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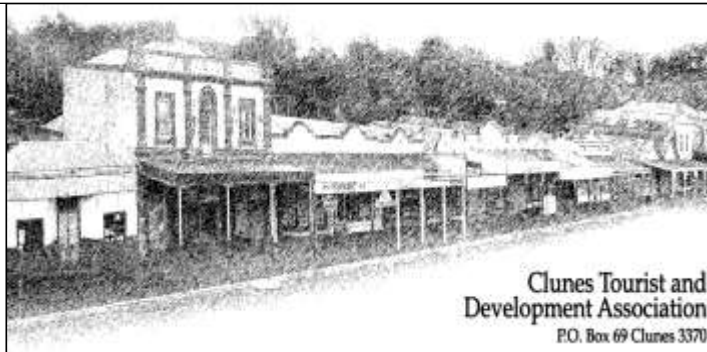
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# news

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## DRAFT COUNCIL PLAN

You can still have your say on the Draft Council Plan  
until the 6th of May, 2009.

This is a great opportunity to have some input,  
including topics such as your Neighbourhood House  
and Adult Community Education.

Kathleen Brannigan, Community Strengthening Manager  
Hepburn Shire Council Ph: **5345 8399** Fax: **5345 8041**  
email: [kbrannigan@hepburn.vic.gov.au](mailto:kbrannigan@hepburn.vic.gov.au)

## Local Opinions Needed for Rural Bus Link Survey

Residents are asked to assist the Goldfields Transport  
Connections project by completing a Rural Bus Link Survey,  
which will soon be arriving in the post. Completing the survey  
gives you a chance to win a \$200 Safeway shopping voucher.

The Central Goldfields Shire Community Bus has been  
trailing several routes since last year, running three days a week  
with volunteer drivers providing return trips to Maryborough  
from Daisy Hill, Talbot, Red Lion, Bealiba, Dunolly,  
Carisbrook, Redbank, Avoca, and most recently, Amphitheatre.

For further information call **Kristen Way** at Central  
Goldfields Shire Council on **5460 4508**.



In 2010  
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## CLUNES and DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY will celebrate its 150<sup>th</sup> Show

Research is currently being under taken for a book  
that will be published to commemorate the occasion.  
Hopefully this will record the wonderful  
history of the show.

The society is seeking your help.

We wish to obtain photographs, prize cards, minute  
books, newspaper cuttings, reminiscences etc,  
relating to past shows. Any items loaned to the  
society will be copied and returned.

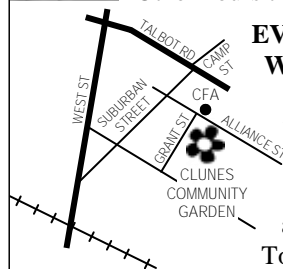
Your help is also required to assist in locating  
trophies and memorabilia from bygone shows.

Please contact  
**Robert Campbell 53 453 082**  
if you are able to assist in any way



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## NEWS

The Orchard area is being planned &  
all members are welcome to give input.  
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Clunes Community Garden is a program of Clunes Neighbourhood House

## CLUNES NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE HEALTH & WELLBEING PROJECT Yoga & Tai Chi Classes

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All beginners come to 11am session

Thanks to United Way for subsidising these classes.  
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## Back to Booktown Report

A huge thank you to all our many volunteers who have contributed so much to this year's event - before, after and during! To name all 250+ cannot be done in this limited space, but the efforts of each and every one is greatly appreciated. We also thank those who were inconvenienced by road closures and other arrangements

Over the next two weeks we will be seeking feedback from the community in a series of meetings. These will be held in the Union Bank Arts Studio as follows

- \* Fraser Street traders 7.30 Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May
- \* Community groups 7.30 Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May
- \* Volunteers 7.30 Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May

Please come along with details of any problems encountered and also if possible your ideas of a solution.

We are always looking to revise the way Back to Booktown is organized, the role of key personnel and would not only welcome, but need, fresh input and energies.

A summary of the results of these reviews and the event statistics will be published in the June newsletter.

Next column

The writers workshop, (ArtBreak), was a trial by Creative Clunes Inc to examine the feasibility of conducting cultural tourism workshops in the future. It is envisaged that over the next year we will run more of these. However for Booktown and the ArtBreaks to have a lasting effect on the Clunes economy the membership of the working group of Creative Clunes will need to grow. Please consider becoming a working member.

On behalf of the organizing committee and Creative Clunes Inc  
*Graeme Johnstone, Chair*



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## From Cairo to Clunes

The parishioners of St Paul's Anglican Church Clunes welcome the arrival of Father Nagi Habib as parish priest. Father Nagi, from a Coptic Christian background, comes with a long experience in parish work both throughout Victoria and Tasmania.

Father Nagi will be shared through the large parish of six churches and celebrate a Service every third Sunday at St Paul's every Sunday at 8.30am. The Services will be shared with lay minister Michael Cheshire to ensure a Service every week.

Born in Cairo in 1940, Father Nagi came to Australia in 1968. Egypt's population of about 72 million is predominately Muslim, with a minority of 15 million Christian.

Father Nagi and his wife Pam, have been local residents of Clunes for a number of years. People wishing to contact Father Nagi may do so on 0429 118 008.

"St Pauls is a beautiful church, steeped in history. The small congregation is most welcoming and would be delighted to have anyone join them every Sunday." said Father Nagi.

Contact: **Father Nagi Habib 0429 118 008**  
**Michael Cheshire 5345 3777**



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## Mother's Day Classic

A reminder to all those wishing to participate in the Clunes 'Mother's Day Classic' to be held on Mother's Day 10th May 2009.

Registration is available online at [www.mothersdayclassic.org](http://www.mothersdayclassic.org) up until the 1st May in the Regional Events section. Participants may also register from 10am on the day.

Adults \$15, Conc \$8, Children \$5,  
Family (2 Adults, up to 4 children \$32)  
Family (1 Adult & up to 4 children \$22)

All proceeds go towards breast cancer research

Participants please assemble at the rear of the RSL Hall at 10.30am for an 11am start

For further information contact  
**Andy Hill 5345 3351**

## CLUNES HEALTH SERVICE

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## Clunes Garden Club

**Morning Coffee Party**, Monday 4th May at 10am  
Come along and unwind after the Booktown Weekend. Cakes and plants for sale.

**June meeting** will be held on 1st June.  
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## Clunes Probus Club

The Club will meet Tuesday  
12th May at the Clunes Town Hall  
at 9.45 am.

Visitors are most welcome

In the Cameo talk, one of our  
members recounts some of their  
life which can be very interesting.



We break for morning tea after the Cameo Speaker  
and enjoy a cuppa and friendly chat.

We regularly have guest speakers from the district  
who talk on their areas of experience.

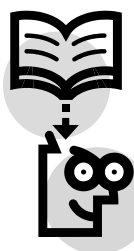
We are in the planning stage for some exciting day  
excursions in the next few months and these  
should be finalized soon.

Day Trip Enquiries: contact

**Heather** on **5345 3445** or **Kate** on **5345 3070**

After the meeting, most members go to lunch together  
where we have an enjoyable meal in good company. If  
required, transport is always available.

## BOOK CLUB



The book club  
meets on the  
**second Thursday**  
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**Contributions:** Group/Committee/Organisation/Sports Clubs.  
Please send us details of meetings and/or events.

Articles, news items, letters, happenings all welcome  
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**Submissions BEFORE 22nd of each month**

### Advertisement Rates as of May 2009

Ads will be sized as multiples of business cards  
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No Newsletter is produced in January.

## Clunes Neighbourhood House Inc

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We are pleased to announce the return of **Children's  
Dance Classes**. Darcy Till will be commencing  
classes for 2 age groups then if there is enough  
interest there will be 3 classes. This will be in the Sat  
morning time slot that Vanessa's classes were in.  
Register your child's interest now! Following the  
dance classes will be an intro to **Facebook** class—  
book now—limited spaces. **Mobile Phone** course  
has been rescheduled to May 13th which is in  
Neighbourhood House week. To celebrate  
**Neighbourhood House Week** we will be offering  
free Internet Access all week. There will be a range  
of activities throughout the week—with tea, coffee  
and nibbles on offer. Come in and say hello!



## Art & Craft Cottage Grand Opening

It's always exciting when a new shop opens in Clunes. On Saturday April 18<sup>th</sup>, over 60 people celebrated the official opening of the Clunes Art and Craft Cottage, which promises to be more than just a shop. It is a friendly, relaxing and sociable place to be. Guests enjoyed wine – provided by our local Mount Beckworth winery – as well as cheese and biscuits, sausage rolls and other delicacies.

The Art and Craft Cottage was officially opened by Janine Booth, Hepburn Shire Deputy Mayor, and local Member Tim Hayes also spoke. Both Janine and Tim commended the initiative taken by local artists in setting up the Cottage, which is run as a cooperative, and provides many people with an outlet to sell their handcrafted creations. Over \$270.00 was taken in sales on the day, and a number of people commented on the high quality of the stock. Items for sale include paintings, cloth sculptures, leadlighting, dolls, children's clothing, knitwear, cards, bookmarks, ornaments, jewellery, pottery and much more.



L-R: Sue Collier, Tim Hayes, Judy Burn & Janine Booth

The Clunes Art and Craft Cottage is situated at 99 Bailey St (corner of Bailey St and Service St) and it coexists with the Swap Shop. Both are open every Saturday and Sunday, from 10AM – 4PM, as well as Monday and Thursday afternoons – 2-5PM, and some Fridays. New members of the Art & Craft cooperative are always welcome, and all kinds of art and handcrafts are accepted for sale. For enquiries ring Judy: 5345 3342 or 0408 088119

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## Blow in in the Wind

by Peter Murk

I could descant on the natural wonders that abound and surround the town of Clunes, which I will, but first I'd like to mention the unnatural wonders. I heard from a mate in Evansford who heard it from a mate in Buninyong who'd had a letter drop about it, that Beckworth Court is installing wind turbines.

Further corroborated by my mate from Evansford; he'd come upon some consultants doing an environmental impact statement, they were measuring views to Beckworth court from the second railway crossing on the Talbot road as you head out of town (you can see them from the Smeaton Road!).

I will supply their contact details next newsletter. Since these are the first turbines in the shire boundary, I will also be seeking a policy statement from council.

I had further corroboration when I consulted a leading citizen and importantly a landholder about the matter and they confirmed that they'd heard it on the grape vine. They sadly added, "We'll be surrounded by them soon enough! It's a matter that's caused trouble between neighbours in the surrounding farms."

Surrounding Clunes, they meant; though objection to commercial wind farms is unfashionable this news will trouble some neighbours in town who view the ramifications upon the beauty of the landscape with grave reflection.

**Quoin Hill, Big Hill, Ewing Hill Maidens Hill, Mt Greenock, Mt Glasgow, Merin Hill, Mt. Duntulum, Mt Cameron, McKinnon Hill, Lieshmans Hill, Kelly Hill, Mt Moorookyle, Clover Hill, Mt Kooroocheang, Smeaton Hill, Central Leads Road, Woodhouse Hill, Kangaroo Hill, Spring Hill and Spring Mount** : all within the boundary of an zone sinisterly known as, "*an area of interest*" by the WindCorp website. The first four already have turbines. No doubt you'll hear the argument, "We've had these for a while, what does it matter if we have a few more?"

These hills should be known by the local primary school kids at the very least as a Geography or Drawing exercise and revered by all.

These volcanic grassy uplands have existed long before the forests that surround them. Forget this aboriginal burning nonsense; these lovely eminences are millions of years old.

There may come a time when accommodation providers in the tourist town of Clunes won't encourage their guests to have a drive after lunch, they'd be too ashamed of the ugliness of the landscape.

I encourage Clunes people to go for a drive out Waubra way, day and night and see what they think about being surrounded by this hideous white thicket; and after sunset, circled by red winking lights.

I apologise to the landholders in general; it's not life and death to me, it's just philosophy.

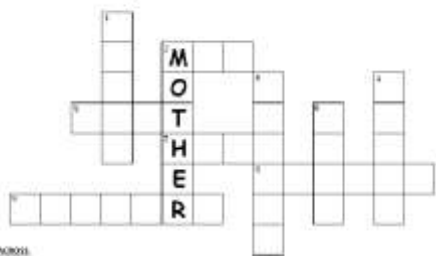
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**- IQ CHALLENGE-**

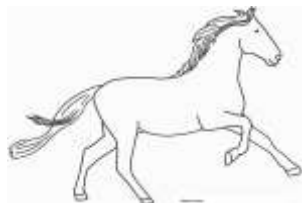
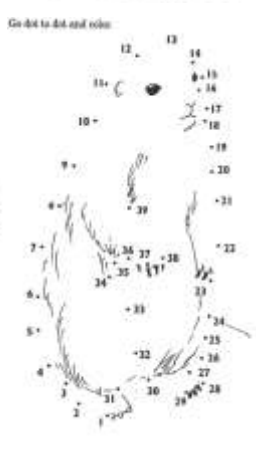
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**Reece Carter's Kids Corner**

**Mother's Day Crossword**



- ACROSS**
1. Start with the letter A please
  2. We give you some and kisses
  3. We ... all of love to gift you for gift
  4. We might plant these in her garden
- DOWN**
1. We might go ... candles
  2. They about some bags and ...
  3. We say ... you for the gift
  4. Put in an envelope to send to me



Work This Out  
 8 times 6, plus 1, divide by 7, times 5,  
 double it, plus 2, divide 9,  
 times it by it self, take away nine.

Working

**- 2 FUNNY JOKES-**

- (Q) What Did Mummy Grape Say To Baby Grape?  
 (A) Stop your Wining
- (Q&A) Knock, Knock. Who's there? I love. I love who?  
 I don't know, you tell me!
- (Q) What do you call a computer superhero?  
 (A) A Screen Saver

**- Sudoku Puzzle-**

		1	5	6	8
				7	1
9	1			3	
	7		2	6	
5					3
		8	7	4	
3				8	5
1	5				
7	9	4	1		

Good Luck

Do not copy. Not for commercial purposes. For private use only. The Answer for the IQ challenge is 55

**- Mothers Day SAYING-** It kills you to see them grow up.  
 But I guess it would kill you quicker if they didn't.

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Meetings are held on the **1<sup>st</sup> Monday** of the month 10.30am at the **Clunes Day Centre**

Support Groups give you an opportunity :

- ♦ to share experiences with others in a similar situation
- ♦ to be educated about illnesses and disabilities
- ♦ to be informed about services in the region
- ♦ to meet in an environment that is friendly, confidential & non-judgemental.
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**Men's Health Matters**

Men can now get involved with a supervised gym program in Clunes. The Hepburn Health Service offers a weekly supervised men's gym session on Monday nights from 7:30pm to 8:20pm.

The session is held in the meeting room at the back of the Clunes Community Health Centre. The gym session caters for beginners to more experienced gym users and men of all ages are welcome. The cost to attend each session is only \$2, thanks to a Federal Government Healthy Active Australia Grant. Come along and have a look, you won't regret it. For more details call **Rob** on **5345 9197** or **0419 548 406**.

**BELLY DANCING?**

We need those who enquired about Belly Dancing to enrol urgently, or we cannot go ahead.

Contact Clunes Neighbourhood House on **5345 3486** or email: **thegateway@clunes.org**

## Clunes Field & Game Club

Clunes Field & Game Branch held their April monthly shoot on Easter Sunday in perfect weather and considering the 75 target Handicap event being held on the long weekend the event managed to attract a good number of contestants.

### RESULTS:

AA Grade

1st: P Stowe 66/75, 2nd: G Parry 58/75

A Grade

1st: R Pratt 71/75, 2nd: E Jones 67/75,

3rd: G Farmer 66/75

B Grade

1st: C Flowers 74/75, 2nd: S Wrigley 72/75,

3rd: C Stephen 72/75

C Grade

1st: D Richardson 70/75, 2nd: P Tatti 69/75,

3rd Darren McMahon 66/75

Veterans

1st: M Rodda 70/75, 2nd: J Lawrence 65/75,

3rd: P Ward 64/75

Ladies

1st: C Stanford 67/75, 2nd: J Allen 60/75

Under 18

1st: Z Ansell 52/75

## CLUNES GARDEN CLUB

The May 4th meeting of the Garden Club will be a morning coffee party at the Senior Citizens Rooms

### Syllabus for 2009

May 4th .....Morning Coffee Party

June 1st.....TBA

July 6th.....Christmas In July Casserole Lunch

August 3rd.....Words In Winter

September 7th .....Trip to Buda Homestead in Castlemaine

October 5th.....Visit to Stephen Ryan's

Dicksonia Nursery

November 2nd.....Visit local gardens

December 7th .....Christmas Break-up



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Every Wednesday is over 55's  
(but younger players are still made welcome).

## COMMUNITY GARDEN

Clunes Community Garden is a program of Clunes Neighbourhood House



On Monday the 6th of April the Community Garden joined with the Garden Club for a pizza lunch, followed by a talk and questions with James Brincat from Parks Victoria and Karla Osorio from the Bronx in New York, America. Karla manages over 20 community gardens and has a special interest in compost and soil health.

Karla emphasised that the Bronx community garden project which has been running for 2 decades has a proven track record with important secondary community benefits. In summary Karla said community gardens help break down social barriers such as: class, race and age barriers; provides an outlet for creativity, promotes leadership skills, a sense of pride and helps lower criminal activity in the Bronx.

The Clunes community garden would like to thank its sponsors: Hepburn Shire for funding the pizza oven project, the Clunes Garden Club for equipment donations and sponsorship of a fruit tree and Ralph from Talbot Railway Station for donating 20 frost and drought tolerant succulents.



# MAY 2009

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<p>4 Gym Careers Moring Tea Flexi Computer Living Green Garden</p>	<p>5 Yoga Intro To Computers</p>	<p>6 Karate Belly Dancing</p>	<p>7 Yoga Tai-Chi Life Skills Dog Training Community Garden</p>	<p>8 Neighbourhood House Closed</p>	<p>9 Intro to Computer using Face Book Dancing for Children</p> <p>BACK TO BOOK TOWN </p>	<p>10 Clunes Market</p> <p>BACK TO BOOK TOWN </p>
<p>11 Neighbourhood House and Volunteers Week Living Green Garden Gym</p>	<p>12 Neighbourhood House and Volunteers Week Intro To Computers Legal Clinic</p>	<p>13 Neighbourhood House and Volunteers Week Karate Belly Dancing</p>	<p>14 Neighbourhood House and Volunteers Week Yoga &amp; Tai-Ch Life Skills Dog Training</p>	<p>15 Neighbourhood House and Volunteers Week Neighbourhood House Closed</p>	<p>16 Neighbourhood House and Volunteers Week Intro to Computer using Face Book Dancing for Children</p>	<p>17 Neighbourhood House and Volunteers Week Talbot Market</p>
<p>18 Living Green Garden Gym Flexi Computer</p>	<p>19 Intro To Computers Yoga</p>	<p>20 Karate Belly Dancing</p>	<p>21 Yoga &amp; Tai-Chi Life Skills Dog Training Community Garden</p>	<p>22 Neighbourhood House Closed</p>	<p>23 Dancing for Children</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>25 Living Green Garden Gym Flexi Computer</p>	<p>26 Intro To Computers Legal Clinic Yoga</p>	<p>27 Karate Belly Dancing</p>	<p>28 Yoga Tai-Chi Life Skills Dog Training Community Garden</p>	<p>29 Neighbourhood House Closed</p>	<p>30 Dancing for Children</p>	<p>31</p>