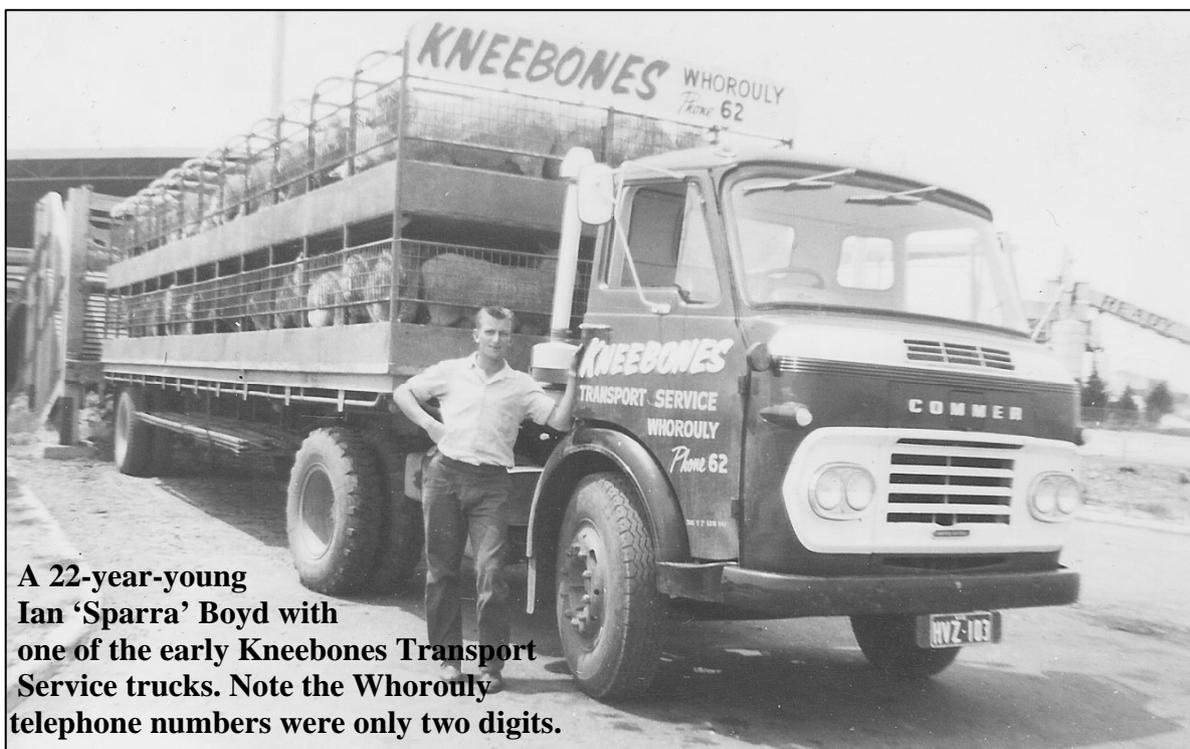


WHOROULY NEWSLETTER

Keeping the Whorouly community informed about what is going on in the Whorouly community.



A 22-year-young Ian 'Sparra' Boyd with one of the early Kneebones Transport Service trucks. Note the Whorouly telephone numbers were only two digits.

LOCAL ROAD TRANSPORT by Robert Boyd & Harold Gambold

Whorouly can boast a road transport history dating back to the 1930s, including livestock, freight, fuel, logging and passenger coaches.

The names involved in these transport businesses include Norm Carmody; Dick Sinclair; Bill, Harold and Ian Gambold; Dave Dalton; James, Leo and Des Johnstone; Bing and Bill Kneebone; Herb Newton; Mick, Chris, Larry and Shane Roche; Kevin Bromilow, Liam Harrington; Clive Steer, Tony Cardamone, Vic Negrin and Santo Bonacci.

Many local men drove for these transporters, travelling in all kinds of weather, day and night, and, in the case of Kneebone and Roche, transported livestock Australia wide.

AUSTRALIA DAY 2015

Whorouly Memorial Park Committee will again host Australia Day celebrations in Whorouly for 2015.

Commencing with breakfast of egg and bacon rolls at 8.30am., there will be the flag raising at 9.30am, followed by presentations and address, face painting and a gumboot throwing competition.

All Whorouly residents are invited to attend at the Whorouly Rec Reserve on Monday, 26th January from 8.30am. For more information please contact Sue Bromilow on 0432 028 316.

WHOROULY 2015 ANZAC DAY COMMITTEE NEWS

The next meeting of the Anzac Day committee will be held on Wednesday,

JANUARY 2015

21st January at 7.30pm at the Whorouly Hotel.

Important decisions to be made regarding Whorouly's 2015 Anzac Day 100th Anniversary Commemorative Event – all welcome!

WHOROULY MEMORIAL PARK COMMITTEE

We would like to thank everyone who supported our fundraising efforts at the recent Great Victorian Bike Ride.

Special thanks goes to all those who helped on the day, some who took an annual leave day from their work to help out and all the people who offered to help even though we were unable to find enough jobs for everyone!

Thank you to all those who provided cakes and slices, we were overwhelmed with the support.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 4th February at 8pm at the Whorouly Hotel.

ELLEN NAMED DUX

Ellen de Vries from Whorouly South was named Marian College's dux for 2014 with an ATAR of 91.65.

Ellen's score will now guarantee her a place at the University of Melbourne and into her preferred course Bachelor of Science and Diploma of Languages, which she hopes will lead to a career in genetic engineering or marine biology.

Marian College Principal Jennyne Wilkinson said Ellen had dedicated a lot of her time to her studies throughout 2014, had worked extremely hard to achieve a high enter score and this was great reward for all her efforts.

We wish Ellen all the best in her future studies.

WHOROULY GAPSTED CRICKET CLUB

The 2014/15 cricket season commenced with a B and C Grade team however, unfortunately, due to lack of numbers, the C Grade team has had to pull out of the competition.

The B Grade team has decent numbers at this stage and has won as many games as they've lost.

A past-players day, for anyone who has been associated with the Whorouly Cricket Club over the years, was held on Saturday, 10th January.

VALE THOMAS WILLIAM (TOM) TAYLOR

Family and friends gathered in St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Whorouly on 11th December 2014 to farewell Tom Taylor. Tom was 88.

Tom's parents, Bill and Tessa Taylor, started farming in Whorouly in 1924. (Their grandson, Daniel and his family are now farming the same property.)

Tom's father tragically died in a farm accident when Tom was just 6 and his sister Clare was 2. Tom left school aged 14 and worked on the farm.

Tom met an English lass, Janet Griffiths, who was visiting friends in the district – the Pykes. Janet returned to England, with Tom traveling over some seven months later and they were married on 10th November 1962.

They set sail for Australia on 1st January 1963. They built a house on the Taylor family farm and then set about producing four sons in just over five years!

Tom was remembered as a gentle, family man who loved his wife and family, farming and was an accomplished horseman.

About six years ago, as symptoms of Parkinson's Disease increased, Tom entered Barwidgee Lodge, Myrtleford, where he passed away peacefully on 5th December.

He is survived by his wife, Janet and his four sons and their families: Charles and Cathy; Nieve and Zoe; John and Fiona; Genevieve, Marguerite, Campbell, Eloise, Nathalie and Annette; Michael and Joely and Chloe; and Daniel and Andrea; Isaac and Lara, and his sister Clare.

PHILIPPINES ADVENTURE by Ellen de Vries

Whorouly South's Ellen de Vries, a Year 12 student at Marian College in 2014, finished the year with an alternative schoolies program, two weeks in the city of Cebu, which is still recovering from an earthquake and a cyclone in 2013.

I left for the Philippines on the 29th of November and it was possibly the best decision I have ever made.

The experience I had was irreplaceable and unforgettable and I'd like to thank everyone for their kind donations.

The clothes were very well accepted by all and very needed.

The two weeks were spent with disadvantaged communities, mainly distributing supplies, clothes and toys.

We talked with the community members and played with a LOT of small children who were very happy to join in.

The entire two weeks were memorable, but one specific moment that stands out is when I was in a relocation village for former dumpsite dwellers.

We were shown the house of a family and we were told that this family had 12 children; the youngest ones didn't have any clothing at all.

I had a backpack full of clothing, so I distributed the clothing directly to the family and the look of gratitude on the mother's face was just incredible.

All in all, the experience was amazing and I highly recommend the experience if any is given the chance to go.

INNER WHEEL

We held our Christmas get together at The 2 Cooks Café and a lovely meal was enjoyed by everybody. Many thanks to Kay and Nora for also entertaining us with their drum playing.

The next get together will be on Tuesday, 10th February. The venue hasn't been decided yet, we will put it in the February edition of the Whorouly Newsletter.

If anybody has any questions regarding our Inner Wheel group, please contact Sherryn Tilson on 0437 668 696.

WHOROULY CWA

We have a change of venue for our next meeting. It will be held at the home of Jo Ivone, 39 Church St, Whorouly on Monday, 2nd February starting at 1.30pm. Visitors welcome to our meetings.



STRANGE SIGHT: A jolly gentleman (who resembled Kevin Tyrell) in red suit and slay was seen on the Whorouly South roads in late December.

WHOROUPLY SOUTH NEWS – KEEPING YOU IN THE LOOP

An enjoyable night was had by all at the Whorouply South Christmas gathering. With about 50 people attending there was lots of conversation, good food and Christmas cheer to share.

A highlight of the evening was Santa arriving in the fire truck with lollies for the kids both big and little.

A very big thank you to Deb and Peter de Vries for hosting the BBQ. We all enjoyed the beautiful setting and big garden with plenty of room for the kids to run around, while the adults had a good old chat.

THE 2 COOKS CAFE

Due to popular demand, the 2 Cooks Cafe will be having their curry nights every Friday night in January from 5pm. Bookings are essential. Vegetarians are catered for and the cafe is fully licensed.

We have some lighter options available over the summer period. Our hours remain the same, Fridays 9am till late, Saturdays and Sundays from 9 till 5, and Mondays from 9 till 3pm. We trust 2015 will be a great year for us all.

VIETNAM ADVENTURE by Shakur & Yakub Garrett

After two years of fundraising, Yakub and Shakur flew off to Vietnam in December with World Challenge, which has the motto: 'Education through exploration – the world beyond the classroom.'

After two flights and an eight-hour stopover in Singapore, we arrived at Danang airport. We made our way to Hoi An, where we stayed for two nights. The first part of our trip was the

acclimatisation phase. Our group of 15 explored Hoi An and the Old Town, once the main part of Hoi An but now a pedestrian only zone. We participated in a traditional Vietnamese cooking class and were introduced to the many different Vietnamese fruits, vegetables, spices and herbs. We also explored the temples of My Son with a guide.

The second week of our trip was the project phase, which took place in Da Nang, 20 minutes from Hoi An. At the orphanage we painted doors and window grates and shutters. A major part of our project was interacting with the kids who live at the orphanage through games, conversations and the many lunches they generously provided us with. We worked with the leaders of the orphanage to find out what they needed and made donations of various items that we purchased.

The next phase was our trek in Dalat, a very cramped overnight train trip from Da Nang. For our trek we traversed the central highlands of Vietnam, walking through pine forests, coffee plantations and jungles.

After four days, we travelled to the beachside town of Mui Ne and spent a couple of days wandering around and relaxing by the beach, before making our way to Ho Chi Minh City, the largest city in Vietnam and the final destination of our expedition. After seeing the sights and experiencing some pretty strange things (coffee that has been digested by a weasel and catching fish with our bare hands) it was time to go home.

We would like to thank everyone who helped us get to Vietnam. Your support has allowed us to experience the world we live in, in a way that wouldn't be possible without your help.

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