

WHOROULY NEWSLETTER

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



WEDDING – SHANE & ALI

On 22nd October 2016, Mac and Pauline McPherson's oldest son Shane married Alison Larkin at her parents' home in Waldara.

Shane and Ali recently honeymooned in Cancún, Mexico and the USA.

WHOROULY INNER WHEEL

Happy New Year to all, Whorouly Inner Wheel members hope that 2017 is a happy and prosperous year for everyone.

January is busy for the club with two activities planned.

We are cooking sausages at Bunnings in Wangaratta on Sunday, 15th January. So, if you are in town on the 15th, please come down and say hello to some local faces and indulge in a sausage or two.

Saturday, 21st January in another sewing day at the home of Glenys and Jim. We are hoping to make a 100 plus, bags for the 'Days for Girls' program. These bags will be sent to Lacluta in East Timor.

So, if there is anyone who would like to join us for the day or part of the day, we would love to have you join in. We have the material and the use of one overlocker. Day will start at 10am, BYO lunch.

For further information please ring Glenys on 0427 271 207.

AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS

This year, Whorouly's Australia Day celebrations, on Thursday, 26th January, will take a slightly different format.

Rather than the usual breakfast, the barbecue will be held in the evening, starting at 6.30pm at the Whorouly Recreation Reserve.

The awards and ceremonies will commence at 7.30pm.

And, starting at dusk, there will be an outdoor movie on the big screen – Oddball. Bring your own chair. There will be soft drinks, popcorn, lollies, icy poles and glow sticks for sale.

Also on sale will be Australia Day raffle tickets for \$2 each.

So gather your family and friends and make your way to the Whorouly Recreation Reserve on Australia Day for a wonderful community event.

TENNIS FUN:
Whorouly hosted
Murmungee Tennis
Club members for
a social hit in
December.

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SOCIAL TENNIS

Locals have had the chance to have a social hit over spring, with the courts finally taking shape after a very wet winter/spring!

The courts are looking great and if anyone would like to make use of them please do.

Thank you to all the people who have helped to get the courts looking so good.

For the next few weeks we will be having a social hit on Monday nights from 6pm, so take your racket and a sausage and some drinks down to the courts.

The next competition will commence on Monday, 30th January at 6pm.

If you are interested in playing, please contact Ruth Costenaro on 0400 622 386.

We had a social hit with the Murmungee Tennis Club in December, which was fantastic and hope to do it again soon.

Thank you to everyone who participated.

YEARLY ROUNDUP - 2016

2016 proved to be another busy and eventful year in Whorouly.

Four years and 48 editions later, the Whorouly Newsletter is still going strong, with the first edition being printed in December 2012. It is remarkable that this newsletter has and continues to be published through the voluntary support of the Whorouly community, from supplying



the news and delivery to every household in the Whorouly postcode, to the cost of printing by donations from the community. Well done to everyone involved including Jennifer Garrett and Sue Bromilow.

A very tragic event took place in January 2016 with the death of long-time local, Karen Chetcuti. Again, the Whorouly community stood up, catering for her farewell service for some 800 to 1000 people on 2nd February, with the help of businesses from the surrounding area. A tree was planted at the Rec Reserve with a plaque as a memorial to Karen.

2016 Australia Day saw the Whorouly Community Local Achiever Award go to Rajanna Costenaro. Raj has been a stalwart of the Whorouly community all her life, particularly with her involvement in the Whorouly Football Netball Club and the Whorouly Memorial Park Committee. Junior Awards went to Amber Newton and Jake Morey.

A Flood Safe Demonstration activity and fundraising day was held at the Whorouly Primary School in May 2016 with the aim of the day being to prepare the Whorouly community to fight flood disasters head on. The 5th October 2016 saw some of these practises put into place when Whorouly experienced flooding.

St. John's Anglican Church and St. Patrick's Catholic Church continued to offer services throughout the year with the 52nd annual World Day of Prayer Service being celebrated in Whorouly.

The Whorouly CFA volunteers collected donations for the Good Friday Appeal with the Whorouly Hotel and Post Office patrons also contributing to raising a great total of \$1,306.85. The annual Anzac Appeal was also supported along with Australia's Biggest Morning Tea.

On Easter Monday, the 2 Cooks Cafe closed its doors after five years in Whorouly. We are happy to report that Jen and Woodsy have now reopened the Whorouly Post Office & Café, offering basic café fare and a small range of grocery supplies.

Whorouly CWA continues to flourish with two significant awards being presented to members throughout the year. Mrs Edna Pethybridge was presented with her 60-year service badge and certificate. Mrs Janet Taylor was announced the recipient of the CWA State Literary Award for 2016 when she attended the State Conference in Melbourne in May with her short story about a cruise romance.

Whorouly Inner Wheel, Group Fitness, Whorouly Playgroup, Whorouly & District Pre-School Centre, Whorouly Primary School, Whorouly Memorial Park, Whorouly Public Library Hall, Whorouly CWA, Whorouly Lawn Tennis Social Club, Whorouly Village Fair, Myrtleford & District Sport Fishing Club, Whorouly Football Netball Club, Ovens Valley United Cricket Club – all wonderfully supported throughout the year by community volunteers, with tasks including working bees, fundraising, social events and general improvements.

The Whorouly ARC (Active Rural Communities) bus supporters celebrated the service's second birthday. The bus

provides vital transport to Wangaratta for older residents of Whorouly and the surrounding area, fortnightly on Thursdays and helps with getting to appointments, shopping, etc.

After some five applications to various grant programs, the Whorouly Memorial Park Committee was successful in receiving the balance of \$5500 to go with Rec Reserve funds raised of \$5,000, to purchase an all-purpose mower for the reserve and it is being put to good use.

A community meeting was held in June to discuss future developments at the Whorouly Rec Reserve with input from all user groups and the Rural City of Wangaratta. Items discussed included converting the three front tennis courts into two tennis-netball multi-use hard courts with lighting, installation of younger-aged children's play equipment, new cricket nets, completion of veranda on Whorouly Function Centre with all-access paths, improvements to the entrance and BBQ area with seating, paving etc, and upgrade of oval lights, – just to name some of the potential future improvements.

At the Whorouly Hall Committee AGM, four members retired after a number of years of service: Janet Taylor contributed 43 years of volunteer service, Jean Kneebone 33 years, Pat Webb 27 years and Megan Kinderis 16 years.

Whorouly's Jasmine Kinderis was elected youth mayor of the Rural City of Wangaratta. This is Jasmine's second year on the youth council and she sees her participation as a way to work for the betterment of the community.

The Whorouly & District Pre-School Garden Walk, held on 16th November, proved to be again successful, while the third annual Whorouly Village Fair was another wonderful success with an estimated 1400 people enjoying the event.

Again we celebrated the happy occasions of birthdays, weddings, engagements and births, and farewelled many loved ones.

How lucky is the Whorouly community to have such generous, supportive and volunteering members that make our beautiful Whorouly such a wonderful place to live. We look forward to a prosperous, healthy and happy 2017.

WHOROULY FOOTBALL & NETBALL CLUB

Pre-Season training to recommence on Wednesday, 11th January at 6pm, for both football and netball. Training nights will continue to be Mondays and Wednesdays until further notice.

Season 2017 is due to kick off on 1st April, Whorouly has scored an away game. First home game will be played on 8th April.

MILAWA PHARMACY OPEN

Sherwin Kashani, proprietor/pharmacist at Milawa Pharmacy, would like to inform the Whorouly community that the Snow Rd business is now open seven days a week (Monday to Friday from 9am to 4.3pm, Saturday from 9am to 2pm, and Sunday from 10am to 2pm).

WHOROULY HOTEL & CAFÉ

Woodsy and Jen are going to take a break in January, which means the hotel will close for nine days (first time in seven years we have closed for multiple days) and the café will have limited hours.

The pub will be closed from Monday, 16th January to Tuesday, 24th January inclusive. We will reopen on Wednesday, 25th January from 3pm.

The café will be closing early (at 3pm) on Saturday and Sunday, 21st and 22nd January. And the post office will be open its usual hours, 8.30am to 5pm Monday to Friday (closed between 1pm and 2pm each day for Corina to go to lunch).



CELEBRATING 80 YEARS

Mick Ivone turned 80 on 10th October 2016 and, as per his wishes, enjoyed a very casual barbecue with his family. He is pictured above with his wife Audrey and their two dogs on the day.

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Please submit items of interest by the first of each month. To submit articles (which may be edited due to space restrictions), please contact Sue Bromilow (5727 1241) or Jennifer Garrett (5727 1424 or email jengarrett@bigpond.com).

Note, all items are submitted and the organisers take no responsibility for the accuracy of statements or information.

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