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Henty Community News



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High hopes for hurdling hounds

Lachie Cossor the Animal Wrangler, is ready to saddle up and entertain the crowd again at this year's Henty Show. His prowess on horseback (and bull back), rodeo skills and prowess with a stock whip are not to be missed. Lachie is a former Stockman's Challenge winner. If you missed him at the Stockman's' Hall of Fame, you can see him at the Henty Show. He is doing three shows, all free as a part of your entry.

This year the show is holding a dog high jump competition and farmers and town's people who own a dog are encouraged to bring them along and let them have a go. There will be three sections, small, medium and large dogs, with great prizes to be won. The Australian record is just under three metres, but we don't expect to reach those heights. Entries for this will be free and inquiries can be made

to Col Morey (0427 667 283) or Col Eulenstein (0400 293 316).

Tony Joe's Amusements will be providing a range of rides and activities including water-themed games and slides. Local Graeme Semmler will be on hand this year to show the youngsters how to toss a sheaf, then they will be given the opportunity to compete. Enter the Whip Cracking or just relax, inspect the sheep, cattle, grain and wool and stroll through the pavilion and photography, or enjoy some good food and a cold drink with your mates.

Don't forget to put your show entry tickets in the barrel to win one of Lucky Gate Prizes of \$200 redeemable at participating business houses in Henty, \$100 Bendigo Bank account or \$100 Commercial Club Albury youcher.

See you at the Henty Show February 9, 2018.

Henty Streetscape Party named joint winners

The Henty Streetscape Party and the Jindera 150th Celebrations were announced as joint winners of the Greater Hume Council 2019 Community Event of the Year.

The Henty Rotary Club

supported by the Henty Community Development Committee began negotiation with Greater Hume Council in early 2011 with the idea to rejuvenate Henty's main street.

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Dennis Kane as joint winner accepted the award for the Community Event of the Year of behalf of the Henty Streetscape Committee.



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The HCDC decided that the new streetscape should be celebrated in conjunction with Henty Bendigo Bank Branch (Henty Community Financial Services which has contributed over \$3.5M to the Henty community) 20th birthday, the new Fire and Rescue Station in Allan Street and the major rejuvenation of the Henty Railway Precinct/Craft Shop. streetscape committee decided to organise a street party on November 9, 2018, with a focus on inclusion of as many people from Henty and surrounds as possible. The event included four Official presentations which were held at three different locations in and around Sladen

Street, school children performances, pop up business stalls, children's rides, youth activities, craft/market stalls and live music on the semitrailer in front of the local hotel for evening entertainment, with a seven-minute fireworks display which really went off with a bang. The committee raised \$16,000 from generous sponsors that enabled the event to be held free of charge. The attendance for the event was excellent with 800-1,000 people attending.

A nomination certificate was presented to Holbrook Art and Gardens.

The Citizen of the Year went to John Seidel of Walla Walla. John is a valuable member of Walla Walla who be-

lieves that by living in a community the right thing to do is get in and help, to keep clubs and organisations running, viable and therefore allowing residents to enjoy their sport or passion.

John is a very valuable citizen and has made an outstanding contribution to the Walla Walla and wider com-

The Sports Volunteer of the Year was awarded to Abby Paton of Holbrook.

Young Citizen of the Year went to Nathaniel Wenke of Walla Walla.

The School Citizenship Awards were presented to students from each of the 14 schools within Greater Hume Council.





Harry Doig (Henty Public) and Jack Knobel (St Paul's) with their School Citizenship Awards



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Bullock team deliver

Gwen and Trevor Bullock were off to Melbourne in an empty car. It didn't take the Peter Mac ladies long to organise the transport of three large suitcases, four large and 10 small Christmas trees, some stockings and wreaths. The shop was

overwhelmed by the stock, especially since the delivery was at 8am.

Both the Bullocks and the Peter Mac volunteers were as overjoyed as each other with Gwen and Trevor enjoying a tour of the premises.

Celebrating as Henty's child care reopens

The re-opening of Henty's childcare service in Keirath Street was recently celebrated with a morning tea attended by Greater Hume Council's Mayor, Cr Heather Wilton, Greg Aplin MP Member for Albury, Cr Terry Weston, parents, children, staff and community members.

Council took up the challenge, working tirelessly providing leadership ensure that childcare would be available for local Henty families, after its closure during December Families got last year. behind the initiative knowing that childcare is a critical service with many relying on it to enable parents to work.

An enormous effort over

the holiday period involving Council staff together with state and federal government agencies ensured that centre based childcare did reopen on 14 January, just six weeks after the closure announcement.

The Henty service is registered and government approved, now operating under the Greater Hume Children Services banner, with families eligible to claim Centrelink subsidies.

Opening hours are Monday to Friday 7.30am to 5.30pm. Places are available so pop in or phone now to book in. P. 02 6026 3877 www.ghchildren.com.au



Greater Hume Children Services



Families celebrating reopening of Henty's childcare service together with Greg Aplin, MP, Member for Albury and Greater Hume Council staff, councillors and the Greater Hume Children Services team.

Fab way to swim

The Henty Amateur Swimming Club is now halfway through the 2018-19 season. It is a fun club with a happy environment for all those members who wish to pursue their love of swimming at whatever level to which they aspire.

The club is lucky to have exceptional facilities and great lifeguarding staff who help wherever possible. It has been lucky enough to retain Fab, a fully qualified and experienced coach who provides a strong program and who caters for swimmers both junior and senior. Fab is passionate about coaching and enjoys seeing swimmers he has worked closely with develop and improve.

Swimming Club training runs on Monday and

Wednesday nights and we have added some events this year to keep everyone interested.

The Henty Amateur Swimming Club welcomed Holbrook Swimming Club on February 1 for the first carnival. There will be a return Carnival on February 22 at Holbrook.

To add to the variety in the club, Fab and his team, Fab4Fitness, will be running a junior triathlon training session on February 8. Swim Club will wrap up for the year on Friday March 8 with Championship night.





Children get their Claus into fun

Henty Early Childhood Association celebrated the end of 2018 by inviting families of the preschool children to a morning of festivity. Many of the 54 pre-schoolers performed some of their favourite songs and stories to a crowd of around 100.

The movement of various Australian animals inspired the children's dancing, masks and hats made by the children adding visually to their performances. On concluding the performance each child was acknowledged and presented with a gift. Family members, friends, children and staff then came together in the garden and shared morning tea, reflecting on the year and the children's experiences and growth

Sirens from the local NSW Fire and Rescue vehicle signalled the arrival of a much anticipated visit from Father Christmas. He had left the reindeers at home and had braved the warm weather on his own to meet the children. Sheltering under the shade provided by some of the well established trees in the garden Father Christmas greeted the children, gifting each with a book.

Before Father Christmas departed, the staff took the opportunity to thank him and all those who came to share in the celebration. They expressed their gratitude for the ongoing support that they receive from families and the community for the work they do and

look forward to continuing to work in partnership to provide care and education to the children of our district.

The celebrations continued through the remaining days of Term 4 with the children enjoying fun water play days, attending the combined schools and churches Christmas Service and sharing special goodbye rituals.

Some of the pre-schoolers learnt more about giving through partaking in an excursion to Dales IGA where they chose a non-perishable food item to purchase and then gave these to Susan Kane at the Henty Library as a contribution to the items donated to families in need.

In 2019 the early childhood service will continue to provide pre-school from continued on page 5





Monday to Friday for children from 3 years of age. Families requiring after school care for their preschool and primary school aged children will be able to use the service from 3.30pm until 6pm from Tuesday to Friday. Vacation Care will also continue to be offered for preschool

and primary school children, with more information provided through the local school newsletters and the services Facebook page.

For further information about the services provided for children and families and enrolments for 2019 please contact Robyn or Abi on 6929 3472.



Librarian Susan Kane receiving a donation towards families in need

Back to nature for artists

The eighth annual Henty Art, Photography & Quilting Exhibition is to be held on the Friday April 12 to Sunday April 14, 2019. This year's theme is "Nature", but as is the norm for these exhibitions, art, photography and craft of any persuasion or colour is welcome.

Exhibits created from a diverse range of mediums

and styles will be on display. The majority of the exhibits are produced by our talented local art and crafts-persons. The opening of the exhibition will be at 7pm on Friday the 12th at the Henty Civic Centre with a cover charge of \$10 that includes a drink and nibbles.

Christine Cansfield-Smith is this year's guest artist

and will be speaking at the opening of the 2019 event. Christine is a resident of Beechworth and specialises in botanical art. Christine's talents are many, holding positions of head of science communication at the Australian Institute of Marine Science and also establishing and being appointed director of the CSIRO Discovery Centre, Canberra. She now teaches introductory courses in botanical art and has created the biennial *Beechworth Botanica*. These are but a few of her many accomplishments.

Open times are: Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th from 10am for public viewing with a \$5 entry fee at the door. Meals are available evenings and Sunday lunch is also available. The classic Devonshire tea is again on the menu all weekend. Regular attendees look forward to this little treat several times over the weekend.



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Community Development Grants ROUND 2 for 2018/2019 now open



The Community Development Grant Program is aimed at enhancing the range, availability and quality of community facilities throughout the Greater Hume Council area, with a particular focus on access and inclusion for all.

Round 2 grant funding is now open and applications will be received until 5pm 28 February 2019.

Guidelines, application and acquittal forms are available on Council's website greaterhume.nsw.gov.au

Total Round 2 funding of \$22,000 is available for community and sporting organisations projects. Maximum \$4,000 grant funding available per project with a minimum 50% commitment in cash/kind provided by the sporting or community organisation.

Enquiries please contact Lynette O'Reilly, Manager Community Services.

P: 02 6036 0100 E: loreilly@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au



NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) is available for all NSW students in Kindergarten—Year 9. The Challenge aims to encourage in students a love of reading for leisure and pleasure, and to enable students to experience quality literature. Visit the Henty Library to borrow your Premier's Reading Challenge books.

Movie Club at the Greater Hume Libraries

The libraries of Greater Hume would like to start a movie club accessing movies from Kanopy a Riverina Regional Library subscribed platform. The movies would be held during the week day depending on preference every two months. Tea, coffee and biscuit. Cost \$2. Please contact Library and Youth Services Team Leader for further details Ph: 60360100.

After School Study Club 2019

The After School Study Club will recommence in February 2019 at Greater Hume Council Libraries

The After School Study Club (ASSC) aims to provide the following:

- To assist and support students from primary and high school students
- Provide access to modern technology and resources
- Provide a quiet and safe place to study away from home distractions

The After School Study Club will be held on the following days at the, Henty, and Holbrook Libraries commencing the week beginning 11 February 2019, during school term.

Henty Library – Wednesday 13 February 2019 from 4.00pm to 5.00pm

Afternoon tea provided – Cost \$2.00 per session. Contact staff at the, Henty Library Tel: 0260360100.

Exciting news for aspiring and established filmmakers from the State Library

@statelibrarynsw has just announced a new short film prize worth \$20,000 -#Shortstacks2019.

Categories include:

\$15,000 General Prize: open to filmmakers 18 years and over

\$5,000 Youth Prize: open to filmmakers 17 years and younger

Entries are now open, and you have until 29 April 2019 to submit your short film.

Find information, including entry details and guidelines here: http://sl.nsw.gov.au/shortstacks



Country Arts Support Program - Seniors Festival Grant

We were also successful in the Senior Festival Grant this year allowing the Youth Committee to work with the Greater Hume Museums to create a documentary detailing the history of our five major towns. Called 'The Hands that Shaped Our Community' - we will endeavour to find the true stories behind our towns and create a plaster cast of the real hands that worked to build our communities to where they are now.

The hands and documentaries will be displayed in a showcase exhibition on 25 February in the Henty Library before travelling around all the libraries and museums in the area.



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Activities include listening to stories, singing, dancing, craft, sensory games, making new friends and experiencing being part of a bigger group.

Also a great opportunity to take home a pile of excellent picture books to read with your pre-schoolers at bedtime or anytime!

The Art of Ageing Presentation 2018-2019 – NSW Seniors Festival Exhibition

Continue Seniors Week Celebrations with The Art of Ageing Exhibition followed by some poem and songs by special guests and a lovely morning tea on Thursday 21 February from 11am.

A digital exhibition featuring images from five photographers that demonstrate the diversity of older people in NSW. It celebrates the value, experience and contribution older people bring, and challenges outdated perceptions of ageing.

The Art of Ageing exhibition is an initiative under the NSW Ageing Strategy 2016-2020.

If you want more join us for Book Wreath - Come along to make a stunning wreath made from the pages of old recycled books.

FRRR Heywire - Step Up Project

The Greater Hume Youth Advisory Committee has been lucky enough to receive a FRRR Heywire grant through which we are able to hold a Step Up – Festival of Possibilities. This festival will be an exciting introduction, but hopefully just a reminder, of all the possibilities for work and excitement in our local Greater Hume com-

munities.

It will encourage all aspects of our towns to combine together to inspire the youth to become involved within their community and hopefully create connections and partnerships that will lead to incredible opportunities.

It will be held in April at the Henty Park incorporating live music, fresh food, guest speakers and artists, and of course, our very own local heroes.

The Youth Committee are working with the Henty Riverlife Church on this project so keep an eye on both of our social media pages for updates and the announcements of the special guests! This event will also run in conjunction with the Youth Week celebrations meaning we are continued on page 9

Henty Storytime 2019 - every second Thursday ex-	
cluding school holidays	

7th February 2019	Aussie Animals		
21st February 2019	Friends		
7th March 2019	Insects		
21st March 2019	Pirates		
4th April 2019	Easter		
2nd May 2019	Sheep		
16th May 2019	Mummies are amazing		
30th May 2019	Leaping Lizards		
13th June 2019	Happy Birthday		
27th June 2019	Yawn and Snore		
25th July 2019	Buzzy Bees		
8th August 2019	Jump and jive		
22nd August 2019	Fire Engines		
5th September 2019	Chook Chook		
19th September 2019	Hats and Hair		
19th October 2018	Grandparents		
31st October 2019	Ducks		
14th November 2019	Talking about big school		
28th November 2019	Fruit Salad		
12th December 2019	Christmas		



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Library Lovers Day

The Henty Library will celebrate Library Lovers' Day on Thursday 14 February 2019. Give the gift that lasts a lifetime; enrol someone you love as a library member! Enjoy morning tea with staff to help celebrate this day and leave a love note in your favorite book, saying what you like about it for the next reader and lastly take a book on a blind date.

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Fall danger highlighted

Birthday greetings Shirley Wellington, John Clarke (80) and Helen Kotzur (89 years young). Bruno Biti, John and Jill Clarke received membership badges. It was announced that 10 new Probus clubs were formed in October/November. The five - minuter by John Clarke was an amusing tale about a male's ability to provide "lemon tree time" diluted one to 10/15 parts of water to the backvard lemon tree. Also good on compost, silver beet and zucchinis.

The guest speaker was Tracey Jacobsen, an occupational therapist, who works from Albury into our area. Her passion is aged care, concentrating on falls. Her role is to assess the home environment by inspecting each room to de-

termine what community services are needed and what people want.

At least 25.6% of people over 65 have had a fall in the last year. 54% of over 65s enter hospital because of falls which result in decreased confidence, especially if it is a serious accident. The most common time for falls is between 10am and 11am and early afternoon (most of the audience guessed the bathroom at any time) and the place for falls is living room and hallway. Factors relating to this problem are:

- 1. Vision (lighting, bifocals, child-like eyes);
- 2. Nutrition;
- 3. Hydration;
- 4. Poor fitting clothing and shoes;
- 5. Different medications

(can affect how you react during the day).

The points Tracy made were personal alarms were good in an emergency. My Aged Care needed a referral. Modification of homes was worth doing and exercises were well worthwhile.

Tracey covered the subject thoroughly and it is hoped the seven-week "Stepping On" program will be held in Henty in 2019.

Probus' December 12 Christmas Party was well attended and enjoyed by all.

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To be eligible, the project or facility must be approved by Council and be located on Council owned or controlled community land. Loans for major plant items and

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Capturing the Beauty of Mood and Connectivity Gwen's Art Workshops Autumn 2019 Venue: Henty & District Likestyle Centre Cost: \$120 for 3 days 9:30-2:30 Min. 5- Max 8 in a workshop Workshop 1—Learning from the Old Masters— Reproductions Acrylics, Pastels, Watercolours or oils March Tuesdays 5th, 12th, 19th Workshop 2—Beginners—Elements of Art Soft Pastels March Thursdays 7th, 14th, 21st Information Sheets and Registrations can be emailed to you on request. Email glenalby@bordernet.com.au Please email me if you wish your email address added to my ContaCts, or phone me if you do not have email. Face Book: Gwenbullockartist Instagram: Gwen Bullock art Mob: 0418398065 Web: gwenbullockfineart.com

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The aggregate of all loans owing to Council must not exceed \$250K at any point in time.

Interest rate is fixed (currently 3% per annum) for the duration of the loan with a term not exceeding 10 years.

Please contact Council's Accounting Officer, Camilla Webb for more info, P 02 6036 0100.

To read the policy visit greaterhume.nsw.gov.au



Here's to your health

If you have any suggestions to offer that could improve our health service or alert us to any needs for you or other members of the community, please feel free to contact any member of the Henty Local Health Advisory Committee or the HSM at the Hospital. The committee exists for all community members. Members of the Henty committee include Michael Broughan, Daphne Hannam, Susan Maher, Felicity Klemke, Mary Liston, Brad Wettern, Emily Jones and Fran Fifield. It has an ongoing fundraising commitment for youth mental health projects in the Henty community. To enable these projects to continue you may contribute to our funds by cashing your cans or bottles at Dales IGA. This is a great contribution to your community.

Further information can be o b t a i n e d a t www.mlhd.health.nsw.gov.au or collect from the Library the Henty Health Services brochure, which has contact details of services available.

Big program for camera buffs

Members of the Henty Camera Club held their first meeting for the year on February 7. An exciting program for 2019 has been planned including various aspects of photography, field trips to Koetong/Cudgewa, Mundawadra Woolshed, Adelong Falls and Lockhart's Spirit of the Land Festival.

Every month there is entertainment from club members with a short slideshow, as well as a competition for prints. This year a greater emphasis is on digital competition. Last year's trial of digital for competition saw many outstanding images being displayed and proved to be one of the most popular segments of the evening. The camera club has also been busy with preparations for the Art, Photography and Quilting Exhibition from April 12 to 14. This is an event not to be missed.

If you are interested in any subject of photography, you are most welcome to come along to enjoy good company and photography. The camera club meets on the first Thursday of the month excluding January, at the CWA rooms Lyne Street, Henty. Meetings commence at 7pm.

Animals on our roads

One in every 41 casualty crashes on country roads involves a vehicle hitting an animal. Kangaroos, wombats and stray stock can move fast and be extremely unpredictable.

When animals stray onto the road it's hard to know what they'll do next.

Slowing down and being prepared, especially near sunrise and sunset, could save a collision or even save your life.

Be aware – animals are more active near waterholes and creeks, and harder to see at sunrise and sunset.

Reduce your speed – slow down when you see animal warning signs

Stay alert – animals are unpredictable, so expect

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Farewell to Michelle

After 13 years of contributing to the Henty Early Childhood Association as an educator, Michelle Candy is taking a well earned rest and moving her focus to other aspects of her life.

While working as an educator at the service, Michelle completed her Diploma of Children's Services and received recognition for the effort she gave her studies and her high level of academic achievement.

Michelle has worked within the different programs of the service including vacation care, after school care and preschool.

Some of her pupils may recall excursions to the stock route with Mrs Candy, where they would walk for miles exploring and investigating along the way. Mrs Candy's leadership skills developed during her time at the service, and she took on new challenges such as the planning and teaching for the older preschooler children during 2018.

All those who have known Mrs Candy as an educator would be grateful for her contributions to the children and families of our community and would wish her the best for the future.







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Oven-baked drought aid

Biscuits and fruit cakes filled a 20kg cardboard box from the post office, destination Tambo in Queensland. The Uniting Church has enjoyed a special relawith Marilyn tionship Hobbs from Tambo since the drought struck about 10 years ago. Margaret Pumpa, of Culcairn, has always organised a parcel for Christmas but this year it was very special. Marilyn is suffering from cancer, is quite elderly and is always anxious to help the community which has dwindled to two churches, the Anglican and the Catholic.

On delivering the huge box to her house the postman offered to deliver the biscuits and cakes to properties whose families were suffering from drought after Marilyn had sorted out the contents. There were Anzac biscuits (hard and chewy), ginger bread men and Christmas trees, mixed packets of choc-chips. shortbread, jam drops and a wide variety of others. All were put in ice cream containers for extra protection. Thanks to Debbie at the Henty Post Office for her help in packing.

The parcel arrived in Tambo six days later and phone calls and letters resulted in "thanks yous" from both directions.

Yes, the housewives can make biscuits and fruit cakes, but when she and her husband are out in the paddocks feeding and watering it is wonderful to receive such a gift.

Gallery back to regular hours

Staying open during the weeks before Christmas was a winner for the Henty Creative Gallery. Some days may have been quiet, but others were busy. The gallery is now back to weekends only. As more goods are sold it will look to open extra days.

Kevin Fogarty was the winner of the raffle for \$100 open order and is still deciding what he will purchase.

New residents in town are looking forward to unpacking their treasures. Artists are among the contributors who have moved into Sweetwater and elsewhere in the town.

The gallery roster is continually maintained so if you can help please put your name on the list. There are two sessions on Saturdays and Sundays – from 10am to 1pm and 1pm to 4pm.

The first Thursday of every second month, is the day when exhibits are swapped over in the gallery.

Many photographers and artists will be displaying their work in the Henty Show so the committee will make allowance for swapping over at a later date.



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NSW Government provides funding for Henty Railway Crossing

State funding has been announced by Mr Greg Aplin, MP, Member for Albury of \$3.1M from the NSW Government's Regional Communities Development Fund and ensures total funding for the project involving construction of a protected railway crossing, realignment of Olympic Way, and upgrade of a local access road to the major grain handling facility. This project, once completed, will enable B Double access directly to the GrainCorp facility at West Henty.

The announcement is very much welcomed by Greater Hume Council's Mayor, Cr Heather Wilton.

"This Council has been working consistently since it became an issue with a near miss event occurring at the location in 2013, when a truck and passenger train almost collided at the current crossing" said Mayor Heather Wilton.

Council has worked hard to build the case based on much needed improvement to safety and strong economic merit.

"We have knocked on many doors to raise this issue. "It has been at the top of our list for infrastructure funding for over five years" added Mayor Wilton.

Council worked closely with NSW Roads and Maritime Services (RMS), Australian Rail Track Corporation and GrainCorp to ensure the project reached a 'shovel ready' status to successfully seek funding.

Full design was completed

by RMS, which invested \$300,000 into planning for the project which involved detailed design and project estimates, road safety audits and review of environmental factors.

"The project had also been identified as a key priority in the Regional Economic Development (RED) Strategy released last year, as important infrastructure for the region.

"Today the final piece of the funding pie falls into place, with the announcement of NSW State Government funding of \$3.1M. In September 2018, the Australian Government announced \$3.6M for the project from the Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program and Council already having earmarked \$500,000 for the works.

The scope of the \$7.2 project includes:

- construction of a new railway crossing
- realignment of approximately one kilometre of the Olympic Highway to the east of the existing alignment
- construction of a new intersection between Grubben Road, Orange Flat Lane and the railway crossing
- construction of a new property entrance to 'Sunray' (private property entrance)
- removal of vegetation
- closing the existing Williams Crossing railway crossing approximately 1km north of Henty.



Fun and games at Lions camp

Thanks to the generous financial assistance from Henty Financial Services, (Bendigo Bank), the Henty Public School and St Paul's School Henty, P and C's, together with funds raised by Henty Lions Club, eight local children were sent to

Licola Wilderness Camp for a six-day holiday.

Five students from Henty Public, two from St Paul's and one from Pleasant Hills Public School were taken from Albury by coach to the village This is an old timber continued on page 15



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milling town owned by Lions Clubs of Victoria on the Macalister River in the Great Dividing Range, about 70 kilometres southeast of Mansfield.

An extensive range of activities is provided. Past and present parents agree it is an amazing camp, which many children fully enjoy. There is kayaking, archery, abseiling and the "leap of faith" on a flying fox.

The cabins house about 60 people. The intake this year was from January 13 to 18. The children came from southern New South Wales and North East Victoria.

Lions members can see from the joyful faces of those chosen by the schools to attend that the week is a very enjoyable holiday. Henty Lions would like to thank all who helped make it possible.



Kevin wraps up a first

"Wrap with Love" is an organisation giving service and help in so many ways. The knitter or crocheter is using her time to help make someone warm we are recycling yarn from bits and pieces into squares, enjoying company when we do this or sitting in front of an air conditioner while the work is done at home.

A very big thank you to Karen Macreadie who has donated three large boxes of yarn. It has been sorted and is ready for collection.

A great effort at recycling.



Perhaps this year the Henty wraps group will reach 1000 wraps. Some are displayed at the local Creative Gallery.

Our biggest news is that our first ever wrap made by a male has been finished. Kevin Fogarty was taught to knit by his mother when he was a small boy. All the children were ill with measles at the same time and Kevin's mother decided to stop their boredom by teaching them to knit.

Over the years Kevin watched his late wife Nadine complete many beautiful wraps and was challenged to copy her example, taking up the work after an absence of around 70 years. Daisy Hinch took on the task of sewing the many squares together. Kevin is now working on his second effort.

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