News & Events in the Community

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Summer/Autumn 2019

#### **JAMIESON COMMUNITY GROUP**

## **President's Report**

This Summer has been one of the hottest seasons that we have experienced in a long time, not to mention very little rainfall.

However, we have had record visitors to the Jamieson area enjoying our shady trees, green river flats and cool and refreshing rivers.

A huge thank you to our local Jamieson CFA who were called out to many fires in our district. We are also grateful to DELWP, FFM and the other Shire-based emergency services who protected the High Country and kept us safe and informed.

Australia Day Celebrations by the Jamieson River were a huge success this year, with large crowds, beautiful weather and support from many. The CFA free sausage sizzle, as always, was gratefully appreciated

by all in attendance. Features of the event were singing by Genevieve Bolwell and family and Kenneth Hopkinson's true blue Aussie poetry ballads.

In February our Jamieson Hall was rocking with a new Bush Dance, Hullabaloo in the Hall, thanks to the efforts of Janet Druce and Donna Ridley. Some 60 locals and visitors enjoyed a great fun

night of wonderful music and fun bush dancing.

Our community hub, the Jamieson Memorial Hall, has become an increasingly busy centre with regular sporting and social events such as Monday morning Yoga, fortnightly Monday evening Line Dancing, monthly Tuesday night Jamieson Community Group meetings, Wednesday morning Craft Ladies, Wednesday evening Table Tennis as well as other spontaneous events.

With the addition of a big screen TV to our stage, we were able to enjoy viewing a wonderful "Jamieson Video" of the previous year's events within Jamieson. A huge thank you to Peter Horan who made this fantastic promotional video of Jamieson. The new TV has been a most welcome addition for all the Jamieson community, but especially for the many funerals we have held in our hall recently. Sadly we have lost many loved Jamieson residents.

We have also had many interesting presentations within our hall, most recently "The Aged Friendly Review", fire management and the Federal elections. Our Hall is also registered as the Emergency Relief Centre for Jamieson.

With the increased use of our hall we have been busy gaining further funding to continue to improve and upgrade its kitchen

with new equipment, crockery, cutlery and glasses to cater for functions. Our new kitchen has now been fully certified as a food preparation kitchen, well-appointed complete and with UV filtered water.

This year has seen the official inclusion of a new Howqua/Macs Cove Sub Committee to the Jamieson Community Group bringing in many new members. We look forward to their plans to build a new boat ramp at Howqua and improvements to the existing Jamieson boat ramps. It has been great to see everincreasing membership of the Jamieson Community Group with many new residents and holiday makers.

The Autumn Festival has come and gone and what a spectacular weekend it was! The crowds were huge, with musicians, food vendors, stall holders and events galore. The best ever. A huge thank you to the Autumn events manager, Peter Horan and his assistants Chris Badrock & Freddie Leong. Jamieson was the place to be during this school holiday/Easter

period bringing huge numbers into our area to enjoy the Autumn weather, trees and events. All our businesses have been inundated. As usual Anzac Day in Jamieson was well organised and attended, thanks to the Anzac Committee led by Barry Matthews.

Finally, I must say that many full time residents of Jamieson are looking forward to a quieter Autumn/ Winter season, keen to have more time to get out into the garden and paddocks to clear away summers debris and clear away the falling leaves. Fire Restrictions were lifted at the start of May.

Stay healthy and well,

Working together for an even better community

Cheers

A scene from Hullabaloo in the Hall

**Ann-Maree Vague** 

President, Jamieson Community Group



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## **ACTIVE JAMIESON ACTIVITIES**

Examples incude the walking groups (Wed mornings), the table tennis (Wed evenings), the regular tennis (Wed mornings), the yoga classes (Monday mornings) and the line dancing (fortnightly), Jamieson is setting a high standard.

If you'd like further information, the best source is probably the Jamieson Community Facebook page. or ask Donna Ridley when you're in Deb's Café.



# Reminders Sep 2019 Sat 14<sup>th</sup> Spring Ball at Hall 7:00PM Memorial Hall 21 – 22<sup>nd</sup> Rod Muster Primarily Perkins St Nov 2019 Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> Bush Market 9:00AM Memorial Hall

Dec 2017

Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Fanny Lumsden Concert

6:30PM Memorial Hall

Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Farmers & Artisans Market

3-7PM Big Pool Reserve

Next issue: when the weather starts to warm up

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

The Jamieson Community Group is always delighted to welcome new members—it is most encouraging to see new faces attending Community Group meetings, (held at 7:00PM on 1st Tuesdays except July and January). Everybody is welcome to attend, listen, be heard and help to develop and implement our ambitious Wishlist!

Annual membership fee is \$10 for singles, \$20 for couples and \$25 for families. If you wish to join, please email jamomembers@gmail.com or call 0425 567 771.



If you need a police presence, call **000**.

**000** will automatically contact the nearest Police, which could be



the area Sergeant or a patrol car that happens to be near your area.



**Fanny Lumsden** is coming to Jamieson for one performance ONLY ... on Friday, 6th Dec 2019.

By the end of this 7th Country Halls Tour, Fanny will have visited over 130 halls and communities.

Fanny is a western NSW born and raised singer-songwriter. Her 2nd album debuted at No 1 on the Country ARIA chart and went on to win AIR Country Album of the Year.



**JamiesonCommunity** 

## **2019 AUSTRALIA DAY**

The Jamieson Australia Day commemoration is always a very uplifting event. The weather always cooperates, the speeches are short and to the point, the singing is appreciated, the poetry is traditional and the sausages are free courtesy of the Jamieson Fire Brigade.

Of course, the location is also ideal, down beside the river at the Brewery Hole.

This year, the guest speaker was Harry Westendorp Mayor of Mansfield Shire.

Locals and visitors enjoy celebrating Australia Day

## 2019 ANZAC DAY

The Jamieson Dawn Service has become a well-recognised opportunity to commemorate the contributions made by Australian service men and women to many conflicts over the decades and around the globe.

2019 was no different and a large crowd was in attendance for the Dawn Service, with its three-shot volley, the laying of crosses and singing by Lauriston girls school.

The dawn service was immediately followed by the Gunfire Breakfast in the Memorial Hall.

At 11:00AM, the veterans parade moved along Perkins Street to the memorial at Gerrans Reserve, before retiring to the Memorial Hall for a speech by Professor Peter Norton.

After lunch at the Courthouse Hotel, many stayed around for the traditional two-up in the backyard.

Thank you to the organising committee for another wonderful event and thanks to the attendees for making the effort. \$2,282 was raised and passed to Legacy.



Veterans' Parade along Perkins Street





Laying of Wreaths at Gerrans Reserve





Professor Peter Norton speaks at the Memorial Hall

# JAMIESON & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Summer is well and truly over and winter is creeping in, and with that the Jamieson & District Historical Society's museum



has closed its doors for the winter. But that doesn't mean our band of happy volunteers wont be working hard to update, maintain and clean our museum — inside and out!



We've already held a working bee on 30th April to mend a few items and install our new outdoor display sheds. Yes, that's right, we

have three new outdoor display sheds that will be used to house some items from our already overflowing display shed. A big thanks to the Blacksmiths at our Autumn Festival, who donated their Festival takings towards the cost of these new outdoor sheds. We are thrilled to bits with them and are grateful to the Blacksmiths for their generosity, and also to the volunteers who helped erect them.

Other than that our spring/summer/ autumn season has been pretty busy with many visitors into the

museum. We've had quite a few individual requests for research on families from the area too.

JDHS friends, and ancestors of the Fitzgibbon family, Fran & Graham



Hutchinson, are working towards putting on another Fitzgibbon Family reunion in 2020. More information on this can be found on the public Facebook page at Fitzgibbon Family Reunion 2020.

**Museum Hours:** 11:00AM-3:00PM each weekend from Cup Weekend to Easter. To visit at other times, telephone or email jamiesonmuseum@gmail.com

**Contact:** Marion 5777 0569, Karen 5777 0705, or Museum 5777 0690.

We are well into 2019 and it seems to have been a



super busy year. Most people I talk to agree. Our Craft Ladies have been involved in several of the events that have taken place in the Town - Autumn Festival, Easter Market and The Biggest Morning Tea.

We thank all who have supported us at these events and helped to make them successful. We had several new friends join our market this Easter and they enjoyed themselves and hopefully will join us in November.

The Biggest Morning Tea was again very successful. A special "thank you" to all who helped by bringing "a plate" - you really are an amazing community and can

always be counted on to help wherever you are needed. An amazing \$751.70 was raised for the Cancer Council.



Setting up and packing up are always busy times and you are there to hop in and help. *Thank You* doesn't sound enough to cover what you do and how much we appreciate you.

As Winter is upon us we will again knit for the Guardian Angel. We are also creating a special "Fanny Colours" quilt to support fund-raising for the Fanny Lumsden concert on 6th December. The quilt will be auctioned on the night. We



would love to have some more Ladies join us on a Wednesday morning - between 10 and 12.30. The conversation is extremely educational and stimulating and the tea, coffee and eats are pretty good also.

Hope to see you one Wednesday - drop in, even if just to say Hi.

Contact: Jude Ridley on 5777 0655

## SITREP FROM THE FIRESHED

The 2018/19 bush fire season is now behind us. Thankfully, Jamieson and the surrounding area came through unscathed thanks to better fire



awareness programs, a well prepared community and the fact that, although we had a hot summer, we did not reach the extreme fire danger days as per the FDI. Hence the low number of Total Fire Ban days.

The Jamieson Brigade was kept busy early in the season with several illegal burns and out of control campfires; police have followed up and in some cases charges have or will be laid. The Jamieson tanker and crews were actively involved over many days on the Howqua Hills fire in March; the Brigade also attended several lighting strikes in the hills off the Eildon



Jamieson Road, plus other minor incidents including multiple calls to investigate smoke sightings. Brigade crews also assisted Forest Fire Management (DELWP) with the Mt Terrible fuel reduction burn in April.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Brigade members for your time and effort responding to emergency calls over the fire danger period, for your time training and preparing to insure our community has an efficient, well prepared, reliable emergency service they can count on 24 hours a day every day.

A very warm welcome to our new members Daryl and Christian Cashmore and Mike Bush; all three will undertake basic training during the year to be ready for the 2019/20 fire season.

While on the subject of new members, I should point out that although our membership list is strong our valued female members are well and truly outnumbered by the blokes and I am sure they would like to see more women join them. If you think volunteering with CFA could be for you, please have a chat with the ladies of our Brigade, contact the

Secretary or myself or just come along to our friendly meetings where you will be made most welcome.

On Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May the Brigade held elections for office bearers for the next two year term, the results of which are as follows:

Role	Member	Role	Member
Captain	Chris Badrock	Secr/Treasurer	Peter Horan
1st Lieutenant	Grant McRostie	Training Officer	Tom Russell
2nd Lieutenant	Janene Ridley	Comm Safety Officer	Jess Bolwell
3rd Lieutenant	Craig Eury	H&S Officer	Steve Garito
4th Lieutenant	Peter Horan	Driving Facilitator	Gerry Moloney

Congratulations and good luck to all those elected to these important Brigade management and operational roles. To those stepping down, thanks for your time and effort over the last 2 year term, especially Geoff Gravenall who has done a magnificent job of Treasurer for the last 4 years but now needs to concentrate on work commitments.

Keep safe over Winter, be careful with wood heaters, electric blankets and electric heaters. Have you tested your smoke alarm?

Chris Badrock, Captain Jamieson Fire Brigade

**Meetings**: 8pm, CFA Station, 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed **Contact**: Peter Horan, 5777 0705

## JAMIESON FARMERS & ARTISANS MARKET



The Jamieson Farmers & Artisans Market, Season 2, was

undoubtedly a great success. The move to the banks



of the Jamieson River, at the Big Pool (next to the Caravan Park), was definitely a good move, with all stallholders in shade and plenty of space for kids, dogs and adults. With close to 30

stallholders attending both markets, music from Dennis Tucker and

Jess Bolwell, and story telling by Ken Hopkinson, there was much to keep everyone entertained. And, of course, the appearance of Santa and his trusty Elf made



the December market really festive.

Now we are gearing up for the 2019/2020 season of Jamieson Farmers Markets – held on 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of December & January at the Big Pool from



3pm to 7pm. JFAM is also working with the Jamieson Craft Ladies to organise the Jamieson Bush Markets, held in November & April each year. So, the next Jamieson market will be on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. Be there or be square!!

For general and stallholder enquiries, look at our Facebook page or email jamfarm@outlook.com

## GALLERY ON NASH

Gallery Nash, Jamieson's own artisans corner, is continuing to flourish and grow, and with the Gallery looking so fabulous you'd be mad not to come in and visit Even if it's cold outside, we'll be inside our lovely gallery with a warm smile just for you. You might find some unique piece that is calling out to you too ya gotta love that!





Our nursery, too, has been restocked for your autumn planting and we'll soon have some bare



rooted stock for your winter Apart from the planting. frost and drought resistant plants & shrubs, we also stock some European trees courtesy of Valley Jamieson Nursery. The grounds of the Gallery/ Museum were looking particularly beautiful during the autumn, and some of the museum volunteers got stuck

in for a big garden tidy up last April.

## SCHOOL NEWS (PS814)

#### Two Big Welcomes



Firstly, Jamieson PS welcomes our new exchange teacher, Misaki. Misaki is from Fukuoka in Japan and is studying at Kitakyushu University.

Secondly, Jamieson PS welcomes "Buster", our new bus. OK, so it's actually a bit more modern than the model in the photo,



but we're thrilled to have our own transport.

## **New School Website**

JPS814 is delighted to announced that it has a new school website. It's all up and running at www.jamiesonps.vic.edu.au.. The website was built by Jamieson resident Karen Alderson to requirements provided by the principal, Genevieve Bolwell. The website provides information on the formation, the



history, the programs and the policies of the school.

#### School Trivia Night

The school hosted its 2nd Community Trivia night on 10th May. Just like the first quiz in 2018, this trivia night was a great success. The questions were great, the quiz master (Ben Moyles) was right on cue, and the attendees had a great night out. Rumour has it that Ben is already working on the 2020 questions!

## **AUTUMN FESTIVAL**

The 6th Jamieson Autumn Festival maintained the light-hearted and

fun atmosphere of the previous 5 years. There was lots to look at and lots to listen to—and it was again FREE. We are thrilled that return visitors and stallholders suggested that it was, again, a little bit bigger and a little bit better. In that, it mirrors Jamieson itself.

Of course, the festival cannot be exactly the same each year, apart from good weather of course. So the new or different aspects for 2019 included:

- Even more the kids activities, especially the Thomas the Tank Engine rides along the river bank. A big thank you to Graeme and to Lou for being the engine drivers for the day.
- The little 'n large (or was it the old and the new)
   of fire-fighting trucks. An original Mansfield
   Model-T Ford fire truck and an enormous
   current DELWP Mercedes Unimog, the latter
   heading up to Mt Terrible the very next day on
   fuel reduction burn duty. Big thank you to CFA
   and DELWP for providing the vehicles.
- The very popular helicopter ride raffle. The winner got to take their best friend for a flight over Jamieson while the festival was still underway. A very big thank you to generously piloting the visitors.

All the regular favourites were still there, such as the gold nugget throw, the blacksmithing, the horse and wagon rides and the cow poo lotto. The cow poo lotto had a special, albeit unplanned, twist for 2019—if only Canberra leaks could be as helpful!!

































