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GARFIELD'S OWN BLUE TREE PROJECT

Linda Evans

The Blue Tree Project has become a worldwide symbol to raise awareness of mental health issues and to assist in preventing or reducing youth suicide. It actually began in Western Australia in 2014 and has grown into a charity where trees can be registered, they run Mental Health First-Aid Courses and have their own range of merchandise.

Following on from a deep-seated desire to help the youth and well-being of all our community, Andrew Ristrom has initiated the Blue Tree Project as part of the Garfield Youth and Wellbeing Group. One of their initiatives has been to hold an activities event once a month in the community hall, this has been well-received from the outset and has been steered by Jemma Brown and Libby Rhoden. Her helpers all have Working with Children Certificates. Look out each month for when the event will be held as your children need to be registered.

Andrew's dream was to organise a tree to be painted and 'planted' in the main street for all to see and maybe to raise some discussion within their own families as to its implications. This has taken several weeks of behind-the-scenes planning, tree selection, talking to sponsors and today that vision has come to fruition. The GYWG would like to particularly thank Jemma and Lou Brown (on behalf of the Bunyip Men's Shed) for their enormous amount of time and energy, Rod and Mick for their work today with the manual digging, Lloyd with his truck for collecting the tree and skilfully placing it in its 90 cm hand dug resting place. When the ground around it settles it will be mulched around the base with some plants added.

The Group would also like to thank Graeme Webb from Nostalgia Highway who is producing the sign for the tree and WattyL paints for donating the paint which is a vivid shade of blue.



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GARFIELD FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB FUNDRAISING: LADIES FUNCTION

May 4th was the date chosen to run the annual fundraiser part of which the money going from this year to Ovarian Cancer. It was the third year in a row they've had it and nearly 100 women were there. The women were all wearing White shirts to show support of the Fight for Ovarian Cancer Research

White shirts were able to be purchased from Sohl Store Garfield, with the profits going to the fund. The event was held at the Club rooms which was really well decorated for the occasion.

The MC was Tarryn Priest. The guest speaker was local Jenna who battled ovarian Cancer. By her side was her daughter who supported her mum who spoke of her battle and of the great support she had from family and friends.

We were treated with a glass of champagne on arrival and yummy spread of high tea type of food during the afternoon. There was a fashion parade of with local ladies modelling clothes from Sohl Store in Garfield who were Sponsors of the event. Another sponsor of the event was "Ultimate Indulgence in the main street in Garfield. There was a Raffle, Silent Auction, and a door prize.

Part of the fun of the afternoon was from two tasks that the members of each table had to do. One was collecting items that were on a list with various point values. There were a few unusual items on the list and most of the ladies were trying very hard to acquire the items listed. One example was a football and as there was footy on at Garfield that day, a few women left the room and returned with footballs in their grip. The other task was the Game where everyone stands up and then as the person calls out "sit down if....." I'm trying to think of an example! "Sit down if you have broken the law." Most of the questions were quite funny and perhaps some ladies learnt some things of their friends that they didn't know. The winner - the only lady who remained standing - was on my table so I learned things she "hadn't done."

All in all a great afternoon and with an amount of \$3914 raised for Ovarian Cancer research. Thanks go to the organisers, compere, sponsors, helpers, attendees, guest speaker.

—Gwen O



MC Tarryn Priest and the organisers of the event: Pauline Tenace-Greenall, Bree Murphy and Suz Wouters



Second from the left: Guest speaker Jenna Sutton



Julie, Brooke and Kate from Sohl Store



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Please send applications to Garfield Community Shop, 71 Main St Garfield, 3814.

Applications close June 30th

MOTHERS DAY IN GARFIELD 2024

Linda Evans

Mothers' Day in Garfield was celebrated in much the same way as it would have been in towns and cities around Australia. Mothers were entertained by their offspring whether it be one, two or three generations. Those who could not be with their mothers would have been thinking of them and remembering.

The Garfield did a roaring trade for lunch and dinner, Lunas was likewise very busy for breakfast and lunch.

Brewster's excelled themselves as usual, being licenced from 9:00am allowing patrons to indulge in something alcoholic and sparkling with their brekky and a wonderful platter of delightful desserts was offered. They comprised vanilla malt gelato, decadent chocolate mousse, luscious lemon tart, raspberry mascarpone cake and strawberry crepes – yum.

Thank you Greg for going above and beyond for our community once again.



GARFIELD THEATRE

Gwen O—Photos by Karen Thompson

3 SHOWS IN MAY!!!!

Thursday 9th May

Something different:

Due to a sell out "Neil Diamond" show on the 11th May, Susie and Fred decided to do a 2nd show and to get the booking with the band—it needed to be on the Thursday before the 1st show, hence 9th of May. About 150 people in the audience were treated to fantastic tribute to Neil Diamond, and the absolute bonus of the evening was "Barbra Streisand" joining him on stage for numbers such as *You Don't Bring Me Flowers Anymore*...now there's a tear jerker.



On **Saturday 11 May** Ron Vincent and band returned to Garfield Theatre to do it all again and another 200 people were wowed by Ron and the band. Some of the songs were *I Am I Said*, *September Morn*, *Solitary Man*, *Red Red Wine*, and *I'm A Believer*. Ron Vincent and band will be performing the Neil Diamond show at Bunjil Place Theatre in Narre Warren on August 3rd.

Saturday 25th May

Ron Vincent and his fabulous band were back again to the Garfield Theatre this time performing a Tribute to Cat Stevens. The full house audience loved this Show. Ron on stage the whole time doing credit to the fabulous songs that Cat Stevens wrote back then. Songs included *Father and Son*, *Peace Train* and *Wild World*. Thanks Susie & Fred, three "wows" in 1 month!



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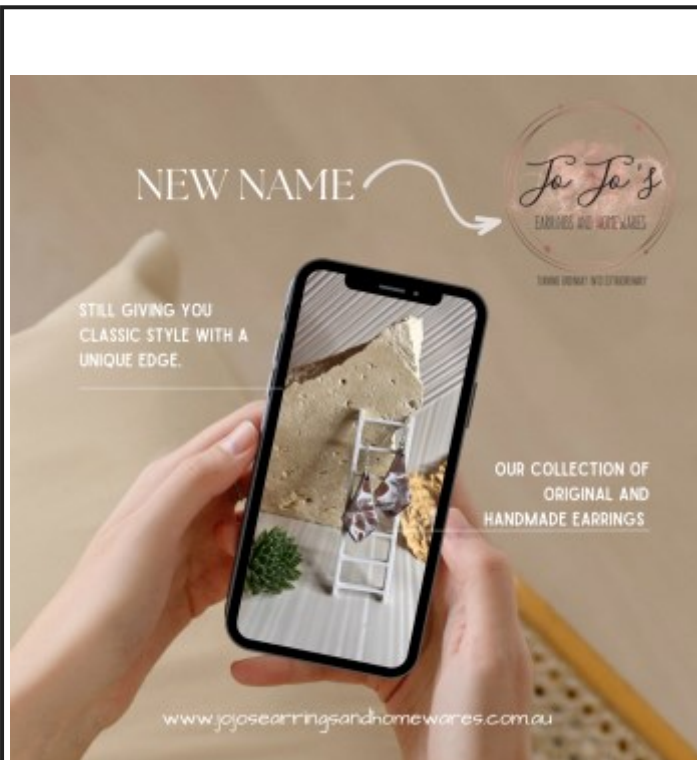
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Thursday June 20	11:00am	Hillview Aged Care
Sunday June 23	9:00am	Bunyip Uniting Church
Sunday June 30	9:00am	Garfield Uniting Church
Sunday July 7	9:00am	Bunyip Uniting Church
Sunday July 14	9:00am	Garfield Uniting Church
Thursday July 18	11:00am	Hillview Aged Care

Website: <https://bunyipdistrictunitingchurch.wordpress.com>
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SERVICE LOCATIONS:

Bunyip - 9 Nash Road. **Garfield** - 13 Garfield Road. **Hillview Bunyip** - 22 Abeckett Road.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Ecumenical Prayer Group. Monday 8:00am at 'The Crossing' 134a Princes Way Drouin. Phone 5625 2655.

Welcome to the Well. First and third Mondays 7:00pm at Drouin. Phone Stuart 5625 3202.

Craft and Friendship Group. Tuesday 10:00am at the Garfield Church Hall (not during school holidays). Phone Robyn 5629 5541.

Adult Fellowship (UCAF). Second Thursday 6:00pm at the Bunyip Church Hall. Phone Margaret on 5629 2318.

DIVORCE IN THE EARLY DAYS OF GARFIELD

Heather Arnold harold@dcsi.net.au (cont. on page 10)

The Divorce Court proceedings were reported in much detail in the newspapers in the past and this was because one party had to prove the other party was at fault - reasons such as adultery, desertion or cruelty - so the hearings made interesting stories and there seemed to be no privacy considerations taken into account. In fact, one report had the heading - A divorce case of interest to residents of Yannathan and Heath Hill. Also worth noting is that sometimes the Judge refused to grant the divorce, thus the unhappy couple had to remain married.

Women were in a vulnerable position years ago as there was not the Government support we have today - Child endowment was introduced in 1941, the Widows pension (which did not cover single mothers or divorced mothers) in 1943 and the supporting mothers pension in 1973. So, unless the woman could get maintenance or find a job (not an easy thing when there was no child care) or get support from her parents, many women had no choice but to stay with a philandering or violent husband. It wasn't until 1975 that no fault divorce came in and one partner just had to show the marriage had an irreconcilable breakdown. Here are some interesting local divorces reported in the papers years ago.

November 1904 - HUNT V. HUNT

Edward Hunt, of Yannathan, sought a divorce from Mabel Jessie Hunt on the ground of misconduct. The parties were married on November 6, 1896, and there were three children. Evidence was given that the respondent was living an abandoned life. A decree nisi was granted. Mr. Hotchin (instructed by Mr. S. Marriott Watson) appeared for the petitioner. Misconduct is a euphemism for sexual relations and I presume an abandoned life is a euphemism for an alcoholic or a woman who was indulging in misconduct. (The Argus, November 24, 1904)

February 1909 - LYONS V. LYONS

Joseph Lyons (45) petitioned for a divorce from Mary Teresa Lyons (44) on account of alleged misconduct on her part with Maurice L. Bloustein and Richard Butler, who were joined in the suit as co-respondents. The facts disclosed were that petitioner resides at Monument Creek, and is a school teacher. Bloustein was a watch maker. The marriage took place on 11th January, 1888, at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat, and there had been no children. For a time petitioner was an hotelkeeper, having been licensee of the Iona Hotel, Garfield. It was there that co-respondent and respondent met, and, as alleged, were guilty of misconduct on 2nd May, 1908. His Honor granted a decree nisi, with costs against both co-respondents. (The Age, February 24, 1909)

August 1909 - MARTIN V. MARTIN

William Martin, aged 66, a farmer at Garfield, applied for a divorce from Annie Jane Martin, aged 57, on the ground of desertion, dating from December, 1904. Dr. T. P. M'Inenney appeared for the petitioner. Petitioner stated he was married at the registrar's office, Collingwood, on 15th January, 1895, and one child, now 11 years old, was born of the marriage. Respondent was a widow, with two children, when petitioner married her. While he went into residence on his farm at Garfield respondent was living at North Melbourne. A difference arose between them over the children of the former marriage, and respondent suddenly left her husband, taking with her the child of the marriage and her two other children. William Maloney, medical practitioner, stated that he knew both of the parties intimately. The respondent informed him that she would leave her husband, and he tried to dissuade her from doing so, informing her that the petitioner, a man of some property, had made a will providing for her and her child. She, however, refused to take his advice. He did not know the whereabouts of respondent. Petitioner was still willing to provide for his daughter. A decree nisi was granted. (The Age, August 6, 1909)

May 1912, ROHL V. ROHL

Mary Elizabeth Rohl, 26, of Iona, Gippsland petitioned for a divorce from Oscar Rohl, 30, miner, on the ground of desertion. The parties were married on 15th October, 1904, and there was one child. Evidence was given that they lived together for about two weeks, after which respondent went to Queensland. He sent

his wife £4 or £5 per month until November, 1905, when he wrote that he was coming back to Melbourne. Petitioner, however, had not seen him since. A decree nisi was granted.

(The Age, May 14, 1912)

November 1912 GLENISTER V. GLENISTER

Frederick William Glenister, 55, of Bunyip, contractor, petitioned for divorce from Margaret Glenister, 51, on the ground of desertion. Marriage took place on April 28, 1886, and there were four children. It was stated that the respondent threatened to leave home in 1900, and after September, 1905, she declined to live with him. Since 1909 they had been separated. Petitioner took proceedings for divorce in 1910, but owing to lack of money had to abandon them. A decree nisi was granted. (The Argus, November 20, 1912)

September 1914 - MCKAY V. MCKAY

A divorce case of interest to the residents of Yannathan and Heath Hill came before Justice a'Beckett in the Melbourne Divorce Court last Monday, when Margaret McKay, of Yannathan, sought a dissolution of her marriage with Charles W. A. McKay, aged 46 years, laborer, on the ground of desertion. The petitioner, whose age was given as 43 years, stated that the marriage took place on 8th January, 1908, and there was one child. Later on in the same year respondent left his home, merely saying he had to go away. She knew of no reason for his leaving, and had not seen him since. A decree nisi was granted.

(Bunyip Free Press, September 3, 1914)

February 1917 - BIRD V. BIRD

George Bird, 62 years, of Garfield, sought divorce from Grace Bird, 62 years, on the ground of desertion. The case for petitioner was that the parties were married on 21st October, 1896, and there were two children. In January, 1909, respondent left Garfield, where they had lived for about eight years, taking the daughter with her. He had seen her twice since, and she stated that she would not return because she found life in the country "too slow." A decree nisi was granted, and the amount of alimony was fixed at the rate of 15/ a week. (The Age, February 10, 1917)

April 1920 - NICHOLS V. NICHOLS

Mr Justice Cussen to-day concluded the hearing of a petition by Violet Victoria Nichols, 35, of Point Nepean road, Elsterwick, for a dissolution of her marriage with William Nichols, 38, asphalter, on the grounds of misconduct. Of the marriage, which took place in 1908, there are two children. Petitioner said that in July, 1917, respondent bought a farm at Garfield, where it was arranged she should live until he joined her after selling his asphalting business. He visited her once a month, and when she spoke to him about delay in selling the business he said certain debts had first to be settled. She remained on the farm until June, 1919, when she received a letter signed "A Charwoman, Brighton," stating that misconduct had occurred between respondent and a young woman named Doris Edwards, who had given birth to a child. A brother of the girl told her that respondent had for 12 months, under the name of "Bill Johnson" paid attentions to his sister, intending to marry her, and take her to a farm at Bunyip. He had taken the girl away on the understanding that he would get her a situation, but subsequently lived with her. Respondent subsequently admitted to petitioner that he had been "carrying on" for 12 months before he sent her to Garfield. For the sake of the children, she forgave him, but one night he came home late, and when she accused him of having been with the woman again. He rushed at her, and almost choked her. A decree nisi was granted, and petitioner was given custody of the children, and allowed 25/ a week for the maintenance, on condition that she did not claim alimony for herself.

(Ballarat Star, April 22, 1920)

February 1922 - HULSE V. HULSE

Before Mr. Justice Macfarlan yesterday, Mary Hulse, aged 42 years, was granted a dissolution of her marriage with Arthur Ernest Hulse, 45 years of age, farmer, of Bunyip, on the grounds of desertion and repeated acts of misconduct with Wilhelmina Ford, of Bunyip. The petitioner was allowed 15/ a week alimony and costs. (The Argus, September 17, 1922)

September 1923 - ROGERS V. ROGERS

William Henry Rogers, aged 53 years, of Nar-nar-goon, formerly a constable of police, but now a farmer, petitioned for a dissolution of his marriage with Alice Ann Maud Rogers, aged 47 years, of Canterbury road, Toorak, on the grounds of desertion. Mrs. Rogers defended the suit, and claimed that she had had just cause for leaving her husband owing to his cruelty. Mr. Justice Macfarlan found that desertion had been proved, and granted a decree nisi. Rogers was ordered to pay his wife's costs. (The Argus, September 10, 1923)

April 1925 - CLANEY V. CLANEY

Margaret Winifred Clane, 31 years, of Tennyson-street, Sandringham, nurse, sought divorce from William John Clane, 50 years, of Iona, farmer, on the ground of desertion. Petitioner stated that while she and her husband were living on a farm she one evening found him in the dairy with the girl who was employed on the farm. The girl had her arms round respondent's neck. The girl left the farm, and some time later respondent sold the farm. She heard afterwards he had met the girl, and that respondent had since admitted the girl was with him. She obtained a maintenance order against respondent. A decree nisi was granted, with costs, and an order was made for permanent alimony at 25/ a week. (The Age, April 9, 1925)

December 1925 - TAPLIN V. TAPLIN

Albert Edward Taplin, 48 years, of Catani, farmer, sought divorce from Sarah Annie Taplin, 52 years, of Yarragon, on the ground of

desertion. Petitioner said the marriage took place in Wales, England, in July, 1907. He came to Australia in 1911, and went to the war in 1915. He came back in the following year, and in 1919 went to live at Catani. While there respondent went on a visit to a farm which he had given her at Yarragon, and she refused to return to him. Respondent filed an answer to the petition and gave evidence denying desertion. She said she was forced to leave her husband on account of his cruelty. Her husband had visited her on several occasions and cohabitation had taken place. He had also sent her gifts of various kinds and money. His Honor said he was not satisfied petitioner had proved desertion for the required period, and the petition was dismissed with costs. (The Age, December 16, 1925)

February 1930 - GRIFFITHS V. GRIFFITH

Charles William Griffiths, 33 years, of Raglan-street South Melbourne, motor driver, sought divorce from Doris Clarice Griffiths, 27 years, of Tynong, on the ground of misconduct. Hilary Charles Phillips, of Page-street, Middle Park, taxi driver, was joined as co-respondent. The parties were married on 27th May, 1922, at Melbourne. A decree nisi was granted with costs against co-respondent. (The Age, February 8, 1930)



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Residents are encouraged to drop off their green waste for free at the upcoming Green-waste drop off events in Pakenham and Lysterfield.

[Read more in the full release online.](#)

Storm clean-up continues

The kerbside storm debris removal program for storm-affected communities in Cardinia Shire is continuing, despite Emergency Recovery Victoria's on-the-ground support of the program coming to an end.

[Read the full media release on Council's website](#)

2024 Stan Henwood Award winner announced

Cardinia Shire Council announced this year's 2024 Stan Henwood Award recipient at the annual volunteer reception at Cardinia Cultural Centre last Thursday night.

[Read more in the full release online.](#)

Cardinia Shire pet registration door knock campaign kicking off soon

Door knock ambassadors will soon be visiting properties in Cardinia Shire on behalf of Council to help residents with pet registrations.

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Thanks "rain collector" Keith Wilkinson

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February	31.75	February	20.50
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MOY YAN NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE AND ADRA OP SHOP JOIN TOGETHER FOR THE COMMUNITY: TUESDAY JUNE 18TH GRAND OPENING

Moy Yan Neighbourhood House and the ADRA Op Shop Bunyip will soon be operating under one roof, as each community service is set to move to the Garfield Scout Hall in June.

For over two decades, Moy Yan Neighbourhood House has provided the local community with food relief, as well as health, education, training, and wellbeing programs. By sharing a space with the ADRA Op Shop, members of the community can access the Neighbourhood House programs as well as experiencing an affordable boutique shopping experience.

"When you walk into the hall, you can grab a hot cuppa and snacks with an area to mingle with your community friends," says Rebecca Auriant, Conference ADRA Director for Victoria. "You can sign up for many community programs with the Neighbourhood House before heading on through to the ADRA Op Shop."

Jen, Manager of Moy Yan Neighbourhood House, says, "With the support of ADRA, we can now provide more fresh produce for people in need in the community." Moy-Yan will also be using the space as a gallery and workshops to promote the works of local artists. "We will have artwork for sale in the form of paintings, textiles and sculpture" says Jen.

The ADRA Op Shop will be moving from Bunyip where it has operated since September 2022. Mary Meyer has been managing the centre as a volunteer. In the space of a year, the op shop has donated over \$20,000 in both in-kind and financial support to programs that help people in need.

"I know what it feels like to be a single mum and a survivor of domestic violence," says Mary. "I know what it feels like to have no food on the table and to struggle to pay the rent while trying to care and provide for a child. I am 75 years of age and wanted to volunteer at ADRA because they care. They don't judge, they just give support where they can."

All funds raised at the ADRA Op Shop go back into local programs that support people in need. ADRA Australia is accredited with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) and is signatory to Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) Code of Conduct.

The Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) Australia is the official humanitarian agency of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. ADRA Australia engages predominantly in community development as well as emergency management activities in Australia, the South Pacific, Asia, and Africa.

In Australia, ADRA works in partnership with the government, councils, churches, agencies, and individuals across all states and territories to provide a range of services to people facing poverty and hardship. Services include women's refuges, counselling centres, youth resilience projects, emergency preparedness and response initiatives as well as local community projects including emergency relief, refugee support and seniors connect. For more information about ADRA and its projects visit www.adra.org.au.



Garfield Community Website Celebrates a Remarkable Mother's Day Promotion

The Garfield Community Website is thrilled to announce the resounding success of its recent Mother's Day Promotion. This community-driven initiative saw enthusiastic participation, with over 477 entries competing for a chance to win one of the 22 fantastic prizes generously donated by local businesses.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all participants for their overwhelming response and to the businesses whose generous contributions made this event possible. Your support and engagement have once again demonstrated the strong community spirit that defines Garfield.

Stay tuned for more exciting events and promotions from the Garfield Community Website, as we continue to bring our community together in celebration and support.

For more information, please visit www.garfield.au



GRATEFUL THANKS TO OUR COMMUNITY COMPANY

On the 17th of April Gwen Oldmeadow and I (for the Spectator) joined many representatives from local organisations to receive the grant awards that were being distributed by Our Community Company previously known as the Bendigo Bank. This was held at the Garfield Theatre courtesy of Fred and Suzie and a light supper was prepared by the staff at Brewster's and it was a lovely evening as many of the recipients had not been in the theatre before and were very impressed.

The Garfield Football and Netball Clubs were also present along with the tennis club and the kindergarten. Bunyip clubs were also beneficiaries as well as numerous other local groups. John Preston received funds to help with his "Elvis" car run for Very Special Kids. It was very pleasing to be reassured that the Bank is going to resume its community connection which had been missing for some months due to changes of personnel in various branches. I'm sure all organisations were exceedingly happy to receive the donation and the framed certificate to go with it. Thank you very much to what we will probably continue to call Bendigo Bank – sorry.

—Linda Evans

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GARFIELD PROBUS CLUB

Helen Peggie

The Caravan and Camping group headed to Albury for a week away. After settling in we gathered together for Happy Hour and also to get our itinerary for the week. That night we had Dinner at the Boomerang Hotel.

On Monday we travelled to Holbrook to find out why they called it The Submarine Town. At the Holbrook Museum a guide spoke about the life in a Submarine and how the HMAS Otway's final resting place came to be in Holbrook and also why they changed the name of the town known as Germanton to Holbrook. In the First World War there was a Submarine under the leadership of Lt Norman Holbrook that torpedoed and sank the Turkish battleship "Mesudiye" and then it was World News of the daring underwater raid that had taken place, so to honour Lt Norman Holbrook the town changed its name to Holbrook. The Museum also has a display of photos, submarine memorabilia along with submarine escape suits and a replica of a submarine where you could experience how small the area is. There was a periscope you could look through where people say "Up Periscope". We all decided it certainly wasn't the life for us.

After lunch we went to The National Museum of Australian Pottery. It has a collection of 2000 pieces of domestic Australian Pottery that goes back to the convict Jonathon Leak whose few surviving pieces are the earliest marked pottery that was produced in Australia. We wandered around looking at the collection which is all in glass cases to protect the pieces on show. Amongst the extensive range of pottery wares are such things as simple preserving jars, jugs and decorated water filters. After an interesting day we headed back to the Caravan Park for Happy Hour and later board games.

Tuesday started with Devonshire Morning Tea in the Camp Kitchen then after we had a free day to explore some of the beautiful areas that surround Albury. That night we all dressed up for a Masquerade Party to celebrate our 21st Caravan and Camping trip away. It was so great that everyone wore a Mask of some description as well clothes to match in some cases. Well done to all who made the effort for our special celebration. After Dinner they cut a cake that was decorated like a Caravan before the Talent Quest started with a few brave members giving their all for fun. It was a great night.

On Wednesday we started the day with an Egg and Bacon Breakfast after which we had a free day to do some more exploring of the area returning for Happy Hour and BBQ then a Quiz night.

On Thursday, Morgan's Lookout was our destination to see a massive granite outcrop that the Bushranger Mad Dan Morgan used to his advantage to evade capture by the police. On arrival we had morning tea then some challenged themselves to climbing to the top of the Lookout where they had a spectacular 360 degree view of the surrounding area. The rest of the day was free to check out some of the small country towns that have so many hidden gems. Dinner that night was at the Springdale Heights Tavern followed by a comedy film "How to Murder Your Wife" with Jack Lemon back.

On Friday the owners of the Caravan Park made available their property which is situated on the banks of Lake Hume for our Games and Activities day. On the way some went to the Hume Weir and walked over the spillway before heading on to our destination. We had morning tea on arrival then we played games while others just enjoyed the sun and the beautiful surroundings until they called us for a BBQ lunch. After we continued playing games for a while then headed back to the Park for (yes another) Happy Hour. It was a quiet night with some playing cards and board games in the Camp Kitchen.

Saturday. On our last morning we had a Yummy Pancake Breakfast then they handed out the special camp awards and we thanked the volunteers who had helped in any way over the week. A card that everyone had signed was presented to the organisers of our 21st trip away thanking them for all the work they have done to make it a great week. The rest of the day was free. Some went to the Albury Farmers Market while others did more exploring of the area then we gathered for our last Happy Hour before going out to the Thurgoona Country Club for Dinner.

Sunday. Packed up and headed home (for a rest).

We would like to thank Craig and Kerrie at the Big 4 Albury Tourist Park Lavington NSW for all the extra work they did to make it a great week for us. So if you are looking for a great place to holiday our Club would recommend it.



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THE SALVATION ARMY DOORWAYS RELIEF PROGRAM

Linda Evans

Our own Jemma Brown, granddaughter of the very community-minded Lou Brown, is certainly following in his footsteps. In her portfolio so far, she has the monthly Youth Group activities at the Community Centre. She, along with Andrew Ristrom, has been very instrumental in the commissioning of a tree for Garfield's own Blue Tree project. Jemma can often be found behind the counter at Brewsters on Fridays and weekends and is also the mother of three cute little girls (one set of twins.)

In the last twelve months Jemma has been appointed Caseworker and Co-ordinator for the Doorways Program in Warragul. In her time in this role Jemma has noticed that the impact of the cost of living has a profound impact on many families in the area. The ever-increasing cost of utilities is causing more families' budgets to unravel. People from all walks of life are now seeking relief as centre like hers. Often difficult decisions have to be made as to whether to pay bills or buy food.

Homelessness is another increasing problem as more tenants struggle with rental payments and more homeowners cannot meet their mortgage repayments, people are often reluctant to seek help until it is too late.

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