



**What: MEETING WITH WARD COUNCILLORS**

**When: 2pm, Sunday August 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Where: Yandoit Hall**

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**What: WORDS IN WINTER- CELEBRATING LIFE IN STORY, SONG AND POEM**

**When: 2.00-3.30pm, Sunday August 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Where: Yandoit Uniting Church**

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**What: WORDS IN WINTER- THE ARTISTS' REVELATIONS**

**When: 7.00pm Saturday August 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Where: Yandoit Uniting Church**

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**MEETING WITH WARD COUNCILLORS**

Come and meet with our three Hepburn Shire ward councillors, as well as our Mt Alexander Shire Councillor representing Yandoit Hills. This is a chance for our elected representatives to hear your ideas, wishes and concerns, and for them to be informed about what's happening across our communities. You'll also hear updates on decisions that affect Yandoit, Clydesdale and Franklinford, as well as questions that our representatives are discussing at the moment.

Here's some items for the meeting agenda and you're welcome to raise other matters at the meeting:

- Report from ward councillors
- Yandoit hall repairs and maintenance
- Significant tree register for our area
- *Kitchen Table Conversations* as an inclusive process to identify local issues and develop solutions
- Keeping Yandoit Uniting Church within our community
- Clydesdale Hall pioneers
- *Where to go to get it* – skills audit for our community
- Hepburn Newstead road safety issues
- Green waste and Recreation reserve signage
- Pine trees at Franklinford hall
- Thomas Spring reserve

**WORDS IN WINTER AT YANDOIT**

This year Yandoit will host two events as part of the *Words in Winter* festival. On **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August at 2pm** we'll be **Celebrating Life in story, song and poem**. Locals are invited to gather at the beautiful and historic Yandoit Uniting Church to share stories about life, via spoken word, song and poetry - a creative way to get to know one another as neighbours and community members living in and around

Yandoit, Clydesdale and Franklinford. This year's theme for *Words in Winter* is 'Life', which allows plenty of scope. The stories, songs and poems may be your own creations, or the creations of others that have meaning for you. They may be



historical or current. They may be humorous or serious. They may be personal or community based, or anything in between. This is an open mic event where participants have 5 to 10 minutes to share their story, in their chosen format. Not everyone will want to tell a story but those who do will need an audience, so come a long and get to know people in our community. You might find that others telling their stories will inspire you to do the same. Stay around to chat with neighbours

over a cuppa at the end. Entry by donation will support Yandoit Uniting Church to remain in our community.

On **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August at 7pm**, Yandoit Uniting Church will be the venue for Hepburn Shire based artists- Petrus Spronk, Kim Barter, Keele Breen, Basil Eliades & Kevin Smith, as well as musicians- Shohn Murnane and Adam Menedazzo, to perform the **Artists' Revelations**. The artists will appear in their own paintings from where they will talk to us about their lives and passions, to musical accompaniment. Price: \$10/\$5 concession.

## CLYDESDALE HISTORY PANELS

From Joan Sartori:

I have nearly finished the research on Clydesdale's history. I am wondering if any of *the Chronicle* readers have any old photos or information about Clydesdale's early days: the people, photos of the old homes, mines, bridges, farming such as the photo below. I promise to treat anything loaned with the loving care these precious items deserve and all will be returned.

Very soon we hope to take the next step in this project and unveil the finished work at Clydesdale. This project has been a very challenging one. It has taken more time than I could have imagined, but it has all been worth the time and energy, I have learned so much more about the district where I grew up.

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## A CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR FINE MUSIC EVENT IN YANDOIT

As part of the Ballarat Fine Music and Organ Festival, Yandoit Uniting church will be the venue for three concerts to be held on Thursday January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The concerts include classical guitar, and a young violinist from Italy. This is an opportunity for fine music to be heard in our town, amidst the beauty and excellent acoustics of Yandoit Uniting Church. The concerts will also contribute money towards maintenance of the church and towards much needed repairs for Yandoit Hall. We will be providing morning tea, a simple lunch and afternoon tea for the festival goers. We'll need a team of volunteers from our community to help on January 16<sup>th</sup> so please get in touch with Nikki (see mobile number and email below) if you are able to offer some time and help.

## FRANKLINFORD CEMETERY NEWS

There was a meeting of the Trust members at the cemetery on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. The report writer had been to the cemetery to mark where the unmarked graves had been found on the scan. The lines crisscrossed between the existing graves not really interfering with those that are about to be used. The lines marked the length of the grave and showed that some of the occupants were very small – which fits the theory that, in the past, the death of a child led to a speedy burial.

Our Secretary Carlene pointed out an area that would be suitable for a Lawn cemetery. Graves are not individually set out with stone sides but rather the marker is a slab on top of the grave and otherwise the lawn remains.

There are two areas at the cemetery that could be used.

The geophysical survey has been completed at the cemetery, to identify unmarked graves.

## RECREATION COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

Time for the annual account to go in. There's still money in the bank but we don't have much to report. Not sure when the next election has to be. (from Bill O'Donnell- Hon. Secretary/Treasurer)

## NEXT EDITION OF THE CHRONICLE

Our next edition is expected in October/November 2019. Let us know what's going on so we can include it in the Chronicle

## NON SERIOUS SECTION.

From Bill O'Donnell:

In last edition's non serious section her Majesty's comments were "Helps to keep the drips away from me". Unfortunately this was hard to see. I measured the dam the other day and it had come up 20 inches in four weeks. I hope everyone else got some water.

Memories! How do we keep memories and yet get rid of the accretions of age? Are my photos and films and videos of any value or use to anyone anymore? How will they be able to use them now that the videos, and floppy disks and even negatives of the past don't have the machines to show them? I've discovered that there are machines you can buy to put videos and floppy disks and even LPs and cassettes onto your computer in the new formats, but it takes time. I found some cassettes of recordings of events from my family's history and I've put them on the computer. Interesting to hear Grandma singing or a speech by Grandpa or family history by Mum. What is personal history worth?

In the meantime I am doing lists of my possessions to find out whether to sell or give away lots of things. What do you do with old technology like phone cables and wall sockets and old phones and even record players or cassette recorders? I also have lots of things from events of the past like the concerts at Yandoit Primary school and of course the complete written record of *the Chronicle* from its early days. Fortunately there is a complete set at the Melbourne Library and Museum. Now we send them a digital copy, not a hard paper copy as we did in the past.

## DO YOU HAVE ANY STORIES OR INFORMATION?

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