



What: WORDS IN WINTER IN YANDOIT

When: 7.00pm, Saturday August 25th

Where: Yandoit Uniting Church

What: SHARE AND TELL NIGHT

When: 6pm onwards, Sunday August 26th

Where: 'Larnook'- 138 McPhersons Lane, Clydesdale

What: CLYDESDALE HALL ANNUAL MEETING

When: 10am, Sunday September 16th

Where: Clydesdale Hall

SUPPORT YANDOIT HALL REPAIRS

PICK MY PROJECT VOTING

Yandoit Hall committee has lodged a *pick my project* application with the State government for repairs to our historic Mechanics Institute and Free library & to restore the integrity of the original building. The hall serves our community as meeting place and hub for gatherings. A big



thankyou to Carlene Sartori for pulling this application together.

For this project to be successful we need as many community votes as possible. Voting is open until 5pm, Monday September 17th. You can register your support for three preferred projects within a 50 kilometre radius of where you live. It's an on line voting process which requires an email address and mobile phone no. For those without a mobile or email it's best to phone the help line on 1800 797 818. Local libraries and neighbourhood houses are also available for assistance with the voting process.

FARMING AWARD FOR HISTORICAL LOCAL MORRISON FAMILY

Congratulations to Robert, Belinda and Nick Morrison for winning the 2018 Great South West Dairy Award for Natural Resources and Sustainability Management. They were also finalists for the Farm Business Management award. You may have seen the article in the latest edition of *the Advocate*. Their sixth generation dairy farm in Yandoit is the one we view from across the road at Yandoit hall and along the length of High St. Robert says: "the relationship we have with the land is hard to quantify - for six generations it has either directly or indirectly fed, clothed and sheltered us...I feel as if we never really own the land but are responsible for its care for future generations". "Please", continues Robert, "support your

farmers & value the contribution they make to not only putting food on the table but preserving the environment for years to come".

WORDS IN WINTER COMES TO YANDOIT

Anything but words

At 7pm on Saturday August 25th, Petrus Spronk will complement the beautiful music of the Mana Moto Duo, consisting of Justine Walsh on vocals, electric guitar and loops and Adam Menegazzo on electric violin and loops, with images from his extensive travels abroad.

This event will be held at Yandoit's historical Uniting Church, one of



few remaining churches in community hands across the region. Originally Methodist, the church was built of locally made brick by community members in 1878. It's a simple and beautiful church, nestled amongst eucalypts with excellent acoustics.

By attending this illustrated musical event you will support not only the musicians and artist, but also the maintenance of a precious community resource in Yandoit, and the small local parish. Cost \$10. There's plenty more events as part of the *Words in Winter* program across Daylesford, Trentham and Clunes

during the weekends of August 18/19 and 25/26. Newstead also has a special program with interviews, readings & art exhibitions.

JONES-REECES ROAD CLYDESDALE- A LETTER OF APPRECIATION

I visited the site recently. The sun was shining on the new red gum rails and that old footbridge looked a million dollars sitting there above the Jim Crow Creek. The ford itself blends in well with the area and the old weeping willow that was planted by Iris Jones, (now deceased) has not been removed. No doubt she

would be pleased! The restoration/upgrade has been beautifully and carefully carried out; it all presents a very pretty picture. This old footbridge is such an important link with our past. Many years ago in the late 1800's a footbridge was built to link the communities of Clydesdale and Christmas Reef. It is wonderful to think that this link has been preserved and will be there now for years to come. The character and beauty of this little spot has not been lost, in fact it has been enhanced.

Thank you to everyone involved at Hepburn Shire Council for the effort that has gone into this project, for preserving this much loved area, and for listening to us. What a great outcome. On behalf of Clydesdale residents. Thank you, Joan Sartori, 6th July 2018



SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY PLANNING & MEETING WITH WARD COUNCILLORS

It was a well attended community meeting with Cr Kate Redwood in attendance. Cr Redwood informed us that Evan King is the new Shire CEO. The budget has been passed with farm rate lower than other categories. Recycling is a challenge for the Shire and community members are encouraged to send emails to State member of parliament- Mary-Anne Thomas- asking for a bottle deposit scheme. Collection points for glass are being looked at plus education and systems for sorting recyclables. Serious road safety issues were identified along Hepburn-Newstead road on the bend opposite the Higgins, where a large truck recently over-turned, as well as the Franklinford 5 ways intersection. It was agreed to approach Vic Roads re signage and speed reduction at this site and to submit to the review of the Midland Highway.

Cr Redwood has put in a request for a middling-sized mulcher to be owned by the Shire and made available at particular sites so green waste can be available for our gardens. Council is unable to extend the season of free green waste.

A sub-committee will identify trees to be added to the tree register. Current criteria include age, rarity of species and historical significance. Replacement trees will be sought for along High St Yandoit and around Franklinford hall, once dangerous pine trees are removed.

The Thomas Spring reserve in Franklinford needs cleaning up. It has excellent water and should be a local attraction.

YANDOIT HALL NEW COMMITTEE

The Yandoit Committee met at the end of July and appointed Don Morrison as President, Carlene Sartori as Secretary/Treasurer and committee members Andrew Kimpton, Noel and Anne Richards, Ross Sartori, Margaret Hazler and Bill O'Donnell.

NEXT EDITION OF CHRONICLE

Next edition is expected in October/ November 2018. Let us know what's going on so we can include in our community newsletter.

A SHARE AND TELL NIGHT STARTING IN CLYDESDALE.



The last Sunday of every month, starting August 26th from 6pm onwards, locals are invited to 'Larnook', 138 McPhersons lane, for story-telling, show and tell, your latest findings, poetry, art, political perspectives, magic tricks and more.

Gold coin donation and bring a plate to share.

CEMETERY NEWS

The Yandoit-Franklinford cemetery trust have sought funds to survey the ground with modern technology. This will detect soil disturbance and take an image of possible unmarked grave sites.

NAIDOC WEEK ELLEN'S WALK

Many locals gathered at Mt Franklin (Larnebarrumul) on a brisk winter morning where Uncle Rick Nelson welcomed us to country with smoke and didgeridoo. We then walked 12 kilometers up and around the crater and then to Clarkes pool on the creek in



Franklinford. We all learnt more about Dja Dja Wurrung history including the Franklinford Aboriginal Reserve.

NON SERIOUS SECTION



Pick My Nose- A new system of civic selection.

We've all heard about the "brilliant" new gimic of labelling all Government interactive agencies with "My". My Gov, My Health, My Post & now Pick My Project.

Well now I want to introduce a fun way of voting for the politician of your choice. No longer chosen for allegiance to a party but for the best nose or rather the nose that you want to represent you. This election has nothing to do with the quality of the person, the ideas they hold or even the morals they live up to. After a few elections we'll get used to it and I have no doubt there will be parties formed as noses become characterised and categorized. Pick My Free Noses Party.

DO YOU HAVE ANY STORIES OR INFORMATION?

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