquiries: Jill Shipard 0427 694 554

RAINFALL AT WALLA WALLA FOR JULY 2020

As recorded at the Walla Walla Post Office. July 2 (0.6mm), 3 (8.0mm), 12 (14.0mm), 13 (3.6mm), 14 (0.8mm), 26 (1.6mm), 27 (0.4mm)

Total for July: 29.0 mm.

For 2020 to end of July: 505.6mm.



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September Community Diary

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
	1 - Social tennis 9.30am, Walla Courts	2	3 - Craft Group, 10am, Town Hall	4	5	6
7	8 - Social tennis 9.30am, Walla Courts	9	10 - Craft Group, 10am, Town Hall	11	12	13 - Walla Walla Com- munity Markets, 12- 2pm, Town Hall
14	15 - Social tennis 9.30am, Walla Courts	16 - Greater Hume Council meeting 6pm Holbrook	17 - Craft Group, 10am, Town Hall	18	19	20
21	22 - Social tennis 9.30am, Walla Courts	23	24 - Craft Group, 10am, Town Hall - Praying for Walla, 8pm	25	26	27
28	29 - Social tennis 9.30am, Walla Courts	30				

LOCAL BUSINESSES

Walla Walla Bowling Club 6029 2146

Not operating yet.

WAW Credit Union 6029 2392

Monday-Thursday: 12.30-4.30pm.
Friday: 11am-12.30pm (closed for lunch
12.30-1.30pm) Friday pm: 1.30-5.00pm

Walla Walla Post Office 6029 2231

Mon-Fri 9am-5pm; Sat 9-11am

Second Hand Rose 6029 2116

Thurs & Fri 1.30 - 4.30pm. Sat 9.30 -
11.30am

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Walla Hotel 6029 2309

Mon - Sat - Opens at 11am;

Sun - Opens 12 noon

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Sunday 12-2pm

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booked.

Take away lunches: Wed, Thurs & Fri:
12-2pm

Walla Walla Hair Salon 6029 2277

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– 5.30pm

DJ's Fine Fast Food 6029 2033

Mon-Thurs: 8am - 2pm;

Fridays: 8am - 2pm; 5.30-7pm

Terry White Chemist Walla Walla 6029 2496

Mon-Fri: 9am - 5pm

Facebook: Terry White Chemmart Walla

Hume Medical Centre Walla Walla

Mon: 8.30am-1pm; 2pm-5.30 pm;
Wed: 11 am-5.30 pm; Fri: 11 am-5.30
pm

Ph: **02 6073 2605** (during Walla open-
ing hours) or **02 6036 2952** (Holbrook
on other days)

Walla Police Phone Number: 02 6029
2104. E: 49776@police.nsw.gov.au

Albury Police Station:
0260239299 Emergency: 000

WANT TO SUBMIT A

NEWSLETTER ARTICLE?

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Walla Website:
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WALKING YOUR DOG?

A friendly reminder to please be a good neighbor and pick up after your dog to help keep our town looking great!



RED CROSS

Our branch has been informed that due to the Corona Virus pandemic, there will be NO meetings until 2021.

So, all we can do is look after ourselves and keep safe.

President: Dorothy Cremer

Excerpts taken from News

from NSW Red Cross Head office.



But thanks to two Red Cross grants, farmers Andrea and Paul Sturgess have been able to build a new home for their friend. With the grant money, they're converting two shipping containers into a cottage in the bush for 63-year-old Smiley. "We've got to build a big shed over the whole lot. We could put a bit of hay in the side of it ... which will be warm in the winter for him. We're going to find some second hand tin to put on this shed to give him a bit of cover from wind."

We can all learn something from this story.

A story to lift the spirits

On an isolated cattle farm that was hit hard by the Black Summer bushfires the Sturgess family are building a new home for their friend Smiley, with the help of two Red Cross emergency relief grants.

When bushfires tore through a remote property near Batlow in New South Wales earlier this year, retired man, Smiley, lost the home he had found with a local farming family.



WALLA HISTORY

The Walla Walla gold rush of 1877

June 1877. In these early days of settlement around Walla, there are a host of stories featuring indifferent characters, unfortunate accidents resulting in serious injury and death, and many, many stories of hardship. Too many to cover in one article. This next one is a hard luck story with a slightly humorous twist.

A man named John Meldrum worked on Walla Walla Station as a bullock driver. In December 1876 he had found gold in "the creek" and was going to "make a pile" of money. However, upon selling 2 ounces of "gold" to Mr. Dixon from Wodonga, it was found to be worthless by an Albury jeweller. This led to a charge of obtaining £7 under false pretences and then a subsequent visit to the Albury police court. At this court, Walla Station owner, Mr. Douglas, was one of the witnesses, he gave a glowing character reference of Mr. Mel-

drum, Mr. Douglas also went on the assert that Mr. Meldrum wanted to leave his employment as "he had found gold in the creek", Mr Douglas had agreed to this request. The following morning Mr. Douglas found out that "two of the lads on the station had been salting the creek sand with brass filings". Mr Douglas told Meldrum he was wasting his time, and once the salting had ceased, he found no more gold. Meldrum showed Mr. Douglas what he had found, Mr. Douglas replied "I could get him pounds of stuff like that in the blacksmith's shop." Meldrum was committed for trial but was released on bail for a total of £160. His case never went to trial, as the Crown Prosecutor was convinced of his innocence. Poor Mr. Meldrum was the subject of a cruel hoax, he admitted to this and ended up paying £10 to the defendant. Albury Banner 16th June 1877 p14 & The Sydney Mail, 21st July 1877, p76.

The salting of the creek with brass filings had been going on for some weeks, how-

ever, for the previous couple of days of this charade, the perpetrators had been melting the brass, these drops of molten brass were cooled in water creating even larger "nuggets" for Mr. Meldrum to discover!

There is no mention of where this supposed "gold rush" occurred, all that the court documents say is a "creek on the station", but we could assume it was not far from the station accommodation buildings near the Billabong creek in the vicinity of the existing woolshed. Mr. Meldrum even went to the trouble of having a mining cradle made in Albury, this cost him £1 18s 6s (\$3.86) plus some other small mining tools. There is no mention that he was reemployed by Mr Douglas, however Meldrum attended the Albury court again later in 1877, this time as a victim of a robbery, so he had remained in the area.

Submitted by Anthony Brinkmann on behalf of the Walla Walla Historical Society Inc.

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iPads now Available to be loaned from Greater Hume Council Libraries

Greater Hume Council was one of 24 organisations to receive funding to deliver innovative programs to help older people connect with each other, through online engagement or other methods that maintain social distancing.

The funding received from the grant project was used to purchase iPads which are available now to be loaned from Greater Hume Council Libraries to people who are over 60 years of age and who are isolated from family members and friends. The iPads are great for browsing the web, reading and sending email, enjoying photos, watching videos, listening to music, and playing games.

The iPad can also be used to download library resources or to connect with family and friends using Facebook, Skype or Zoom. Library staff are available to teach customers on how to use the iPads and will also provide ongoing support.

Currently over 22 iPads have been loaned to community members and Age Care Facilities in the Greater Hume Council.

For more information regarding this program please contact Library Staff P: 02 6036 0179

Greater Hume Council Click & Collect at Your Local Library

The Greater Hume Council Libraries are opened to the public however, would like to continue to provide our valued customers the opportunity to still borrow books, DVD's, Magazines and audiobooks from the libraries with Click & Collect and Home Delivery Services.

How it works

Contact Library Staff by calling, emailing or social media to request items to be available for Click & Collect or Home Delivery.

Provide your Name and Library Card Number

Library staff will ask you a number of questions

- How many items do you want to collect?
- Which library do you want to collect your items from?
- What type of library items do you want to borrow?
- What type of format and Genre are you interested in?

A librarian will email you when your items are ready for collection (within 24 hours) or organise a time for items to be delivered.

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For more information contact Library Staff P: 02 6036 0179

Susan Kane

Library & Youth Services Team Leader

P: 0260 360100

Storytime at the Greater Hume Council Libraries for families

Library staff invite you to a new story time experience at all Greater Hume Council libraries where just you & your family visit your library to listen to a story. Afterwards, staff will give you a bag of carefully chosen books to borrow.

The bag of books will have been quarantined before you borrow so you know you can safely, blissfully read them together at home.

To book a time, please phone 0260360179 for Culcairn, Henty and Jindera libraries and for Holbrook Library please phone 026036 3262



Holbrook – Walla Walla Meals on Wheels has been busy keeping our clients well-nourished and connected with the community since the Covid -19 pandemic outbreak. We are here to help you Stay Home and Stay Safe. We can help you with access to tasty and nutritious balanced meals, fresh food, shopping, attending appointments and social connections through phone and video calls. We have a Covid Safe plan registered and are delivering with Zero contact. Our staff are following Best Practice routines for Hygiene control with regular cleaning and disinfecting taking place in both in our office & vehicles.

Unfortunately, our social groups are not able to attend outings at the moment, however individual social support is available to our clients. Social support helps maintain social connections through visiting, assistance with shopping and attending appointments or a regular phone or video call just to keep in touch.

We have just released a new menu with a large range of options. The mid-Winter menu contains over 100 choices of soups, small meals, main meals and desserts. We can help you to make good nutritional choices according to your needs and we deliver regularly in Walla and surrounding areas. Recent additions include Butter Chicken with Steamed Rice, BBQ Sausage with Baked Beans & Vegies and Beef Goulash has returned. We've also added Tomato and Chicken & Corn Gourmet Soups.

Having meals delivered should not be seen as a last resort. Meal services may be suggested to older people who are unwell, and the service may only be needed in the short term until the person recovers and is able to prepare their own meals again. Alternatively, a meal service can also be provided to a person who requires ongoing assistance with meals to support functional independence and wellbeing. The provision of a meal each day can be an enabler that can improve opportunities for increased participation in life's other roles, such as meeting friends or engaging in activities.

We are happy to discuss your needs. If you would like more information on Meals or other services we can provide, please call on 02 60363677 or you can call My Aged Care on 1800 200 422.



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Whoever **you** are, whatever **your** story, **you're** welcome here with us.

2021 Premier's ANZAC Memorial Scholarship

Congratulations to Year 10 student Timothy Lowe, whose winning essay *Australians at War* has gained him a place in the 2021 Premier's ANZAC Memorial Scholarship Tour. Tim will have the opportunity to follow in the footsteps of our ANZACs overseas.



Year 7 Regenerative Agriculture

Our Year 7 Regenerative Agriculture team have fortnightly lessons with Nutrition Agronomist, Steave Petrie. During their first lesson, students discussed what '*regenerative agriculture*' is, what it means to them, and were involved in plant health checks and earth worm explorations. During the next lesson students will be testing the soil for pH and structure.

Black, White and Grey Day

Year 12 student, Sarah Benoy and the SRC recently worked together to hold a charity event for Vision Australia called Black, White, and Grey Day. Sarah is currently undertaking a leadership and employment preparation program through Vision Australia. Sarah chose the theme "Black, White and Grey day" as it relates to her vision impairment (Achromatopsia) which is characterised by a lack of colour vision (amongst other issues). Therefore, her world is seen only as shades of black, white, and grey.

Vision Australia is a not-for-profit organisation and Australia's largest provider of services for people with blindness and low vision. The fundraiser will help to give the gift of freedom and independence to people who are blind or have low vision. Students were encouraged to wear the colours black, white or grey and bring a gold coin donation. The day consisted of several activities and a sausage sizzle. It was fantastic to see such participation with almost every student wearing civvies and buying a snag or two from the BBQ.

The SRC would like to acknowledge and thank the following Local businesses for donating the following items, your contribution is greatly appreciated and has benefitted the work of Vision Australia: **Culcairn Butchery (50 sausages), Jindera Butchery (40 sausages), Jindera IGA (100 sausages & 6 loaves of bread), Meat Talk Albury (100 sausages).**

Without these local businesses, it would not have been possible to run such a memorable and successful day. More than \$750 was raised for Vision Australia. Sarah thanks everyone involved and who made the day a success.



Semester One Honours Awards

Congratulations to our Semester One Honours Award recipients, who were presented with their awards on the last day of Term 2:

- Year 7 **Makaela Scheetz**
- Year 8 **Charlotte Foster**
- Year 9 **Tom Lieschke**
- Year 10 **Jack Kotzur**
- Year 11 **Paige Koschitzke**
- Year 12 **Ethan Stead**



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in our pyjamas and dressings gowns), selling the delights to the following businesses; DJs Fine Fast Food, Walla Hair Saloon, Kotzur, Elders Real Estate, WAW Bank and a group of lovely ladies passing by.

We thank all those that donated to the cause, and engaged in thoughtful discussions with the children. Through the community's kindness, Walla raised \$165.05 and the children are thrilled!

As a thank you, the children went on an excursion down to the local post office, where they took it in turns entering, purchasing/placing a stamp, and then posting the handmade cards to the businesses who donated.



The WAW Bank has been the latest place to visit, with some of the children entering with an educator to deposit the funds raised into an account. The sticker at the end, was well worth it!

To conclude this month, we have raised awareness about National Tree Day by planting our first indoor plant in a recycled empty seed bag. Time was spent investigating parts of the plant, and their vital role to the human body before getting their hands dirty.



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The Gum Swamp Committee recently held its AGM for 2020. Finally able to meet (at a distance) and plan some activities.

The office bearers elected were Chairman Cameron Odewahn, Vice-Chair John Borchert, Secretary John Seidel and Treasurer Julie Barber. There are an extra eleven members on the committee.

Alan Rayner stepped down as chairman this year after many years of service. Cameron paid tribute to Alan for his untiring support of the Gum Swamp committee. He has been Chairman or vice-chair since the inception of the committee and deserves congratulations on this community service for such a long time.

The virus has limited our activities but people still continue to use the Gum Swamp for walking and bird watching. Hopefully the wetter conditions this year will result in some water inflows. A working bee to repair fences is planned and a brochure promoting the Gum Swamp is in progress.

The Gum Swamp is a wonderful asset to Walla Walla with

its natural River Red Gum Woodland swamp and the Grassy Box Woodland above the flood line. Some of the old gums are centuries old.

If you want further information or want to join the group then feel free to contact Cameron on 0404 378 393 or John on 0429 039 322.



THE BIGGEST MORNING TEA

The Biggest Morning Tea was started in May 2000 and held in the Baptist Church Hall.

I was always privileged to be able to have some very interesting speakers, mostly coming from the Cancer Centre in Wagga Wagga.

In that time, \$1,016 was raised. I would like to **thank Second Hand Rose** for their support each year giving a generous donation to this worthwhile cause.

I have enjoyed my time raising money, working and just having a chat.

I am hoping someone else might take on the challenge.

Contact Dorothy Cremer for details 6029 2120