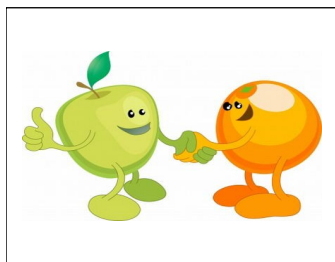


CAREVAN WANGARATTA NEWSLETTER



"It's Easier To Care Than Turn Away"

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS



The Committee Members and Team Leaders thank all our hard working and dedicated volunteers for their commitment, time & energy over 2018.

Carevan Wangaratta would not be able to operate so successfully if it were not for you all.

The dedication to our community has been demonstrated in the time you have given to help those in times of need. No community is without need and only by people displaying true community spirit are services such as ours able to go out into the community to help.

When we all sign up to volunteer, we have made the decision to give of ourselves to make life better for those needing support and encouragement.

In committing to each other and in support of the Team Leaders, please make sure that when you are rostered on and receive a text from your Team Leader for that night, that you do respond to the text message if you are, or are not, available. This allows plenty of time for your Team Leader to reach out to others for assistance.

In not responding, Team Leaders have sometimes been left with no support at 5:30pm and have to scramble to find some help.

Merry Christmas



We have all made the commitment to make ourselves available. Rosters are sent out in advance so that each of us can mark on our calendar our night to make ourselves available to Carevan. Please take the time to mark your calendar, to respond to your text message as a mutual respect for the privilege we have aiding our community and showing our community spirit which prompted us to put our hand up to volunteer in the first place.

Thank you again and from the Committee of Carevan Wangaratta, we wish each of you and your family a safe, happy, joyful Merry Christmas and New Year to come.

We look forward to working with you through 2019.

Be Safe over the holiday time and may it be filled with Love and Laughter.



The Carevan Wangaratta Committee Members.

CAREVAN WANGARATTA GET TOGETHER

COMING UP in 2019. The Committee of Carevan Wangaratta have plans underway for a BBQ get together of all Volunteers and their families.

As we are all volunteers, the Committee Members feel it would be lovely to meet and put faces to names we often only hear or read about in a roster. Lets all come together as an opportunity to get to know each other and celebrate our like mindedness and community spirit. More details will be sent about the BBQ.

THE DATE is **Friday 15 March 2019** so that you can mark it on the calendar.

“Its easier to care than turn away”

MEET YOUR TEAM LEADERS

Amanda BEACH
John HOUGHTON
Joy RAMSEY
Lorraine WISENER
Marcus FORSTER
Michelle KENNEDY
Narelle DON
Ross JOHNSTON
Terry WISENER



Over the next few issues of the Newsletter, we will be introducing each Team Leader with a little information about themselves.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING THIS LAST MONTH

We have received many donations o various natures.

The CFA have donated energy packs which will be used in the Christmas Hampers that will be put together for our clients.

Anglicare are continuing with their support of miscellaneous items, bread and meat which is used in our regular cook-ups

There have been private donations of money and food from kind locals who also have a community spirit and want to be able to contribute to helping those in need.

Café Defailleur also continues with a supply of muffins.

The last cook up by the Inner Wheel Group was held on 25th Dec with 50 containers of whole-some food supplied. Lorraine Wisener, Food Co-ordinator, then took these and put them in the freezers for up-coming meals.

The Committee is grateful to Patti Stafford and her volunteer group who, like yourselves, make themselves available to do the cooking, supplying us with a monthly bulk of containers of food from Patti's own recipies. All meals are wholesome meat and veggies, pasta's, mashed potatoes As you all know, heating them up each night fills the van with the most wonderful aroma's.

THANK YOU to the Inner Wheel Group



COMMUNITY EVENTS COMING UP

09 DEC
**Wangaratta Lions
Candles by Candle-
light**

 6:30pm—9:30pm
Merriwa Park

20 DEC
**Community Food
for All Twilight
Christmas Market**

 5pm—10pm
Holy Trinity Cathedral

31 DEC
**New Year's Eve
Celebration**

 7pm—12am
Apex Park

16 JAN
**Library Events Si-
lent Reading Party**

 King George V Gar-
dens
12pm—1pm
www.hcic.vic.gov.au

04 FEB
**2019 Season &
10th Birthday
Lunch**

 4pm—6pm
Wangaratta Performing Arts &
Convention Centre
www.wangarattapac.com.au

16 FEB
Outdoor Ball

 7pm—10pm
Merriwa Park

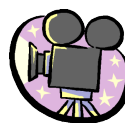
22 FEB
Summer Sounds

 7pm-10:30pm
King George V
Gardens

24 FEB
**Wangaratta Olym-
pic Pool Family Day**

 1pm—5pm
YMCA Outdoor Pool
\$5 Entry

10-13 JAN
Cinema Pop-Up

 7pm—late
Eldorado—10th &
11th Jan
Moyhu—12th & 13th Jan
(movie begins at nightfall)
Bookings Essential
www.cinemapopup.com.au

**GARDEN SERIES
8—24 JAN**

MIND AND BODY

 King George V Gardens
Tai Chi
Tuesday mornings 7am-8am
Body Balance
Wednesday mornings 7am-8am
Yogalates
Friday mornings 7am-8am

FAMILY GAMES
Croquet

 Tuesday evenings 5:30pm-
6:30pm
Apex Park

Ultimate Frisbee

 Wednesday evenings 5:30pm-
6:30pm
Apex Park

Karate

 Thursday evenings 6pm-7pm
King George V Gardens

ART GALLERY ACTIVITIES
8th & 16th JAN

 NGV Kids on Tour
10am-12pm

10th & 11th JAN

 Paper Alive
10am-3:30am
Wangaratta Art Gallery
Bookings essential \$5
www.wangarattaartgallery.com.au
26 JAN
AUSTRALIA DAY

 8am—11am
King George V Gardens

RURAL COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS:

Springhurst	5pm (Fri 25th)
Murmungee Hall	7:30am
Tarrowingee	7:30am
Everton	8am
Peechelba	8am
Boorhaman	8:30am
Hamilton Park	8:30am
Moyhu	8:30am
Whorouly	9am
Glenrowan	10am
Greta Hansonville	10am
Eldorado	6pm
Carboor	6:30pm
Cheshunt	6:30pm
Milawa/Oxley	6:30pm

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*All are welcome. None
are turned away. We
are here to serve the
Wangaratta
Community.*

WELCOME

MYRRHEE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Recently I had the privilege to visit the Myrrhee Primary School and meet the children who have a registered business named, "**MYRRHEE JUNIOR ENTREPRENEURS**"

The children, as a project, created various ideas and finalised a project called "COUNTRY DRONE PHOTOS". Having chosen their project, they have gone through the various steps of any business; creating business models, business plans, costing, sourcing viable resources and marketing ideas etc.

Having chosen to use a Drone to take photos of local rural properties, each child had to learn how to operate and fly the drone in order to receive a licence of operation so that the project could go ahead. Funding for the purchase of the drone was a loan from the school, which the students have to pay back through the photos they are able to sell from the project.

This wasn't just about the chance to get a drone. The children's prime aim in any of their business ventures is to raise money for local charities. Any money made is divided 50/50 between paying back their business load and a charity. This year, these amazing children chose Carevan Wangaratta.

They put together a flyer and approached local farmers and vineyards with their proposal, having to explain and deal with the owners themselves as part of their learning new skills of business.

They have had many positive responses, especially from vineyard owners who know the cost of having aerial photos of their vines and establishments, especially the Cellar Doors and Restaurants, is a costly enterprise for them. To have this done professionally, they require over \$1,000 per photo.

The children are able to provide this at a substantially lower cost and so many wineries are taking the children up on the offer of aerial photographs, an amazing marketing tool at a fraction of the cost.

After visiting these children and discussing their ideas, this particular project and previous projects, I was left astonished at the maturity of all of the ages of children in this group. It was delightful to see them learning real life skills, more than I've seen in 'normal' public schools. The sense of community commitment and the need for teamwork, working through issues and attaining a goal they all set for themselves is inspirational.

I hope that many more properties and wineries in our North East region take advantage of obtaining cost effective advertising for themselves. However, more importantly, supporting a school of children that are little Entrepreneurs and Community spirited. Support them in their selfless efforts to give back to their community.

Trudy Cornish
Marketing & Media Co-ordinator
Carevan Wangaratta

