

## Murchison Celebrates Australia Day



A fun-filled morning was had by all at the recent Murchison Australia Day celebrations. The Rushworth Band played background music while 380 local residents and visitors ate a delicious breakfast, cooked to perfection by Murchison Lions Club with drinks and fruit provided by *Friends of Australia Day*. The crowd was enthralled by our guest speaker Lawrence Money who spoke about a variety of topics based around the themes of communication and Australian qualities & 'isms.'

Many thanks to our sponsors and supporting businesses, C.O.G.S.(major sponsor), Rushworth & District Community Bank who generously donated fantastic prizes for the children's competition winners, Avonlea Flowers, Murchison Supa Valu, Wagner Bros, Longleat Winery, Woolworths (Archer St) Euroa Fruit Market, Strategic Wealth, Sheridan Partners, Murchison Bakery, Northern Victoria Party Hire, Murchison Service Station, Conti Dairy, Park Lake Hotel, Murchison Post Office, River Road Caravan Park. *Story continued page 14.*

**Next Edition** deadline for article Wednesday 15th March, delivery to letterboxes early April.

## Pitch Music & Arts Festival Update

The Music Festival organisers have announced that the festival will be held at Mafeking, near the Grampians. Thank you to everyone who supported the proposal to have the festival at Murchison Golf Course.

## Movie by the Pool

What a great way to spend your Summer, watching a movie by the pool with your family and friends. You can swim until dusk, then it's time for the movie. Bring along a picnic and enjoy this unique experience or purchase food and drink on sale at the pool, *read more page 15.*

## Welcome Wendy



Its with great pleasure we welcome Wendy Byrne, a new Maternal and Child Health Nurse for Murchison. Wendy is at the Neighbourhood House fortnightly on a Wednesday afternoon. For an appointment call Wendy on 5832 9312.



### Social and Community Connections

#### Men's Shed

Wednesdays 1:00pm - 2:30pm - Gold Coin  
All welcome. Resumes February 1.

#### Murchison Book Club

Fridays Febuary 24 & March 24

#### Murchison Garden Group

4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the Month 7:30pm - \$1  
New members always welcome.  
For more information call Beth- 0458262282

#### Cuppa and Chat

Thursdays 10.30 - 11.30am - Gold Coin  
Resumes January 31

#### Simply Lunch

Mon & Wed from 12pm - \$5

Join us in a two course meal, every Monday & Wednesday from 12 noon.  
Everyone welcome \$5 per person.

#### Monday Activity Group

First and Third Monday of the Month - \$2  
Starts 1pm, variety of activities, games, DVDs, speakers, craft, short trips

#### Community Café

Open Monday & Wednesday 10-11am.  
\$1 capuccino, latte, hot chocolate or tea.  
Homemade slices and cake on sale.

#### Monthly Movies

Tuesdays Jan 17, Feb 14 and Mar 14 - \$2

#### Writers Group

2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the Month - 10.00am - \$1  
Past and new members always welcome.

#### Bus Trips Away

Sat Feb 11 - Violet Town Market 8am - \$15pp  
Wed Mar 15 - Echuca, Great Aussie Beer Shed - \$35pp includes morning tea & lunch  
Places are limited, first in best dressed. Payment is required to secure booking

### Health and Wellbeing

#### Walking Group

Wed during the school term 10am - Gold Coin

#### Regional Eyecare Mobile

By Appointment - Free  
Ph: 5826 2373

#### Balancing Act

Tue 10:30 - 11:30am Resumes Jan 24 - \$2  
Aimed at beginners, sessions will be conducted by Primary Care Connect staff. Medical clearance may be required to participate

#### Modified Strength Training

Thur 9:30 - 10:30am - Resumes Jan 19 - \$2  
Join at any time, all fitness levels welcome. All equipment provided, sessions conducted by Primary Care Connect staff. Medical clearance may be required to participate

### Craft

#### Yarning with Helen

Fridays 10 - 12pm Resumes Feb 3 - \$2

#### Friday Craft

Friday 12 - 3pm Resumes Jan 6 - \$3  
Group members available to offer support and advice on patchwork projects as required.

#### Quilting Frame

By Appointment - \$15 p/h  
Have an unfinished quilt at home? We can help you finish it off. Available for \$15 per hour

### Languages

#### Conversational French

Beginners 9.30am - 11.30am - \$10  
Intermediate 12pm - 2.00pm - \$10  
Resumes February 2

#### Conversational Italian

Tuesdays 9.30am - 11am - \$10  
Resumes February 7

### Everyday Services

#### St Vincent de Paul

Volunteers from St Vincent de Paul are available for help from 3-4pm Fridays.

#### Room For Hire

Room For Hire for meetings or classes.

#### Toy Library

Open Wednesday & Thursdays 9:30-11:30am  
Annual Membership \$10

#### Maternal & Child Health

Fortnightly service by appointment only  
Ph 5832 9312

#### Immunizations

4th Tuesday of each month - 12:15-12:30pm  
Ph 5832 9731 for more information

#### Internet Cafe

Open during office hours - \$2 per hour

## Community Bus to Shepparton



**Community Bus to Shepparton**  
This community service runs from Murchison to Shepparton and back every Thursday. Bus leaves the Murchison Neighbourhood House at 9am sharp. Cost \$5 per person, booking essential.

## Goulburn Valley Water Survey - Have Your Say



We've started planning for our 2018-2023 Price Submission and we want you to have your say!

Every five years we are required to submit a plan to the Essential Services Commission (ESC) that outlines our prices, service levels and infrastructure investments.

We'll be out and about in our towns over the next few months providing free water via our Water Café's as well as giving you the opportunity to

have your say about the services we provide. Make sure you come along, have a chat and share your thoughts as we prepare our submission.

To help shape the future of water and wastewater services in the region you can complete our online survey [gwwater.vic.gov.au/pricesubmissionsurvey](http://gwwater.vic.gov.au/pricesubmissionsurvey) or make arrangements with our communications team [communications@gwater.vic.gov.au](mailto:communications@gwater.vic.gov.au) for someone to visit your community group.

## A Big Day for Day's Mill

Anyone keen to visit Day's Mill will have an opportunity 19th Feb. from 10.30 am to 1.30 pm.

This Open Day is arranged as part of City of Greater Shepparton's Activities in the Park Program and entry is free. Bring along the family and enjoy a picnic after exploring the Mill house and outbuildings. Signage at various locations explains many aspects of daily life and farming practises as they happened in the late 1800's and early 1900's.

The Mill and farm complex located in Day Road, South



Murchison, was established by the Day family from 1865. It was acquired by Parks Victoria in the 1980's as it is the best preserved example of a 19th century steam-driven flour mill in Victoria. This Heritage listed site is remarkably intact and

visitors will feel transported back in time while wandering around the property.

Enquiries: Belinda Conna, Team Leader Healthy Communities, Greater Shepparton City Council 5832 9432.



# Murchison Ambulance Update



The new ambulance station in Murchison is moving closer with work scheduled to begin around May. Located behind the existing station, planning approval has been sought and tenders are in the process of being awarded. It will be good to share photos when building begins

Congratulations to Helen Quinn who recently celebrated ten years of service as a Community Ambulance Officer in the Murchison Community. Fellow paramedics shared in the celebration, questioning how she has handled working with them for all that time . Helen is pictured with Ambulance Victoria CEO, Tony Walker at Ambulance Victoria.

# No Major Repairs for Murchison – Tatura Road

I would like to thank those who took part in the Murchison-Tatura Road Petition to “repair and widen the road”. The petition circulated throughout the broader community and received a tremendous response with over 500 + written signatures. Anyone who wishes to express their concern can go on line to Dhurringile’s Tennis Clubs Face book page and sign the Petition. Just to recap, the Murchison-Tatura Road is a major arterial road connecting to the Goulburn Valley Highway at Murchison East to all the cities and towns Northwest of Tatura. The road is heavily used by B-Double Transport Trucks and Agriculture Machinery, along with vehicles, motor bikes and bicycles.

There is clearly no room for vehicles to pass let alone cars wanting to overtake safely. The road is clearly unsafe comprising of pot holes, broken edges and most concerning there is No Shoulder or space for vehicles to pull over in the event of an emergency. The road is too narrow, vegetation and long grass encloses the road as well. Throughout this process we have sent letters to our local members of parliaments both state and federal and to Vic Roads. As a result we have had great media coverage and support with Win News and Shepparton News. Attached are letters received from Wendy Lovell MP for Northern Victoria Region and Hon Luke

Donnellan MP Minister for Roads & Road Safety plus an email from Vic Roads, Mr James Dalton Road Safety Officer of North Eastern Region stating that, “as much as Vic Roads would love to accommodate every request, there is certain criteria that Vic Roads must meet to be able to secure funding in order to fix roads”.

Basically, Vic Roads have stated that they are doing their best to service, inspect and monitor all arterial roads including Murchison-Tatura Road. Vic Roads are working closely with Victoria Police regarding safety and speed restriction and have installed a temporary 60km/h ahead signs leading up to the affected sections of the road. “This will be permanent until further notice”.

Wendy Lovell has expressed her disappointment and has done her best to assist the issue. I’m sure we are all disappointed with the outcome. We will continue to make some noise with regards to the Murchison-Tatura Road. However, in the meantime take care when travelling on Victorian Roads, especially the Murchison-Tatura Road.



# Take Advantage of Your Swimming Pool!

After a cool start to the summer, the pool has been very busy. Locals and visitors from near and far (those on holiday, etc) have enjoyed the lovely surrounds of the Murchison Pool along the Goulburn River. The pool has been able once again to offer fitness swim on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 6 – 7am. A more casual early lap swim runs Tuesday and Thursday from 6 – 7 am. It’s a great way to start your day and a low impact exercise for those with back or other injuries.

We had many children take part in our Learn to Swim program during the first two weeks in January. Thanks to our instructors – Rebecca Catania, Leanne Wilson and Steph. Swim lessons will be offered after school in Feb.

Inquiries can be made at the pool on 58262 568.

Many thanks to Lisa Niglia, Jodie Brisbane, Rachel Smith and Jenna Morris for providing various activities for children on Tues & Thurs mornings in January. The committee of management is always looking for new ideas to make use of our wonderful facility. If you have an idea, come visit us or send us a message at brownleigh8@bigpond.com

The pool can be hired out for birthday parties or other special occasions outside normal operating hours. Over the years we have had school groups, scouts, church groups.

Hope you were able to part-take in the Australia Day celebrations at the pool, as well as the annual Duck Races.



Steph (Instructor) works with keen students



## Wood Auction - Get Rid of Your Dead Wood!



The Murchison wood auction has been running for over 130 years benefiting numerous community groups such as hospitals, churches and schools. Records show that in 1887 over £22,000 were made, this year is significant as it also was the start of work on the Goulburn weir which commenced the Goulburn Murray

irrigation system. This was a huge sum of money even by today's standards which was used to help establish a local church.

This year's wood auction is for Murchison Pre-school and is being organized for the 29th of April. This date may change due to weather conditions. The Murchison SES this year will be proudly supporting the auction by providing labour collecting the wood. As the Preschool is community ran every bit of support helps greatly to keep it open.

If anyone has some wood they would like to donate the Preschool and SES will be more than happy to come and collect it, so if you have a fallen tree contact Hamish Burke on 0415 763 141.

The Murchison Preschool appreciates your support and looks forward to seeing you on the 29th of April if not before.

## Von Gruenewaldt - Story Behind the Painting

An ideal opportunity to present a poster providing the story behind the murals hanging in the DP Jones Nursing Home was at the Annual General Meeting of Murchison Community Care in October.

Some other murals are also hanging in the Murchison Community Centre by the same artist, Hans Wolter von Gruenewaldt. People often ask what is the story behind these works of art?

Von Gruenewaldt was a German POW in Camp 13 during the Second World War. He was asked to decorate the Recreation Hall at the Camp and painted humorous caricatures on the walls. When the Hall was being demolished, the paintings were saved by



cutting them out of the lining of the walls, framed and are now hanging in our town.

So, this poster gives an explanation of how the murals came about and will inform anyone curious as to their origin and particularly how they came to be hanging in DP

Jones Nursing Home.

The poster was produced by Murchison & District Historical Society and a copy is also hanging in the Heritage Centre. You can visit the Heritage Centre any Saturday morning to discuss obtaining a copy if you would like one yourself.

# Survey

*The Murchison Community Plan plays a vital role in the Murchison Community: the plan provides a live statement of community priorities in the district, including the need for high value community services and infrastructure. The community plan and its subsequent priorities can be used as an advocacy platform for acquiring funding, whether that be through council, the state/ federal government or philanthropic agencies.*

The Murchison Community Plan was developed in 2011 based on extensive community consultation that identified and prioritised an array of projects and support activities that were important to the future of area. Since its inception, the Murchison Community Plan Committee has worked with Council, State/Federal Departments, other organisations and the wider Murchison Community to complete several projects, including:

- ★ Rail Trail Construction.
- ★ Heritage Centre extension
- ★ Playground construction and fencing
- ★ Community noticeboard
- ★ Playground shade structure (due 2017)
- ★ Footpath in station street (due 2017)

After six years, it is time to revisit the priority projects and activities of the original plan with new ideas and suggestions!

We invite you to complete the survey below by Thursday 23 February 2017 to help guide our priority activities and projects for the next 5 years.

Completed surveys can be dropped at the boxes in the Post Office, Neighbourhood House, School or Bakery. If you would like more information or would like to provide one-on-one feedback, please contact Greater Shepparton City Council on 5832 9506.

## Q 1

**The Murchison Community Plan Committee takes active responsibility for high priority community projects (e.g, rail trail, playground infrastructure in the park) Do the following projects and activities retain a high priority and relevance in Murchison?**

- ☐ Extend the rail trail to Murchison East
- ☐ Creation of 4 iconic town entrances
- ☐ Footpath, curb and channel installation and upgrades
- ☐ Extend the rail trail to Rushworth
- ☐ Engage with recreation reserve and council to develop a master plan for the Recreation Reserve.
- ☐ Support Murchison youth through active community plan support and engagement with the Murchison youth SPOT project.

## Q 2

**The Murchison Community Plan Committee takes an active partnership role for high priority community projects or proposals that are undertaken by other groups or individuals in Murchison (e.g, netball court renewal at the Recreation Reserve, Heritage Centre extensions). Do the following projects/activities retain a high priority and relevance in Murchison?**

- ☐ Support the provision of children's services, facilities and community education programs through, for example, active participation in the creation of Murchison Youth SPOT
- ☐ Support swimming pool committee
- ☐ Support the building and development of the Murchison Men's Shed
- ☐ Support all community events (e.g. Christmas)
- ☐ Support the opening and development of Day Mills
- ☐ Support the development of accommodation options for older adults and low income earners in partnership with local groups
- ☐ Support the development of a tourism strategy for Murchison (i.e. signage, website, heritage tours, tree heritage map)
- ☐ Support a cleaner, greener Murchison (i.e. Clean up Murchison Day)

## Q 3

**Do you have any new ideas for projects or activities aimed at improving social connections in Murchison?**

## Q 4

**What infrastructure, facilities or services do you see as important to the future of Murchison?**

## Q 5

**Do you have any new ideas for projects or activities aimed at improving community support for businesses in Murchison?**

## Q 6

**Do you have any new ideas for projects or activities aimed at improving the enjoyment or presentation of Murchison's natural assets?**

## Q 7

**How do you find out about what's on in Murchison?**

- ☐ 3610 Murchison & District Newspaper
- ☐ Word of mouth
- ☐ Greater Shepparton City Council's Website
- ☐ The community noticeboard at the post office
- ☐ The murchisonvictoria.com.au website
- ☐ Other

## Q 8

**Do you have any other feedback?**

## Q 9

**What is your postcode?**

## Q 10

**Are you:**

- ☐ Male ☐ Female
- ☐ Prefer not to identify

## Q 11

**Please indicate your age:**

- ☐ 0-11 ☐ 12-17 ☐ 18-24
- ☐ 25-34 ☐ 35-49 ☐ 50-59
- ☐ 60-69 ☐ 70 and over

## Q12

**The community plan committee is made up of local, passionate residents who work together to progress actions within the plan. If there is an idea you raised or a project you would like to help with, please leave your details below and a member of the committee will contact you:**

**Name:**

**Contact Number:**

**Email Address:**

## Online Survey

Survey is online at [greaterShepparton.com.au](http://greaterShepparton.com.au) or find a link on the Neighbourhood House website [murchison.org.au](http://murchison.org.au) A community conversation will be held on Wednesday 8th Feb. 7pm in the Seniors Room, Murchison Community Centre, Watson St Murchison if you would prefer to provide your feedback in a facilitated group setting.

Feedback about the initial trends from the plan review will be shared at the What's Happening in Your Town Event at Murchison Football Netball Club on Wednesday 1st Mar.

A draft of the updated plan will be available in April for further community feedback.

## How to return your survey

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# What's Happening In Your Town?

The Murchison Community Plan Steering Committee would like to invite you to be involved in our "What's Happening in Your Town" event to be held at 7pm Wednesday 1st March.

The aim of the evening is for a representative from all our community groups and committees to participate in an open forum. Each group will be given 5 minutes to talk about their activities and their aims for the future.

There is an opportunity for your group to set up a display area. The event is to be held 7pm at Murchison Football / Netball Club.

We will be advertising the event in the community and anticipating that this event will be a great opportunity for the community to hear all about their town and its organisations. To book your spot contact Shelly McCormick on 0418 262 754.



# News from Christ Church Murchison



Christmas is a very special time on the Church calendar. In all the busyness and commercialisation of the season, it is easy to forget the true meaning of Christmas; that it is about the birth of Christ Jesus. In the lead up to Christmas, parishioners from Murchison Uniting,

Catholic and Anglican churches together with others from Rushworth and Tatura Generations churches, came together for a weekly Advent Study held at Christ Church Murchison. The study explored the meaning of Joy, Hope, Love and Peace. The sessions, led by André du Plooy Assistant Priest from Shepparton Anglican Church were greatly appreciated by all who attended.

Fifty people filled the little church on the morning of Christmas Day to enjoy an uplifting service.

Regular church services at Christ Church Murchison are held each Sunday at 11 am followed by a cuppa and a chat in the hall. (5th Sunday services may vary in time and location). Enquiries: Secretary, Joan Baumber 5826 6344

# This Summer Camp Carefully and Get Swamped

If you're camping along the banks of the Goulburn river this summer, keep an eye on its changing water levels. The river level can rise quickly when water is released from the nearby Goulburn Weir, so take care where you set up your campsite. Check the weather conditions before you set up camp and choose higher ground to be safe.

For information on water releases visit the Goulburn Murray Water website The Bureau of Meteorology also has a river levels page:

Make sure you assess your campsite prior to setting up. Don't camp under trees, especially River Red Gums, as they can fall or drop branches at any time without warning, particularly after the recent floods along the Goulburn River.

If you're looking for a natural wonderland to visit, Doctors Swamp is the place at the moment.

Thanks to this year's wet winter and spring the swamp is looking spectacular, with thousands of water birds and blooming plants and lilies.

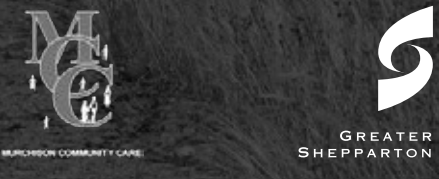
There's a rail trail between Murchison and Rushworth to Doctors Swamp, and then a good dirt road right around the swamp edge.



Join us in launching a great new promotion of the rail trail and other walks and rides around Murchison.

9am Sunday 19th March is the official launch of the promotional walks kit followed by a group walk of the rail trail start and end at the DP Jones carpark, 38 Impey Street drinks and light refreshments on sale on day.

For more details 5826 2373







First in best dressed. Payment is required to secure booking. Call today 03 5826 2373

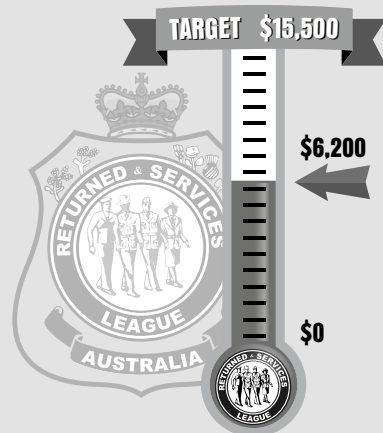
## Christmas Cheer Shared by All

A great day was had by all at the DP Jones Christmas Celebration in mid December. This annual event offers an opportunity for friends, family, staff and volunteers to come together and celebrate the end of year and share Christmas cheer. Special guest at the event was Reg Poole who entertained everyone with a selection of songs. New volunteers are always welcome to be part of the leisure and recreation program at DP Jones, Nursing Home, please call 5826 1100 to find out more.



## Roll of Honour on Track

Murchison RSL is compiling a list of names for a WWII Roll of Honour to be displayed in the Riverside Gardens. Draft 5 is out now, the final date for inclusion or amendment of name is June 30, 2017.



Members of the RSL are committed to making sure that all eligible people are included, so please check the list – you may have something to add. For more information, or to discuss and addition to the list, contact Doug 5826 2328.

## World Day of Prayer Philippines



10am Friday 3rd March 2017  
Murchison Anglican church

## Murchison Garden Group

The next meeting of Murchison Garden Group is Wednesday February 22. Leaving Murchison Neighbourhood House at 5:30pm, the group will be visiting two gardens in Kialla followed by dinner at the Peppermill Inn. Cost \$1 and meal at own expense. Garden group meets monthly on the fourth Wednesday of the month

and offers a variety of activities including guest speakers, DVD's and outings. To find out more, call Beth on 0458 262 240. Monthly text reminders sent, so register your interest with Beth or watch the Neighbourhood House website [murchison.org.au](http://murchison.org.au) for updates



Our Centenary is on March 17th and 18th 2017. On Friday 17th March we are having a free movie night as part of the City of Greater Shepparton's Festivals in the Park season. The school will be open for visitors to view a display of our history. There will also be activities for children, BBQ, a coffee van and much more. All are welcome! Our Centenary Dinner follows on Saturday the 18th of March at 7pm. For more information contact the school on 58266222.

## Anzac Day Ball 2017



The Murchison RSL invites you to the Anzac Day Ball, 7pm 22nd April at the Community Centre. \$20 per head - 10 per table. Beer and wine supplied with four course meal, dress black tie.

Entertainment by Bec Hance's Band. For more details call Doug 5826 2329 - Warrick 5826 2408

## How to Release a Caught Fish back to the Water

If you've caught more fish than you can eat, or are one of those kind people who like to return the fish you've caught back to the water in good shape:

Here's how to release a caught fish to make sure it survives.

☺ Unhook the fish as quickly as possible to reduce the time it stays out of the water. It is best to unhook a fish while it is still in the water.

☺ Remove hooks that are in the mouth of the fish. Using needle-nosed pliers or a hook retrieving tool makes unhooking quicker.

☺ If the fish is hooked deeply, cut the line as close as possible to the fish's mouth rather than removing the hook.

☺ Handle the fish firmly and carefully, and use wet hands or wet gloves when handling it to minimise damage to its skin.

☺ Don't drop a fish on the bottom of a boat, on hard surfaces or on metal that can become very hot in the sun. A smooth, wet surface like vinyl covered foam is best to lay live fish on.

☺ Carefully return the fish to the water. Do not throw it.

☺ Use a fish-friendly landing net with knotless mesh. The knots can damage the fish's scales, skin, eyes and fins.

☺ If the fish looks exhausted - struggling to hold itself upright and unable to swim away - gently hold or push it through the water so that it gets a good flow of water over its gills.

☺ If there is a water current, hold the fish upright and facing towards the current until it starts to show signs of recovery.

☺ If you are going to take a photo of your fish before release, support it properly, don't hold it by the gills or eyes.





## Murchison SES

We are currently recruiting new members in Administration.

Operational roles, Chainsaw operator's, storm and flood response and road crash rescue. Non-operational roles, public relations, community awareness.

Be part of a great team, be involved with helping your community, then contact Nicole on 0488 773 234.



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Borrow from a vast array of well made toys that have been designed to support your child's skill development and imagination.

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Capuccino, Latte, Hot Chocolate or Tea

Murchison Neighbourhood House  
Monday and Wednesday 10 - 11am

Indoor and outdoor seating available,  
homemade slices and cake on sale.



## Australia Day Winners...

Thanks also to the Murchison Swimming Pool Committee for providing us with an unbeatable venue and highly entertaining duck races, Murchison Pre School and Primary School students and staff for enthusiastically participating in our competitions and last but not least ... the Murchison and surrounding district clubs, organisations and 'locals' who support us every year by participating in our celebrations.

Murchison Primary School Students deserve a special mention (Deakin, Tayla, Abbey, Brooklyn, Charlie, Zye & Alex) as they all eagerly accepted their invitation to participate and all performed confidently and admirably.

### Shire Award Winners for Murchison & District

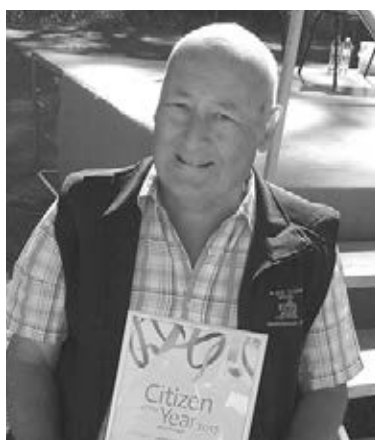


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Citizen of the Year **Warwick Gregory**

Sports Award **Dean Smith**  
Club/Service/Organisation **Dhurringile Tennis Club**

Congratulations to all winners who put in so much effort to achieve their nomination and who excel in their fields.

### Local Competition Winners

	Honourable Mention	Winner
<b>Murchison Pre-School</b>		
Flag design	Wally Ewart	<b>Hailey Gell</b>
<b>Murchison Primary School</b>		
Foundation Colouring	Alexis Lavea	<b>Max Ewart</b>
Grade 1 Colouring	Kailee Wheeler	<b>Keileigh Balmer</b>
Grade 2 Colouring	Lori Bathman	<b>Ethan Kaifa</b>
Grade 3 Colouring	Fred Johnstone	<b>Tess Somers</b>
Grade 4 Colouring	Lowanna Powell	<b>Ellie Parr</b>
Grade 5 Colouring	Hermione Richardson	<b>Denni Bathman</b>
Grade 6 Colouring	Tayla Albrey-Mills	<b>Zye Treadway</b>

Christmas Lights Competition:

**1st - Narrissa Gell** 2nd - Jean & Cath Cantlin 3rd - Elisha McNally.

Photography Competition:

**1st - Kaye Ball** 2nd - Jeanette Robinson 3rd - Jamie Bathman

The Murchison Australia Day Committee is always looking for new members and we ask that local committees from Murchison, Dhurringile and Moorilim consider sending a representative to our meetings.

## Dhurringile Tennis Club Heads to Aussie Open



### Dhurringile Tennis Club Heads to Aussie Open

The hard work of Dhurringile Tennis Club members has been recognised with an allocation of 50 tickets to the 2017 Australian Open. In recognition of the Club's work in offering the ANZ tennis Hot Shots program, the Australian Open organisers have also contributed a further \$500 towards transport costs to attend.

Two officials from the club will also be attending this year's Australian Open Volunteers morning breakfast which will be held at the MCG function room with President, Mr Gary Clark and CEO Mr Mathew Kennedy along with leading officials and special guests. This year's morning

breakfast will no doubt be a memorable morning of fun, entertainment, celebrities and also acknowledgement of volunteers who have made significant contributions to tennis Victoria communities.

Summer tennis competition is in full swing with the GMLTA commencing January 14, with all teams near the top their respective ladders. Junior Training will recommence Friday 27 with the Junior competition re-commencing Feb 4, 2017. Club championships will start during the first week in February.

DTC Friday Family Fun Nights have been a real big "hit". All members of the community are welcome to attend the clubs social Twilight tennis followed by a social chit Chat and shared BBQ. Further enquiries please contact club secretary Lisa Niglia on 0428266310.

Please save the Date, Dhurringile Primary School Movie Night, Friday March 17, from 6pm onwards. The club will be contributing a sausage sizzle on the night.

**Photo** Sam Condon (New Participation Leader for the Country North East at Tennis Victoria) together with DTC members at the 2017 Inter-Regionals held at Swan Hill. John Evans, Aaron & Lisa Niglia.

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### Movie by the Pool

March 3rd 7 - 10pm Murchison Swimming Pool Cost:  
Child \$4 - Adult \$4.50 - Family \$16.  
Free entry to season pass holders.

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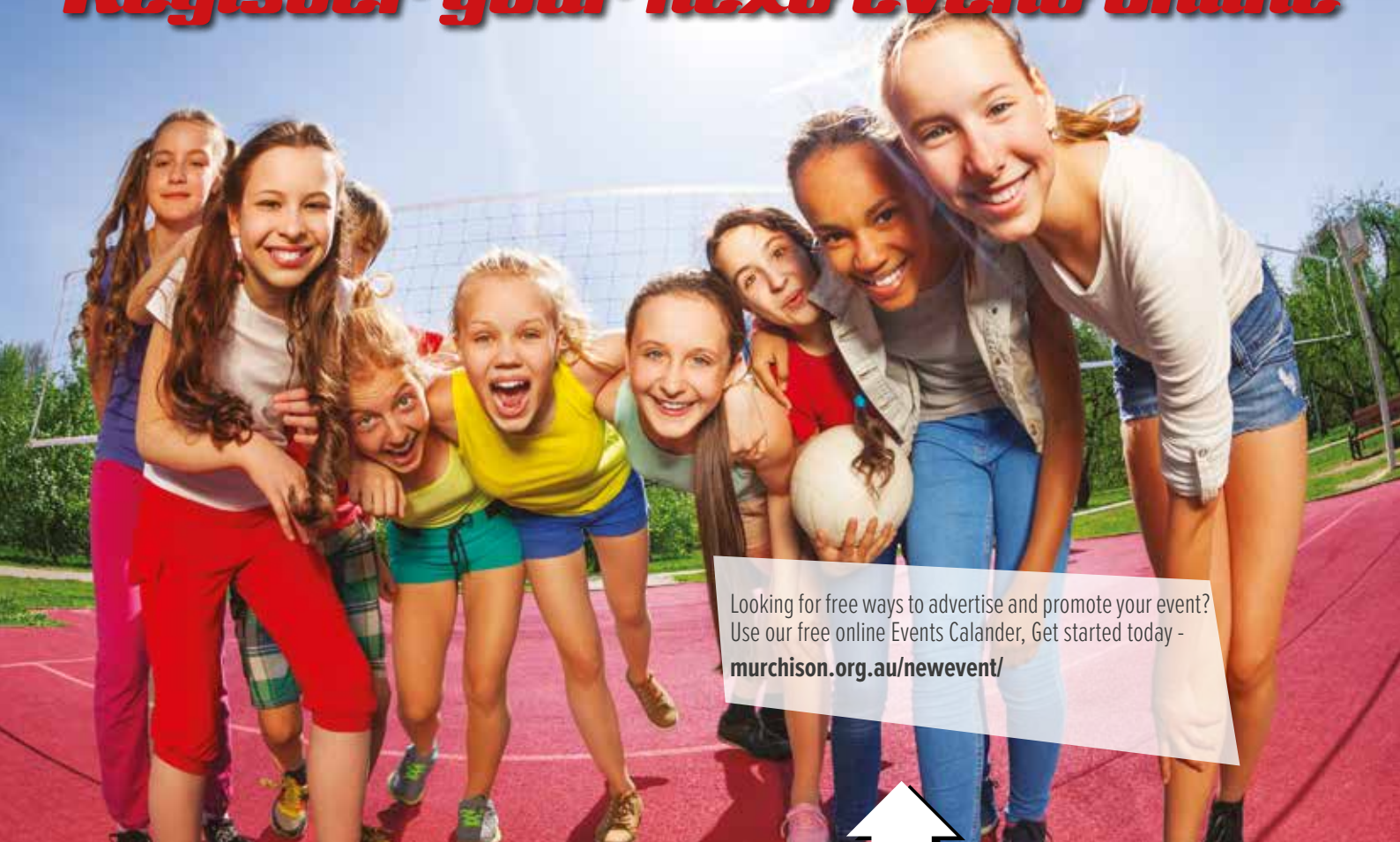
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