IRONBARK NEWS

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Stuart Town RTC



Open Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 10:00am- 4:00pm Hope to see you there. If you would like a special luncheon please contact us on 02 68 468359

> Next General Meeting of RTC/Hall Committee

Thursday 11th September 6:00pm

Next STAA Meeting

Wednesday 14th August 6:00pm

10th Anniversary of the RTC

President Kim Frazer welcomed all the guests to the Anniversary Celebration on 7th July and congratulated all those involved with the development of the RTC. Kim said that we had had 10 good years and would continue to do the same for the next 10 years.





Florence Minors and Eva Hudson cut the cake.

It was lovely to see Florence return to Stuart Town for the celebration and she shared some funny stories with us and congratulated the people of Stuart Town for creating a very special place.



Kath Frappell and Moira Hannelly were among the many guests enjoying the afternoon tea. We wish to thank to all of the volunteers who helped to make the event such a success.



Natalie Bennett with Kattie Lee, her niece and Margaret Patterson at the RTC party.

Words from Our President.

Good afternoon and welcome everyone to the 10th Anniversary of the opening of the RTC. Thank you to all who have travelled and made a special effort to attend this afternoon. Ten years to a child seems like an eternity but to older people it seems like yesterday. As Norma and I flicked through the photo album viewing of the construction and opening of the RTC we realized that many wonderful community minded people in that very construction are no longer with us to celebrate today but in their legacy they have left the community with a fantastic facility. Due to internet and electronic advancements most people who need the internet have it on their mobile or at home which has changed the role of the RTC which originally opened to provide internet access and office services to us. Now, ten years later it is providing the community and wider community with a place to meet, plan and celebrate with the odd transaction thrown in.

Thank you to all the volunteers and customers who have kept the doors open over the years, I will not mention names for fear of omitting someone but you all know what an invaluable service you have been to the community.

The next ten years will no doubt bring many more changes and challenges but we hope to still have the doors open.

Please enjoy the afternoon tea and refreshments and see you all in another ten years' time.

New Internet Connection

The RTC has a new internet connection which we are sure will improve the service for our customers. Come along and try it out.

<u>WANTED</u>

<u>Volunteers for the RTC</u>. You do not have to give a whole day; a couple of hours would be greatly appreciated.

If you have any ideas for activities we could run eg cards afternoons, exercise classes, local history or a book club, please let us know and we will see what we can do.

Church Services

Catholic Church

Mass each Saturday morning at 8.30 @ St. John the Baptist Church, Stuart Town

Contact no. for Fr. Tony or Parish Office is 68452061

Anglican and non-denominational

Sunday 5pm – Holy Communion. Sunday 10.30am – at Mumbil. Morning Prayer and Children's Ministry. Home Communion on request.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY.

31st Margaret and Len Patterson

BIRTHDAY WISHES

1st Kristy Sutton, Kayla Skelly 3rd Kate Hannelly 5th Lyn Winters 7th Brett Montgomery, Neil Cohen 10th Laurie Pope, Ron Frappell 12th Kristy Lee and Sky Louise Evans 13th James Cornes 16th Joshua Hannelly, Daniel Frappell 17th Paul Hannelly 18th Matthew Flett 20th Rhiannon Turner 22nd Allan Frappell 23rd Christine Stanford, Dearne Philpott 26th Eva Hudson 27th Elijah Green

Our good friend Dot Fitzimmons passed away on Wednesday morning 31st July. We all knew and loved Dot and will always remember her. Dot was the face of Stuart Town, always there with a warm welcome to locals and visitors alike.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Jim, his family and friends.

Get Well

Clare White is making good progress and is now recuperating with her daughter in Forbes. We all look forward to seeing her back in Stuart Town as soon as she is able.

News from Clare

How does one thank a community that has offered such love and support during a difficult time. Words fall short, but thank you all.

My return home I hope will be mid August when I can drive my little red car and learn to drive my newly renovated home. Peace and goodwill.

Clare White

Congratulations to Tim Winters

For winning second prize in the Broken Hill Outback Open Art Prize

School News

On the last day of Term 2 the students, staff and parents enjoyed a transport themed day where the children were asked to bring a form of transport (not motorised) to school. A track complete with traffic lights, signs, a roundabout, pedestrian crossing and kangaroo obstacles was designed and created in the playground. A highway patrol person was even on duty to give time out to those who disobeyed the rules. Everyone learnt about the correct way to drive and obey signs and after enjoying a hot dog lunch with their parents went home for the holidays, tired but happy.

School resumed for the students on Tuesday 16th July with the children settling back into work like as if they hadn't had a break. The P&C would like to thank all who saved Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers for the school. The paperwork has been sent away and items chosen.

Thanks also to Rod and Rhonda for the opportunity to sell raffle tickets at The Ironbark Inn to also support the students educational needs.

School Tree Day was held on Friday 26th July with staff and students creating a new garden bed, planting various bird and butterfly attracting scrubs and hopefully screening out the toilet block. Thanks to Wellington Council for providing the plants for us to do so. On the 2nd August the Dubbo/ Wellington Small School Athletics Carnival will be held at Barden Park Dubbo. The students have been practicing running, high jumping and long jumping in preparation for the event. Thanks to the Mums who have come up in their lunchtimes to help with this activity. Good luck kids, have a great day. Results next newsletter.

CRICKET AUSTRALIA

Ashes to ashes ... dust to dust. If the Poms don't get you the selectors must.

I'm a wee bit disappointed about the way our team's performing.

It may just be possible that their mojo needs reforming.

Those learned people in control, I refer to Cricket Australia,

Don't seem to seal our losses as any kind of failure.

I admit that I would like to be a fly upon the wall, At the meetings of those mandarins. I'd really have a ball.

I imagine their expressions as they're pontificating

"We're really doing very well. We need congratulating."

"Our team member rotation scheme is working very well.

One look at our results of late, and anyone can tell

That our in-house endeavours, which we've recently unfurled,

Are, without question, the envy of the world."

"We think we've grasped the nettle. Embraced a new approach.

Punished those transgressors and then, we sacked the coach.

Admittedly, he's suing us. Why? Goodness only knows.

He should accept, that in this sport, that's the way it goes."

"We know India and the UK are matters of concern,

But when it comes to talent, we have heaps to burn,

Especially in our Board Room. We are experts at our jobs,

And we'll come up with something to soothe those savage mobs."

Well, the Board sounds confident, at least, they do today,

Are they whistling past the graveyard, as my Mother used to say?

Do they really believe in fairies at the bottom of the garden?

If I'm sounding cynical, I DO beg your pardon.

Do I have some sound advice? I'm just an armchair critic,

Quite lacking where technique's involved, and far from analytic.

Ponting, Gilchrist? Just suggestions? Perhaps the brothers Waugh,

I'm sure if I researched a bit, I could come up with some more.

I've hear McGrath's not busy, and though it sounds forlorn, To even hope that he'd agree, what about Shane Warne?

Should we opt for more selectors, or change this current lot,

Or ask our women cricketers, if they would like a spot?

The best advice that I can give comes from outside the square,

And may come as some relief to our cricketers over there.

Face the facts ... our chance of winning in Pommy land is cactus ...

Forfeit the next three tests, and bring them home to practise.

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New Operating Times at Waste Sites

Council wished to advise residents it will be changing the operating hours at a number of its waste sites in the local government area in the coming months.

New opening times for the waste sites and the date of commencement of these times are shown below.

Stuart Town (starts June 1)

- 24 hour Waste Transfer Station
- Open fourth Sunday of the month from 1pm to 5pm for larger items. Normal charges will apply.

If you would like further information on these changes, please contact Wellington Council on 6840 1700

Citizen of the Month



Kim Frazer