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Henty Community News



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Greater Hume Council election results

Following the recent local government council elections, Greater Hume Council are happy to welcome back many returning Councillors and excited to see some newcomers join the table for the next four years.

The results of the Greater Hume Council elections are:

North Ward

- Ben Hooper
- Brian Liston
- Annette Schilg

West Ward

- Matthew Hicks
- Ashley Lindner
- Jenny O'Neill

East Ward

- Kerry Morton

- Lea Parker
- Tony Quinn

The outcome of the Constitutional Referendum is that the Ward system is to remain within Greater Hume Council.

At the Council meeting of 9 October 2024 Mayor, Cr Lea Parker and Deputy Mayor, Cr Ben Hooper were elected.



Above left, Cr Ben Hooper, Deputy Mayor and right, Cr Lea Parker, Mayor.

Photo : Greater Hume Council.

Bike plans making tracks

Progress has been made into developing a BMX and mountain bike track on the Henty Government Dam site and Henty Local Health Advisory Committee wants further input from future users.

Members of Henty LHAC met representatives of Greater Hume Council to begin developing plans for the site, which was originally regenerated by an enthusiastic band of volunteers more than 25 years ago. Henty LHAC identified more bike-riding opportunities as part of its target of providing more activities for young people from Henty and district.

The site has the potential to provide a suitable space for a BMX and general bike track and people who have previously shown in-

terest in this idea or those who would like to now come on board are invited to have a say.

The Government Dam is located between the town silos and the Bucki Creek and can be accessed via the picnic area across from the Myoora Hostel.

Mick Broughan from Henty LHAC would like to hear from people who have ideas on what a track should feature and how to make it user friendly for all sorts of biking activities.

Mick welcomes all ideas and is happy to meet with anyone on site to discuss this further. Contact him on 0447 293 286.



A great career start in Henty

The staff, residents and patients of Henty Multi Purpose Service (hospital) will bid a sad farewell early next year to Jess Harris and Gabby Riki who have worked at the MPS as assistants in nursing for the past two years.

Jess and Gabby originally came to Henty MPS for their first-year university placements and loved it so much, they stayed. Now graduated, Gabby is off to Canberra as a registered nurse and Jess has secured an RN position with Albury-Wodonga Health.

Congratulations to Jess and Gabby on your career success and thanks for starting your nursing journey in Henty.



From left to right: Jess Harris and Gabby Riki.

Proposed Heritage Museum for Henty

The February/March 2025 edition of Henty Headerlines will include an article on plans for a proposed Heritage Museum in Henty.

Stay tuned!!!

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Christmas Hamper Appeal

The Uniting Church in conjunction with local schools and Greater Hume Council is seeking support for our local families this Christmas

A Christmas Hamper Appeal of healthy non perishable items is running until December 11.

A Giving Box is at the

Henty Library where items can be donated

Library hours are Tuesday – Friday 1.30pm – 5pm

All items will be given to local families in time for Christmas.

Thank you for your support – Jen Whitlock 0429818657 or contact library staff.

Please donate non-perishable items

Food, baby products, toiletries, hygiene items etc.

Collection box at Dale's IGA, Henty.

Items donated to CARE-VAN and local food security groups.

Project supported by Dale's IGA Henty and CWA Henty

Christmas 2024 Church Services and Carols in the Park times

Churches	Time and Date
Anglican:	24 th December – 7:30pm @ Culcairn 25 th December - 9:30am @ Henty
Catholic:	24 th December – 7pm @ Culcairn 25 th December – 9:30am @ Walla, 11am @ Henty
Lutheran:	23 rd December – 7:30pm @ Pleasant Hills 24 th December – 7:30pm @ Henty 25 th December— 8am @ Culcairn, 9.30am @ Henty
Presbyterian:	24 th December – 6:30pm @ Henty
Riverlife:	24 th December – 6:30pm @ Henty
Uniting:	24 th December – 7:30pm @ Culcairn

Christmas Carols in the Park

Sunday December 22, 2024

- 5.30pm: Lions BBQ with children's entertainment
- 7.30pm: Christmas Carols



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Race that stops a Men's Shed

Masses of fresh roses and a flurry of fascinators set the theme for a special Melbourne Cup lunch in Henty.

The venue was the Men's Shed, seemingly an odd spot for such frivolity, but looks can be deceiving, for the shed hosts four special lunches throughout the year.



There was a moment of quiet in the shed, shattered by an enthusiastic, "There's the winner". The lunch was held in the shed that Life Member, Edwin "Ed" Knight, had been instrumental in its construction.

The masses of roses were from bushes he had "planted, pruned and cosseted" over his years in Henty.

The bubble of noise became a crescendo as the horses crossed the line, which resulted in a win – after the stewards checked the photo - for Knight's Choice.

More than enough suggestions for those attending to "be on a winner".

Winners came in many forms; the fascinators, the empty plates and the "chatter" of conversation were indicators of a great Christmas party to come.

Are you eligible to become a JP?

Justices of the Peace (JPs) are volunteers appointed by the Governor of New South Wales. The primary roles of a JP are to witness a person making a statutory declaration or affidavit, and to certify copies of original documents. JPs come from all sections of the community and are available across NSW.

To be eligible for appointment as a NSW Justice of the Peace (JP), you must:

- be at least 18 years of age
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- be an Australian citizen or a person who is entitled to vote at a general

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- be of good character
- not be an undischarged bankrupt.

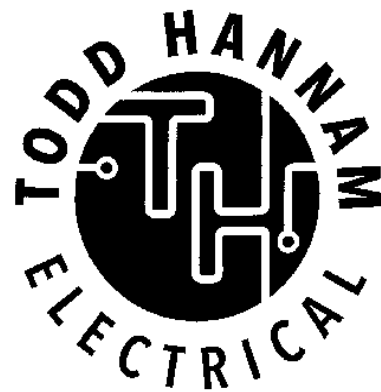
To find out more about eligibility and character, you can read the "Guidelines on the appointment of Justices of the Peace: assessing eligibility and good character" issued by the Attorney General at the NSW Government Communities and Justice website - <https://dcj.nsw.gov.au/legal-and-justice/legal-assistance-and-representation/justice-of-the-peace.html>



The catering was done by the members and guests, who all make contributions to boost the occasion.

One happy person at the buffet commented, "There are some great cooks in Henty".

It may have been the running of the prestigious Melbourne Cup, but the bubble of conversation was good to hear, and it wasn't until 10 minutes before the running of the race that it was noticed that the TV hadn't been turned on.



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Grandparents Day 2024

31 October 2024

NSW Grandparents Day celebrates the contributions grandparents make to their families and communities. It recognizes the diversity of grandparent's relationships and the roles of older people in our community.

Henty Library celebrated Grandparents Day on Thursday 31 October having local photographer Leanne Bickley from Leabic Photography take photos of grandparents and their grandchildren in the library reading books and creating craft, our families received a complimentary photo to keep.

Christmas Food & Gift Appeal

11 November – 16 December 2024

Henty Library will again be taking donations of non-perishable food and gifts to provide hampers to those in need at Christmas time during office hours.

Christmas Craft

During the month of December children can call into the office during office hours and make a fabulous Christmas decoration or Christmas card at our Christmas craft table.



All Staff Day

Henty's Customer Relations Centre and Library will be closed on Wednesday 27 November 2024 due to Council's annual All Staff Team Building and Training Day.

Christmas Closure

Henty's Customer Relations Centre and Library will close from 5pm on Tuesday 24 December 2024 and reopen from 12pm on Thursday 2 January 2025.

Greater Hume's Australia Day Celebrations

Sunday, 26 January 2025
at Henty Recreation Grounds, Henty
8am for Breakfast, 9am Official Ceremony commences.
This is a FREE event.

The Australia Day celebrations include the Australia Day Breakfast, Australia Day Ambassador's address, Citizenship Ceremony, presentation of Citizen, Young Citizen, Sports Person/Team, Sports Volunteer, Volunteer and Community Event of the Year and presentation of School Citizenship and Local Awards.

Shade will be provided. Please bring chair, rug, sunscreen, hat and insect repellent.

AUSTRALIA DAY
IN GREATER HUME

Henty community invite you to stay on for the family fun activities to be held after the Australia Day Ceremony:

- Live Music by 'The Rivereens'
- Kids Entertainment
- Local RFS Display
- Pickleball and Walking Football Demonstrations
- Local Car Club Displays

Our Ambassador

Will be announced in December.

For more information please contact - Emily Jones, Tourism and Communications Coordinator
 0448 099 536, ejones@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au.

2024 Greater Hume Australia Day

Citizen of the Year
Allison Scott, Henty

Young Citizen of the Year
Tahlie Weston, Henty

Sports Person/Team of the Year
Lucy Grills, Holbrook

Sports Volunteer/s of the Year
Jada Murphy, Henty

Joint Community Events of the Year
Festival by the Sub, Holbrook and Henty Streetscape 2023

Pic Tahlie Weston, Allison Scott and Francis Fifield, Henty



Have yourself a Mary little Christmas

Shouldn't that be have yourself a merry little Christmas, you ask yourself? Nope. I want you to have a Mary little Christmas this year. What does a Mary little Christmas look like? Well it comes from a story Luke records in the Bible.

Luke tells us that one-day Jesus and his disciples were travelling and they came to a village and there they met a lady named Martha who welcomed Jesus and opened her home to him. Martha had a sister named Mary who decided to sit at the feet of Jesus and listen to everything that he said, once he arrived.

Straight away Luke paints a picture of two different sisters. Martha was the responsible one, always volunteer-

ing, always making sure everything is in place. She is one of the 20% of people who do 80% of the work. She is the one who would make sure people are welcomed and cared for. Mary on the other hand was different. She wanted to know Jesus. Instead of being busy with activity, she wanted to know what Jesus came to do. She sat at Jesus's feet which is a symbol of attention and respect.

But then on one day, Martha became agitated. She was distracted by all the preparations. Eventually she went to Jesus and said "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!" Effectively she was saying to Jesus that things were get-

ting too much and Mary won't lift a finger to help. And Jesus replied "Martha, Martha, you are worried and upset about many things, but only one thing is needed. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her."

The one thing that is better, the thing that is needed is to see Jesus and to listen to him. That's the thing we all need to choose. And when we do it will never be taken away from us.

Too many of us at Christmas are like Martha. We run here there and everywhere. We cook, we clean, we tidy up. We make all these preparations and try to welcome everyone. We run ourselves off our feet and we miss the whole point of Christmas which is Jesus. What makes Christmas what it is, is Jesus. If you took Jesus out of Christmas it be would be like giving a present to someone, only for them to open it and

there is nothing inside.

So this Christmas why don't you do a Mary? Why don't you look into what makes Jesus so special? What is it exactly that causes this celebration every year for the last hundreds of years. Why is this Jesus, who came into this world nearly 2000 years ago so special? And why is Jesus the only thing that is needed? As you answer those questions you will begin to see that the greatest gift anyone can give us is Jesus and that is what God has done. You will also see what a joy and a blessing it is sit at his feet and listen to him.

So will you this year have a merry or Mary Christmas? Mary chose what is better. Will you?

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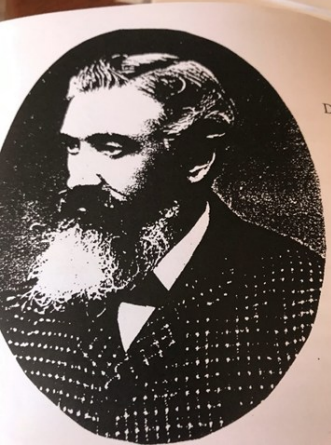
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Henty History — Part 1 of 3

A journey from Liverpool in England on December 5, 1858 to Melbourne in Australia on February 28, 1859 by David Renshaw, Bruce Whitlock's great-great-grandfather, scripted from his actual diary:



Leaving Liverpool on board the "Ocean Chief" David sailed through storms and roaring winds with waves running mountains high. It was a wretched time for women and children below deck, but worse for the men being drenched by waves and sliding on their backsides from one side of the ship to the other. The smashing of crockery until nearly all was broken, the doors and boxes banging, the constant shouting of orders allowed little time for sleep.

As the ship travelled into a warmer climate a great show of porpoises pranced by. Whales and birdlife were often seen. Albatrosses with 9-10 feet wing

spans hovered over the vessel and a huge iceberg one mile off the bow frightened the passengers as had it hit the ship in the dark all would have been lost.

At night the waves glided past the vessel with phosphorescent lights glowing in the moonlight. A beautiful sight were the great rocky cliffs projecting out of the sea while spectacular sunsets glowed at Tenerife where David hoped to post a letter home to Scotland.

The passengers thought there would be a mutiny after a fight broke out between the English, Irish and Scots. The captain however became involved and put four men in irons. A few days later a boat was lowered from the side of "Ocean Chief" because some Spaniards were selling oranges, nuts and figs which were very cheap.

The passengers enjoyed a plum pudding for dinner on Christmas Day and a first rate potato pie. They sailed with a fine breeze. It was a splendid panorama, sailing at 10-12 knots.

Services were held regularly by the captain and some passengers. Hymn singing was a great joy.

Travellers were wishing each other the compliments of the season though the rain came down in torrents during the hot and miserable day. The ship could only move at 7 knots.

On Monday January 2 "Ocean Chief" crossed "the line" so some steerage passengers had some fun making a donkey out of sheep skins, carried a lantern and went around the vessel singing "Speed Bonny Boat." The next day many

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flying fish were seen. That night the captain, with some first class passengers, acted a play called "Belle the Barmaid", which caused much laughter.

After being scorched by the sun all day the passengers enjoyed an 8 knot breeze in the evening. The following morning David went on deck early to see the first mate throwing a rope overboard with a hook on the end holding a large piece of pork, 8 or 10 pounds in weight to catch a 9 or 10 foot shark. It took two hours for a successful outcome and all enjoyed the meal.

Other sights were whales, albatrosses and hundreds of other birds and an iceberg.

On the roughest night

since sailing "Ocean Chief" lost two sails on January 26 with main sails snapped in half, but two weeks later the vessel was becalmed for three days.

David's voyage continued with regular descriptions of the ocean, sea life, birds, ship's activities and sightings of other vessels and land. He always noted the knots per hour travelled and the services held on deck.

On February 23, Melbourne came into view so preparations for unloading carpet-bag and boxes began. David was surprised to see tall buildings and long wide streets with hundreds of cabs driving up and down the city area. Things were very expensive and many were out of work. David stayed in Melbourne for one week before he headed for Sandy Creek.

Dashing fundraisers pass through

Perhaps we tend to take for granted that familiar sight in Henty; rain, hail or shine... our faithful postman in his high visibility vest delivering our mail on his trusty, distinctive red motorbike.

The Variety Postie Bike Dash constitutes six, hard days of riding for kids in need. The various Variety Postie Bike Dash goes off the beaten track, often off the bitumen, travelling through the bush and countryside, stopping in at rural towns and schools along the way.

Recently, a group of these riders stopped off in Henty for a lunch break before continuing the next leg of their journey.

This year, one of the participants, Dylan Smith took part in the fundraising event which began and ended in

Lilydale, Victoria. He stopped for a photo, appropriately, outside the Henty Post Office, riding for the 11th time in the event! All will have covered an impressive 1,500 kms. through Victoria and NSW regional areas by the time they returned home.

Over the past 10 years, the Variety Postie Bike Dash has collectively notched up well over 13 million kms: showcasing the enduring commitment of the 'Dashers' mounted on their CT110 postie bikes, that have come along for the rides, the participants having qualified, been approved... and paid a hefty registration fee. This event is staged every year; the routes located in various locations and areas, as is the epic Variety Bash for cars and their crews!

The Postie Bike Dash has raised more than \$2 million over the past decade for Variety – the Children's Charity NSW/ACT, and Variety hopes to raise \$250,000 from the 2024 event to support kids who are sick, experiencing disadvantage or living with a disability.



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Students help out

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and servicing toilets, gate entry, and parcel pickup.

The volunteering program is not compulsory, but is encouraged as it gives students important experience and helps out community groups achieve their fund-raising goals. The Field Days says thanks to the students who volunteered.

Lions' Christmas raffle on again

On Saturday morning, October 26, the township of Henty was a hive of activity. The annual Lions Town Garage Sale was underway. The event had

been widely advertised on noticeboards in Henty and nearby towns, at the entrances to town, on radio over several weeks and on social media.

The day dawned fine and sunny. There were vendors' stalls lining Sladen Street selling plants, jams and sauces, cakes and slices and a myriad of household items. The CWA had a stall with scones, jam and cream and other baked items. Forty sites in all across the township had set up stalls selling their surplus items; bric-a-brac, shed tools, car parts, saddles and even two sulkies. During the morning there was a constant stream of people surveying the various wares. Most vendors were pleased with their sales and the number of visitors seeking a bargain.

and 20, 10am till 4pm. Tickets are \$2 each or three for \$5. The raffle will be drawn on December 20 at 4.00pm and the winner will be notified as soon as possible. The prizes can be delivered within 15km of Henty if necessary.

If you would like to donate a gift to help Lions in this project, please leave it at Dales Electrical Store. Please ensure that items are in good order and food stuff is well in date. As a guide, please ask if you would be happy to receive your gift donations as a Christmas Raffle prize.

Lions Christmas cakes and puddings are now available at Dales Electrical and from Debbie at the Post Office. They will also be available for purchase at the Christmas Stocking Stalls. Those who have tried these items will attest to their taste and quality.

Continuing the Christmas theme, the Lions club will be conducting a sausage sizzle before the Carols in the Park. They will be serving sausage sandwiches and soft drinks from 5.30pm on.

Come along and join the pre-carol activities, experience the atmosphere and share a light meal with friend.



The next project for the Henty Lions Club will be Christmas Stocking Raffle. Lions members will be selling tickets outside Dales IGA on Friday December 13

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- The community for providing articles.
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Can you volunteer?

As always, we are looking for volunteers to help with articles for the newsletter, folding the newsletter and also editing and publishing. No particular skills are needed.

If you would like to help, please contact the Henty Customer Service Centre and Library 6929 3779.

End of year heralds change

It is Term 4 already at St Paul's. Hard to believe, but as the days become warm and then hot, and the roads fill with headers and trucks, it sinks in.

The new Kinder students have been excited to join in with the others for their transition days and look keen and ready to start their formal learning journey. Themes for transition have been Old McDonald Had a Farm, Monkeys, The

Rainbow Fish and Dinosaurs. Everyone has enjoyed the special activities.

The whole school has been involved in peer support sessions. As part of their leadership development program, all the Year 6 students plan some collaborative activities, which they then teach to a small group of K-5 students. The activities have ranged from checkers, a treasure hunt, puzzles, balloon races and even an escape room. Each week the groups rotate so that they have a chance to be involved in all activities.

A big evening was on Tuesday, November 19 to thank parents for their hard work in support of St Paul's Lu-



theran School. The parents amaze and delight with their commitment and support to the school and their children.

Plans are underway for the graduation and awards service to be held on December 10 at St Paul's Lutheran

Church at 6:30pm. The school would like to say a big thank you to the Henty Community for all the support towards the night. It means such a lot to have the community involved. The school is excited to have Justin Clancy MP and Ben Hooper, Deputy Mayor, attend and present awards. Other awards will be presented by generous donors who have agreed to encourage our students to pursue excellence in education as Year 6 students transition to the next stage of learning.



Henty Show Society going online

Henty Show Society Inc is going online.

Like many other shows the Henty Show Society has joined Show Day Online. We will be sharing more information soon. But do not des-

pair, we will still have our Show office at the Show Grounds and you can still put your entries in with us personally on Thursday February 6, 2025 10am- 5pm and Friday February 7, 2025 10am- 7 pm.

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Meet Ella

Ella Baker has just moved to Henty and she wants to help Henty to get moving.

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Her skills can help you improve pain management, build functional strength, knock minutes off your best marathon result or allow you to get up out of the recliner rocker to make it to the bathroom on time.

Employed by Wodonga-



based Brighter Tomorrow, Ella is available to work with clients in Henty and district and she works with older adults including home care package recipients, NDIS participants, veterans/DVA clients, athletes (that includes footballers and netballers) or anyone who needs to improve their movement.

Contact Ella through Brighter Tomorrow on 0480 799 249 or email at admin@brightertomorrow.com.au.

Alternatively, you can ask

your doctor for a referral for exercise physiology at Brighter Tomorrow.

Wraps on way to refugees

Two thousand wraps are off to Syria and 3,000 to Romania to be distributed to refugees from Ukraine. Bangladesh has also received many.

Australian charities Lou's Place, Cuddle Bundles, We Care Connect, Neami National, Our Love Indigenous Corps, Sydney Children's Hospital and Newton Mission have requested lots of wraps.

A request had been received from Palliative Care at the Prince of Wales Hospital and for a shipment to the Philippines next February.

Spotlight continues to deliver wraps to Sydney for which

the WWL organisation is very grateful.

Henty has donated 87 wraps with more waiting for despatch. Sadly knitting wraps has come to an end at Myoora. Thank you Pam Green for what you have done over many years. Pam still has other knitters supplying her with 25cm squares for joining together. If you would like to join in Pam can even give you some 8 ply wool.

To read the latest news about wraps catch up with Facebook or Instagram. You can even join an online knitting group.



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- **Management of Chronic diseases** and care plan as well as referrals to allied health.
- **Allied Health:** inside our practice, we have regular/Monthly Dietitian, Diabetic Educator, Podiatrist, Audiologist (beside our referrals to our local physiotherapist and chiropractor).
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- **Work related injuries** assessment and certification/Work Cover.
- **Pathology/Laboratory Centre:** Opened daily for fasting and non fasting blood tests and histopathology.

Australia's pioneer farm history to come alive

A pioneering spectacle is set to jump off the history pages in January when one of Australia's biggest private collections of vintage headers are fired up to harvest a southern NSW wheat crop.

In a scene reminiscent of the 1920s and 1930s, the working display of 27 tractor drawn vintage headers harvesting the wheat will be a sight current generations may have never witnessed.

Pleasant Hills farmer and vintage header collector Kerry Pietsch wants to give young, old, rural and urban people the chance to see, hear and smell living history.

Mr Pietsch said the Warrangong Vintage Harvest Day on Saturday, January 11 would be a one-off with no plans to hold it again.

"It will be a scene not witnessed in the Australian bush for generations and will give a unique insight into how our forefathers farmed a century ago," he said.

Kerry, as the principal of the Warrangong Heritage Collection Incorporated, is staging the vintage harvest day on his Pleasant Hills farm, as a follow up to his highly successful vintage harvest day held in February 2014.

The vintage harvest day will feature an array of restored

and working harvesters, winnowers, strippers, chaff cutters and tractors, harvesting a 15ha crop of the heritage wheat variety Ford.

His collection spans a stripper, headers and harvesters, including horse drawn, PTO and self-propelled machines – of every make and model, jockeying for space in an ever-increasing number of sheds.

The collection ranges from a horse-drawn 1902 David Shearer Maker's Mannum stripper to a 1980 John Deere 1051 PTO header and includes Kerry's favourite, a fully restored US manufactured Cockshutt once belonging to his uncle.

Kerry concedes he was born in the wrong era and enjoys nothing more than harvesting on a machine open to the elements.

The collection also includes a homemade header comprising a Gleaner crawler tractor converted to a harvester with planks of wood on the tracks to help with traction in wet conditions. It featured two gear boxes – one to drive the tractor and one to operate the harvester.

A centrepiece of the vintage harvest day will be a restored 1925 Sunshine Auto Header which was designed by Henty's own Headlie Shipard Taylor and marked its cen-

tenary in 2024 at the Henty Machinery Field Days.

With gates opening at 8am, the demonstrations will get underway at 9am.

"This day will be very special as 95 per cent of young people have never seen any of these headers operating," Kerry said.

"They only ever see modern machinery with air-conditioned cabins – on these old machines you are sitting out in the dust, chaff and hot

sun.

"Vintage machinery enthusiast Kevin Elphick will provide talks throughout the vintage harvest day, while lunch and refreshments will be for sale.

Entry fee is adults \$22, concession \$18, children 12 to 16 years \$10 and Under 12 free. Tickets available online or at the gate via card only.



Send message of hope to Ukraine

Postcards to the Front was founded by three Ukrainian ladies shortly after Russia's invasion of Ukraine in February 2022. The idea of sending messages of support and encouragement to the front line defenders has spread out across Australia.

Defender personnel, including mechanics, drivers, cooks etc receive postcards or care packages. Each bit of happy mail makes a huge difference to the psychological well-being of the front-line defenders. Your support makes a difference.

So far 25 packages have left Henty for Ukraine.

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Birds galore for walkabout

More than 60 people aged from eight months to over 80 years old now know much more about the Doodle Comer Swamp after the Eastern Riverina Landcare Group's first ever Wetlands Walkabout.

Supported by BirdLife Australia, the event was led by

BirdLife's Ben Humphries who told the eager new birders to identify birds you need to listen to the sounds they make and then look at the bird, its behaviour and its habitat.

The Doodle Comer Swamp is the largest wetland of its type in southern NSW. It is



Go and have a look for yourself. Enter the swamp via Henty Sandbank/Swamp Road (behind Sweetwater) or, if you prefer to sit and watch, check out the bird hides which are accessed via the Henty Walla Road (turn into Diffeys Road and then Listers Lane – look for the signs).

an ephemeral wetland considered of high significance for supporting a wide range of endangered animal and plant biodiversity. While it currently is not holding water, many species of birds still visit during spring as part of their migration patterns.

The birds opposite were spotted in a 20-minute period during the October event.



Magpie-Lark	Rufous Songlark	Superb Parrot
Straw-necked Ibis	Little Corella,	Striated Pardalote
Little Friarbird	Laughing Kookaburra	Eastern Rosella
Magpie-lark	Grey Shrike-thrush	Little Raven
Eastern Rosella	Australian Magpie	Galah
Noisy Miner	White-bellied Cuckoo-shrike	Crested Pigeon
Rufous Whistler	Sacred Kingfisher	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike
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Greater Hume Children Services Family Day Care is thrilled to celebrate 30 years of unwavering commitment to our local communities.

From the beginning in March 1994, when the service was known as Hume Billabong Family Day Care, the journey has been one of growth, resilience, and dedication. The Service began with just eight Family Day Care educators serving Jindera and other small communities within the Hume

Shire. Over the years, Greater Hume Children Services has faced and withstood numerous challenges and changes within the early childhood education and care sector. Today, Council is proud to have expanded significantly, now boasting 57 educators who provide high-quality Early Childhood Education and Care to nearly 500 children each week.

Over the past three decades, Council's childcare services have evolved to meet the

changing needs of our communities. Educators have incorporated innovative educational methods, embraced diversity and inclusion, and adapted to the latest health and safety standards. Our dedicated educators and staff, many of whom have been with Greater Hume for years, are passionate about early childhood education and development. They work tirelessly to create engaging and supportive spaces where children can explore, learn, and grow.

This remarkable growth and continued strength in the Family Day Care services are testaments to the dedication

of the educators, the trust of the families, and the support of our communities.

Thank you to everyone who has been a part of the Greater Hume Children Services Family Day Care journey. Council looks forward to many more years of supporting and nurturing the children and families in our community.

Greater Hume Children Services Family Day Care celebrated this milestone on Saturday, 16 November at the Greater Hume Children Service Family Day Care Hub, 1132 Burrows Road, Lavington.

A tape measure with white, yellow and red sections?

The tape measure has been run around fellows at the Henty Men's Shed, which is continuing its work to help men with their health.

In the past month members, and some partners, took part in a free health survey organised among the border Men's Sheds.

Members from Henty, along with some members of the Culcairn Shed, took part in a voluntary survey to determine their health risks.

It was "no joke" for some - who discovered their waistlines were putting them into "dangerous territory". The Australian Men's Shed Association has teamed up with the Movember Charitable

program, to help change the face of men's health.

The members shared their men's health story, both positive and negative, and we all know too well, men's health doesn't just affect men.

It starts with men, and then ripples through families and communities - even health systems and economies feel it.

That means we've all got an experience about yourself or a mate feeling unheard or dismissed by a health professional, finding it difficult to get an appointment with a GP, not having access to services locally, or friend-

ships that are rocked when another man dies too soon.

There's a saying that goes, "a society grows great when old men plant trees in whose shade they shall never sit."

There has been a bit of planting around the Henty Shed, and it doesn't matter if its tree that shades the car, or the garden bed that produces the next crop of strawberries, or the fresh herbs to top a summer lunch, they are all contributing in some way to better health.

The shed's mission, and that of the Men's Shed Association, is to work together to change the face of men's health.

The collection of beards and moustaches at the shed have expanded because of Movember.

Your real-life stories make up the reality of men's health. Sharing gives us a louder voice when advocating for change, and for more government action around men's health issues. Two minutes is all it takes.

We want to hear your unique stories - the good, the challenging, and everything in between. So don't hold back.

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Next Step a concert thrill

Harlan Candy is part of The Next Step disability support group that is a local group that was established by Dylan and Rachael Harrison a few years ago. Harlan has a condition that affects his sight and hearing. Dylan had noticed that there was a real need around our local area for a service that was easily accessible for our many local young people that needed support. His business has boomed around our area and people love seeing these young people out and about in our community living their best lives and spreading their infectious personalities.

When Harlan's favourite band announced that they were touring Australia perhaps for the final time, The Next Step team thought that they couldn't let the opportunity go by. They purchased two tickets for Harlan and gave them to him for his 16th birthday in August. Harlan said it was the best birthday gift ever. He counted down the days until September 24 when he got to go to his first ever concert. Harlan travelled to Melbourne with Daniel Hore-Smith (aka Baz) who works for Dylan, his brother, at The Next Step.

Here is Harlan's story of his trip to see Parkway Drive.

"Baz and I left Henty at 9 am on Tuesday morning. We went to Albury to get Baz's tyres changed so while the tyre place was changing the tyres Baz and I went for a walk and had a look in BCF and Anaconda. We then walked back to the tyre place and Baz paid for his new tyres.

"We then drove to Melbourne and Baz pre checked into the motel, so when we got to Melbourne we could go straight to our room. We checked out our room and then we got ready for the concert.

"We tried to find a place to eat but we had no luck, so we ate at John Cain Arena. We both had chicken and chips because that's all they had!

"Then we listened to "The Ghost Inside" for one hour then we went into a sensory room for about 10 minutes to chill out for a bit. We then went back into the Arena and listened to "I Prevail" for 1.5 hours. We then met up with a mate of Baz's, Jimmy McRorie, who was also at the concert. We went to the Merch stall and I bought a Parkway Drive singlet for \$60. Then we went back in to listen to my all time favourite band, PARKWAY DRIVE!! It was AMAZING!!

"As I sat in my seat I could feel every drum beat IN MY

BODY!! I could feel the heat off the fire coming from the stage. I could smell the gun powder from the flame crackers exploding on the stage. During the song "Darker Still" they opened the roof and it was raining lightly which was really cool!! Baz explained things to me as it happened because I can't see, and the coolest thing was the drummer was in a cage thing which spun around and he was inside it playing the drums, even when he was upside down!!

"I sang my heart out to every song. I could hardly talk by the end of the concert!! Baz and I had the best time I've ever had in my life!

"It was 12am when we got back to our apartment and I was very tired but it was very worth it!! Thank goodness Jimmy was there to drive us back to our apartment so we didn't have to



walk anymore!!

"We got up early and drove back home.

"Thank you, Baz and Dylan, and my Next Step family for the tickets to PARKWAY DRIVE, I will never forget it! Thank you to my amazing family, I had the best time ever! I have the greatest gift of having all you guys in my life!"

Written by Harlan Candy

Rod tells of his hands-on career

Probus met at Henty on October 9 and welcomed new member Rod Taylor. He became the first five-minute speaker for the day and told of the danger of a red haired person getting skin cancers and their removal.

Rod had been an apprentice motor mechanic, with lots

of beaches and surfing, and then on to boat building and then to Telecom. Next he went to Tasmania doing labour hire work and to study Bachelor of Fine Arts majoring in sculpture, with postgraduate in

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teaching with visual arts and cross trainer in industrial arts of wood work and metal work. Rod taught in Culcairn and Albury before retiring and travelling as he chooses.

The second five-minute speaker was Daphne Hannam, who told of her adventures in Vietnam, with lots of walking in lots of heat and humidity and

much bravery to cross roads. Hotels were luckily air conditioned at night.

The group of 20 tourists went to Cu Chi Tunnels where 10,000 people lived during the Vietnam War (10 years from 1965). Then on to factories where workers affected by the results of Agent Orange became visible with generational loss of limbs and other abnormalities. The workers made beautiful pictures

from silk and using egg shells and sea shells. Everyone worked.

Daphne told of being taken by small punts to see hundreds of monkeys living among cliffs. Did sound like a very happy time.

After morning tea, Libby Draper Smith introduced Faith Rogers on being your best person. Faith spoke on smiling, finding what makes people happy, walking, finding a hobby, feed-

ing ourselves well, making plans for the future, and volunteering in the community, all to help one's own mental health. Daphne presented Faith with a token of thanks, the Probus pen.

Kevin has raised the possibility of coffee mornings at various towns and Yvonne has people from the media, wanting to know about the beanie festival. Will we do it again?

Old wares focus of gathering

At the November Probus meeting, Yvonne was president for the day, Joyce was on piano and Steve brought along his saxophone, so there was a stirring National Anthem, music to wash morning tea dishes and even the Probus song.

Yvonne spoke of knitting poppies to enhance Anzac and Remembrance days, and there is now a junior CWA in Henty as well as coffee mornings at Henty Bakery on second Tuesday of each month at 10.30am to encourage friendships among Probus people.

The five-minute speaker was Robyn Elliott, who told of farming and playing polocrosse in state

teams and working on stations.

Margaret introduced the meeting to Lisbeth Souness, who spoke about the interesting collection of old items brought for discussion.

There were time pieces and Mary Gregory glass pieces, silverware, and a dainty silver handbag, as well as an antique of the future to do with the America's Cup.

Members learned about documenting the knowledge to go with the pieces, and that the value of antiques is cyclical.

Cleaning items can remove patina and value. There are sites on the internet and lots of books in libraries for more information on an-

tiques.

Dianne presented Lizbeth with our Probus pen and thanked her for a most informative session.

The next Probus meeting will be Wednesday, December 11 at 11am at Henty where there will be a Christmas style lunch.

There is also a meeting in January, the second Wednesday of the month at

Henty Community Club at 9.30am for a 10am start and advised that Henty-Culcairn Probus will be celebrating 30 years in 2025.

Probus says thank you to the many helpers who make sure the venues are ready, newsletters are printed and lunches are served.

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