

Headerlines

Henty Community News



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Australia Day 2025

A perfect summer's day ensured a special Australia Day celebration at the Henty Recreation Ground.

The theme for this event was – Reflect. Respect. Celebrate. The MC for the event was Cr Brian Liston.

Some of the highlights of the ceremony were the Raising of the Flag by Harlan Candy and the wonderful address given by our Australia Day Ambassador, Mr James Pittar. James, who despite suffering from a genetic disorder called Retinitis Pigmentosa which causes a degeneration of the retina, he has accomplished many sporting achievements including swimming the English Channel, New Zealand's Cook Strait and the Bering

Strait. Other addresses were provided by Pastor Graham Klemke, St Paul's College Captains Mr Archie Frohling and Miss Jessica Martin and the Mayor of Greater Hume Council, Cr Lea Parker. Apologies were received from Ms Sussan Ley, Deputy Leader of the Opposition, and Mr Justin Clancy MP, Member for Albury.

The Henty Singers led the singing of the National Anthem Advance Australia Fair accompanied by Cathy Coe.

Congratulations to Ms Alison Crilly and Miss Alana Rickard, two residents of Greater Hume, who became Australian citizens following the official Australian Citizenship Cere-



Australia Day 2025 Citizen of the Year winner Mrs Alison Schuster.

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Presentation of the awards were made by the Australia Day Ambassador, Mr James Pittar along with the 2024 Citizen of the Year, Mrs Alison Scott and Mayor Lea Parker.

Nineteen nominations were acknowledged across the award categories of Citizen of the Year, Sports Volunteer of the Year, Sports Person/Team of the

Year, Volunteer/Group of the Year and Community Event of the Year. The awards celebrate the achievements and contributions individual nominees and organisations make in our community.

Congratulations to the following award winners and nominees:

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It's show time

Welcome to the Henty Show Society's Annual Agriculture Show on Saturday February 8. You can purchase your tickets online for a discounted \$10 per person. Gate entry on the day is \$15. Children under 12 are free.

Online entries can be made at showday.online. The show office will be open on February 6 and 7. The show committee is looking

forward to taking your entries online and in person. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the secretary Monica on (02) 6929 3219 or hentyshow@gmail.com or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/HentyShow.

At the show there will be something for everyone. Not only can you enter in one of the many sections,

there are competitions, rides, sideshows and entertainment to guarantee you have a fun day out. MC Steve Bowen with his co-compere Mel will be taking us through the day supported by Overtime Duo in the afternoon.

Local schools have a friendly competition to win a perpetual trophy and this year the theme is community and for the first time the schools have their own presentation room. It will be fascinating to see the community through the eyes of its younger members.

The dedicated barbecue team will be working hard to serve the most delicious meals and the bar is right next door. Have a sit-down meal provided by local community groups while checking out the photography section. While waiting for the main pavilion to be judged, check out what else the show has to offer. Take a carriage ride drawn by Clydesdales, starting at the western gate.

There is pickleball demonstrations and a dance

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Citizen of the Year – Mrs Alison Schuster (winner)

The other nominee for the Citizen of the Year was Dr Glen Mobilia.

Community Event of the Year - Brock Burrum Big Freeze and Walla Walla Lutheran Church Centenary (joint winners)

The other nominees were: Festival by the Sub, The Bald Archy, Henty Creative Gallery Beanie Festival and Talkin' Tough.

Sports Person/Team of the Year - Mr Ashley-James Bender (winner)

The other nominee was Miss Lucy Grills.

Sports Volunteer of the Year Award - Ms Debbie Mills and Mr John Mullavey (joint winners)

Volunteer/Group of the Year

Volunteer – Mr Andrew Kotzur, Mr Colin Barrett and Mrs Kerry Small (joint winners)



L to R: Mr Andrew Kotzur, Mr Colin Barrett and Mrs Kerry Small.

The other nominee was Mr Anthony Phillis.

Below are the School Citizenship Awards:

School	Student
Billabong High School	Miss Lilysh Retalick
St Paul's Lutheran College	Miss Jaiah Disher
Brocklesby Public School	Miss Gracie Buckingham
Burrumbuttock Public School	Miss Taylor Hawkins
Culcairn Public School	Miss Maddison Lloyd-Wilson
Gerogery Public School	Miss Mollie Cornell
Henty Public School	Mr Charlie Chambers
Holbrook Public School	M Lachlan Saunders
Jindera Public School	Mr Isaac Thompson
St John's Lutheran School	Miss Molly Ginnivan
St Joseph's Primary School	Mr James Thomson
St Patrick's Primary School	Miss Heidi Hulme
St Paul's Lutheran Primary School	Miss Zoe Lieschke
Walbundrie Public School	Mr Dylan Phillips
Walla Walla Public School	Mr Ashton Jacob

Group – Holbrook Meals on Wheels Volunteers and Rural Care Link Op Shop Volunteers (joint winners)

The other nominee was Walla Walla Newsletter Team.

A Special Youth Award – Youth Empowerment Award – was awarded to Miss Lucy Grills

Community Recognition Award - Narelle and Jason Morey and Sales IGA Henty



L to R: Narelle and Jason Morey.

Special thanks to the Henty Lions Club for providing a delicious breakfast and Feed the Soul for the wonderful lunch.

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event by Henty School of Art. Watch the Doggy Dash with chaos on four legs. The dog jumping is a fan favourite. There will be nine rings of horse events and this year the Clydesdales and heavy horses are returning. There will be sheep and cattle sections, a poultry section, wool, junior judging and more ploughing events. For those with rhythm there is a weighted hula hoop contest and for those with muscles a tug-a-war. The "old" favourites whip-cracking and sheaf-tossing are back

And what would the show be without the much loved baby show, show boy/girl competitions, a Show & Shine and vintage machinery displays. Wander through the main pavilion

and checkout all the amazing entries. There will be rides and side shows, a rock climbing wall, the rocking bull and more.

Please be advised that

there are sections where waivers need to be filled out and the committee recommends people also read the rules and conditions of entry as the committee of the

show society is not to be held accountable for entry errors.

Have a great day at the Henty Show.

Can anyone remember 'Chinaman Jones'?

Recently, I purchased a tiny block of rural land on the outskirts of Henty, just to the south of the Buckaringah Creek to the east of the Olympic Highway. It has a dilapidated old hut located on it, which used to be the home of a Chinese market gardener known by Henty locals at the time as "Chinaman Jones" or "Chinaman Charlie".

A good customer of mine, Peter Cochrane, was born in Henty in 1954, went to Henty Public School and lived in the

area until he was in his mid-20s. He remembers, when he was about eight years old that is about 1962, riding his pushbike north along Railway Parade and passing what was at the time a very neat and tidy market garden. He asked his parents when he got home who owned it.

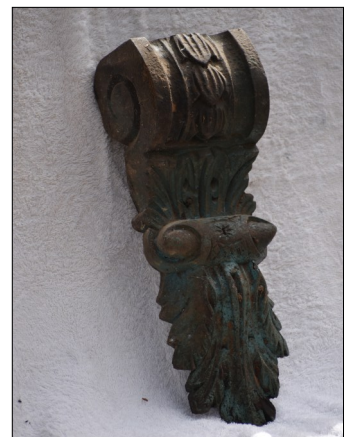
They laughed and said that it was owned by "Chinaman Jones", and that he sold fresh vegetables to the surrounding residents and the shops in town. Apparently, he died at Henty, and is buried somewhere in the cemetery. Edward Dale is going through the funeral service records for me to try to locate where he's buried. Edward says that he must have died before he took over the funeral business.

While clearing out the contents of the old hut, I discovered a wooden carving (see opposite) hidden under a pile of rubbish. It has a large nail coming out of the back of it, indicating that it was originally fixed to a wall. I think that this carving is a

stylised dragon's head. Mr Google tells us that, in Chinese culture, the dragon's head is seen as a positive symbol that brings good fortune and blessings - that it should face inwards in your house and be mounted in a north or east direction, without facing the entrance door or any window.

Can any of Henty's older residents remember "Chinaman Jones"/ "Chinaman Charlie" and - more importantly - remember his correct Chinese name?

Mark Porter



THE 119th HENTY SHOW

FUN DAY OUT FOR EVERYONE

8th February 2025

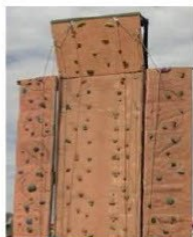
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Library News



Henty Customer Relations and Library - Events

Christmas Craft 2024 — December 2024

Christmas craft tables and card making were available throughout the month of December at the Henty Library which was enjoyed by many children.



Vacation Care Visits

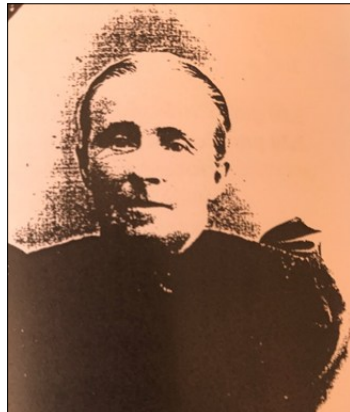
Greater Hume Council Children's Services have enjoyed visits to our Henty Library during the school holidays to read books and create craft masterpieces.

New Books

Our Henty Library is regularly receiving new books for borrowing, come in Tuesday – Friday from 12pm – 5pm and check them out.

Rough voyage to new land

Continuing the story from the last edition of Headerlines, David Renshaw's future wife, Mary Ann Bedford (great-great-grandmother to Bruce Whitlock) sailed on board the "Champion of the Seas"



from Liverpool to Melbourne in 1864, a voyage lasting 98 days.

Her voyage to Australia included much hymn singing, seasickness, mountainous high seas and dancing (including the hornpipe by sailors who also loved to sing.)

Mary's meals were roast meat and potatoes at the beginning, but sometimes only a plate of rice, nothing else. At times the seamen tried to catch fish. Once a 9ft shark was killed for food, but Mary spat hers

out. A second shark provided a hearty meal for the passengers and albatrosses were sometimes caught for food. Mary was able to collect a lot of feathers for her hat.

At times the sea was so rough that the passengers couldn't stand. Pots and pans rattling was fearful. On November 25, two jib beams were carried away by the wind. The weather was mostly hot, though when seas were calm a row boat would be lowered to the ocean and passengers rowed around the vessel.

During an awful thunderstorm one night a fire was reported and everyone panicked, mothers and children running around frantically. Passengers were "ill with fright" until the captain reassured them.

A heavy gale on October 9 saw mountainous high seas, so rough and bitterly cold that some were thrown out of bed, three sails blown down, the main mast split and the sea swamped the deck. During these rough seas sailors on deck needed to be lashed to the poop.

Accidents occurred regularly. A boy with a can of boiling water fell down steps

and was badly scalded. A man "out of his mind" tried to jump overboard and was held by five to six men and other men broke arms because of the atrocious conditions.

Births and deaths occurred regularly. On August 24, a child was put overboard at 11pm so that the burial was not seen. A young lady was also buried at sea, leaving a son and two daughters to meet their father at Melbourne.

Four Catholic priests on board shared masses, sometimes twice a day. Mary reported all sermons and Bible readings in great detail with Protestant services conducted by the Captain and some volunteer passengers.

Fighting between sailors was common. Robberies occurred over money with two passengers found with 26 pounds, half a dozen silver spoons and a pair of silver tongs. One night the doctor hit an Irish girl and when the priest complained the doctor was locked up in irons for 24 hours. Rows between matron, girls and sailors were regular and the matron was doused with water to stop her hitting the girls

Most days ladies were ordered below deck at 7pm to their cabins. They rarely

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saw the beautiful sunsets, comets seen crossing the sky, the water spouts rising from the ocean or the occasional passing vessel.

Mary often jumped out of bed because of the rats running over her. They were not pleasant things to be near.

Towards the end of the voy-

age, sailing by Cape Otway, Mary and her fellow passengers prepared their boxes of luggage, some very wet, for landing. A farewell dinner of caught fish was held in the saloon. At 9am on November 16, 1864 the "Champion of the Seas" entered the heads of Melbourne. Mary hoped her fiancé would be there to meet her.

Lolita lights up the Henty MPS

Lolita Landman loves cleaning, she loves cooking and, best of all, she loves a chat. It's these skills which make her an appreciated member of the Health-Share staff working at the Henty Multipurpose Service (Henty MPS or Hospital).

Working six days a fortnight, Lolita is one of the team who serve meals and clean for the residents and patients at the MPS.

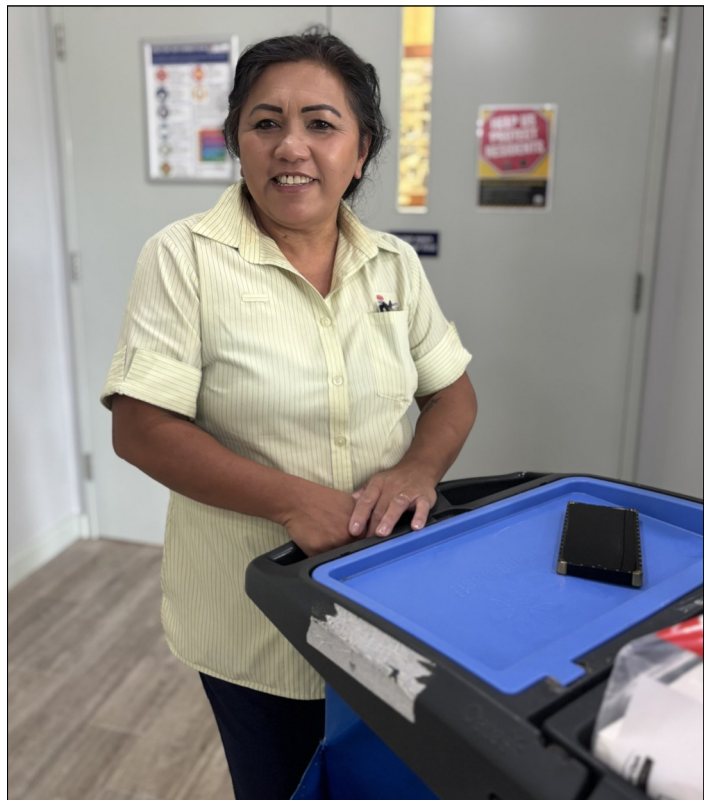
"Some aged care residents see me more than they might see their family or friends so they know all about what I've been doing or what my children (insurance industry employee Kyle and teacher Emily) are up to. I have to make sure I have updates for every time I come to

work," she said.

And she can always update the residents on life at her home town of Culcairn – Lolita is a director of the Culcairn Bowling and Recreation Club, a member of the Culcairn Museum Committee, past president of the Culcairn Garden Club and newly appointed pavilion marshal for the Culcairn Show ("they said I should only have to do that job for 20 years").

"I give back because Australia has given me a good life, much better than if I had stayed in the Philippines (her place of birth). We are very lucky to live in such a great country," she said.

Prior to working for Health-Share, Lolita ran the Billa-



bong High School canteen for eight years, worked at the Culcairn Hotel for 11 years, Culcairn Bakery for three years, Culcairn Supermarket for four years and St Paul's College as boarding house cook (not in order).

"The one thing I learnt in hospitality is no matter what is going on out the back, you always greet the customers with a big smile and I do the same here," she said.

"Henty MPS is a great place to work and we have a great team. I've set up a Facebook chat group called

CKB (Cleaning Kitchen Buddies) for the Health-Share employees and organise for us to get together once a month to go out for dinner. We have a lot of fun."

And when she is not at the Henty MPS, Lolita can be found at her "love" job – working with husband Andrew in his pump business.



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CWA helps Carevan

Henty's CWA branch ended 2024 with an enjoyable Christmas lunch at June Bahr's home. Apart from the excellent food, the highlight of the luncheon was the presentation of a 60-year pin to Marg Singe and a 40-year pin to June Bahr to recognise their contribution to the CWA over many decades. Neither Clarice Janetzki nor Connie Ross could attend the luncheon. However, Santa arranged for each woman to receive her 40-year pin on Christmas Eve day. Junior member pins were also presented to Hannah, Sarah and Emma Francis at the luncheon, with Emma responsible to ensure that oldest sister Grace received her pin.

A street stall was held on October 26 as part of the

Henty Garage Sale sponsored by the Lions Club. Using the Lifestyle Centre allowed us to serve scones with cream and jam, tea and coffee, and the usual baked goodies. The CWA plan to participate in the 2025 Henty Garage Sale as it proved to be a useful fundraiser.

The second junior workshop, focused on Christmas decorations, was held on November 23. Yvonne Booth led the session, ably assisted by Julie Parker and several of the Henty CWA members. Twelve girls participated and spent the morning making decorative Christmas trees from Readers' Digest books, Santa Clauses from red and white wool, and small triangular gift boxes made from Christmas cards. The 2025 Junior Program is being de-



veloped and will be published throughout the community. Watch for more details of these initiatives on local social media and the community notice boards in Henty's shopping precinct.

Wagga Carevan was the main charity Henty CWA supported in 2024. Through the non-perishable food drives held in conjunction

with Dale's IGA and the street stalls, the CWA provided Wagga Carevan with an estimated 30 boxes of food, a \$2,150 donation, and about 50kg of citrus fruit from Alison and Peter Campbell's farm. Thank you to every Hentyite who supported the food drives and street stalls – the fundrais-

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ing efforts would not have been successful without the community's contributions.

The Henty Show is fast approaching. So far, four CWA branches have indicated

they are entering the CWA competition by the Show. It is hoped to have two or three more entrants. Each branch will exhibit seven articles demonstrating its skill in areas such as sewing, art, cooking, floral arrangements,

knitting, crocheting, photography, and crafts of all kinds.

The CWA February meeting was moved to Friday, January 31 at 1.30 pm, at the Henty Community Club so that plans for the Henty Show could be finalised. The

second meeting for 2025 will be Friday, March 14. Anyone considering joining Henty's CWA branch should contact Janet Beverley at 0475 390 341 or Terri Taylor at 0431379 364 for more details.

Respite centre builds momentum

As we farewell 2024 and reflect on the year, we are also excited about what 2025 has in store for Henty Respite.

It was reassuring to have so many people attend the AGM in November and to hear their interest in the facilities and operations. The board is incredibly proud of what was achieved in 2024, and remain committed to

building on this momentum in the year ahead. The board will continue to expand the partnerships and foster collaborative relationships, as well as assess, adapt, and enhance how Avondale Place is utilised.

The partnership with The Next Step has proven to be mutually beneficial and the board look forward to developing the arrangements in

place further in 2025.

With all the units now occupied and Avondale Place occupied for a minimum of two nights weekly, we are pleased to report significant growth in participants' access to respite, many of whom are local.

On March 21, the board plan to hold a trivia night at the Henty Community Club. This will be run in conjunction

with The Next Step and promises to be a night of fun. Please note this date in your diaries.

In addition, there are plans to hold further events later in the year. So please keep an eye out and the board looks forward to your participation.

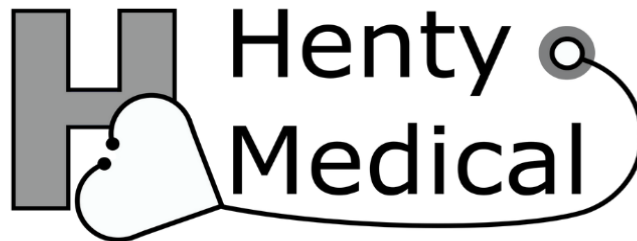
The board are extremely grateful for the ongoing support received from the community, and thank all those who continue to make this project such a success, by their donations, support, and interest.



Dr. N. Wahba

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A Museum! Why?

The Henty Museum Committee believes the town needs an attraction that will entice people to visit our town or to stop while travelling through. We need something that the townspeople can be proud of and be part of. It will be something that will encourage people to spend time and money while here, then go on to let others know what a great place it is and that it's worthwhile taking a look.

For some time a few local people have been working toward having a purpose-built museum in Henty, initially to display a collection of heritage items. The committee now believes there is a need to expand

the vision to emphasis and promote Henty as the "Home of the Header" and display an array of headers as a drawcard to complement the existing Headlie Taylor Header Museum.

This has taken quite some time to organize. The committee now has an option to move forward and present plans and details to have a purpose-built building to house the museum contents for public display.

It has been advised by Greater Hume Council that a parcel of land in the northern section of the Bicentennial Park, between the present Header Museum and the Railway Station, is available to con-

struct a significant building, subject to standard approval process. Originally the committee planned on displaying the Les Dale Collection stored in the cellar at the supermarket along with printery items from the old Chronicle building.

This being the basis of the collection it soon turned into a much bigger presentation with many offers for a multitude of historical items that were worthy of display. Many of these items are being held by their owners subject to the museum building being completed.

The committee is very mindful that Henty is the Home of the Header and the need to promote it as such. It is a "world's first" with the construction of the Headlie Taylor Header Harvester on a local property and now located in the park. This would form the basis of the promotion and with this in mind the committee hopes to display several headers within the museum complex along with the unique display of heritage items.

With a large presentation of suitable signage and sufficient parking space for cars and caravans, the committee hopes that this would be a bit of a "show stopper" that people can't miss seeing. A combination of both the header display and the museum should encourage people to stop and have a look or entice the wider district community to visit for the day.

It is proposed that the museum will encompass information and displays from the town's past, from the Aboriginal era to the rail presence, the farming and business communities, Henty Machinery Field Days, past prominent identities, items of historical significance and so on.

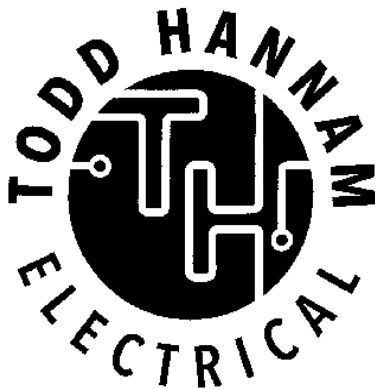
The committee has engaged the services of a project manager to assess the proposal and advise the estimated costings, present a step-by-step program that will see the building completed and advise of other relevant details that may be useful in its function.

A museum should be dynamic with a change of displays and information so that over a period of time the public can revisit and not be confronted with the same old display of items. With this in mind the committee is hopeful that it will be able to offer local people the opportunity to display some of their special items of significance, or run a theme where locals are encouraged to submit items they may have for display such as a sporting theme featuring old trophies, equipment and photos from the past, or a household display featuring items that were used in earlier times from the kitchen to the lounge to sewing machines, cameras, butter churns and the like.

Provision of a display area to show off old cars, tractors, motorbikes, stationary motors or similar may also be incorporated. The one thing that makes items interesting is the story that goes with the display item. All items should have a history of use and why they should mean something to the observer. If the museum has your item on display it needs to come with a "story".

What the committee has achieved to date is only the basis of what can be achieved and it needs a support group of people that are prepared to see this proposal to fruition. In the coming month the committee intends to hold a public meeting to present the proposal details and encourage people to become part of the

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committee and members of the Henty Museum and Header Collection group.

Soon after this meeting the committee will hold an annual general meeting to formalise the executive positions and adopt a working plan in moving forward. Locals are encour-

aged to become part of this project, have your say on what you believe is needed and assist where and when you can.

For more information please contact Bruce Whitlock, Russ Davies or Daniel Klemke regarding Header Museum details.

Susan settles at Henty MPS

The Albury health sector's loss is Henty's gain with Susan Hunter taking on a full-time contract nursing position after three years of part time work at Henty

"I chose nursing because there was always plenty of work and you could choose how many shifts or what type of work you wanted to do," she said.



Multipurpose Service (Henty MPS or Henty Hospital).

After working in various jobs around Australia as she raised her three children, Susan undertook nursing studies at Wodonga TAFE eight years ago to become an enrolled nurse.

For the first five years Susan worked in medical surgical nursing and at the Albury Cancer Centre in oncology nursing. After settling in Henty three years ago, she continued to do regular shifts in Albury while working part time at Henty MPS.

"There's a great culture at the Henty MPS and Katie leads a good team. I was getting tired of driving into Albury so I thought full-time here would be easier. It takes me two minutes and eight seconds to get to work, rather than an hour," she said.

Susan likes the diversity of work at Henty MPS, which has residential aged care, acute care and accident and emergency.

"I enjoy all of it, but it's the emergency patients who walk in through the front door who make me a bit nervous – you never know what you are going to be dealing with," she said.

"Nursing is a great career. Even though the hours can be awful, it's very satisfying and it's never dull."

And if you think you know Susan from somewhere –

she started school in Henty, doing kindergarten here before moving to Wagga. Four years ago she moved to Yerong Creek before buying a house in Henty.

Daylight Saving

A reminder that Daylight Saving ends at 3.00am (Australian Eastern Daylight Time) on Sunday April 6, 2025 when clocks are put back one hour.



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Meet the Swampies' biggest fan

Tim Spencer is a gentle and caring young man who lives on a farm at Alma Park with his Mum, Tracey, and his Dad, David. I am sure you would have seen Tim around town as he spends a lot of time in Henty with The Next Step and his other support service Aspire.

Tim is 29 and he loves cricket, footy (any sport really), Richmond, the Swampies, his family, his phone, his animals on the farm, working at the Henty Bakery and his friends at The Next Step and Aspire. Tim works at the Henty Bakery a few hours a week and takes his job very seriously. If his Mum and Dad pop in to see him he won't even acknowledge them because he is so focused on his work.

Tim was born with a condition called Rubinstein-Taybi syndrome which is a very rare genetic disorder. Rubinstein syndrome affects one in 25,000 newborns, so Tim is a very special and unique young man. This condition affects Tim's ability to verbally communicate, but he usually gets his message across. Tim communicates

with an app on his phone and iPad and he also uses sign language, but he can also get his message across very clearly with his actions. Tim is very animated when it comes to cheering for the Swampies and letting the opposition know that he isn't a fan of them. He loves to write messages to people also.

Tim assisted Daniel Hore-Smith (Baz) when he was coaching the Swampies and was a very helpful and popular addition to his coach-



L to R: Dylan, Tim and Baz.

ing staff. He has been a Swampies supporter for a very long time. He has been his brothers Josh and Todd's biggest fan while



they played footie and cheered his sister, Jodie on who played netball.

Timmy was rewarded for his contribution to the club during the 2023 footy season when Baz named Tim in the Swampies team. There wasn't a dry eye in the room watching Tim's reaction to this. It was, in

Tim's words, "the best day ever". Tim was presented his jumper by his older brothers Josh and Todd. Tim led the team out on the ground and led them off the ground after a great win. He was also named Man of the Match. This day was a huge highlight for a lot of people — seeing the club embrace and include Tim was very heart warming.

Some of Tim's favourite things are hamburgers, ice cream, cake and Tim's Tim Tam balls that he makes himself at the bakery.

Tim's heroes are his siblings Josh, Todd and Jodie and his support workers Dylan and Baz. Things that frustrate Tim are big crowds and loud noises. He will withdraw from situations like these.

If you see Tim around say hi to him and if you are in the Henty Bakery try some of Tim's amazing treats.

Henty happenings

Before Christmas the Henty Lions conducted their annual Christmas Stocking raffle. The stocking was full to overflowing with an array of beautiful items catering for all ages. There was also a basket of

goodies as second prize. The contents were kindly donated by the business houses of Henty, generous citizens and Lions members. The club is very

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grateful for the support of all these people. The raffle draw was won by Bridie Manning and the second prize winner was Hannah Kilo. Proceeds from this venture will buy equipment for early childhood organisations in Henty.

Carols in the Henty Park was a great community event before Christmas. Once again the Lions Club provided a sausage sizzle and cold drinks before carols started. It was a perfect night and the choir and musicians presenting the carols were fabulous! The winner of the Lions Club's Christmas Lights Competition was announced at the carols night. There were many excellent light displays on homes throughout the town.

The sale of Lions Christmas cakes and puddings have been excellent this festive season. The club made a donation of a selection of cakes and puddings

to Myoora Aged Care Facility to add to their Christmas celebrations!

As this publication goes to press the Lions Club and helpers are gearing up to

cook and serve breakfast at the Greater Hume Shire's Australia Day Ceremony.

118 people wrapped in Henty

There are millions of people in the world suffering from extreme cold. Wrap with Love began with the idea of helping as many people as possible by providing warm wraps to ward of hypothermia. In the past 26 years 450,000 wraps have been



sent to over 75 countries, including Australia.

Collectively 28 assembled squares of 25cm create one whole warm and sheltering wrap. They are caring gifts from the people of Australia to the people of the world.

In 2024, Henty sent 118 wraps to the warehouse in Sydney. Thanks to Alison Campbell for delivering the wraps to the Wagga Wagga co-ordinator.

Beanie festival planning

More than 50 volunteers responded to the call to help pack 1,500+ Christmas packs to then often lonely seafarers at Christmas. Stuffed koalas, drawstring bags, fridge magnets, peak caps and socks were just some of the giveaways in the packs.

A Seafarers' Welfare Fund,

introduced in 2024, was a way to deliver grants for welfare work.

Continuing to stay healthy as individuals and workers seafarers need support while in port. Operating since 1881 in Sydney the Mission to Seafarers welcomed 6,300 seafarers from over 60 nations to

its recreation centre at Miller's Point. They also visited 370 ships and transported 8,700 seafarers in their free mini bus.

Henty community will be invited to take part in 2025's Beanie Festival at a date to be announced. Last year beanies were donated to the seafarers. This year it could be someone different. Be at the Henty Craft Gallery, 12 Sladen Street, on Thursday February 13 at 6pm to contribute ideas for the 2025 Beanie Festival.

Keep mozzies away

With mosquitoes still prevalent at this time of year and the recent detection of Japanese Encephalitis Virus, Murray Valley Encephalitis Virus, and Ross River Virus within the Health District, it's more important than ever to stay protected.

Council has a small supply of mosquito repellent available for Community Groups planning to run events within the Greater Hume LGA.

If you are organizing an event and would like to take advantage of this offer, please contact Council for further information on 02 6036 0100.

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Spain and the Camino

My adventure started in September 2023 when my Mum approached me with, "My cousin and his wife are going to Spain to walk the Camino Frances, would you like to go?" My first thoughts were what is the Camino and how much money do I need? So, I did my research on the Camino – a 780km walk in which Christian pilgrims ventured on, from Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port in France to Santiago de Compostela in Spain during the 9th century. I had questions, 780km is a very long way, how much time will I need (especially when it is limited)? Will I make it? Will my feet survive? Will I get sick of walking? Do I really want to walk that far? After several weeks a decision was made, we would go, but because of time, we would meet our family half way at Leon in

Spain and walk 315km. Departure date was made for September 21, 2024.

Preparations were made during the year, boots, backpack, training (which wasn't much), limited luggage, my mind worrying about leaving my family, the plane travel (planes do not excite me at all) and leaving work.

September 2024 came around quickly and we were on our way to Sydney to fly out that night to Madrid with a short stop over at Dubai. The flight was very long, but exciting to know that we would be in another country.

Madrid is a very beautiful and exciting city. The architecture is gorgeous, and the city life is very different to the ones we know at home. There are motorbikes everywhere, the people riding them ranging from business

people in their suits, to shoppers. We enjoyed a very dramatic and enjoyable Flamenco Show and we were amazed that we were able to walk down back-alley ways at 9pm, something we would never think of doing in our cities.

We spent several days touring around Madrid then went by train to Leon where we met up with our cousins. Leon is a nice town with beautiful old buildings. We spent a couple of days there before we started our walk.

There were several different types of accommodation we stayed in along the way. Albergue's which are dorms with bunk beds housing anywhere between 5 to 24 people (boarding school days came flooding back), B & B's and Airbnb's.

The scenery changed from farmland with crops of corn, wheat and lucerne to grapevines and rainforests during the journey. It was lovely to be walking along the edge of rivers and tackling several mountains. *(See photo over page).*

We averaged about 15km walking each day with a few rest days in between. Our biggest days were 20-24km which were exhausting, but very comforting to know that the next day we could rest.

The buildings throughout Spain are all centuries old from castles to magnificent churches. The castles depicted Spain's history of warfare and defense commonly featuring thick stone walls, towers and drawbridges. Churches displayed detailed altarpieces and expansive interiors with

stained glass windows and elaborate sculptures.

The weather was very kind to us with only a few days of rain. We did meet the edge of Hurricane Kirk, however, we didn't walk that day as it was too dangerous.

We met several people along the way from various countries of the world, who were very interesting to talk to while walking. I particularly valued chatting to a lady from the Netherlands who walked the entire Camino regardless of having multiple sclerosis.

After three weeks of walking, we arrived in Santiago de Compostela along with crowds of other walkers. It was very emotional for many, although I was just happy to have completed the trek.

We spent a couple of days in Santiago seeing the sights including a service in the Cathedral de Santiago de Compostela. The liturgy included the renowned swinging of the botafumeiro, a giant incense burner. This experience for many walkers marked the conclusion and celebration of their journey.

We then flew to Barcelona for four days to finish our trip off. Barcelona is a very large city with a lot to see and experience.

It is lovely to be home now although the trip was a wonderful experience. I would love to go back to Spain and encounter more of the countryside. I was happy to walk 315km but no more than that. This trip encompassed

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many aspects such as walking and nature that I love

and spending quality time with Mum, making it a valued journey of mine.

Peta Shoemark

New faces for health committee

Henty Local Health Advisory Committee will welcome four new members to their committee in 2025, who will be formally inducted and announced on February 1. It is encouraging to know community members are interested in advocating for the community, being involved in planning, priority setting and evaluation of strategic and service planning, and providing support for improving health within our community.

To revisit the purpose of Local Health Advisory Committees, it is a vital connection between the

local community and health service activities. The local committee works with facility staff and the *Murrumbidgee Primary Health Network* representatives to identify local service needs, ways to improve access to services, and to assist in planning and development.

In updates from last year, the committee is continuing to develop the plan for a BMX track and other facilities at the Government Dam. It has spoken with members of the Greater Hume Shire and a concept plan is being drawn up for discussion.

Exercise classes at Henty gym for ladies have been an outstanding success and it is terrific to note, they are entering their third year in 2025. The committee would now like to assess the interest for a class for men, based on a similar model to

the one currently in operation.

If you are interested and would like to be part of such an event, please get in touch with Henty LHAC, or contact Mick Broughan 0428 293 286.

Healthy path to stay independent

Come to the Lifestyle Fitness Centre gymnasium in Lyne Street Henty for uplifting chair exercise sessions for seniors. It is a mixture of strength, balance, flexibility and resistance training utilising a chair and equipment. Sessions are tailored to individual physical needs and are led by an instructor, ensuring correct exercise execution and activity.



When: Tuesday and Friday mornings 9am to 10am.

Cost: \$5 per session

Why attend?

The Department of Health and Aged Care recommends completing at least 30 minutes of moderate-intensity physical activity on most days no matter your age, weight, or health condition. Participating will assist you to reach your health goals for 2025.

The advantages include increased muscle strength and tone, increased flexibility and balance and a healthier weight. Other benefits are increased energy and a reduced risk of falling to help maintain your independence and improve daily life tasks.

Enjoy a cuppa at the end of the session at the Henty Bakery.

Contact Libby Smith Draper: 0412 802844 for details.

HENTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

**Notice of Annual General Meeting
Monday February 24, 2025 at 6.30pm
Henty Library, Sladen Street, Henty**

We are seeking Community members interested in joining this Committee to support the development of projects and new initiatives.

Do you feel that there are opportunities for development or something that you think may need a change? Please come along and share your ideas. All welcome.

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New principal at St Paul's

It has been wonderful to see all the students' smiling faces as they are back at St Paul's school for the start of 2025 and ready to embark on their learning journey for this year.

At the end of 2024, the school farewelled Brad Moss as principal. This year, Anna-Marie Bothe joins the staff as interim principal. The students and parents look forward to getting to know her as she becomes part of the St Paul's community.

The school is still open for enrolments for 2025.

If anyone would like to learn more, come and have a tour or ask questions.



Feel free to contact the office for further details.



Year filled with arts and crafts

What a busy year we have had with our Craft night people making Fabric Place-mats, Lip Balms and Moisturisers, Corn Dolly's, Christmas Angels, Pop Up Cards, Bug Cans, Fabulous fabric flowers, Button Art, Rock Art, Pencil Holders, Rope Art, Microwaved Pressed Flowers, Pine Cones Art and Make you own Craft for Christmas and Resin Art which included using some of our leftover pressed flowers.

The Weekend Workshop warriors tackled Decoupage, Copper Foiling, 3D Embroidery, Koi Fish Painted and Free motion quilted.

Art Group continued with participants doing their own paintings and perfecting their preferred medium or joining in demonstrations with our resident artist in Life Drawing, Clouds, Seascapes, Native Flowers, Horses, Streetscapes and Using a Limited Palette.

We are excited to commence a new year with lots of new Art and Craft ideas being explored and created with likeminded people along with a cuppa and a chat. One of these is a workshop planned for Sunday February 23, 2025 with Di Conroy. Di is based in Brisbane and runs *Wild Woolly*, where she offers a range of services including commissioned works, workshops for all skill levels, and an online store dedicated to needle felting. Di travels across Australia, teaching the craft and promoting the beauty of Australian and New Zealand wool. *Wild Woolly* is committed to supporting local wool growers and fostering strong community connections through art workshops.

Di's work uses wool and specialty fibres to create wool paintings that explore colour

and texture in unexpected ways. Through sculpting and painting with wool, Di embraces the versatility of this ancient material to produce intricate, textured art. She draws inspiration from her love of animals, the elegance of Japanese art, the lushness of Singapore, and her Queensland garden

The workshop offers a fantastic opportunity to learn the art of needle felting while creating a beautiful, lifelike little wren. It's beginner-friendly, and you will receive step-by-step instructions and hands-on guidance throughout the process.



All tools and materials will be supplied. This includes wool mats, high-quality felting needles, wooden needle holders, pliers, and scissors. For the materials, you'll be using Australian core wool and New Zealand Corriedale wools, which are perfect for creating the texture and form of your wren. At the end of the workshop, you will have not only a finished wren to take home, but also a set of new felting skills that can be applied to future bird projects.

Henty Active Arts is a not for profit and all participants must be financial members.

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It's the Year of the Snake – according to the Chinese zodiac

The writings all say the Year of the Snake means good fortune, so that will be reflected in the excitement of January 29, the Asian New Year celebrations, in much of Asia, but also in Australia and the rest of the world.

The “fellas” at the Henty Men’s Shed were acknowledging that although they already had the Christmas and New Year celebrations, it wouldn’t hurt if they had another “bash”.

It could be an extension of Australia Day to make a four-day weekend. Wow!

It was a cheery thought as they reflected on the activities to come this year.

The members have noticed the changes that already have influenced our community. There are more people in the town and the district, and each morning the sounds of trucks and mowers seems to be getting louder.

New residents in country communities are often “surprised” that their neighbours introduce themselves and even offer assistance.

If new to Australia, or just new to a country community, get used to the idea that if people see a need and step in to help. It’s the country way.

The shed “fellas” were listing some of the things they have seen “others” do to help immediate neighbours, that “older person down the block”, or the new family with young children.

These “things” range from simply picking up toppled garbage bins, trimming

grass verges, lifting heavy shopping bags or even driving folk to medical appointments. It may be misinterpreted by folk from another culture or city, but it is the country helping a way of life”.



“Sold” signs, surveyors pegs and builders site fences popping up throughout the community show more people are moving in. The clincher to “prove” the change in the community is to go down to the main street.

If you pick the right time, you might get a car park near your destination, but if you pick the wrong time there will be nothing available in the block parking around the corner is the option.

The shelves in the supermarket also show the changes in our community. Sushi rice, pappadams, laksa paste, miso with wakame, Mexican beans and taco sauce, jalapenos,

san choy bao and coconut water.

“We even had fresh sushi the other day and were sold out before midday,” said Narelle from the supermarket.

Some folk will be excited by the list of those cultural speciality foods, while others might be confused.

At the shed, the special occasion lunches will see more international foods offered. (Open most week-

days around 10am. Weekly morning tea every Friday 10am.)

New members are most welcome at the Men’s Shed at 67 Sweetwater Drive, and if the door is open come on in.

The signs are there of a good year ahead in the “Year of the Snake”, for there are indeed new people in town and more are coming.

Service NSW Henty Mobile Service Centre visit

Service NSW Mobile Service will visit Henty on Wednesday March 26, 2025 outside of the Henty Library, 32 Sladen Street from 9am to 3pm.

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Probus celebrates Christmas

The Probus Christmas meeting was held at Henty Community Club on December 11. A stirring rendition of the national anthem, played by Steve Draper on saxophone, opened the meeting. Warren welcomed Bruce Whitlock as our newest member.

Probus South Pacific have sent a document congratulating Henty-Culcairn Probus on 30 years to be celebrated in 2025. Thought needs to be given about people standing for the many executive committee positions. Elections will be held at AGM in March.

Libby told of her favourite things, Kevin told us of

Rindercella. Gary Kenny said Grace for us ahead of our meal.

The meal was rolled turkey with roast vegetables, cauliflower with white sauce, green peas, gravy and cranberry jelly. Dessert was individual pavlovas with cream and ice cream, set off with three blueberries and a piece of strawberry, all finished off with tea or coffee.

Jeannie Kenny gave us the engineer's view of Santa. Yvonne Booth and Kate Davidson told us the story of Virginia writing to the newspaper editor regarding Santa. Beris and Daphne as Dave and Mabel gave us the Twelve Days of Christ-

mas by email.

To finish, Probus had Margaret Pumpa and a version of pass-the-parcel for adults, music controlled by Steve. It was a lot of fun.

Thank you to the entertainers and those involved in set up and clear up and to the cooking and serving people. They all contributed to a very happy day.

Everest trekker aims high

The Probus January meeting was at Henty. President Warren welcomed members and two visitors Vivien and Neil.

Alison Schuster was the five-minute speaker and told of growing up on a farm with four older brothers. Alison loved sports. The family built tennis courts, and there were tennis parties and singing around the pianola after tea. She remembers dances and being able to see the birds and wild flowers in the

swamp.

Warren presented Alison with the Probus pen as a thank you token for sharing her happy memories.

After morning tea there was music and singing and we can now sing Kookaburra Living in an Old Gum Tree as a round.

The main speaker was Daniel Hore, who came with young people from the NDIS

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support service, Next Step, with whom he works. Daniel is grandson of member Alice Hore.

Daniel has been to the base camp at Mount Everest. He turned a boyhood dream into a real adventure. The physical training involved three times per week with back pack loaded, walking at The Rock for eight months.

Members learned of the pre organising of evening meals at tea houses, mainly vegetarian meals. Sleeping bags were a necessity, and water had to be carried. Then there was learning to breathe the thin mountain air.

Probus members saw photos of the little airport and the amazing mountains, the people carrying enormous loads and the swing bridges where working yaks had priority. Daniel noted the caring and helping nature of the people and the way children valued education. School had a dirt floor with perhaps two hours of lessons and then back to work.

The walking seemed to be about 10 kms per day to the next tea house, and past Numchee village, a market town. The highest place of worship is Den Bo Che, where there were less trees and a need to drink six litres of water per day or succumb to altitude sickness.

Potatoes were grown on

farms and there were still seven or eight days of walking to get to the Everest base camp.

There has been a recycling business established to clean up after tourists and employ Nepalese people.

For Daniel this trip to Everest, guided by San Deep, had been amazing. Members heard of the terror of a plane flight in the mountains and learning to control body temperature and getting to the base camp to see 50 to 60 people in various stages of coping with the altitude.

The base camp was about minus 25 degrees and it was very easy to get frost bite. The ground was rocky and there is a memorial site for people who died on climbs.

Back at the airport before the trip home, Daniel had hot chocolate to celebrate and a need to be involved in helping people in his own community. He now wants to do walks in Australia before perhaps going back to Nepal.

Richard presented Daniel with a token of appreciation, the Probus pen

The next meeting is to be Wednesday February 12 at Culcairn. The speaker is to be a surprise for us all. Hope you will join us.



Hello from the Henty MPS

January has started off with a hive of activity here. We have several activities planned just for this month that will keep us very busy and entertained.

We are looking forward to "The little Riverina band" coming to perform for us this week. The band comprises of two brothers and a sister. They will be travelling from Cootamundra to sing before joining us for a BBQ lunch. Henty MPS is their last gig before heading to Tamworth for the country music festival.

January will also see us start to get creative and put together our art pieces for the Henty Show. Some of

our ladies have been working all year on projects to enter into the craft section. Our garden has been supplying us with zucchini and cucumbers. Fingers crossed we will have some to enter into the vegetable section.

We are lucky to have a pair of young King parrots visiting us in our garden (see below). One of our new residents was feeding the birds at his home and they have followed him for us all to enjoy. We have placed a seed ball in one of our trees for them to come and eat and a bird bath for a drink and a splash.



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