

**Celebrations at Hamilton
Park**



Hamilton Park Co-Op Ltd

Newsletter

Keeping You Updated About Your Community

Autumn 2020



Australia Day Breakfast

Congratulations Bob and Judy!

Our Local Recipients

"Volunteering is about connecting with people", responded Bob and Judy when asked what volunteering meant to them. They have been involved in many community projects, since becoming residents 14 years ago. They have been the inspiration and driving force behind the Annual Australia Day Breakfast. The couple were supported by Bob's proud Mum Lillian and his sister Julie on the day.



**Save
the
Date**



- ◆ **Thursday Luncheon Group— 3rd Thursday of the month**
- ◆ **Garden Club -4th Monday of the month**
- ◆ **Board Meetings— 3rd week of the month**
- ◆ **Working Bee— Saturday March 21st 2020 8.30am**
- ◆ **Water Meters to be read late March/ early April**
- ◆ **24th October 2020—Hamilton Park 50th Birthday Celebrations**
- ◆ **For information about:**
 - Review of Common Land Management Plan-(April-Oct '20)**
 - 50th publication and celebrations please refer to hamiltonpark.org.au**



We extend a warm welcome to:

Glenn and family, Nathan ,Steph, Abi ,Charlotte and Levi.

Kerry and Neville, Ian and Jo-Anne, Miranda and family.

We hope you enjoy being part of the Hamilton Park Community.



As part of the 50th Celebration we are publishing the events and stories that have made Hamilton Park what it is today. If you have photos and stories or would like to be like to be involved in some way, contact:

Doreen on **043755083** or conveyancing@hamiltonpark.com.au



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Christmas Festivities

A large crowd enjoyed the Christmas Party in early December with Santa making a dramatic entrance in a stretch limousine. The community centre was a buzz with residents enjoying the camaraderie in this beautiful bush setting and it was great to see so many young families present.

A special thank you to the organisers and to our awesome Santa and his little elf helper, who both interacted so well with the children.



Hello my name is Finn Vogels, when I was two and a half years old I came to Australia. I was born in Wales UK in 2006 and have lived in Australia since 2009. We lived in Wangaratta for 1 year and then we moved to Hamilton Park. I went to Glenrowan primary school from prep to year 6 and had unforgettable memories— became school captain, had amazing friends and just the vibe there was comfortable and welcoming. All my family live in the Netherlands and my dream is to at least live there for one year. Australia is a beautiful country, every person is welcoming and nice to be around, it makes everyone belong. It brings courage and passion to people's hearts. I have always been a Dutch citizen but just last year I became an Australian citizen. I am currently going to Cathedral College in Wangaratta and I am in year 8.



Street Library at Hamilton Park

I had seen Street Libraries in Glenrowan and other towns as well as reading about them on the internet. As an avid reader, I can never get enough books and have overflowing bookshelves at home. When Paul and I came up with the idea of having a Street library at Hamilton Park we initially thought we would make it from timber and arrange to have a bookshelf donated. Paul decided he would re-vamp our broken dishwasher into a water proof, vermin proof novelty street library. He cut a hole in the door and installed corflute, removed the wire shelves and replaced them with chipboard. Paul took several hours with a crowbar digging the hole for the stand. Old work boots give a quirky look on the ground. Several HP residents helped lifting it into place. I started off with a few books from my book shelf and it soon filled with books from residents. It has been very successful with the books turning over regularly, providing new books for people to read. If you haven't already seen or used the street library, it is situated in front of the toilet block at the community area.

By Gillian Anderson

Chair Report: Over summer we have enjoyed the regular events of the Christmas Party and Australia Day, both of these events were well attended and enjoyed by all. We have also endured another warm summer with little top up rain and for the gardeners of our community the supply of water has been essential to keep their gardens alive. All these things can only happen because we have volunteers who give their time and skills to work in the background on our behalf.

From all in the community, thank you for the time given, which as we all know is a valuable but scarce resource, we appreciate your efforts. Ian O'Brien.

Water storages update:



At present we are still holding around 14ML (60% capacity) in the Frank Wellman (middle) dam and another 24ML in the Dick Hamilton (top) dam, in comparison the bottom dam when at full capacity only holds 33ML. The bottom dam is now effectively empty, but we still have a large amount of water remaining with summer nearing an end. In the next few weeks we will directly transfer water from the Frank Wellman dam to the Dick Hamilton dam to maintain water for use in an emergency. ***Thank you for using our water carefully over the summer.***



VALE: Steve Wallace.

Steve Wallace was a member of the Hamilton Park Board of Management for seven years. He also acted as Secretary to the Board for four years. He was a very efficient, thoughtful and involved Board Member. When Steve spoke, members listened. His Minutes were always one hundred percent correct and we always knew there were never any amendments to the Minutes taken by Steve. He was an active member of the Friday Night group who meet regularly. You would always see Steve at all the public events held at Hamilton Park, whether it be at Christmas time or Oz Day etc. He was the one with the camera who unobtrusively took photos of exactly what was happening and then generously sent his very professional results to the person running that event. Many of the photos that ended up on the Park's website and in our newsletters came from his camera. As a Board of Management representing the residents of Hamilton Park thank you Steve for your contribution in making Hamilton Park a better place to live. (The Hamilton Park Board of Management)

Hamilton Park Australia Day Celebration

A Big Thank You to all those who were able to attend the Annual Hamilton Park Australia Day Breakfast. What a way to celebrate being Australians in the beautiful bush setting of our Community Hub, catching up with old acquaintances as well as welcoming new residents. This year is the 50th Anniversary of the Hamilton Park Community and the Australia Day breakfast is a great way to celebrate the contribution that volunteering makes to the success of our unique Community. Congratulations and thank you to our Local Achievers of the Year, Bob and Judy Shaw for the timeless hours and enthusiasm you contribute to our community. A huge thank you to those who volunteered in organising, preparing and then cleaning up the area afterwards, cooking and just generally helping out when the opportunity arose. The consensus was that brekky was delicious thank you to Dianne, Judy, Carole, Nikki and Tina. (by Doreen Wheeler)



Australia Day Hamilton Park Youth Award 2021—

The Board would like to recognise the contributions of the younger members of our unique community it has been proposed that we initiate a youth award at our Hamilton Park Australia Day ceremony.

Suggested criteria : participation in Hamilton Park events/activities. Leading/ initiating an activity Promoting / initiating activities/events for our younger members of the community. Regular contributions to our newsletter.

We welcome any further ideas or direct involvement in getting our younger members actively involved in the community.

Contact:hpboard@hamiltonpark.org.au

50th

Save the date: 24 October 2020

We will be celebrating 50 years of Hamilton Park. Join us for an afternoon of reminiscing with past and current residents.

Contact Tina Norton if you would like to attend on:
0419 880 761 or email caranorton@bigpond.com

Thank you to Margaret Butt who captured some of our beautiful bird life

The Red Wattlebird



Yellow Rosellas



Grey Cormorant



Thursday Luncheon Group

The group meet on the third Thursday of the month at various venues in the district. A great way to get to know other residents and to sample some of the local cuisine. All residents are welcome.

For further information contact Tina Norton—

Phone : 5766 2055 or 0419 880 761



Garden Club

This group of garden enthusiasts meet on the 4th Monday of the month to share their garden experiences in a social atmosphere . New members are always welcome. The next meeting will be morning tea on the 23rd of March commencing at 10am at the

home of Tina Norton . Phone: 5766 2055 or 0419 880 761



We are Smiling



As I sat, strapped in my seat waiting during the count-down, one thought kept crossing my mindevery part of this rocket was supplied by the lowest bidder (John Glenn)



I have kleptomania, but when it gets bad, I take something for it .

(- Robert Benchley)



We welcome any contributions to our newsletter - if you have a story to tell, a recipe , photos etc please share them with us , as all contributions will enhance our little publication .

Contributions may be e-mailed to : newsletter@hamiltonpark.org.au

Thank You

Recipe Corner

Lemon Melting Moments

Ingredients: 250g butter (softened)

4 tablespoons icing sugar, 1 tablespoon grated lemon rind,

2 cups plain flour, 4 tablespoons cornflour.

Method: Preheat oven to 160degrees Grease two oven trays, Cream butter with icing sugar and lemon rind until light and fluffy. Add sifted flours and mix until a soft dough is formed. Place on trays about 5cm apart. Press each one down slightly with the heel of a hand, then using a fork dipped each time in cold water mark biscuits lightly to decorate. Bake for 15 minutes. When cool join together with lemon icing.

Icing: 60g of butter, 2teaspoons of lemon juice and rind , 1 cup of icing sugar. Beat butter, rind and juice together and then add icing sugar.



The Lemon



Dishwasher Cleaner: Although you can buy dishwasher fresheners and cleaners, using half a lemon gives just as good a result. Cut the lemon in half and impale it onto one of the upright prongs inside the dishwasher. The acid in the lemon will degrease the appliance and the fresh lemon smell will linger for several cycles.

Health: The ascorbic acid contained in lemons makes them an excellent source of vitamin C, an essential nutrient required for healthy formation of bones, blood vessels and skin.