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Henty Community News



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Do you have a Bush Fire Survival Plan?

The NSW Rural Fire Service provides on-line information in relation to bush fire preparedness. A Bush Fire Survival Plan can be downloaded to assist with preparations and can take as little as five minutes or you can sit down with your family and discuss what you will do using the guide to making a bush fire survival plan (<https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/resources/bush-fire-survival-plan>).

The location of Henty's Greater Hume LGA Neighbourhood Safer Place is Bicentennial Park, Olympic Highway, Henty.

Four simple steps

There are four simple steps to get ready for a bush fire:

Step 1 - Discuss what to do if a bush fire threatens your home.

Many households find that having a discussion over dinner works best as everybody is together and focussed.

Step 2 - Prepare your home and get it ready for bush fire season.

There are simple things you can do around your home to prepare it for a bush fire, like keeping the grass low and having a cleared area around your home.

Step 3 - Know the bush fire alert levels.

If there is a fire in your area you will find its alert level on the NSW RFS website and in the 'Fires Near Me' app. You need to keep track of the alert level so you

know what you should do.

Step 4 - Keep all the Bush Fire information numbers, websites and the smartphone app.

In a bush fire, it's important that you stay up to date on conditions in your area.

It's a fact. If you and your home are well prepared, you stand a better chance of surviving a bush fire. Download the four simple steps today.

Prepare your home

A well prepared home is more likely to survive a bush fire.

Even if your plan is to leave early, the more you prepare your home, the more likely it will survive a bush fire or ember attack. A well prepared home can also be easier for you or firefighters to defend, and is less likely to put your neighbours' homes at risk. A well prepared home will also give you more protection if a fire threatens suddenly and you cannot leave.

Here are some basic maintenance tips to prepare your property:

- Clean your gutters of leaves and twigs
- Install metal gutter guards
- Repair damaged or missing tiles on the roof
- Install fine metal mesh screens on windows and doors
- Fit seals around doors and windows to eliminate gaps
- Enclose the areas under the house

- Repair or cover gaps in external walls
- Attach a fire sprinkler system to gutters
- Keep lawns short and gardens well maintained
- Cut back trees and shrubs overhanging buildings
- Clean up fallen leaves, twigs and debris around the property
- Have hoses long enough to reach around your house
- If you have a pool, tank or dam, put a Static Water Supply (SWS) sign on your property entrance, so firefighters know where they can get water
- Check and maintain adequate levels of home and contents insurance. Ensure it is up to date.

What should you take with you in case you need to leave your home: (<https://www.redcross.org.au>)

- Take your medicine
- Pet essentials
- Radio (battery powered)
- Lights/batteries
- Water
- Cash
- Food
- Toiletries
- Chargers
- First Aid Kit
- Protective clothing/blankets
- Scans or photocopies of important documents
- Photographs of valuable household items
- Copies of videos/photos

Fire Danger Ratings have changed and are now simpler and give you clear actions to take. They are:

MODERATE Plan and prepare.

- Stay up to date and be ready to act if there is a fire.

HIGH Be ready to act.

- There's a heightened risk. Be alert for fires in your area.
- Decide what you will do if a fire starts.
- If a fire starts, your life and property may be at risk. The safest option is to avoid bush fire risk areas.

EXTREME Take action now to protect your life and property.

- These are dangerous fire conditions.
- Check your bush fire plan and ensure that your property is fire ready.
- If a fire starts, take immediate action. If you and your property are not prepared to the highest level, go to a safer location well before the fire impacts.
- Reconsider travel through bush fire risk areas.

CATASTROPHIC For your survival leave bush fire risk areas.

- These are the most dangerous conditions for a fire.
- Your life may depend on the decisions you make, even before there is a fire.
- Stay safe by going to a safer location early in the morning or the night before.
- Homes cannot withstand fires in these conditions.
- You may not be able to leave, and help may not be available.

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Henty Library Customer Satisfaction Survey

Thanks everyone for completing the Customer Satisfaction Survey. It is greatly appreciated, as your feedback will be used to create a better customer experience for everyone at the library. Council staff will now take the time to carefully analyse the information you have provided to us and will let you know the outcome very soon.

Each person who returned a completed survey went into a draw to win one of two \$20 Henty Bakery vouchers.

Congratulations to Lyn Lieschke and Claire Eulenstein for being the lucky winners of the \$20 vouchers. Vouchers can be picked up from the Henty Library.

Thank you again to everyone who completed the Henty Library Customer Satisfaction Survey.

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Social Club activities December/January

Over December and January there will be some changes to the Social Club activities which are held each Wednesday from 10am -2pm at the Henty Community Health Centre in Ivor Street.

The social club will be closed on December 27, 2023 and January 3, 2024 and will restart on Wednesday January 10, 2024.

There will be no hot meal deliveries on Tuesday December 26, 2023. All other days will remain normal.

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Monthly mission delivery

An extra large Australia Post bag is still being sent monthly to Sydney, full of all sorts of beanies for male and female seafarers on the high seas - about 55-60 per bag.

Your contribution of wool or acrylic is well received in Henty to warm and brighten the lives of lonely seafarers who can't get ashore to visit family.

The Sydney Mission is a lifeline for them where they can get good meals, souvenirs, sim cards, wi-fi and the services of a chaplain.

In June 2024, there will be a beanie competition in the Henty Craft Gallery to fill the window with dozens of beanies which will be donated to the Mission. There will be great prizes so start thinking what you can knit for the competition next year. Details will be released in the New Year. Meet the challenge - you have six months to create and be inspired.

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Greater Hume's Australia Day Celebrations

Friday, 26 January 2024
at Wymah Recreation Reserve, Wymah
8 am for Breakfast, 9 am Official Ceremony commences.
This is a FREE event.

The Australia Day celebrations include the Australia Day Breakfast, Australia Day Ambassador's address, Citizenship Ceremony, presentation of Citizen, Young Citizen, Sports Person/Team, Sports Volunteer and Community Event of the Year and presentation of School Citizenship and Local Awards.



Shade will be provided. Please bring chair, rug, sunscreen, hat and insect repellent.

Wymah community invite you to stay on for the family fun activities to be held after the Australia Day Ceremony:

- Live Music
- Kids Entertainment
- Wymah Museum historical display
- Food and drinks available to purchase

Our Ambassador

Will be announced in
December.

For more information please contact - Emily Jones, Tourism and Communications Officer
0448 099 536, ejones@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au.



Pic Geoff Coombes OAM, Ross and Helen Krause, Katie Fifield, Alison and Peter Campbell, Cr Tony Quinn, Aimee Riley, Maddison Wilson

2023 Greater Hume Australia Day

Joint Citizen's of the Year
Francis Fifield, Henty and Alison and
Peter Campbell, Henty

Young Citizen of the Year
Aimee Riley, Jindera

Sports Person/Team of the Year
Henty Pennant Golf Team

Sports Volunteer/s of the Year
Henty Cricket Club Grants Committee
(Henry Kilo, Lochlan O'Brien, Charles
Wilson and Saul O'Reilly)

Community Event of the Year
Culcairn Street Party

Library News



January school holiday program - Reptiles on the Go

<https://reptilesonthego.wordpress.com/>

Reptiles On The Go features a fun and educational showcase where children learn about fabulous Australian native reptiles in the safety and comfort of your own venue. This inclusive experience allows people to get up close and personal with animals such as fresh and saltwater Crocodiles, Pythons, Shingleback, Frill Necked and Blue Tongue Lizards, Turtles, Frogs and Monitors. Yes, the children can pat them if they like! Yes, you can take photos, a great opportunity for promotion!

Ages 2-12years. Book now for your children's place at this amazing holiday event.

Henty Library 9 January 2024

Time: 2-3pm

Bookings Essential P: 0260360100 or visit your local library

Henty Library closing for exciting renovations in January 2024

The Henty Library will be closed from Tuesday 16 January 2024 and will reopen on Tuesday 30 January 2024.

During this period the Henty Library will be closed to the public, however, library staff will be available for contact for delivery of library items directly to your home, any Council enquires or payments can be made on 0260360100 or by visiting one of the offices in the nearest town.

The main purpose of the redevelopment of the Henty Library is to improve the accessibility, functionality and inclusiveness of the Henty Library ensuring that the space is fit for the future. The new refurbishment to the library will follow current library trends providing clean open spaces in line with changing needs of the community.

Some of the changes the community will see happening in the Henty Library will include: new carpet, painting, new furniture throughout, a change to the current circulation desk and upgrading of the current restroom facilities.

Further information regarding the closing of the library for this time and alternate ways to access Council information will be provided on social media platforms, Council newsletters, notices and the next edition of Henty Headerlines. If you have any questions please do not hesitate in contacting Council P: 0260360100.

Storytime at Greater Hume Council Libraries

Greater Hume Council Li-

braries offer a range of Storytime sessions to suit the various ages and needs of our younger community members and their families. Come along and enjoy stories, activities and craft. Have fun borrowing from the wonderful selection of books and DVDs in our children's section of the libraries. This year the aim of Story Time continues to be to develop children's literacy skills and socialization through listening to stories, reading together, singing and finger plays, games, craft, writing, movement and learning to be part of the Story Time group.

Help ensure Christmas is bright for everyone

Greater Hume Council Libraries' Christmas Food & Gifts Appeal is on again.

Each year, Christmas hampers and gifts are made up from your generous donations.

All donated food items must be non-perishable and in-date, while gifts should be donated unwrapped and suitable for children up to the age of 10.

The Christmas Food & Gift Appeal will run from Monday 27 November to Friday 15 December

Donations can be left at your library during business hours.

For more information, please phone 0260360100 and ask to speak to a staff member at your library.

Greater Hume Council

Henty Library Christmas and New Year Closure

In the lead up to the holiday period, please be aware of the dates below and times between which the Henty Library will be closed. Visit the library prior to the closure period to stock up on collections items to keep you going for this period. Remember the Henty Library collection includes, books, DVDs, audiobooks, and magazines and you can borrow up to 30 items at a time.

Closing 5pm 22 December 2023 and reopening 8.30am Tuesday 2 January 2024

Henty Library

Storytime is held each month on a Thursday

Dates and Themes for 2023

22 December 2023—Christmas

FREE Home Library Delivery Service

If you're a person with a disability or an older person who experiences challenges getting to and from your local Library, then the home library service is here to help you borrow books or other items.

Once you have joined any of the Greater Hume Council Libraries or are already an existing member, contact a library staff member to discuss the types of books and/

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or other resources you wish to borrow. Staff will then deliver items directly to your home, free of charge. They will also collect items that need to be returned. Items available for public loan include:

- books
- audio books
- CDs
- magazines
- DVDs

To help you choose items, the library catalogue is available online. www.rrl.nsw.gov.au

Your library membership card will also provide you with online access to a range of online resources and information including eBooks, eAudios, Freegal Music, and Zinio Magazines.

Little Book Nook: Libraries & Businesses in the Greater Hume Council

Communities increasing literacy

In today's society libraries play a key role in creating literate environments and promoting literacy by offering relevant and attractive reading material for all ages. Libraries embrace the social responsibility to offer services that bridge social and economic barriers, and traditionally make a special effort to extend their services to everyone in the community.

Greater Hume Council Libraries' aim to encourage literacy in young children and of course encourage more residents to become members of our libraries. One of the programs already launched in Greater Hume Council is the placing of 'Book Nooks' in local businesses and community organisations.

The staff at Greater Hume Council Libraries would like to say a big thank you to all of the businesses and com-

munity organisations that are currently taking part in the Little Book Nook program so far. Everyone is making a big contribution to increasing literacy in our community.

If you are interested in participating and have a small space where around 10 picture books and a small 'Book Nook' sign can be placed

please contact your local Library 0206360100 .



Christmas 2023 Church service times

Luke 2: 11

"for to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord."



Churches	Time and Date
Anglican: Henty	9.30am Monday 25 December Christmas Day
Catholic: Henty	10.00am Monday 25 December Christmas Day
Lutheran: Henty	7.30pm Sunday 24 December Christmas Eve 9.30am Monday 25 December Christmas Day
Presbyterian: Henty	6.30pm Sunday 24 December Christmas Eve
Riverlife: Henty	6.30pm Sunday 24 December Christmas Eve
Uniting: Culcairn	9.30am Sunday 24 December Christmas Eve

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Gawal Gardens: a place to call home

Many residents of Henty go to the Henty Multi-purpose Health Service (hospital) to live and now they can say exactly where they live.

The residential aged care wing of the hospital has been named Gawal Gar-

dens. It was the result of a long process of seeking suggestions from the community, residents and local school students and then seeking approval from Murrumbidgee Local Health District.

Signage for the new name

was displayed at a recent open day at the hospital. Jessica Pendlebury of Henty was the winning entrant in the competition for name suggestions.

Gawal is a very apt name. It is a Wiradjuri word and it can be used in two contexts – a swamp or a valley. There are 8,000 words in the Wiradjuri language, which is now taught at our local schools.

Jessica said she was thrilled to find out her idea was chosen from more than 100 suggestions and she wanted to have input into a town where she loves living.

Visitors to the open day also saw demonstrations in the latest technologies available to hospital staff to allow real time access to medical specialists when dealing with emergency and acute care patients.

ties designed to engage, encourage and support teenagers in our community were rolled out as Teen Time events in October and November 2023. These events were developed after local teenagers were surveyed on their areas of in-

Record wrap

Displayed in the Henty Craft Gallery will be some Wrap With Love wraps for cold humanity. Twenty-four were delivered to Wagga in early November to bring the total to 211. When the last load was delivered in December from the hostel, it set a record for Henty's contribution.

Pam is supervising hostel knitters and Daisy is crocheting 25cm colourful squares at the hospital. Margaret Young is also a keen and beautiful knitter.

Thank you

Barry Wood and sons, Anthony and Christopher, would like to thank all the kind people of Henty for their sincere wishes and sympathy expressed since the passing of Margaret Wood on July 25, 2023.

terest. First Aid for young people, which was attended by 16 young people from 13-18 and four adults who were mentors. Henty LHAC subsidised the cost by 50%

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L to R: Competition winner Jessica Pendlebury with Henty MPS activities officer Toni Shutt and manager Katie Fifield and the new Gawal Gardens sign

Teens have a great time

Youth mental and physical wellbeing was identified as a community health priority for Henty Local Area

Health Committee when planning activities for 2023-24.

As result a series of activi-

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for all the youth. The response was overwhelming, and Henty LHAC intends to run another course next year, due to the demand as we were limited to 20 places.

Cooking lessons ran for three weeks, with a local caterer, who provided very hands-on sessions that were fun and engaging. Participants cooked and ate their meals, also receiving the recipes to take home. This was attended by a mix of males and females, who all expressed a desire to attend further sessions.

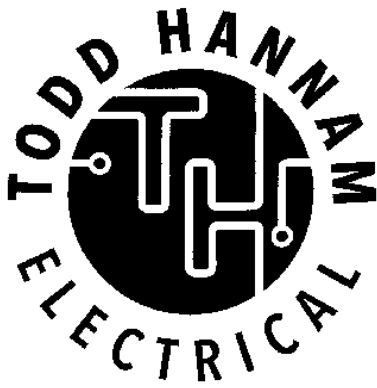
Table tennis over four weeks proved to be a hit, with older and experienced volunteers, who willingly gave their time and energy to teach the younger at-

tendees. This proved to be a fun activity for both young and old alike.

Henty LHAC is working with outside providers to deliver other events in response to issues identified by teenagers in surveys conducted earlier in 2023. These include soccer and more summer sports, such as touch football or night netball, but the challenge is insurance.

Further workshops are planned for 2024 and hope to include developing videos for social media platforms like Tik Tok, creative writing and art.

If you have any ideas or would like to organise a Teen Time event in partnership with Henty LHAC please talk to any LHAC member.



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Henty Early Childhood Association Inc.

Big year for school

Henty Public School had an amazing year with many achievements in sport, debating, creatively and at the Henty Machinery Field Days.

The school thanks all the volunteers who have given their time over the year. It has helped immensely, supplying the students with necessary items to help with their learning. The Henty Machinery Field Days fundraising will go towards a new adventure playground installed at the back of the oval. The school looks forward to having you involved next year.

Sporting Achievements included Eddie making it to the National Swimming Championships and State Athletics in the MC class. Zane was successful in making it into the Riverina team for cricket, Yozora for the State Soccer and Annabelle for Riverina Netball Championships. These are amazing achievements for all athletes. HPS also sent away a team to Riverina Athletics, Swimming and Cross Country.

Claire and Yozora earned their way into the Game Changer Challenge final in

Sydney through the Aurora program they have been involved with all year. Huge congratulations on making it all the way.



The Lunch and Learn program has been cooking up a storm with delicious recipes guided by Kazzie. Students have enjoyed this experience and it is a fabulous way to see how we grow food, with students also working hard in the garden to grow the produce used in cooking each week. Recipes can be found in the past Kalori newsletters.

HPS Gala performance this year presented by Year 6 is The Lion King and will be shown at the Albury Regent Cinemas on Friday, December 8 at 11am. Tickets are available from the school office. The school congratulates all the Year 6 students who performed fabulously and worked hard to



produce an A class performance.

During the year the school hosted a Bush Dance with the Billy Tea Band, Grand Friends Day, Christmas in July, Ride to School Day

and many barbecue dress-up day fundraisers. The school thanks all the school families for their support over the year and wishes everyone a peaceful Christmas and New Year.

Ballroom Blitz a hit

Watch out next time you hit the dance floor – there is a new group of Henty dancers who will dazzle you with their ability to salsa, waltz and cha cha.

Henty Local Health Advisory Committee, Henty Lions Club and School of Dance Art Henty got together to run a program of weekly ballroom dancing classes at the Henty Community Club. The program was supported by funding from Murrumbidgee Primary Health Network through the Australian Government's PHN Program.

Dancing instructors Lily and Jan from the School of Dance Art Henty worked with 24 enthusiastic "pupils" of a range of ages.

Each week participants learned a different style of dance, starting with the basics like the waltz and working up to more complicated steps. There were lots of laughs and new connections made.



Participants have set up an online chat group to organise ongoing dance get-togethers.

Henty LHAC chair Mary D'Arcy Liston said this was a great example of people exercising and enjoying social interaction in a fun setting and Henty LHAC plans to organise more such events in the future.



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Students prepare for 2024

Spring brings on the shearing for some people, but also Father's Day, Book Week Hat Parades, Henty Field Days and Term 4 at St Paul's School.

The school celebrated the men in its families with a chapel especially for them and a yummy breakfast organised by the brilliant

P&F. What a blessing the P&F and the Henty Field days are to the school community.

With part of the funds raised, the P&F have purchased an outdoor tennis table which will be set up in the new undercover learning area with new soft fall, which has also been supported by the P&F.

Term 4 means Kinder Transition Days which is something all look forward to. Being younger siblings to current students, the 2024 Kinder Students have blended in seamlessly. School is an exciting new chapter and the older students have been making the smaller people feel at home.



School's Christmas Service on Friday, December 1, at 10am and the Graduation and Awards Night on Tuesday, December 12, at 6:30pm, both to be held at St Paul's Lutheran Church. All are most welcome to attend.



With Transitions in the air, the Year 6 students are thinking of higher learning at secondary level and the Year 5s are thinking of leadership in the coming year. They all did a wonderful job of presenting their ideas for leadership in various roles and the new School and Sport Captains have been decided.

As the year closes, we look forward to the Combined



Cards for the frontline

There have now been 7,498 postcards sent to Ukraine with messages of love and hope, encouraging men and women at the front to be brave, resilient and courageous with their struggle against the Russian aggressor.

If you would like to send a card to these soldiers you can write to: Postcards to the Front, P.O. Box 565, Williamstown 3156 or give your postcard to Yvonne Booth for her weekly post packs.



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Probus clubs get together

Henty/Culcairn Probus Club met at Henty Community Club on Wednesday October 11.

October is the time to celebrate Probus and the Albury Hume Club, Wagga Wagga Murrumbidgee Club and Holbrook Probus Club were asked to join in for the day.

Club president Yvonne Booth welcomed everyone and we sang two verses of the National Anthem accompanied by Joyce Gardner on piano. Yvonne was overjoyed at so many people in attendance.

Rhonda Walmsley from the Murrumbidgee Club spoke of the various groups that they have within Probus. They have coffee at various clubs and shops, have a bowling group and book club, and meet at the Wagga Wagga Botanical Gardens for lunch and have guest speakers. Members walk around the Botanical Gardens and have also visited the RAAF museum and are planning a visit to Galore Hill for a picnic lunch.

Yvonne invited Julie and Stephen Colley to join the Henty/Culcairn Probus club and they were pre-

sented with name badges.

Judi Garvi, from Albury Hume Probus, spoke of a recent day meeting with Henty/Culcairn group at Culcairn Hotel for lunch. The Albury Hume folks travelled both ways by XPT and enjoyed their train trip. Hume Probus have a show and tell project, Secret Men's Business Day and they meet for lunch at the Commercial Club on club days and share lunches and morning teas at various venues.

Alison Schuster and Kevin Fogarty were presented with 20-year membership badges, surprising both people.

Cathy Jones, from the Holbrook Club, told how the October celebration was coinciding with golf and bowls days at Holbrook and still she came with representatives of her club. They meet at the Holbrook Club with lunch as part of the meeting.

For outings, they have carpooled three trips this year. They went to the cinema in Albury as part of Probus 30-year celebrations and to Corryong recently as part of their club's 20-year anniversary.

Yvonne told of Henty/Culcairn joining with Wrap with Love to make blankets to send worldwide, with many needed in Australia in recent times. They send beanies to the Mission to Seafarers in Sydney with 60 beanies going each month by post bag. The trauma teddies are part of it and they have sent singlets and beanies to babies in Alice Springs. The most recent project is to send post cards in support of people in Ukraine.

Eleanor introduced the guest speaker, Bernard Clarke. Bernard was born in Hobart and grew up on a farm, learned about agriculture and mechanics and worked in paper mills in Tasmania and Albury.

Bernard likes gardening and photography and walking in the bush. His early photography was of birds, and in 15 years has identified 148 species in the Henty area. In 2009 Bernard joined the Henty Camera Club and has been president for much of the time since.

Bernard likes to photograph insects and fungi as well as scenery and birds. He showed a slide show of a trip to Western Australia that took six weeks, but condensed to 10 minutes of beautiful photographs with lovely music playing in the background.

In 2018 Henty's Creative Gallery started after Graham Booth wanted a local creative centre with some of the work as display and some for sale. It is open on Fridays and Saturdays between the hours of 10am to 2pm manned by volunteers.

Bernard likes to involve his audience by having pictures that are part of a bigger image. Most interesting for us all. Rhonda Walmsley thanked Bernard for the amazing photography and presented him with a Probus pen as a token of our appreciation.

Yvonne has been closing meetings with interesting quotes from a book by Trent Dalton, called Love Stories. Her quote in October was: *The smallest good deed is better than the greatest intentions.*

Lunch was at beautifully decorated tables with blue and yellow flowers and blue serviettes. Fish and chips and salad were served followed by slices. All were made with love and care and thanks to all the helpers who made a lovely day for about 100 Probus members.



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Nepalese adventure recounted

Our meeting on Wednesday November 8 was at Culcairn Bowling Club. The president Yvonne Booth welcomed all including Greater Hume Councillor Doug Meyer, and deputy chairperson for Riverina Water. Two new members, Lois Biti and Pam Schulz were presented with their Probus badges.

Yvonne has received advice that the Peter Mac fundraising group has raised \$99,163.62 in the past 12 months. The group has been a big part of making baby clothes, toys, beautiful bears, hot water bottle covers and heat bags with wheat and lavender. Congratulations to all those helpers, your beautiful work goes towards a very good cause, and thank you to the generous souls who donated yarn and transporting the craft to Melbourne.

Yvonne spoke of a beanie competition being arranged for next June. Probus are making beanies for the men of the Mission to Seafarers in Sydney, and this is advance notice to everyone to knit for this most worthy cause as part

of a competition. There will be more information after Christmas.

The five-minute speaker was See Gain. See was born in Malaysia and spoke of her childhood during the Japanese occupation. See was the youngest of five children, raised by her mother, while working in the family book shop after her father had died at enemy hands. She studied nursing in England, and now joins Probus.

Yvonne presented See with a Probus pen as a token of thank you for a most interesting speech.

Henty now has a choir and the intention is to sing for the folks in care and community events.

After an attempt by the Probus group at the carol, Twelve Days of Christmas, with no song books, they might need some choral assistance.

The main speaker was Brenton, from Riverina Water, who had a helper to set up the slide show. Brenton told of being part of a team of people being sent to Nepal, as volunteers, for Rotary projects in Nepal. The team included Virginia, a

computer specialist, and leaders from Albury. The time spent in Nepal was over three weeks. The team ranged in ages from 18 to 80 years. Rotary volunteers helped to refit a three-storey building to dormitory rooms for nursing students.

In February, Brenton went to Kathmandu and saw cremations in the River Ganges and learned that the Gurkhas are from Nepal too. The roads were very winding in Nepal, a country of at least 30 million people on a land area about half the size of Victoria.

The team stayed in a hotel with hot water, wi-fi and air conditioning. Food was spicy with flat bread.

Occupational health and safety was not the same as in Australia. Language differences required a Rotary club translator or lots of hand signals. Tall white people were a novelty and in Nepal, high school lasted until 23 years of age. Projects included giving treadle sewing machines and training to women and small water units to a maternity hospital.

Brenton talked of going to small villages to hand out books and backpacks to school children. The team made a bedroom for the caretaker of the dormitories by renovating an animal

shelter that he had been sharing with the animals.

Riverina Water has Vietnamese people visiting to learn about water systems and will perhaps do an exchange with their people in the future.

Brenton was presented with a Probus pen as a thank-you for talking about a most amazing experience.

Lots of questions were asked and answered, and talk over lunch was that the Probus people were most happy with the visit. Thank you to all involved in arranging this visit.

The Christmas meeting is to be lunch at Henty on the second Wednesday of the month, December 13, at 11.30 am for a noon start. Menu is roast turkey and vegetables with mini pavlovas for dessert. Cost is \$25 and bookings must be made with Yvonne Booth or Kevin Fogarty, unless you have already signed to attend. Probus will be meeting in January at Henty on the second Wednesday.

Yvonne's thought for today – *"The only way to have a friend is to be one."*

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Show 'em what we've got

This is an invitation to all community groups and services to take part in the first community display at the annual Henty Show on Saturday, February 10, 2024. The show committee wants to showcase what Henty has to offer.

All services and groups are welcome to send an infor-

mation sheet for the committee display. Due to having over 60 services and different groups, it is requested the sheet be no larger than A5 so all can be accommodated.

Please send your information to hentyshow@gmail.com or drop it in at 5 Sladen Street or Dales Electrical by February 1.

Save the date!

The Henty Show is on Saturday February 10, 2024. Here is a sneak peek of what we have:

The world's cutest sheep, Brian Watts Steam Engine, Rides, Al's Skates & Co, Old Kentucky Animal Farm, Dog Jumping Entertainment Overtime Duo, May Pole Dance by Henty's School of Arts, the Show Pavilion will be full of wonderful things—

cattle, chooks, sheep, horse events and more.

Henty Show Office will be open at the Show Grounds Pavilion on Thursday 8 and Friday 9 February. Times to be advised.

If you would like to become a helper or member of the show or have any questions please see Monica at 5 Sladen Street Henty or call her on 0269293219 or 0408090900.

Focus on women's health

On Tuesday November 14, 36 ladies enjoyed a Power-Point presentation by Cecily Rempe Albury Wodonga Health, which was held at the Henty

Community Centre. Points of interest were important health issues covering all women from ages of early 30s through to 70s.

The response to this health

presentation has prompted Cecily to come to the Community Centre once a month as a specific Women's Health Nurse covering all aspects of health regardless of age. Most importantly, Cecily covers personal health issues that some women may find uncomfortable when visiting their doctor or another health

professional.

Further information regarding Cecily Rempe Women's Health CNS2 Albury Wodonga Health, will be posted in Headerlines in the coming New Year.



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Year of achievement for respite home

Henty Respite would like to thank all the supporters and donors for their continued support throughout the year, which saw the official opening of the facilities.

It held their first AGM in September. The four independent living units are occupied and there has been several participants utilising the homestead:

“We look forward to continued growth in the number of people accessing respite as we move forward,” it said.

Henty Respite would like to extend an invite to any members of the public who would like to become mem-

bers of the Henty Respite Trust. This includes donors, supporters and general public over the age of 18 years.

Members will:

1. receive notice of and attend and vote at the general meetings of the Respite Trust; and,
2. receive annual reports of the trust including financial reports in relation to each financial year.

Membership will be granted if approved by 75% of directors of the board. Membership form must be submitted to the board (see form adjacent for details).

Henty Respite wishes all its participants, residents,

staff, supporters, donors, ambassadors and service providers a safe and happy festive season and every good wish for the new year.

Member Nomination Form

Henty Respite Trust Limited

It is proposed that all donors be invited to become members of Henty Respite Trust

Name

Address

Phone Number

Email

If you would like become a member of the Henty Respite Trust, please complete your details above and return this form to one of our board members, alternatively please express your interest by emailing hello@avondaleplace.com.au

Peter Mac driver wanted

Some beautiful hand sewing of baby nighties and beanies plus hand-knitted children’s jumpers have come from Moruya ladies to send to Peter Mac. Ada Uebergang has also delivered amazing knee rugs.

It’s great to know Toni from the hospital is much better healthwise, but the craft group is now looking for another deliverer to Melbourne for the crafts. If you know anyone who could take two suitcases to Peter Mac the group would be very grateful.

Christmas trees, puddings, pyramids and Merry Christmas banners will soon be off to Peter Mac, but some will be displayed in the Henty Craft Gallery for sale.

The next meeting will be an all-out effort for Christmas crafts plus everyone to

bring a small plate of food for lunch.

Peter Mac will resume on March 25, 2024 after the holiday break. The group has lasted for 25 years and are so glad they can keep crafting. Come and join for a fun few hours.

A letter from The Peter Mac Institute in Melbourne reveals that in the last financial year the sum of \$99,160.32 was raised from the sale of crafts received. These funds were used to purchase 79 units of communication boards (radiotherapy department), a bronchoscopy simulator (department of anaesthesia and an E.pore generator in the melanoma department.) Henty Peter Mac group is contributing to this mighty effort.

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Swim club is back

Henty Swimming Club resumed training for the 2023/24 season on November 13.

The coaches this year are Kirsty Morey and Louise

Lieschke, both of whom will be sharing the roles of learn-to-swim teacher and swim club trainer.

The season runs with breaks for school holidays until Sun-

day, March 3. The holiday break is Friday December 15 and resumes on Monday, January 29. Learn-to-swim is run either Monday or Wednesday nights, and swimming training is held twice a week on Mondays and Wednesdays. This year the club is having group races every second Friday night for participants to practise in

a race setting, to prepare for school swimming carnivals. Please follow the club's Facebook page to keep up with activities which are going on at the pool. New members are welcome all throughout the season, you can contact club president Shannon Terlich on 0429 804 330 if you have any queries.

CWA gives a taste of the country

Henty's branch of the CWA has been busy fundraising over the past several months. As a long time participant at the Henty Machinery Field Days, its first focus was on the food and beverage stall in the Country Lifestyle Pavilion. With assistance from The Rock branch and the Riverina Group, the CWA stall served hundreds of scones with cream and jam, sandwiches, slices and other goodies, plus

cups of tea and coffee over the three days.

Additionally, the CWA provided food to the NSW Farmers Association's pavilion, as well as a mobile food and beverage service to stall holders in the Country Lifestyle Pavilion. Indeed, one stall holder informed two of the workers that when her boss asked her would she work at the HMFDP's, she asked if the CWA would be there - when the answer was "yes", she

immediately said "yes".

A very successful street stall was held in Henty on Saturday, October 28. The sale of scones, cakes, slices, and plants, plus a raffle, generated \$1,169.10. These funds were recently donated to Henty Respite (Avondale Place). Steven Bahr won the raffle's first prize, and Bernard Clark second prize. The next street stall is planned for March or April next year.

Finally, our AGM was held on October 13. Alison Schuster kindly conducted the election of office bearers, with the members selecting Janet Beverley as president, Connie Ross as vice-president, Therese (Terri) Taylor as secretary and treasurer, June Bahr as assistant secretary, Clarice Janetzki as international officer and Jean Bennett as cultural officer. The Henty branch of the CWA meets on the second Friday of each month at 1pm at the Henty Library. Anyone interested in joining the branch should call Janet Beverley at 0475 390 341 for more details.

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Bill's Poem by Wendy Conkey

Alfred James Henry freeman
You might not know this name
But you might know Bill Freeman
They are one and the same.

Born the third of four kids
Two sisters and a brother
Alfred was his dad's name
Elizabeth was his mother

Schooling was at Woodend
When depression hit the land
Bill left school at thirteen
To give his dad a hand

Home was Mundawadra station
Till nineteen forty-seven

'62 Dad brought the Wattles
Bill and Laurie were in heaven!

You might think sport and fun
his life
But no, there was the land
And the jobs that that entailed
Bill learnt to turn his hand

Like any clever farmer
He can fix things on the hop
With fencing wire and twine
He could make things go non-stop

They never missed a working
bee
And training twice a week
Commitment over 60 years
These lads from Yerong Creek

As well as footy there was tennis,
Bill liked music and a dance
Motor bikes and playing cards
Girls didn't stand a chance

And as the years passed by
And Laurie wasn't there
Bill leased their farm to neighbours
He knew they'd take good care

He stayed there in the farmhouse
With cats that multiplied
His last great dog Rusty
And lambie by his side

His early love of horses
Replaced by farming and tractors.
His love of sheep and cropping.
We're satisfying factors.

When Bill and Laurie ran the farm.
Bill loved his lambs and sheep.
And Laurie liked cattle, so..
The partnership was complete.

There always was a kelpie
and maybe a lamb or two
the quad bike and pear tree's
to see the day through

In between came Yerong Creek
and working the place next door

Community commitment
Brought satisfaction galore

The football club at Osborne
their second home for years
Alf and Bill and Laurie
Three selfless volunteers

Bill played from '50 to '68
He was the team lynchpin
and when they both retired
They couldn't throw it in

The community around him
Has taken him to heart
What goes around comes around
And Bill has played his part

He was born in Henty hospital
Now lives there like a king
he lives in style and comfort
Doesn't want for anything

And now, he has a birthday
A time to celebrate
the achievements of a life well-lived
As Bill turns ninety-eight

Tanks for the interesting talk

Mid-October, Saturday morning and the township of Henty was buzzing. The annual Lions Town Garage Sale was underway. The day dawned fine and sunny and there were vendors' stalls lining the main street selling plants, jam and sauces, cakes and slices and a myriad of household items. During the morning there was a constant stream of people surveying the wares for sale and the local shops extended their hours to cater for the garage sale times. Throughout the township there were 36 sites open for business and all reported brisk trade making the day worthwhile for all.



At a recent dinner meeting the club welcomed two speakers, Peter and Lottie, from Tankside Assist. They are military tank restorers and engineers who work for museums and private collectors to restore military tanks of all descriptions. Peter and Lottie were in the area restoring a tank for a private collector. Peter is an ex-army engineer and the engineer in the company and Lottie is an engineer, historian and armoury expert. They have driven, maintained and restored over 30 types of tanks.

The pair have worked on tanks in the Australian

War Museum, the Regimental Museum in Ontario and in countries in Asia. It was a very informative discussion of all things tank. Lions members were extremely interested in the work of Tankside Assist and had many questions about tanks and their capabilities. Members and guests expressed great interest and gratitude for the presentation.

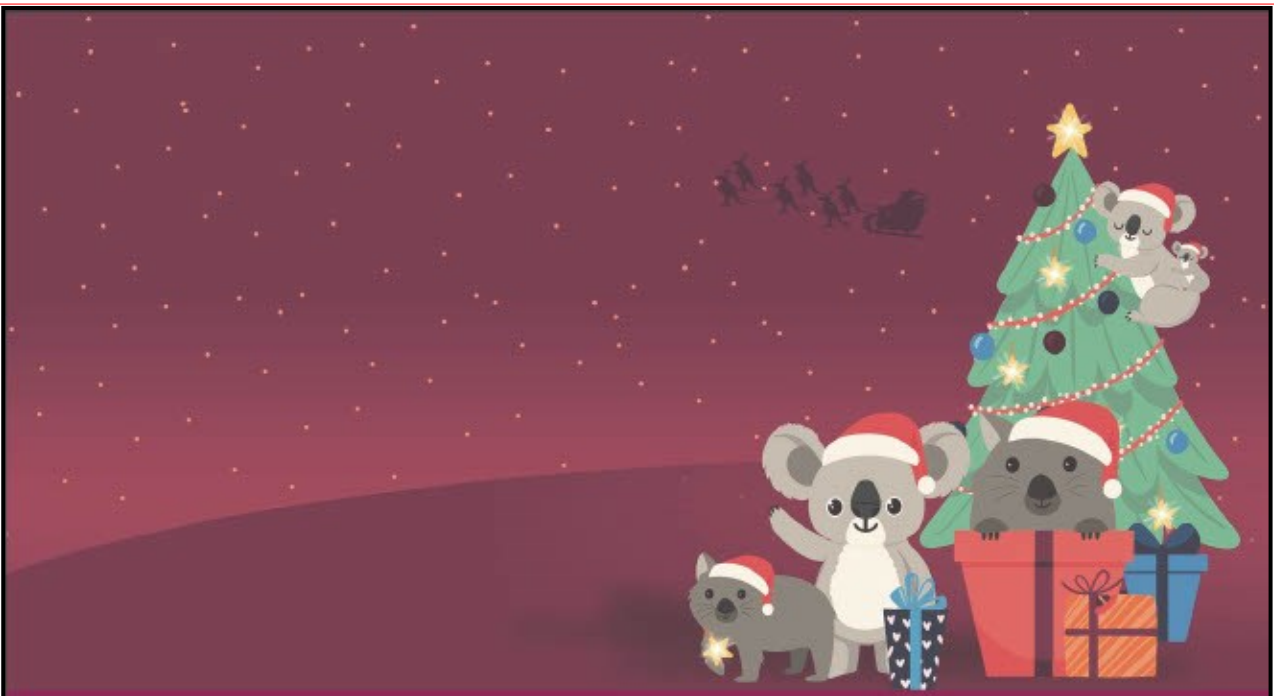
Preparations are well underway to conduct the ever-popular Lions Christmas Stocking Raffle. Any donations would be most appreciated and can be left at Dales Electrical. Tickets will be sold in the main street on December 15 and 16 and the following week on December 22 and 23. The winning tickets will be drawn on December 23. The proceeds will go to local projects.

Community Carols in the Park will be held on December 17 and Henty Lions will once again conduct a barbecue from 6.30 pm.

The Lions club members will enjoy a well-earned break after Christmas, resuming in February 2024. Visitors or new members are always welcome. The club meets on the second and fourth Wednesday evenings. For more details, please contact Lion Ken at Dales Electrical.

There are so many worthy projects, needing our support both locally and further afield. Your involvement would really help our club to continue to ensure that, "...Where there's a need, there's a Lion!"





Celebrate the wonderful

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Community Calendar December 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31					December 1	2
Henty Community Club Hamburgers/Steak Sandwiches 6.00pm-7.30pm Blue Room					Greater Hume Childcare-Henty 8.30am to 5.00pm. Trinity Lutheran St Paul's Ladies Guild Church Meeting Room 9.30am Combined Schools Christmas Service 10am, St Paul's Lutheran Church Henty Community Club Fish and Chips 6.00pm-7.30pm Blue Room	Henty Community Club Bistro 6.00pm-7.30pm
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Henty Buffalo Lodge 1pm Anglican Hall Henty Community Club Hamburgers/Steak Sandwiches 6.00pm-7.30pm Blue Room	Greater Hume Childcare-Henty 8.30am to 5.00pm. Trinity Lutheran Hall	Greater Hume Childcare-Henty 8.30am to 5.00pm. Trinity Lutheran Hall Henty Playgroup Riverlife Church 10am-12 noon Henty Myoora Knitwits 1.30pm-3pm	Greater Hume Childcare-Henty 8.30am to 5.00pm. Trinity Lutheran Hall Social Club Activities 10am-2pm, Henty Community Health Centre, Ivor Street	Greater Hume Childcare-Henty 8.30am to 5.00pm. Trinity Lutheran Hall Camera Club, Lifestyle Centre 7.00pm	Greater Hume Childcare-Henty 8.30am to 5.00pm. Trinity Lutheran Hall Henty Community Club Fish and Chips 6.00pm-7.30pm Blue Room	Henty Community Club Roast/Christmas Party/Entertainment 6.00pm-7.30pm
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Henty Waste Facilities Open 2pm-5pm Henty Community Club Hamburgers/Steak Sandwiches 6.00pm-7.30pm Blue Room	Greater Hume Childcare-Henty 8.30am to 5.00pm. Trinity Lutheran Hall	Greater Hume Childcare-Henty 8.30am to 5.00pm. Trinity Lutheran Hall Henty Playgroup Riverlife Church 10am-12 noon Henty Community Heritage Museum Committee 6.30pm Meeting Room at Dale's Electrical Centre	Greater Hume Childcare-Henty 8.30am to 5.00pm. Trinity Lutheran Hall Social Club Activities 10am-2pm, Henty Community Health Centre, Ivor Street Henty/Culcairn Probus Club 11.30am for 12 noon at Henty Henty Lions Club meeting 6.00pm for 6.30pm Henty Community Club	Greater Hume Childcare-Henty 8.30am to 5.00pm. Trinity Lutheran Hall	Greater Hume Childcare-Henty 8.30am to 5.00pm. Trinity Lutheran Hall Henty Community Club Fish and Chips 6.00pm-7.30pm Blue Room	Pleasant Hills Patchwork Group Pleasant Hills Hall 9.30am to 3.30pm Henty Community Club Chinese at 6.00pm-7.30pm
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
HENTY COMMUNITY CLUB NO MEALS Carols by Candlelight, Henty Memorial Park, 6.30pm-9.00pm	Greater Hume Childcare-Henty 8.30am to 5.00pm. Trinity Lutheran Hall	END SCHOOL TERM 4 Greater Hume Childcare-Henty 8.30am to 5.00pm. Trinity Lutheran Hall Henty Playgroup Riverlife Church 10am-12 noon Henty Myoora Knitwits 1.30pm-3.00pm	Christmas Social Club Activities 10am-2pm, Henty Community Health Centre, Ivor Street Greater Hume Council Meeting, Community Meeting Room, Holbrook, 6pm Henty Lions Club meeting 7.00pm for 7.30pm Dales Electrical		Henty Community Club Fish and Chips 6.00pm-7.30pm Blue Room	Henty Community Club Bistro at 6.00pm-7.30pm
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Henty Waste Facilities Open 2pm-5pm HENTY COMMUNITY CLUB NO MEALS	CHRISTMAS DAY	BOXING DAY			Henty Community Club Fish and Chips 6.00pm-7.30pm Blue Room	Henty Community Club Bistro at 6.00pm-7.30pm

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Community Calendar January 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	January 1	2	3	4	5	6
VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST WITH FOLDING HEADERLINES FEBRUARY/MARCH 2024 AT LIBRARY 10AM ON 31 JANUARY 2024	NEW YEAR'S DAY				Henty Community Club Fish and Chips 6.00pm-7.30pm Blue Room	Henty Community Club Bistro at 6.00pm-7.30pm
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Henty Buffalo Lodge 1pm Anglican Hall Henty Community Club Hamburgers/Steak Sandwiches 6.00pm-7.30pm Blue Room			Henty/Culcairn Probus Club 10.00am at Henty Social Club Activities 10am-2pm, Henty Community Health Centre, Ivor Street		Henty Community Club Fish and Chips 6.00pm-7.30pm Blue Room	Henty Community Club Bistro at 6.00pm-7.30pm
14		16	17	18	19	20
Henty Waste Facilities Open 2pm-5pm Henty Community Club Hamburgers/Steak Sandwiches 6.00pm-7.30pm Blue Room			Social Club Activities 10am-2pm, Henty Community Health Centre, Ivor Street Greater Hume Council Meeting, TBC	Henty & District Lifestyle Centre Committee Meeting/7.30pm	Henty Community Club Fish and Chips 6.00pm-7.30pm Blue Room	Pleasant Hills Patchwork Group Pleasant Hills Hall 9.30am to 3.30pm Henty Community Club Bistro at 6.00pm-7.30pm
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