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Festival Opener Captures Hearts

By Jenny Pollard

Charlton's 28th Film Festival began with a celebrated opening night on Friday 28 February with the captivating indie movie "A Boy Named Sailboat".

At just 92 minutes in length this short, but engaging story of family and a young boy's ability to create magical outcomes from a small discarded guitar was greatly enhanced by the post-screening discussion with director/writer Cameron Nugent.

A familiar face from the television screen, (Sea Change, Blue Heelers, Around The Twist), Cameron's effusive and heart-felt manner was on show even before the lights dimmed as he chatted about what was to come in his first time role as a director. There were no stand-offish mannerisms—just passion for a story which we came to hear held many deeper meanings.

Featuring a largely unknown cast—with three young non-professional child actors carrying the weight of the movie—it was immediately engaging through the quality of the story, the naturalness of the children, the gentle humor and arresting visuals of the Hispanic locale of Silver City, New Mexico where it was filmed. The icing on the cake was the beautiful guitar backing by Australia's Grigoryan Brothers—Slava and Leonard.

For an indie movie the coming on board

of Academy Award winning actor J.K. Simmons (best known for his electrifying portrayal of the brutal drumming teacher in the movie "Whiplash") was a dream-come-true for the director, who wanted the star, but was told to - "be realistic". When the actor phoned back saying he'd love to be in the film, Cameron said his first response was that it was a hoax call from a friend.

"With a budget of only around \$1 million for the whole movie, when J.K. said "yes" we suddenly wondered if we would be able to pay him," said Cameron, "however he is the most generous and gentle person, and he agreed to about a tenth of his daily rate, and then donated half of that back to Breast Cancer Australia."

Cameron's wife, Skye, was diagnosed with terminal breast cancer just a year after they were married, and despite warnings the couple decided to travel, and it was at a stop-over in Silver City that Skye decided the movie should be filmed there. While she didn't live to see it made, Cameron said she would have been very proud of the outcome.

While the film champions individuals' unique gifts – focusing on things which might inhibit and turning them into strengths – Cameron said he was very specific about needing to find young actors who were similar to the characters. "We were under a lot of pressure from LA to use trained kids –

we saw around 1,200 taped auditions from professional kids, but we ended up going to the local school where we found exactly what we wanted."

With the Film Festival crowd asking questions ranging from how to draw emotional responses from the children, to how the story was developed, the significance of the repetitive diet of meatballs in the on-screen family home and how the talented Grigoryan brothers were coaxed into supporting the movie, the evening continued apace over supper in the Rex foyer.

With four more films in this series to come, the next one - "The Forever Gang" – is due to start filming in Vancouver in August with former Charlton local (and international blues/roots musician) C.W. Stoneking writing the music.

Filled with praise for the Rex Theatre, Cameron said it was almost a replica of the Silco Theatre in Silver City where "A Boy Named Sailboat" first launched. "I just cannot believe it," he said as he gazed around the filling auditorium.

With an eye to bringing the movie back with the Grigoryans playing the soundtrack live, those who missed the film this time may have another opportunity to catch one of the stand-outs from the 2020 Charlton Arts Film Festival.



The Film Festival has a dedicated following with many people travelling from Melbourne and further afield to enjoy the country hospitality and the stimulating viewing. Visitors enjoying the opening session are Ed and Ruth Rowlands from Yarrawonga (left and second right) with their daughter Carolyn Olive (second left) and Nola Wright (Charlton Arts member).



Movie director / writer Cameron Nugent spent time following last Friday night's screening of "A Boy Named Sailboat" talking with many of those who attended the opening night of the 2020 Charlton Arts Film Festival. Pictured with Cameron are Candece Jay (l) from Donald and Jayne Burton (r) from Charlton.

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*Editorial
Carolyn Olive*

Hello everyone,

Congratulations to the Rex on a wonderful performance by David Helfgott. I was there and it was a truly memorable evening. It was great to see the Rex almost full and with so many new faces. Congratulations also to my fellow Charlton Arts members for another terrific Film Festival. It was hard to pick a favourite film this year.

On the ranch we are getting ready for sowing which will come around quick enough. Clinton & I are going on a 4-day cruise—nowhere very exciting—just into the Bass Strait. I'm just a little excited—Clinton not so much. It's a comedy cruise so hopefully we'll have a bit of a laugh.

Nick is settled into uni and enjoying life living on residence. Justin is enjoying his travels overseas and has been to Germany, France and Switzerland in the last few weeks. Venice was on the list but due to the Coronavirus he will now visit the Austrian Alps—much nicer I think.

And lastly, welcome to our new sponsor, Paul Hounslow, from Cassia Plumbing.

Cheers

Carolyn

Upcoming Events

- Saloon D'Art
Fri 6th March
- Uniting Church Market
Sat 7th March **(Cancelled)**
- Girls Night Out
Fri 13th March
- Charlton Cup
Sun 15th March
- Lions Town Garage Sale
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- Splashtest Dummies
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Charlton CWA - Cabbaritta

The Cabbaritta CWA has been very busy over the past month, and would like to thank everyone around the town who has supported our endeavours. Once again the Australia Day celebration was a great success raising \$455 that will go to a reading mat for children's story time at the library. A special mention going to the Lions Club for running the BBQ breakfast.

Also thank you to everyone who supported our hamper raffle in support of our sister branch, Whorouly CWA in the fire affected area of Bright and Myrtleford. An amazing amount of \$620 was raised which will go direct to that group for

distribution as they see fit. The winners were:

1. Jo Russell (Below left), 2. Eli Cossar (Below right), 3. Joselyn 4. Herbie Donaldson.

Enjoy your prizes.



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Charlton & District Community Bank Branch donates \$5,000 to Bushfire Appeals

At its January 2020 meeting the Board of North Central Financial Services expressed their empathy for those devastated by bushfires across Australia and wished to support those communities impacted; repaying the generosity shown to the Charlton community after the 2011 floods. A unanimous commitment was made to donate \$2,500 to BlazeAid and \$2,500 to the Bendigo Bank Bushfire Disaster Appeal.

BlazeAid is a volunteer-based organisation that works with families and individuals in rural Australia after natural disasters such as fires and floods. Working alongside the rural families, volunteers help to rebuild

fences and other structures that have been damaged or destroyed. Some may remember the BlazeAid volunteers in Charlton after the 2011 floods.

Bendigo Bank has partnered with The Salvation Army, to establish the National Bushfire Disaster Appeal with 100% of donated funds going directly to communities in need. The appeal will be conducted by the bank's charitable arm, Community Enterprise Foundation™. Funds raised will be used in a range of locally identified charitable areas to provide relief and recovery in the fire affected areas.

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Charlton Probus News

Charlton Probus February 2020. Pat Lee gave a very interesting insight of her travels in India. Arriving in Delhi (clean airport, no cows) in early October, they were met by a pleasant, well-dressed man to take them to their hotel. This stopover included a driver, own car, all sites and fees organised. They left by car for Agra and the Taj Mahal, a 4 hour drive through rural areas with heavy smog. The following week this area was declared unsafe and there were periods where traffic was reduced and both Industries and schools were closed in an attempt to reduce pollution. The Taj Mahal was amazing.

Southern and Central India differ greatly from the North. There is a push to increase tourism, with many 1st class hotels with well trained staff. Narrow roads in poor repair, housing and much of everything else crowded with quite a few derelict buildings to be seen.

During the trip they stayed at three seaside resorts where the poverty was not to be seen.

Birthdays for February included Val Bourke, Elaine Wicks, Elaine Donaldson, Isabelle Milward, Anne Kenny, Shirley Crossley, Max Dodd, Matt Donaldson and Maureen Holleran.

The AGM of Charlton Probus Club will be held at 10am on Friday 13th. March at the Charlton Shire Hall. All positions vacant.




Above: Margaret Bibby (left) thanks Pat Lee who talked about her trip to India.

Below: February Birthdays. L to R—Anne Kenny, Isabelle Milward, Elaine Wicks, Maureen Holleran & Shirley Crossley.



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St Joseph's School News

The Opening School Mass

It was the morning of the 11th of February at St Joseph's Church at 9:00 am. All the students from St Joseph's Primary School, parents and families attended the Opening School Mass.

It started with the Year 6s walking the new foundation children into the church. The opening school mass recognises the start of the new school year and introduces the new foundation students to our school.

The foundation students, Finn Schofield, Flynn Zagame, Maddie Lanyon, Archer Riley and Maddison Jovica all received a candle.

Michael Olive received his school captain badge and will be the school captain for Term 1. The three school captain badges were blessed by Father Jim, our priest.

The other year 6s, Isaac Bourke and Jye Roberts, will receive their school captain badges in term 2 and 3.

It turned out to be a wonderful Opening School Mass. *By Michael Olive & Ethan Soulsby*



Above: L to R Front—Finn Schofield, Maddie Lanyon, Flynn Zagame, Maddison Jovica and Archer Riley. Back—Isaac Bourke, Jye Roberts, Fr Jim McKay and Michael Olive



Above: Year 6 Leaders. Isaac Bourke, Michael Olive (Term 1 School Captain) & Jye Roberts.

Swimming Sports

On the 14th of February the school started walking down to the local swimming pool to have a swimming sports. The teams were Dory and Nemo. First we had a parade to show off all our dress ups.

Next the little kids swam and Michael and Jye told them where to go and Isaac was in the water helping them out. The prep, 1, 2 did noodle races, back stroke and freestyle.

Next it was the 3,4,5,6 time to swim. They did backstroke, breaststroke, freestyle and the relays. At the end the prep, 1, 2s had a scavenger hunt in the little pool and to sum up the day we all had a hot dog or two. At the end of the day the total scores were pretty even but team Nemo won by about 50 points.

When we were all finished we caught the bus back to school and went on with our day. **By Jye Roberts and Isaac Bourke**



Above: Michael Olive & Jye Roberts assisting Maddie Lanyon, Ruby Wright and Patrick Winslade with the F-2 races.



Above: Isaac Bourke helping Flynn Zagame



Above: Our Grade 6 leaders with our teacher Jess McGurk, our helper Keiarah Brooks and our life guard Danica Foott. Without the help of these ladies and Apryl and Hayley Start, our swimming program would not happen.



Above: Waiting for the sports to begin.



Above: Keiarah Brooks helping Archer Riley

David Helfgott

An Unforgettable Music Experience

A standing ovation brought a night of unrivalled musical expression to a close with one of the most acclaimed and well-known pianists in the world gracing Charlton's Rex Theatre stage on the 8th February.

David Helfgott's brilliant and effortlessly executed playing infused the auditorium with an electric atmosphere which had built even before the almost capacity audience entered the venue.

"Spellbinding", "stupendous", "breathtaking" were just some of the adjectives used to describe a performance which mesmerized the audience to silence as the maestro unveiled his mastery.

In a program showcasing his bravura talent, pieces demanding a virtuoso technique such as Beethoven's Opus 53 (Waldstein) and the Chopin Ballades No.1 and No.4, captivated and amazed, with their spine-tingling speed and driving tempos.

Brilliant encores of the fiery and intense "Sabre Dance" (Khachaturian), and Rimsky-Korsakov's dazzling "Flight of the Bumble Bee" left the audience on a "high" as MC Wayne Phillips (radio FlowFM) likened the experience to having attended a recital in one of the world's preeminent opera houses.

"What a privilege to have the opportunity to hear an artist of David's international standing play in a country town," said Wayne during his opening welcome.

Attracting visitors from around the state, (one couple even made the trip from Melbourne when they were unable to attend David's only other Australian concert at the Melbourne Recital Hall), the audience also included Member for Ripon, Louise Staley, immediate past Mayor of Ballarat City Council, Samantha McIntosh, along with Buloke, Charlton and Donald Citizens of the Year – John McConville, John Harley and Enid Brazier. Other attendees had travelled from Wodonga, Gippsland, neighboring Buloke communities and regional centres.

Fickle weather almost deprived the Rex of this once-in-a-lifetime event, with the floods impacting the region around the Helfgott's home in Bellingen NSW. Amid concerns about being prevented from upholding their performance commitment, the situation fortunately didn't impact, and the Rex visit proceeded as planned.

Enhancing the quality of the evening the majestic Steinway D Concert Grand was carefully prepared by tuner Greg Machnacki, who worked on the instrument both before and at the interval during the performance. Based in Melbourne, Greg has travelled the world tuning many brands of pianos and was excited about being involved

with an artist of David's standing.

And it was thanks to now local Charlton resident and music teacher, Dana Czarski, that the availability of the Steinway D was on hand for use at the Rex.

Even Gillian Helfgott said she was amazed when they saw they would have access to the concert industry standard in the small town. "I couldn't believe it!" she said.

Affable and gregarious by nature, the meet-and-greets with David both before and after the performance were spontaneous and effusive affairs. Cheerful introductions, accompanied by a hug or a hand-shake, and maybe a kiss, were also reflected in his relaxed response to the audience's appreciation following each piece of music giving a double thumbs-up sign and bows.

Supported by his wife Gillian, the pair gave generously of their time following the event, talking with audience members, re-acquainting with past friends and signing programs.

At the conclusion of the performance, the couple were presented with a hamper containing a broad range of local products from across the Buloke Shire.

The Rex acknowledges with gratitude the support from Creative Victoria for the opportunity to present an artist of this calibre and for the chance to bring a premium cultural experience to a country region. From the feedback on the night, the scale of attendance, coupled with the high calibre performance, a precedent has now been set for the future.

For the support from radio station FlowFM and for Wayne Phillips for his excellent MC work the Rex also extends their thanks.



David Helfgott pictured during the performance.



Above: A triumphant night. David is pictured with MC Wayne Phillips from radio station Flow FM acknowledging the crowd's applause.



Above: Visitors came from across the state for the event with an almost capacity crowd filling the Rex.

Charlton Harness Racing Club News



CHARLTON AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY BANK PACING CUP NEARS – SUNDAY MARCH 15TH

It is with great anticipation that the Charlton Harness Racing Club gears up for our first Cup Day in our amazing new complex!! Having experienced an incredibly successful 2019 at Melton (winning best Country Cup) we look forward to coming 'home' and delivering a quality day of racing, as well as a memorable social occasion for all Charlton residents.

So everyone please consider yourselves invited!

Feature races include:

Charlton & District Community Bank Pacing Cup.

North West Ag Services Trotters Cup.

Bruce Lampard- Fanatics Classic

11AM SHARP KICK OFF LADIES!!

FREE ENTRY! Bubbles in the Bush 4.

The Ovarian Cancer Fundraiser BUBBLES IN THE BUSH 4 will kick off the day at 11am in the Function Room.

We hope that Charlton ladies will again frock up and be a part of what is an important event now on the TEAM TEAL calendar. As a club we are so very proud of what our lady members and Cup Day guests have managed to contribute to this cause – close on \$15000 since Bubbles first began four years ago.

There will be plenty of fundraising fun, food and bubbles, draws and prizes to win.

MARQUEES STILL AVAILABLE

There are still some marquees available for Cup Day \$50 for 10 people. Ring Andrea to enquire on 0499701322.

CUP DAY PUNTING CHAMPIONSHIP

A new initiative for this year's Cup Day will be a Pro Punting Championship. Approximately eight teams will compete for bragging rights and the chance to pocket the pool prize. So come along and see how the pros do it!! Charlton Team will be represented by Cody Winnell who leads the media team at Harness Racing Victoria and will donate any winnings to Team Teal.

On the local interest front Paddy Monaghan and Joe McGrath will team together bringing all of their misspent youth to the table, and will take on the 'big boys' at their own game. We wish them well!

This competition will be broadcast live throughout the day on TROTS VISION which is streamed live through the HRV website.

STAN RETURNS TO THE TRACK!

It was great to see club Life Member Stan Gretgrix back on track on Feb 10th after a long absence.

He must have been John Tormey's lucky charm as the stable saluted with Aztec Inti later in the day!

Welcome back Stan!

NEW CEO DAYLE BROWN VISITS CHARLTON

It was very heartening to see the strong turnout at the recent meeting held in Charlton chaired by the new CEO of Harness Racing Victoria Dayle Brown. Dayle along with Rob Auber is doing a touring roadshow outlining his vision for the industry moving forward and was happy to hear any ideas/concerns from local participants and racing fans.

It is not very often that we get such an opportunity to speak directly at this level so thank you to all members who turned up sending a clear message that Charlton

indeed has a genuine grassroots interest in harness racing and is willing to get behind its future.

We look forward to seeing some changes implemented in the short term.

CHARITY BEGINS AT HOME

Everyone is welcome to come along for a social night at the Cricket Club Hotel the first Friday of the Month.

Funds raised from February were donated to the Bushfire Relief and **FRIDAY 6TH MARCH** will be donated to Team Teal – Ovarian Cancer Research.

FEBRUARY - CHARLTON WINNERS ON THE TRACK – CONGRATS TO ALL

Gollahgold – Bushy Lodge, Joe Thompson - Mildura

Aztec Inti – John Tormey – Charlton
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Hancocks Hero – John Tormey -Mildura
Cee Cee In America –Cormack Racing – Greg Norman – Melton

SEE YOU AT THE CUP!!!



Above: Luke Zagame with the Trotters Cup



Above: Stan Gretgrix, Ellen Tormey and Aztec Inti



Above: Tracey Dalrymple with the Pacers Cup

It's Cafe Culture Time Again

Charlton Arts is delighted to announce there are four top acts to perform right here in Charlton in 2020. First up on Saturday March 21 we have "The Royal High Jinx" - royal for the level of dressing up that is synonymous with the four piece band, and high jinx for the lively excited behaviour and the fun things they do!

The Royal High Jinx are inspired by European traditions and their music is peppered with Gypsy, Jazz, Latin, Balkin and Swing. Jen Hawley's guitar work is impressive. We've seen her before and she keeps on getting better and better. Sarah Basuttil Palmer's antics bely her violin playing prowess. Silas Palmer takes on the role of drummer, bass player, pianist and vocalist and must be seen to be appreciated! Terry Cole, with his background in acting, circus performing and playwright, now adds mandolin and vocals. Terry was one of our music tutors in schools back in the 80's. He was like the Pied Piper to the children, so it will be great to see him again.

The second show of the season on May 2 is Brooky Russell's Canyon Callers with a program of Western swing music. The third show on August 22 sees Kelly Auty, who has toured with cafe culture before. She'll be joined by four more fiendishly proficient women in Lady Ha Ha. Finally on October 31 we have La Busca Tango, a six piece ensemble who specialise in traditional tango music from Argentina.

You can buy a very reasonably priced season ticket for these four evenings of quality entertainment for \$70 with the added luxury of not having to travel to Melbourne and back!

Just Shows To Go is pleased to partner with Charlton Arts and Creative Victoria to bring you these fabulous shows. Royal High Jinx is the first show and it's not far away. They'll be performing at The Charlton Golf Club on Saturday March 21 at 8 pm.

Single show tickets, available at the Charlton Pharmacy, 54911521 or Garry Larmour, 54911647, are \$20 or tickets at the door are \$25 or all four shows for \$70.

So put these dates in your diaries and mark them on your calendar and we'll see you at the Charlton Golf Club on Saturday March 21.



Charlton Croquet Club



The Association Croquet players held their club championships on Thursday 13th and Saturday 15th February. Unfortunately we do not have any Division 1 players. Division 2 was uncontested. Division 3 winner was Barb Dalrymple with Janet Richardson runner-up. Division 4 winner was Margaret Bowen with Nita Perry runner-up.

These players will represent Charlton at the Murray Valley Association championships at Charlton on Tuesday 31st March. Anne Kenny will be the representative in Division 2.

Congratulations to Janet Richardson who won her Section at the Phillip Island Tournament. Janet won her four games.

On Friday 21st February 32 Golf Croquet players from Swan Hill, Boort, Eaglehawk and Charlton enjoyed a Social Day at Charlton. The weather was perfect and players enjoyed their games and a BBQ lunch.

Results were: Morning Play – Winner Georgia Peterson (Eaglehawk) with 19 hoops. Afternoon Play – Winner Ken Merrett

(Eaglehawk) with 18 hoops. All day Winner – Joy De Piazza (Boort) with 4 wins, 37 hoops; Runner-up Lois Munro (Swan Hill) with 35 hoops. Secret Score was Jan McDonald.

The annual Association Croquet Invitation Doubles was held on Saturday 29th February. Players came from Kalimna Park (Horsham), Swan Hill and Charlton. A social time partnering players from other clubs was enjoyed. The winner was Anne Kenny winning both games and 33 hoops, with Margaret Bowen, runner-up also winning 2 games but with 28 hoops.

Vale George Parish: George started his association with the Charlton Croquet Club in 2009 and worked tirelessly as our greenkeeper. During his time as greenkeeper George had to contend with drought, which meant a time of hand watering, flood which brought many complications, and corellas. George always had the greens and surrounds in immaculate condition, especially for our tournament and other special occasions. Although George admitted he did not understand the game of Croquet he proudly opened our 2011/12 season by 'running the first hoop'. He will be sadly missed.



Above: AC Champions. L to R—Barb Dalrymple (Div. 3), Margaret Bowen (Div. 4)



Above: Invitation Doubles. L to R Back—Nita Perry, Janet Richardson, Anne Kenny, Fay Pearson (Kalimna Park), Lois Munro (Swan Hill). Front—Julie Notting (Swan Hill), Pat Hester (Kalimna Park), Margaret Bowen.



Charlton College News

Charlton College Inducts 2020 Leaders

Charlton College conducted its Badge Conferral Ceremony on the morning of Tuesday February 11th. Principal Kelvin Baird opened proceedings. School Council President, Shane Fitzpatrick, outlined the importance of the leadership roles and the expectations placed on leaders to be good role models, both in and out of the school environment, prior to inducting the College Captains Cobi Fitzpatrick and Courtney Sait, Vice-Captain, Rose McGeown and Junior School Captains, Sarah Blair and Maggie Riley. Both groups of students indicated in their response that they hope to be positive role models and welcomed students to approach them to discuss school matters. Parents Club President, Bronwyn Good, inducted the College Sports Captains, Jasper Walsh and Rose McGeown. House Captains and SLC representatives were also inducted and presented with badges. Each Foundation student received a book from the Year 12 students as a welcome to the College. The Year 12 students each received badges in recognition of their final year of schooling. The College Captains concluded the ceremony by wishing all those present an enjoyable and successful year.



Above: Senior Leaders: Courtney Sait (School Captain), Cobi Fitzpatrick (School Captain) & Rose McGeown (School Vice-Captain)



Above: Junior Captains, Sarah Blair & Maggie Riley with School Council President, Shane Fitzpatrick



Above: Junior Captains Sarah Blair and Maggie Riley performing their acceptance speech as School Council President, Shane Fitzpatrick, watches on.



Above: Foundation students with their books: Amber Gough, Connor Caine, Alexander Hughes and Cody Jenkyn.

SLC

On Friday 21st, all SLC members met for lunch, team building and a planning meeting. This was a valuable experience for all involved as it allowed students to get to know each other better, feel comfortable sharing ideas and look at ways the SLC can work to make school a better place for everyone. The students brainstormed some fantastic ideas to follow up with throughout the year. They should all be very proud of the way they conducted themselves and how encouraging they were of each other. Thank you to Miss Shearwood-Boyd and Mrs McIntyre for organising and facilitating the event.

Swimming Carnival

At the annual swimming carnival on the second Friday of term we saw a great roll out of parents to support the students who participated with enthusiasm. For the first

time we had some year 4 students at the pool for the entire afternoon swimming in formal races. These students had proved capable during our swimming program at the end of last year. The F-4 students proved very capable at moving through the water and searching for objects on the bottom, yes even the Foundation students were going under the water! The year 5/6 students were also great assistants.



Above: SLC—Communication and listening was the key. L to R—Lucinda Holmes-Brown, Courtney Sait, Dora McGeown, Rose McGeown, Cobi Fitzpatrick, Fletcher Holmes-Brown, Angus Soulsby, Stella Nicholson, Zali Heenan.



Heidi Start in the breaststroke



Above: Josh and Brody delivering balls to their team's basket

Chinese Cultural Activities

We celebrated the Chinese New Year on the third Friday of term. Students and staff dressed in red. Students were kept really busy, they used real brushes to do calligraphy. They experienced pouring and drinking Chinese tea from beautiful authentic Chinese tea sets, and sampled



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some treats including sunflower seeds, hawthorn fruit slice and candied plums that are consumed when drinking tea in China. Students made a rat, as it is the year of the rat. Students got to make and taste Chinese Dumplings. Year 8A assisted us to do this, they were wonderful in the kitchen and the food was delicious!! The day culminated in the students receiving "Red Envelopes" also known as hóng bāo (红包). Red envelopes always contain money, and are given, most commonly, to kids from their parents, grandparents and others as Chinese New Year gifts to wish them happiness and good luck. On this occasion, the real money was replaced by lollies.



Above: Connor, Hollie, Willow and Koko sipping on tea and eating the delights



Above: Josh with his partially completed rat.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program

The program continues to go from strength to strength. The Year 5 & 6 students are involved in the program this year. Already students have cultivated vegetables they planted last year and fruit from the orchard, using them to make some wonderful delights.

Girls T20 Cricket Cup

Maddison Fitzpatrick and Lucinda Holmes-Brown are part of the Wimmera Mallee Belles cricket team playing in the Wimmera Girls T20 Cup. The team has played two matches to date and performed very well.



The class seated ready to eat.

Week 1, in the match against Horsham Lightning played in Horsham, the Belles bowled first on the turf wicket. They worked extremely well in the field backing each other up and encouraging each other. The Belles looked very comfortable with the bat in hand and ran hard between the wickets. Maddi was the top wicket taker, with 3 wickets for 12 runs off 4 overs, and the two Charlton girls also topped the run scoring. Maddi making 32 runs and Lucinda 19 off their 20 balls, both being dismissed once. Final score Belles, 96 runs off the bat + 6 wickets = 136 defeated Lightning 64 runs off the bat + 4 wickets = 84.

The second game was played in Donald on the Jeffcott turf wicket against the Horsham Sixers. The Belles bowled first once again, Lucinda taking two good catches in the field. The girls batted with plenty of vigour once again, with all making double figures. Maddi top scored once again on 31 runs, hitting 7 boundaries and Lucinda made 18 runs, which included 2 boundaries and one dismissal off her 15

balls. Final score, Belles 147 runs off the bat + 5 wickets = 172 defeated Sixers 60 runs off the bat + 3 wickets = 75 runs. Lucinda was the recipient of the Horsham Sports Power player of the match voucher for applying advice given when batting.



Lucinda Holmes-Brown bowling



Above: Maddie Fitzpatrick batting



Golf Clinics

The students are undertaking weekly golf sessions from a visiting golf pro. There has been plenty of action and a variety of equipment used during the clinics, not just the golf stick and ball.

Charlton Netball Club



The Charlton Netball Club is pleased to have Dave Clausen back on board for season 2020 as senior coach.

Senior training has commenced and we have been getting great attendance which looks great for a promising season! Training is on Thursday nights at 6pm - All old and new players welcome.

A number of our junior members have been busy in the off season and have already kick started their training at various academies. Maddi Fitzpatrick has been successful in gaining a position in the Northern Netball Victoria Talent Academy for 2020. Only the top 25-35 athletes in each region are selected into the Talent Academy Program each year, hence Maddi's selection is a significant achievement reflecting the extensive time and effort that she has put into her netball development to this point. The Netball Victoria Talent Academy Program is the primary pathway for Victorian athletes to be considered for State 17 & Under representation, whilst also providing an opportunity to develop your netball skills and understanding of the game. Maddi attended her first session on the 2nd of February at the State Netball Hockey Centre, her next one is on March 22. We wish Maddi all the best and hope she enjoys the experience and the club looks forward to her bringing what she gains back for all to benefit. Go Maddi!!

Isabel Soulsby and Emmersyn Nelson have been selected as part of the AFL Central Victorian Netball Academy for the 2020 season - 13 year old program. In 2016

AFL Central Victorian Commission commenced a development program for young netballers from across the region. The players invited into the Academy receive a weekly training program as well as participate in a tournament in July. Approximately 20 athletes are selected in each age group. Well done Emmy and Issy and have fun!

Junior training kicks off soon, could all U13 and U16 intending to join us in the 2020 season please register their interest at Charlton@gmail.com.au and registration details will be forwarded to you.

Go Navies 2020!



Maddie
Fitzpatrick



Above: Emmie Nelson (left) & Isabel Soulsby



Above: Abby Mulquiny & Senior Coach, Dave Clausen.

Charlton Bowling Club

Charlton Bowling Club has had a mixed month with midweek getting into the top four. Club games are well under way with Lynne and Kevin scooping the pools so far winning every game they have been in. But there is hope for us mere mortals still with a few games left to play.

Lynne Southwell is runner up in the NCDB Ladies State Singles losing to Pam Rollinson who also defeated Lynne in the Champion singles. And Lynne is not bowling badly. The ladies have the pairs and 100 up to go as well as the B Grade between our two new bowlers

Di and Judy. The men have the triples and the finals of the 100 up.

Our last dinner of Fish n Chips was well attended with most attending enjoying their meal. A couple want to try a different type of fish so we will keep that in mind for next season.

The club finally have had two advertising boards in place from two of our sponsors, Bendigo Bank and Stacey's Dental Laboratory. Other sponsors are invited to also put up advertising boards if they wish. Please contact Kevin for more information.

We still have a few books

left celebrating our 100 years of Bowls in Charlton. The history is interesting to read with many old Charlton names being mentioned. Happy to do look ups if you are unsure if your family is mentioned. It contains many photos as well.

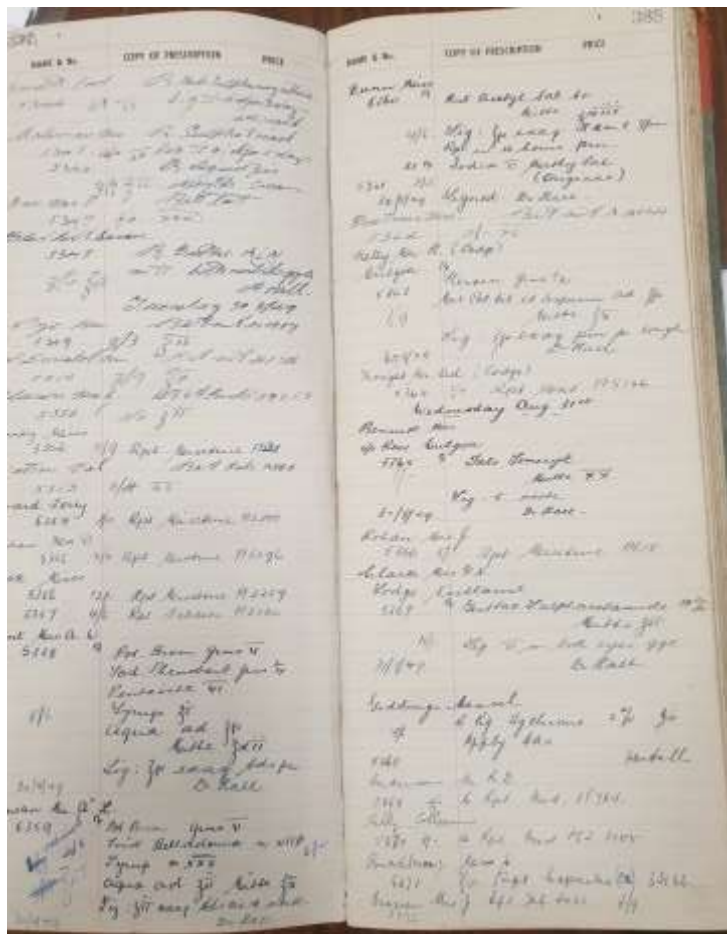
Vale George Parish who left us on 19 Feb 2020, a true gentleman who will be greatly missed by his family and friends. George was a member of our club for 60 years 4 months and 3 weeks, a gigantic achievement itself—a hard act to follow. RIP George. Condolences to all his family and friends.



Golden Grains Museum News

Hello everyone and welcome to the March update from the Golden Grains Museum. First up, thank you once again for those supporters who made the trip across to Donald for Bingo. It was good to see a few winners bring a bit of cash back to Charlton. Make a date in your diary for the next visit on May 14 to be amongst the winners.

We have had a sprinkling of visitors last month through the doors to have a look at our display of interesting local items. The museum opens on Sundays from 11am to 3pm and by appointment. Any enquiries for family history or tours use the contact numbers below.



Above: Pharmacy Ledger

We are currently researching a donated item that was purchased from a second-hand bookshop in Castlemaine. It is a pharmacy ledger dated 1948 to 1950 reportedly from the Charlton/Wycheproof area and lists hundreds of names and prescriptions that were dispensed. The ledger came from the estate of Alan Elliot who was a pharmacist working in Maldon and the Castlemaine hospital, but may have also dispensed products in our area. Please let the museum know if you have any knowledge of any of these individuals. It is a very interesting piece of medical history.

Mystery item time again. To kick the year off we have what may prove to be a bit of a challenge. Stored in a lovely wooden box this item dates back to the early 1900s. Good luck. Answer in next month's issue of the newsletter.

New members are always welcome to join our group of volunteers here at the museum. Another option to support the work is to become a Friend of the Museum. Cost is just \$20 per year singles, or \$35 for a family and entitles you to unlimited entry to the museum. Remember, before throwing those odd bits and pieces relating to Charlton away, think if they may have significance to our museum. We always welcome items relating to the town or district. Until next month.

Phone enquiries: President—Anne 0408547973, Secretary—Carolyn 0418361971, Archivist—Markus 0413129216



Above: March Mystery Item



Above: Winners are grinners. The big group of Museum friends who travelled to Bingo in Donald.

Charlton Neighbourhood House

30-34 High Street (in The Rex Theatre), Charlton Vic, 3525 Phone: 54912333



Chemical Handling Certificate

Attention all farmers, gardeners, spray contractors and groundskeepers.

Did you know the [AQF3 Chemical Accreditation](#) course (also known as "Chemical Handling Certificate") needs to be renewed every 5 years? This course focuses on upskilling chemical users on the industry's best practice methods and national standards.

We are taking enrolments now for a full day training course for those people wanting to get a new Chemical Handling Certificate or refresh their old one. Spots will be limited for this course so get in early.

Date: Friday 20th March

Time: 8:30 am to 5 pm

Cost \$350 Location: Charlton Senior Citizens Room



Table for 12

Monthly cooking classes
3rd Wednesday



There are still plenty of places in our Table for 12 courses in March and April. Each course costs \$20 unless otherwise shown. You get to eat at each course and take home some extras.

Book in now as places are limited to 12:

March 18th—Stir Fry

April 15th—Cocktail Making (\$25)

May 20th—Healthy Soups

June 17th—Quick and cheap casserole

July 15th—Wine and cheese tasting (\$25)

August 19th—Pastries
Sausage rolls, quiches

September 16th—Dumplings

October 21st—Vietnamese Rolls

November 18th—Christmas Baking

We are taking Expressions of Interest for a number of courses so if you have an idea, drop in and share it.



ALL WELCOME 

Walking Group

Monday's and Thursday's
Meet 9am at Charlton Travellers Rest

Gentle Exercise and Dancing to Music

Tuesday's 9am-10am
Charlton Gym, Davies St



Water Exercise

Wednesday's 2pm-3pm
Charlton Swimming Pool



Find us on
Facebook

Charlton Neighbourhood House

Email: coord@charltonnh.org.au Visit us on the web: www.charltonnh.org.au



A practical Introduction to the Internet of Things

An introductory course, with some background theory and practical exercises with examples from home automation, AgTech and Maker projects. The course will involve some modular electronics but mostly learning introductory coding using the Arduino Microcontroller.

Suitable for anyone with a genuine interest in technology and anyone who might be thinking of further study in this area or maybe has their own project to develop.

Date: Saturday 14th March **Location:** Charlton Senior Citizens Room
Time: 9.00 to 12 noon
Cost \$40 (includes an Arduino starter kit)

Charlton Carers Group

The first meeting of the year for this group will be held
on Tuesday 17th March
at EWS Meeting Room 1
from 2-3:30pm

Charlton Diabetes Group

The first meeting of the year for this group will be held
on Tuesday 10th March
at EWS Meeting Room 1
from 2-3:30pm

Second Tuesday Book Club

Meet on the second Tuesday of every month and enjoy a meal together and discuss any book that the members have been reading. There are no joining fees, read what you enjoy and then share your experience with the group.



National and International Day Celebrations

Join us as we celebrate the following local and National Days:

- March - Charlton Women's History
- March 15th—Buloke Women's Day Movie at the Rex
- April 3rd—10th Youth Week activities
- April 25th ANZAC Day



FREE EVENT

FRIDAY 6th MARCH
REX THEATRE
7:30 PM

Autumn's Saloon will be a casual gathering in the foyer with wine & cheese.



CHARLTON EASTER MARKET

EASTER MONDAY – APRIL 13th 2020

9-00 am – 1-00 PM

STALL HOLDER Entry is Off Learmonth Street Church Gate

Public Entry is from High or Learmonth Streets

ADMISSION FREE

VENUE: ST JOSEPH'S OVAL

- \$200-00
- HAMPER TO BE WON
- B.B.Q
- PLANTS
- ARTS & CRAFTS
- NURSERIES
- CLOTHES
- MANY MORE STALLS



SITES STILL AVAILABLE @ \$15-00 6 metres x 8 metres

CONTACT: KEVIN WILLEY 0428 911830

GARRY LARMOUR 54 911 647

DOGS ARE NOT ENCOURAGED AND MUST BE ON LEADS

Promoted by LIONS CLUB OF CHARLTON INC..

CHARLTON TOWN GARAGE & CAR BOOT SALE



Sunday 15th March 2020

8am Onwards

GARAGE SALE \$15.00

CAR BOOT \$ 5.00



Do you have things lying around your home that you don't really need, but are too good to throw out? This is the perfect opportunity to turn unwanted items into cash!

* **Venue:** Car Boot Sale at TRAVELLERS REST
Collect maps with directions to all Garage Sales

** **Please Register:** by 4th March to ensure inclusion on Garage Sale Day Map.

*** **Enquiries:** Contact Neville on 0439 375 239



TO REGISTER - PLEASE RETURN SLIP WITH PAYMENT TO:
Lions Club of Charlton Inc.
PO Box 4
CHARLTON VIC 3525

Name: _____

Contact Phone: _____

Address: _____
(Required if hosting a Garage Sale)

Summary of Items FOR SALE: _____

(Please Tick)
GARAGE SALE - \$15.00 ☐ CAR BOOT SALE - \$5.00 ☐

Timeless Treasures & Tearooms Closing Down Sale Starting 1st March, 2020 9a High Street, Charlton

All stock, fittings, collectibles & antiques

*food service items available to view & purchase, but some items may not be available for collection prior to April 30th, 2020.

To inspect items out of our normal opening hours, please call Annette on **0411 203 255**.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our fiercely loyal local patrons and travelling visitors for accepting us into your lives.

Sadly Bruce's health has forced this change (to close the business) but it has truly been a wonderful 8 year journey.

And yes we will be staying in Charlton!

Bruce & Annette

DEATH

PARISH – George

A dedicated and long time playing
Member (over 70 years)
of the Charlton Wycheproof Citizens Band.
George will be sadly missed by all our members.

Our warmest thoughts to Dawn, Anne and Kelvin,
Jenny and Ross, Terry and Fiona, Sue and Peter,
Lisa and Tim and your families.

*From the members of the
Charlton Wycheproof Citizens Band*



COMING in APRIL

FAMILY FUN WITH SPLASHTEST DUMMIES

REX THEATRE - Sat 11 April 2pm

The award-winning circus troupe "Splashtest Dummies" are bringing their highly skilled performance to Charlton's Rex Theatre for an Easter Saturday matinee on 11 April at 2pm and it's going to be a laugh-filled afternoon of action-packed silliness and slapstick entertainment!

With a water theme the audience can expect the unexpected, but rest assured, getting soaked is not on the cards!

Jack Coleman, Simon Wright and Isaac Salter are three highly skilled circus performers who showcase a stunning array of the highest jaw dropping acrobatics, juggling and stunt work, and their 2020 Victorian Tour follows three years of sell out seasons at Edinburgh Fringe Festival's Underbelly, as well as touring USA, Hong Kong, South Korea, China, Ireland and the UK.

Armed with pool noodles, a giant beach ball and a huge bubble machine, the Dummies turn the theatre into a volleyball court, beach, bathtub and an underwater paradise. There are bubbles, water pistols and epic immersive action!

Full of laughs and plenty of surprises, this world-class troupe will display a brilliant array of catch-your-breath stunt work, acrobatics, juggling and the side splitting, slapstick comedy for which the dummies are famous. New to this production is the inclusion of unicycles, incredible magic tricks and inspiring puppetry.

Proudly supported by Creative Victoria, and Regional Arts Victoria tickets are just \$15 and can be booked online at rextheatre.org.au/live-shows.html or purchased from the Charlton Neighbourhood House (03 5491 2333) 34 High St. Charlton.



Charlton RSL Sub-branch held its annual meeting on 21 February, the annual financial statements and annual report were circulated and adopted and office bearers were elected as follows: president Gordon Risk; vice president Bill Young; secretary/treasurer Bill Freeman, with Ken Jones as past president.

Anzac Day, the One Day of the Year, is on a Saturday this year. Our commemoration will follow past years, with wreath laying at the Cenotaph, march to the Shire Hall and ceremony at the hall, followed by refreshments at the RSL clubrooms. Details will be advised in the April newsletter and advertised in the North Central News and the Buloke Times. Anzac badges and other items will be sold in the week prior to Anzac Day; please support our efforts.

We have been asked, can family of veterans lay wreaths at the cenotaph, join in the march and wear their parents or other relatives' medals. Our answer is a resounding YES! We encourage family of veterans to join us for the commemoration. Remember that medals which are your own are worn on your left; medals of family members are worn on your right.

Family of veterans can join the RSL as affiliate members; again, we encourage them to join and we will welcome them as members. Please contact Bill for details and application forms.

Bill Freeman; Charlton RSL Sub-branch secretary/treasurer. 5491 1000.

Meeting and Deb Ball Notice

The Friends of E.W.H.S. Charlton Campus are having their first meeting for 2020 at 2pm, 6th March in the meeting room at E.W.H.S. Charlton Hospital. We are looking for new members to join our group to assist in fundraising for our local hospital to help with the comfort of the Aged Care Community and our wonderful nursing staff.

We also wish to invite the Charlton and surrounding communities to join with us in celebrating with our Senior Charlton College students at our **2020 Debutant Ball** which will be held on the **1st of May 2020** at the Charlton/Buloke Shire Hall.

Pre Ball Tickets will be available at the Hospital, Charlton Pharmacy and from raffle ticket sellers.

Hoping you can support our only major fundraiser for the E.W.H.S. Charlton campus.

Donations of cakes and slices would be appreciated for supper on the night.

Thank you and hope to see you all there.

Rosemary Hackett
Secretary
Friends of the E.W.H.S. Charlton Campus
Ph 5491 1607
Mob 0487 147 430



REX THEATRE



CHARLTON

30-34 High St Charlton 3525

T: 03 5491 2333

boxoffice@rextheatre.org.au

www.rextheatre.org.au



COMING ATTRACTIONS March

Movie Prices: General Admission \$12 Members \$10 VIP Members FREE



JUST MERCY M 136 mins | Drama

Sat 7 MAR 8pm
Sun 8 MAR 2pm
Tue 10 MAR 8pm

Just Mercy shadows world-renowned civil rights defense attorney Bryan Stevenson as he recounts his experiences and details the case of a condemned death row prisoner whom he fought to free.

CHARLTON PLAYGROUP

FRIDAY
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13th



FRIDAY
MARCH
13th

Girls Night Out

From 6:30 pm

Contact Abby 0438072385 or Chloe 0400140489
to book tickets.



A BEAUTIFUL DAY IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PG 109 mins | Drama

Sat 14 MAR 8pm
Sun 15 MAR 2pm
Tue 17 MAR 8pm

After a jaded magazine writer (Matthew Rhys) is assigned a profile of Fred Rogers, he overcomes his scepticism, learning about empathy, kindness, and decency from America's most beloved neighbour.



THE PROFESSOR and THE MADMAN M 125 mins | Drama

Sat 21 MAR 8pm
Sun 22 MAR 2pm
Tue 24 MAR 2pm

Professor James Murray begins work compiling words for the first edition of the Oxford English Dictionary in the mid 19th century, and receives over 10,000 entries from a patient at Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum, Dr. William Minor.



MISS FISHER and THE CRYPT OF TEARS M 101 mins | Mystery

Sat 28 MAR 8pm
Sun 29 MAR 2pm
Tue 31 MAR 8pm

After freeing a young Bedouin girl, Shirin Abbas, from her unjust imprisonment in Jerusalem, Miss Fisher begins to unravel a wartime mystery concerning a priceless jewel, an ancient curse and the truth behind the suspicious disappearance of Shirin's forgotten tribe

SPLASHTEST DUMMIES

CREATIVE VICTORIA REGIONAL ARTS VICTORIA DUMMIES SHOW

Sat 11 April 2pm
Tickets \$15
Bookings: rextheatre.org.au
03 5491 2333

CHARLTON PLAYGROUP

PRESENTS

FRIDAY
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Girls Night Out

STALLS, RAFFLES & MUCH MORE

Charlton Playgroup are hosting their annual "Girls Night Out" fundraiser held at the

Rex Theatre Charlton.

A fun filled night including movie, stalls, raffles & much more. Bring your mum and girlfriends and enjoy a night on the town.

AUSTRALIA DAY
AWARD RECIPIENT
"EVENT OF
THE YEAR"
2019

Movie: Bombshell

Date: Friday 13th March

Time: 6:30pm for
shopping stalls,
8pm movie starts

Cost: \$20 paid prior to day
\$25 on the day.

Tickets available from:

Charlton Newsagency or
Chloe: 0400 140 489
Abby: 0438 072 385

Payment can be made via
Cash, cheque or bank deposit
(contact us for account details)



Badminton in Charlton for 2020.

There will be social hits on Tuesday
nights 31st March & 7th April at 7:30 pm.

Even if you have not played before, come along and meet people and have some fun while exercising.

It is all played at the Charlton Indoor Stadium, Davies Street on 5 courts. (Charlton College grounds)

Junior Badminton For any new beginners we are having a come and try on Tuesday 7th April at 1-30pm (second week of the school holidays). Juniors will start on Tuesday 14th April, straight after school (3:15 pm). Juniors minimum age is 9 years old by 31st December 2020, or in Grade 3.

Ladies Badminton will start on Friday 17th April at 9 am, playing on a ladder system. All ladies and little ones most welcome

Annual General Meeting The Annual General Meeting for all players, including junior parents, and Friday morning players will be held at 7:30 pm on Tuesday 14th April, to be followed by a social hit.

Night Badminton There will be a social hit on Tuesdays 31st March & 7th April at 7-30pm. The AGM as listed above on 14th April, and the Ladder Competition to commence on 21st April. All these nights start at 7:30 pm and are usually finished before 10 pm. To be eligible for night competition, the minimum age is 14 by 31st December 2020.

Names to Brian or Rae, or to the Charlton Newsagency.

Any questions phone Brian 0437756672 or Rae 0437093672



CFC Auxiliary (Kiosk)

AGM

Thursday March 5th, 2020

7.30pm

Charlton Park Complex
Meeting Room

Please come along and
support your clubs.

Please forward apologies to:

Kylie Fitzpatrick 0408 609 087 or
Katelyn McIntyre 0439 658 690

Jarrah Fox Mills



Born: 14th January 2020

Mum: Lori Mills (Byrne)

Dad: Darren Mills

Sibling: Shepherd

Grandparents: Brendan & Marie Byrne
Cynthia & Brian Mills (South Africa)



THE GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL is seeking volunteers to help with the Charlton Collection throughout April. We are looking for people who would be happy to take part in the Fire Truck town collection on **Tuesday 7th April** and **Wednesday 8th April 2020** from 5.45pm for approximately 1 hour.

Whether you wish to walk or run, come along for a fun and fulfilling evening that helps make a difference to the kids of The Royal Children's Hospital. We also are seeking volunteers to help sell Raffle tickets leading up to Easter for The Good Friday Easter Raffle.

If you are interested in helping out please drop in to the Charlton Neighbourhood House or contact the Area Coordinator, **Bree McPhee**, on **0418582155** for further information.



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Victorian Eyecare Mobile

A visiting Optometrist and Optical Dispenser will be visiting

Charlton Monday 6th April

Donald Tuesday 7th April

Victorian Eyecare Mobile is committed to providing the highest quality eyecare and eyewear.

Eye Examinations are Bulk Billed to Medicare or Veteran Affairs.

Testing for:

Dry Eyes Sore Eyes Cataracts Glaucoma
Blepharitis Eye Strain Diabetic Retinopathy
Macular Degeneration

To make an appointment please call

0436 005 012 or email

admin@victorianeyecaremobile.com

World Day of Prayer

10am

March 6th

St Martin's Anglican Church

Cuppa to follow

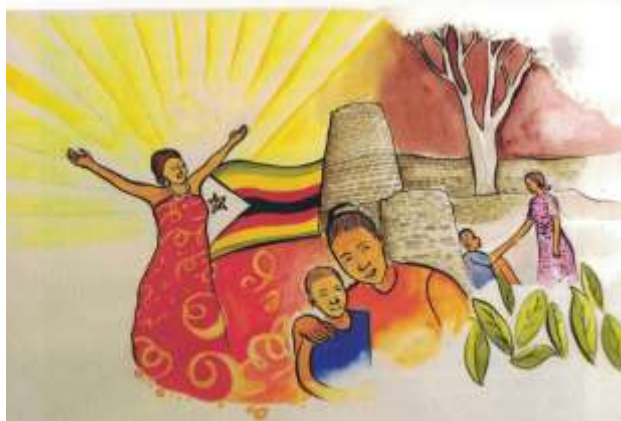
The country this year is Zimbabwe. Bill & Joy Freeman will be the guest speakers as their son-in-law is a Zimbabwean.



World Day of Prayer 2020

ZIMBABWE

Rise! Take your mat and walk!



**All Babies, Toddlers, Pre-Schoolers &
their Parents/Carers are Welcome**

Charlton Playgroup



**Monday's during school term,
9:30-11am**

**At the Charlton Maternal
Health & Playgroup Building,
Armstrong St**

Indoor &
Outdoor
activities

FREE for 2020!

Please bring a piece of fruit to share for Morning Tea.

For further information please Call:

Abby Mulquiny 0438 072 385

Lauren Riley 0409 195 462

2020 Charlton FNHC Draw

Rnd 1 April 18 v Wycheproof Narrarport (H)
Anzac Day Weekend
Rnd 2. May 2 v Sea Lake Nandaly Tigers (A)
Rnd 3. May 9 v Wedderburn (H)
Rnd 4. May 16 v St Arnaud (A)
Rnd 5. May 23 v Boort (H)
Rnd 6. May 30 v Donald (A)
Bye June 6
Rnd 7. June 13 v Birchip-Watchem (H)
Rnd 8. June 20 v Wycheproof Narrarport (A)
Rnd 9. June 27 v St Arnaud (H)
Rnd 10. July 4 v Wedderburn (A)
Rnd 11. July 11 v Sea Lake Nandaly Tigers (H)
Rnd 12. July 18 v Boort (A)
Rnd 13. July 25. v Donald (H)
Rnd 14. August 1 v Birchip Watchem (A)
Rnd 15. August 8 v Wycheproof Narrarport (H)
Rnd 16. August 15. v St Arnaud (A)

1st Semi Final: August 22.
2nd Semi Final: August 29.
Preliminary Final: September 5.
Grand Final: September 12.



**Would you like to speak to one
of your local Buloke Shire
councillors?**

Cr Bronwyn Simpson will be available
at the Charlton Neighbourhood House
between **11am and 1pm** on
Wednesday 11th March 2020
and **Wednesday 8th April 2020.**



Cr Bronwyn Simpson

PO Box 1

WYCHEPROOF VIC 3527

www.buloke.vic.gov.au



Phone 1300 520 520

Mobile 0436 914 253

Email crsimpson@buloke.vic.gov.au

DONALD BINGO!!
**Charlton Museum
Fundraiser**

Thursday 14th May

Thursday 10th September

Thursday 12th November

***Other days to be advised**

Leave Charlton at **6:30pm** for eyes down at 7:30pm
(Donald Golf Club). Names to Glenda Litton, Sue Walsh,
Anne Kenny or Carolyn Olive. Cost is \$5 per person for the
bus.

This was a fun and enjoyable fundraiser for the museum in
2019 and we look forward to your company this year.



**CHARLTON ANGLING CLUB INC
FISHING COMPETITION**

Where: 'The Rocks', Tammit Station, Wemen - 2 DAY
COMPETITION

When: Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th March 2020, 7am start Saturday

Weigh in: Anytime throughout the weekend via the Executive.
Final weigh in, raffle & presentations 6pm Sunday.

- All members to register by placing their name on the registration sheet via the Executive at the river prior to fishing
- Fishing can be anytime over the two day competition
- Photos of fish beside a measure will be accepted as proof of capture, if catching & releasing
- Photos/fish to be presented by fisher when weighing in to qualify
- Juniors allowed to weigh in Carp
- Longest fish & longest bag for the weekend will be added to yearly aggregate
- Max & Betty Bartlett Memorial Shield up for grabs; Entry \$10/person, winner takes all.

Entry fee: Adult Members \$5.00. Junior Members \$2.00.
Yearly Club Memberships available \$10 adults, \$15 family.

For more information:

President: Alan Nicolson 0417 386 787

Secretary: Geoff Nicolson 0417 388 652

**All new and current "fisherpeople"
welcome!**



St Martin's Messenger

March 2020 Service Times—Come Join Us

March 1	11 am Holy Communion	First Sunday in Lent
March 8	10 am Morning Prayer	Second Sunday in Lent
March 15	11 am Holy Communion	Third Sunday in Lent
March 22	11 am Visit to Uniting Church	Fourth Sunday in Lent
March 29	No service	Fifth Sunday in Lent

Charlton Aged Care Church service: Note: No service in March. The next service will at 11am Good Friday 10th April.

Enquiries: Reverend Judi Bird 0435 593 359

Taking one day at a time - we all get a chance, every day, to start over or to re-set again. The morning comes bearing gifts of renewal, redemption and a change to start over again. When we see the sun rising up over the horizon, it announces a new day, which brings with it the promise of revival. Moments like these remind us that life goes on. Each morning we also have a chance to make a new decision about how it goes. We may not get everything right but if we try each day we are closer to our result. And it is not about being perfect – perfection is never what we can really achieve – instead it is progress. When you stop trying to be perfect and embrace progress OVER perfection – you free yourself to welcome the promise of the morning. Each new day reminds us that we can try again, try to be better, learn to forgive ourselves and embrace the gift that each day is. Each day an opportunity to progress our lives with the assurance that God's enduring love gives us. Every day and in every way.

Isaiah 43:18-19 ¹⁸"Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. ¹⁹See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland."

North Central Garden Club

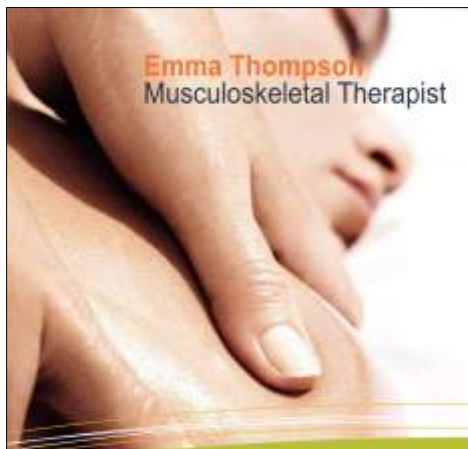
Members set the syllabus for the coming year at the February meeting.

The March meeting Tuesday 24th will be a visit to Liz Dunstan's garden. People intending to go must contact Bernice Kenny 54911334. You will be travelling by car leaving Travellers Rest at 1.30 pm.

The Club meets at the Lions Lodge, Camp St on the 4th Tuesday of the Month unless otherwise advertised. New members are most welcome.

A guest speaker will be at the April Meeting. June will be the annual plant auction, a mystery trip in July, Annual Meeting September. Open Gardens will be Sunday the 11th October. To be advised—a coach trip in October. November will complete the year with an evening meal.

Enquiries. Bernice 54911334, Maretia 0447 912 183, Sue 0407 140 336.



Emma Thompson
Musculoskeletal Therapist

Musculoskeletal Therapy treatment is modeled around soft tissue therapy but can incorporate a number of other techniques including: Dry Needling, Cupping, Muscle Stretching, Joint Mobilization, Myofascial Release, MET and Lymphatic Drainage

Contact Emma or follow the online link below to find out more or book your customised Musculoskeletal

Charlton Massage Clinic: 3 High Street Charlton
Emma Mob: 0439 447 798
<https://bookings.nookai.com/bookings/location/>

EVENING APPOINTMENTS
EFTPOS AND HICAPS

East Wimmera Parish—St Joseph's Church

Mass Times:

Mass Times

Sat. 7 th March	7:00pm	Sun. 15 th March	8:30am
Sun. 22 nd March	8:30am	Sun. 29 th March	7:00pm
Sun. 5 th April	10:30am		
*Weds. 4 th Mar.	10.30am	Mass at Charlton Aged Care	

Charlton Uniting Church

1 st Sunday	11.00 AM	U/C to St. Martin's Anglican.
2 nd Sunday	10.00 AM	Worship team.
3 rd Sunday	10.00 AM	Worship team.
4 th Sunday	11.00 AM	Minister.

Our church welcomes anyone interested to attend worship services and fellowship over morning tea following.

We visit St. Martin's Anglican church on the first Sunday of the month at 11.00 am. 2nd and 3rd Sundays, 10.00 AM and 11.00 AM on the fourth Sunday followed by a shared lunch and fellowship. We warmly welcome any newcomers to our town. Contacts: Bev Turner 54911377, Gill Gretgrix 54011308, Joy Freeman 54911000.

There will not be an Up-Market day in March, next one will be June.

Thank you to all our readers and all who help with services each week.

We are appreciative of Rev. Jon Watson's ministry monthly and to lay persons when they are asked to assist – we also thank Jan and Harold Flett who lead our worship at times. Many of you will remember one of our lay ministers, Barry Baker who passed away recently and our prayers are with his widow Carol and their family.

Charlton Friends of the Red Cross

Recently, 69 evacuation centres were set up in the devastated bushfire areas and Red Cross folk, Janet Stafford, Jenny McGillivray and Joy Freeman were on hand to listen, comfort and continue to give one on one support as people locate family members in some of the worst affected areas, take stock and work out what to do next.

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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Fishing Comp (See notice)	Senior Citizens Bingo, 2pm	Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm Senior Citizens Cards, 1:30pm	Lions Mixed Dinner Meet- ing at Lodge, 6:30pm Bowls Triples Medley, 12pm	Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm	Probus Meeting Girls Night Out	Bowls Fish & Chips at Club 6:30pm
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Lions Town Garage Sale Charlton Cup	Senior Citizens Bingo, 2pm Bowling Meeting, 8pm CWA Cabbarita, 7pm	Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm Senior Citizens Cards, 1:30pm	Lions Business Meeting	Mens Shed 1pm - 4pm Rotary Meeting		Café Culture
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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