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2020 Blyth Christmas Carnival

The Blyth Christmas Street Carnival was held on Monday 21st December in mild conditions with a one of the biggest crowds over the years coming along to enjoy the atmosphere.

The Decorated Bike competition started the night with 22 bikes riding the loop in the main street to give judges and new comers to the town, Mark & Robyn Howard, a good look at the artistic talents on show as well as a taste of the Blyth community.

The spinning wheel was popular throughout the night with great prizes being won, with the exceptions when for “Spin for Cash” and the wheel landed on a low number.

While quandonges were in short supply in 2020, it didn't stop the local cooks producing some delicious quandong desserts. Janet Zweck took out back to back Championships with the traditional latticed quandong pie followed by new comer to the competition, Rikki Kane's quandong cheesecake.

COVID was not going to stop Father Christmas from visiting Blyth and was chauffeured to the Magic Cave by Dale Loffler in his sparkling 1967 Parisienne Pontiac. Mid North Party Hire's showroom was transformed into a Magic Cave with a long line of children ready to talk to FC and have their photos taken, albeit at some distance from FC.

The Blyth Progress Association thanks to all the businesses and organisation for helping during the night. (more inside)

Dates to remember:

*February 12th: Newspaper Drive
March 8th: Adelaide Cup Holiday
March 26th: April Newsletter Deadline
April 2nd: Good Friday
April 4th: Easter Sunday*



Above: Tobias, Ryder & Bryson Nurk with Father Christmas



Above: Giant stocking winner, Rohan Welke



Above: Water Balloon Champs, Nathan & Kristy Pengilly



Above: Quandong Champion, Janet Zweck (right), with judge Helen Bennie (left)

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2020 Blyth Christmas Carnival continued..

The decorated bike competition was a hit as always. Winners were Lewis Kane, Max Williams and Leo Noble. In the Fancy Dress competition it was great to see a variety of costumes with Tilly Welke, Lexi Hentschke, Willow Zweck and Slone Ramsey receiving prizes.

This year a "Children's Colouring Christmas Poster" competition was held with many entries and judge and sponsor John & Ro Woods awarded the prizes to Ruby Kells, Tilly Welke and Hannah King.

The Mini Putt Putt holes were a great success with Jack Hayes and Jimmy Wandel receiving the prizes.

The cricket's hit the target tested the crowd's accuracy with Will Pratt and Josh Hentschke walking away with the cash.

Winners of the Best Christmas Lights went to first timers, Graham and Helen Bennie, Runner-Up to Troy & Deb Noble, 3rd to Ian & Angie Haysman, Encouragement Award to Andrew & Connie Reljich. Best home-made Father Christmas prizes went to Deb & Jeff Hatfield and Estelle Noble.

Another large field entered the prestige "Water Balloon Championships". 2020 Championship winners were new to the title, with husband and wife duo Nathan & Kristie Pengilly taking the honours. Junior champs were Josh Hentschke and Max Williams.

Winner of the Giant Christmas Stocking was Rohan Welke with Peter McEwin taking home the meat tray.



Above: Best decorated Bike winners, Leo Noble, Lewis Kane & Max Williams



Above: Best dressed winners, Lexi Hentschke, Tilly Welke, Willow Zweck & Slone Ramsey



Left: Christmas Poster comp winners, R Kells, Tilly Welke and Hannah King with prizes sponsor, John Woods.



Above: Josh Hentschke hit the target



Above: Father Christmas and Dale Loffler



Above: Cousins, Leo & Estelle Noble, Isla, Lottie & Hugo Zweck, Zara Carmine De Sousa, and Josh & Lexi Hentschke with Father Christmas

The Blyth Progress Association would like to thank the following local businesses for their donations & support on the night:

Mid North Party Hire - use of facilities, Magic Cave and equipment
Clare Financial Service - Fancy Dress & Decorated Bike Comp prizes
Welke Transport - Father Christmas Treats
Peter Paterson - Sound in Main Street
Mid North Sandblasting - Water Balloon Championship prizes
Wood Mobile Sheep Dipping - Children's Colouring Poster comp prizes
Medika Gallery - Quandong Dessert Competition prizes
Complete Wool Services, MC & KL Eime Silage, Vision Builders,
Mitre 10 - Best Christmas Lights & Home Made Father Christmas prizes
Dale Loffler - FC sleigh
Father Christmas

Centre-state Pest & Weed Control, Blyth Cafe, T & A Eime, D&T Glazing, Mathies Meat Shoppe, Matriarch & Rogue Wines, Denni Agnew, - Spinning Wheel prizes
Effigy Hair Studio, BDH - Breakout, Mathies Meat Shoppe, Blyth Post Office, Broken by Design, Dingo Dreaming, Kristie Brackstone Beauty Therapy - Giant Christmas Stocking items.
Blyth Tennis, Football, Golf & Bowling Clubs, Blyth Primary School, Blyth Kybunga Cricket Club, Blyth Progress and community - for their help prior, during and after the night.
Carmen Kells - FC family photos

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* Happy 80th to Dorathea Juett who celebrated in January with her family (left)

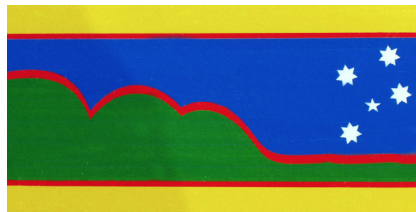


*A huge congratulations to Emily Zweck & Chris Flavel on recently getting engaged! (right)



* The new plantings on South Terrace opposite the Lutheran Church are growing nicely, with many having flowered or in flower. Around 40 have died in particularly dry spots or Galahs have chewed off for a bit of fun. Tree guards needed this year for their replacements!! About 500 plants survive, covering about 220 species. This year Blyth Progress Association will be planting the Murray Cook Memorial Garden beside the drive into the oval. You may have seen the red sand that Wakefield Regional Council kindly supplied & spread in that area.

* The Blyth Flag is generally flown at community gatherings at Padnaindi. In 1989 the Blyth Progress Association held a competition for the design and from the 26 entries received, Neville Johnson's design (then current Principal at BPS) was selected. Red for town colours, Blue for our clear skies, Gold for wheat and cereal crops in summer, Green for colours of the fields in winter, Southern Cross above us, Hills for our place beside the hills. (right)



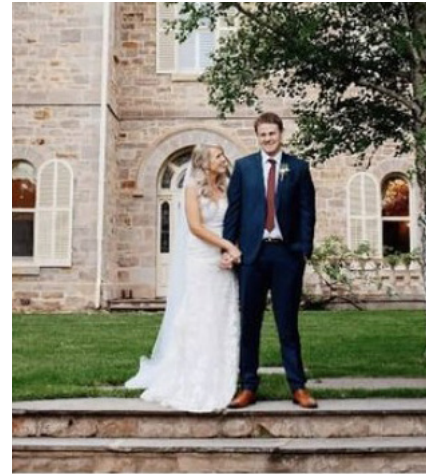
* During the last few months house sales have been great and we look forward to welcoming new residents to the community.

* Blyth welcomes Hayden & Jess Noble who have moved into their new home in Eime Drive and also to Dean Smallacombe who has joined our community and living in Wakefield Street.

* Congratulations Nick McElroy on making the final cut for the Woodville/ West Torrens Football Under 16's squad.

* Our district is in for a population boost in May and June with quite a number of local couples expecting babies. While one ponders the reason, it could be logical that maybe these young couples were kept busy due COVID or it being the end of the football season. !

* Congratulations to Nicola Andriske and Micheal Ross on their marriage on Saturday 6th February at "Curly Goose" and will continue to make their home in Blyth. Nicola and Michael were lucky with the weather, and had a mild evening, even the rain held off!



* Happy 40th Wedding Anniversary to Janet and Ian Zweck celebrated on 31st January 2021 during their annual holiday at Wallaroo.

Janet and Ian were married on a lovely 30 degree day after both of them played in their usual A Grade tennis competition at Blyth in the afternoon.

At 6.00pm (time slot selected so everyone did

not have to pull out of their Saturday sports) Janet strolled across the street from her family home to St Margaret's Anglican Church, Blyth where they were married. After a short photo session in the paddock, the reception was held in the Blyth Hall's Annexe catered by HC Jones Bakery of Clare (Neil & Evonne). A 3 course meal was had, with Summer Wine being the drink of the night!!

Honeymoon was in Fiji but getting there had its fun (& tears). Arrived at Adelaide Airport Motel that night at 1am to find no booking (Ian's fault) and there were no vacancies. A quick "breaking and entering" into Janet's sister house nearby before arriving at Adelaide airport at 6am to find the flight to Sydney had been delayed. Arrived in Sydney late and it was a frantic run to catch the connecting flight to Fiji, but while they caught the flight, unfortunately the luggage didn't. Arrived at the Fijian Resort and saw it had been flattened by a cyclone! and still no luggage!

Lesson learnt from the honeymoon – Don't let Ian organise a holiday and life could only get better..!!

Kybunga Clippings

* Congratulations to the Ballyvaughan Murray Grey Stud proprietors – Katrina and Steven Sanders – on being nominated to host the Beef Field Days on Feb 5th 2021. They are in their 25th year of breeding cattle and the 20th year of operating the Ballyvaughan Murray Grey Stud.

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Blyth Kybunga Cricket Club

It has been an interrupted start to the cricket season this year with the Covid lockdown in November cancelling all community sports for 2 weeks. The A1 & Div 1 (colts) competition saw a new format of cricket off the back of this with a couple of 20/20 games being played in lieu of the lost games. While the seniors didn't fare too well in these games, the colts seemed to enjoy the 20/20 format.

BKCC would like to congratulate Riley Stirling, Austin Altmann, Coby Bigg, Charlie Kells and Seth Angus (unavailable on the day- pictured below) who were selected to play for Stanley Cricket Association late last year and a further congratulations to Riley, Austin and Coby who were then selected to represent the Mid North at the country cup in January.

BKCC would also like to congratulate club President Justin Zweck and A Grade captain Ben Pratt on their selection in the association side who will take on NACA at Sevenhill on Sunday 7th February. Special mention to Riley Stirling on his selection as 12th man in the team at such a young age. Riley is shaping up to be a true superstar at the club.

There are still tickets available in the Toyota Good for Cricket raffle – tickets are only \$5 each and are available to purchase via toyotagoodforcricket.raffletix.com.au/blythkybungacc There are great prizes to be won, including 3 brand new Toyotas and 100% of the proceeds come back to support the club.

The road to finals is paved with lots of home games at Blyth so get down and support the lads on a Saturday afternoon. Please remember to check in using our QR code when attending any games/training at the oval. There is also a manual check in sheet at the bar if you would prefer this over the QR code.

Finally, we've been busy on the committee planning some sponsorship signage for the back of the cricket nets/oval entry with multiple sponsorship options available. If you are interested in sponsoring the club and would like to hear more about what packages are available, please contact us via blythkybunga@gmail.com

Kelly Beer
BKCC Secretary



Blyth Kybunga Cricket Club A Grade Update

The A Grade have shown promising form leading into a favourable run home with wins in 3 out of the 4 45 over games played. 2 losses in the 20twenty format, rescheduled due to the November Covid outbreak, have been the only downside of our season so far.

he willow supported by young leaders Will Pratt and Tyson Eime in the top order. Stirling is in a rich vein of form posting 3 consecutive half centuries, whilst Pratt found some form in our most recent game with a 49no at Auburn.

Shay Clifford has been exemplary with the gloves, in particular to the spinners and medium pacers up to the stumps with multiple stumpings, leg side catches and minimal byes whilst Henry Warner has led the way in the field with his speed and energy. Credit to both these players for leading the way in field still after limited opportunities with the bat so far this year.

Spin twins Ben Pratt and Will Harris have been solid with the ball so far this year with room for improvement heading into finals. Their output with the bat this year has lifted however, with Pratt compiling gritty runs at the top and Harris perfectly closing out innings in multiple games when needed.

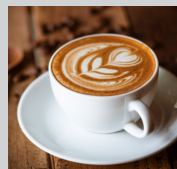
The vastly experienced medium pace trio of Justin Zweck, Charatpolo Pannu and recruit Luke Ramsey have set the tone for the team all year and will be vital for our finals push. Zweck and Ramsey have been potent with the new ball and it's been pleasing to see Pannu rewarded for his wily skills, currently sitting 2nd in the league wickets after his 5fer vs Brinky.

4 out of the 5 remaining matches will be played at Blyth where the team have not lost in 15 months and drawing on this home ground advantage will be integral as we time our run towards the business end of the season where we hope we can do some real damage again.

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BCKK 1st XI Captain

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Someone will always be there to enjoy your company. New to town? Please come along and meet a few of the locals. All welcome.

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DONAVA awarded Master Breeder



South Australia saw no less than five breeders awarded Master Breeder status over the last year and local Donava Holsteins was one of them.

Gary Zweck of Donava Holsteins has spent 44 years in the dairy industry and has followed in his parent's footsteps by winning a second Master Breeder title. The first award went to his parents Don and Elva Zweck.

As a second generation dairy farmer, Gary started his dairy career on the farm with his father in Blyth, SA. His parents Don and Elva (whose names combined make up their prefix) bought the farm in 1964 and started off by separating cream.

Convinced by a neighbour to transition into whole milk, Don and Elva built the dairy in 1970 and began supplying Golden North in Clare, and shortly after established the stud. His father was quick to adopt herd testing and immediately got involved when it became privatised by the state government.

Gary and his father separately enrolled in AI courses in the 1970's and used their new found knowledge to progress genetics within the herd. "Dad was always quick to be open to take on new technologies" says Gary. He explains that during the time his father was involved in herd testing and AI breeding, he became aware of the benefits of these tools when coupled with better feed management.

Progress was being made and at that time, Donava Holsteins achieved high production far beyond the state average. Gary states that seeing the potential and progress within the herd gave him further determination and drive

to improve. Mr Zweck says his success is also attributed to his father Don's interest in new and progressive farming ideologies which resulted in a pivotal business revelation. "We worked out that confined feeding in our low rainfall environment of 350mm average, was a better way to go than trying to graze" says Gary.

Due to their very low rainfall environment and no irrigation, Gary, Ros and son Justin have fine-tuned their TMR system, concentrating on producing home grown fodder and grain and delivering it to the herd for maximum benefit. "You can see straight away that if you get the feeding right and the breeding right that you will actually be rewarded with high production and that was the drive for me to keep going."

Mr Zweck admits he was shocked to learn he had won the award because he wasn't aware that it could be won more than once. "I was very surprised to win it a second time" says Gary. "I thought you could only win it once and we haven't changed our prefix at all so it rolls on from generation to generation".

Mr Zweck says he wouldn't be nearly as accomplished if it weren't for his family. "My wife Ros continues to be a great support to me over the years, handling all the registrations, calf rearing and book-keeping and my son Justin has taken on the role of cropping management and is keen on progressing into the future" says Gary.

Over the next 5 years, Gary and his family have big plans to invest in their newly built shade shed and are currently building infrastructure underneath which will incorporate a feed lane and compost loafing area.

"We look forward to the day when the cows can be shaded from the hot summer. We've got a fairly aggressive plan on the new shed and if we can handle it and get it done then our next step is to invest in robotic milking. I'm hoping that will be a chance to wind back my hours a bit" says Gary. He says winning the Master Breeder for a second time means that he and his family are on track.

"All the hard work is paying off and we are seeing the results of improved genetics and production. It's very pleasing to realise it's achievable" says Mr Zweck.

Congratulations to Gary, Ros, and the whole Donava team.

2020 Blyth Post Office Stats.

Parcels received 2019: 8156

2020: 10096 (cracked 10000 parcels on Christmas Eve)

April to December all record months. Just over 2000 parcels up for the same period in 2019.

Most parcels ever for a month: 1228 in December.

Most parcels ever in day: 125 on 14/12

Banking transactions 393 (about the same)

Bills paid 1769 (about 150 more)

Trays, Tubs and Bags sent off 1105 (about 50 more)

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Blyth Trinity Lutheran Congregation

The Christmas Eve Services was held with a 90 strong crowd in attendance including family, friends and visitors. The night was filled with carols, music, animal sounds and a children's presentation of "Who's in my stable?" including the story of Jesus' birth plus a Christmas message from Pastor Greg Vangsness. Thanks to all who supported and attended this event and especially to our musicians Cathy Giersch and Rhonda Klemm.

An offering towards Australian Lutheran World Service Christmas Appeal for education in East Africa raised \$408.



coffee & play



EVERY FRIDAY
MORNING



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Above | Back: Lily Stirling, Jack, Henry and Charlotte Welke, Isla and Hugo Zweck, Estelle Noble, Lucy Wandel, Violet Welke. Front Tilly Welke, Billy Wandel, George & Eddie Welke, Jimmy Wandel.

Trinity Lutheran Worship Times

All welcome

Feb 14th HC – 10.30am

Feb 21st HC – 9.00am

Feb 28th LR – 9.30am

Mar 3rd HC – 7.30pm

Mar 7th LR – 9.30am

Mar 14th HC – 11am

Mar 17th HC – 7.30pm

Mar 21st LR – 9.30am

Mar 28th Palm Sunday LR – 9.30am

Apr 1st Maundy Thursday HC – 7.30pm

Apr 2nd Good Friday HC – 9.00am Hot Cross Buns

Apr 4th Easter Sunday LR – 9.30am Easter Egg Hunt

Term 1 2021

Week 1 (29th Jan) - Wheels day

Week 2 (5th Feb) – Unstructured play

Week 3 (12th Feb) – Nature Hunt

Week 4 (19th Feb) – Ball play on the basketball court/lawn

Week 5 (26th Feb) – Slime/Sensory play

Week 6 (5th Mar) – Playdough

Week 7 (12th Mar) – Play equipment/Leo's birthday

Week 8 (19th Mar) – Easter Craft

Week 9 (26th Mar) – Easter egg hunt

Week 10 (2nd Apr) – ***NO PLAYGROUP*** Good Friday (no school)

Week 11 (9th Apr) – End of term breakup

Blyth Bowling Club

December

The club had their Annual Christmas Dinner on the 5 December with around 35 people attending. The night was a great night, with a lovely meal prepared by Marie Spinks and Cheryl Wandel and the helpers. One of the highlights was using the new dishwasher which we purchased with the help of the Blyth Management Board and Blyth Development Board, it was great to see the Men bowlers using the dishwasher.

Saturday and Thursday starting a Christmas break on the week of 19 December, seeing Division 1 and Division 2 is the middle of the premierships table and Thursday pennants Blyth Red was just out the 4 and Blyth Blue coming up the rear of the premierships table.

January

Thursday pennants started back on 7 January with Blyth Red playing and Blyth Blue having a bye for that week. Saturday pennants started back on the 16 January seeing Division one just losing to the top of ladder Watervale and Division two losing to Clare Green at home. At the end of January Thursday pennants Blyth Red was 6 on the premierships table and Blyth Blue on the bottom on the

premiership (but they are winning against the top side).

Saturday pennants 23 January was too hot to play, but the club held a club tea on that night with around 28 people attending, it was a lovely night having tea and not playing that day. Last week Division one had a bye and Division two played Auburn and came out with a draw against the top side.

The following day on Sunday the club hosted the State Fours for BMW region with 6 men's side and 4 women's side playing all day, the club catered for the day with Fish, chip and Salads for lunch, which everyone enjoyed. The winners of the day were Mallala in the women's section and the men's section Blyth played Mallala in the knockout section. This game was a very enjoyable match seeing Mallala winning by 1 shot over Blyth.

February

Last week Brian Eime, Peter Errey, Perry Stirling and Raymond Wallis represented the club at the Men's Country Carnival at various venues in Adelaide. The week of 8 February Ian Wandel will be representing the club at Country Round Robin for men in Adelaide playing at Marion. Well done Ian. Cheryl Wandel and David Lamond will be down in Adelaide for the Country Round Robin too as the Team Manager of the Ladies and Mens side.

Australia Day in Blyth

On January 26th, the Blyth Community celebrated Australia Day with a BBQ tea in Padnandi Park. A generous crowd came to celebrate the day and it was so lovely to see some new faces.

Aunty Betty (Betty Mills) of Brinkworth was there to present the welcome to country, as well as teach us all a snippet of her native language. Mayor for the Wakefield region, Rodney Reid, was also present to deliver 2 presentations. The first was the citizenship ceremony for Brinkworth residents, Graham & Janet Bales. Graham & Janet are originally from the UK and have re-located to Australia. Congratulations to Graham & Janet!
Rodney then presented Blyth local, Kristin Carling, with her Young Citizen of the Year award. Congratulations Kristin!

Kristin's nomination for the Young Citizen of the Year award can be read below.



Above: Kristin Carling (middle) with her mother, Valerie, sister, Rachel, brother, Thomas and Dad, Wayne Carling



Above: Mayor Rodney Reid (left) with new Australian Citizens, Graham & Janet Bales

Kristin's contribution to the community is volunteering, her list of roles and duties are extensive for a 26 year old. Kristin is heavily involved in the Blyth Tennis Club, Blyth Snowtown Netball Club and Blyth Netball Club as well as other community organisations and events. Kristin took on her first official role at age 15, in 2009, as a netball coach of the J4s (7-9 year olds). Since then, Kristin has coached junior J2s in 2010, 15U in 2015 & senior B2s in 2017 to the Grand Final and again in 2019 to the Preliminary Final. In 2014, at age 20, Kristin joined the Blyth Snowtown Netball Club (BSNC) committee and is still a member of the committee today and no doubt for many years to come. She gladly agreed to take on the executive role of Secretary in 2017 for 2 years and handled it right from the get-go and was always efficient. Since 2012, Kristin has also taken on major roles such as Club Reporter, Cat Chat Coordinator and Umpire Coordinator. In 2019, Kristin was awarded the honourable and well-deserved Blyth Snowtown Netball Club Volunteer of the Year. Throughout all of these years Kristin has also been a very capable and regular umpire, committed 200+ game player and a welcoming friend to new and old netball members.

Kristin has been and is currently an active part of the newly formed Blyth Snowtown Netball and Football Social Committee since 2018. Kristin recognises the value of social events within the community, as well as working collaboratively with the Blyth Snowtown Football Club to increase connection. She works tirelessly to organise events and encourage other young people to contribute and attend. Kristin is currently the Treasurer. Kristin has also been an active member and player of the Blyth Tennis Club. Her main roles include; committee member for at least the past 5 years, Secretary for the past 4 seasons and A grade captain, which involves a great deal of time organising and managing teams. Kristin promotes participation in tennis to the wider community and is passionate about keeping the club going.

Kristin is also on the Blyth Netball Club committee and was involved in the 3rd court development project during 2017 & 2018.

At an association level, at age 21, Kristin began contributing to the wider community taking on the mammoth responsibility of North Eastern Netball Association (NENA) Recorder, which involves collecting, checking and inputting all of the scorecards for the whole association. From 2016, Kristin has attended NENA meetings as a BSNC rep confidently representing the local netball club. She has and is currently the delegate rep for Blyth Tennis Club at the Mid North Tennis Association meetings too.

Outside of sport, Kristin is involved with the Blyth Management Committee, this group meets to decide new innovative ideas to make the Blyth community a safer and better place to live; she is currently the Assistant Treasurer.

For years Kristin has been available to waitress at the monthly Movie Club Nights in Blyth. She has volunteered at the Blyth Cinema. Kristin is a regular face behind the BBQ counter each year at the local street Christmas Carnival. She supports events organised by other organisations, for example the bowling club have a community night each year and Kristin submits a team of young people to get them involved.

The bigger executive roles Kristin has successfully taken on within committees are just the scratch of the surface. There are so many other smaller jobs that Kristin recognises as just as important which she fulfils. Such as, she attends AGMs, helps out at all busy bees, writes news stories for local newsletters, creates rosters for duties, does many duties within rosters, organises and attends fundraisers, organises end of season trips, helps in canteens, sets up & packs up wind-ups, contributes to strategic planning, donates food etc. The list goes on and only she knows the exact extent of her efforts! If there's a job, Kristin won't hesitate but learn to do it, there's no 'ifs' or 'buts'!
The time and effort Kristin puts into the community is astonishing. Her initiative is beyond her years. Nothing is ever too hard for Kristin and she always seems to be around to help. Kristin has a full-time job too! There's two other main notable ways Kristin has demonstrated active citizenship and enhancement of community life. The first is her desire to develop her leadership skills and the second is her ability to connect the community.

Kristin's community contributions were recognised in 2017 when she received a scholarship to participate in the inaugural Emerging Leaders Program. Kristin was nominated by local clubs to receive a scholarship from the Blyth Development Board to actively participate in this Program run by the Regional Development Australia throughout 2017 and 2018. Her past community involvement meant that she met the criteria as an active community member and next generation to serve the community. Kristin graduated from the program with skills in being an effective leader, empowering people & creating innovative solutions. She also took time to attend the Netball SA Budding Leaders Program held over 3 sessions in 2016 to develop skills in community and personal resilience, social media management and communication.

Kristin is a vital part of our community as she is the link between many community members of all ages. Kristin has lived in Blyth her whole life and is welcoming to all new people, especially younger residents. In a small community like Blyth, our young people help keep our community fresh, progressive and alive. Our town tends to attract young people and families due to lower housing costs and job opportunities in close by Clare, but also our vibrant connection with neighbours and the wider community helps retain residents. Kristin encourages people to get involved and integrate within our community. Attracting young members to be involved within the community is sometimes difficult if a young person is not leading the way. Kristin is a fantastic example of what inclusiveness looks like and she certainly enhances community life with her friendly, proactive and approachable nature.

Kristin enacts change within our community and motivates others to see the benefits of serving the community. Being an active citizen of the community is in her blood, following in the footsteps of her parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles. There's no doubt Kristin will continue to be a significant member of our community into the future.



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Government of South Australia
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February 2021

Welcome to the new Reception students for 2021



Jimmy, Leni, Patrick, Hugo and Bentley

On 4th February the students at Blyth Primary School were having a fire drill, when the town siren went off and the fire truck came to the oval making it a little more realistic. All the students had a tour of the CFS truck thanks to Craig Lloyd, Josh King and Tyson Eime.

The students all went back to the classroom & Craig Lloyd explained to the students how to ring 000 in the case of an emergency, with Harry J being able to ring & all students could hear what the operator was asking.

CFS Visit Blyth Primary School 4th February 2021



Acquaintance Night

Parents attended Acquaintance Night on the 8th February to listen to the teachers speak about routines and work for the year in the class rooms.



Student Leaders 2021

Congratulation to the Student Leaders for 2021.

Elder Student Leaders Brianna & Cody
School Captains Charlotte & Harry J
Vice Captain Hannah

Sports Captain Billy W & Henry
Vice Sports Captain Jack & Simone



OSHC is available every school day from 3.30-6pm at Blyth Primary School. If you would like an enrolment form or further information please contact Deb Noble or the front office ph: 8844 5195.

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	Blyth Post Office	Kybunga AJ Wood	Hart Nathan Zweck	Bowillia Wayne Carling
2020 December	28.8mm	27.6mm	36mm	19.0mm
2019 December	7.2mm	8.0mm	2.4mm	5.4mm
2021 January	14.6mm	17.8mm	14.0mm	7.8mm
2020 January	12.4mm	2.4mm	31.4mm	15.2mm
2020 Total	401.8mm	354.8mm	410mm	332.8mm
2019 Total	238.8mm	246.8mm	222mm	235.6mm

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Obituary – Jean Viola Wandel



Jean Viola Hampel was born on the 23 January 1928 at the Blyth Community Hospital. She was the first born child to Ben and Gert Hampel (nee Zilm), who lived on their farm East of Kybunga.

Jean left school at the age of 12, a day after the qualifying certificate exam as her mother was ill. She cared for her younger sisters Betty,

Iris and Shirley, along with running the home and milking the cows.

In January 1942 her parents left for the Blyth hospital in a horse and cart as there had been heavy rain and they could not travel by car. Staying in Blyth for the birth of their baby – a still born son, Jean was busy looking after the rest of the family until her mother returned home. At this time, she was 13 and helping at home as well as being sent out to help others in the district in their time of need.

At 21 she married Erwin Wandel. Their wedding text was 1st Corinthians 13:13 “And now these three remain, Faith, Hope and Love, but the greatest of these is Love.” It wasn't long and their first child Yvonne was born in February 1950, followed by Neil in October 1951, Glen in April 1953 and Trevor in August 1956.

Mum was very proud of her children, 17 grandchildren and many great grandchildren. Mum and Dad share farmed land at Kybunga for 5 years before making their first purchase. Later as they had opportunity, more land was purchased. Erwin also did contract reaping for Rex McSkimming and through that they bought their first piano so Yvonne could have music lessons. They also bought their first TV. Mum said they only bought anything if they could pay cash for it, unless it was for farm requirements.

Mum and Dad moved to Clare in 1974 where Mum enjoyed doing voluntary work. Many times, she was heard to say that she was a Jack of all trades, and master of none.

She joined the Clare hardcourt tennis club as a player in 1979 and was President from 1982 and awarded a life membership in 1985. During her time as President she had been instrumental in grant applications and fundraising for the refurbishing of the courts in 1985. Her enthusiasm and leadership, especially for catering, allowed the club to completely finance many further upgrades of their facilities.

Jean and Erwin were actively involved in the Lutheran church where she served on the property committee and President of the Women's Guild. Once again, her experience in catering enabled the Guild membership to raise considerable funds for the Church.

Jean was Mid North and Yorke Peninsula Lutheran Zone Rep for Immanuel College Ladies Auxiliary. She was president of the

Clare and District Hospital Ladies Auxiliary where she was involved in fundraising, trolley rounds, and flower arranging. Jean and Erwin also delivered Meals on Wheels in Clare and was also an active member of the Clare Town Hall Improvements Committee. Jean enjoyed her involvement in the annual Christmas production.

In 1988, she was the recipient of the Australia Day Citizen of the Year Award in Clare.

After living in Clare for 21 years, they moved to the seafront at Port Broughton where she continued her efforts for church, hospital and Visitors Centre.

Mum nursed Dad in his failing health and a few years after his passing she moved back to Clare into her lovely little home to be close to family.

More recently she was moved into Carinya Aged Care Home where the staff have been wonderful in her care and support. She passed to be with her Lord on Tuesday the 15th of December, 2020 aged 92 years.


Mum, Grandma and Great grandma. Almost 93. God has you in his keeping, we have you in our hearts. Rest in peace.



Written by Ro Wood, Kybunga.

Jean was a wonderful community member of Kybunga, always willing to be involved in all community events. She attended the Kybunga Primary School 1934–1941, Held the Office of President of the School Welfare Club 1959-60 and Treasurer in 1964. Jean was a dedicated member of the Kybunga Tennis Club and always welcomed new families into the district.

During the Kybunga School Centenary Celebrations in April 1981, Jean participated in the Parade being part of the Kybunga Tennis Club - dressed in ladies tennis attire for the early 1900s! Maureen Wiech, Marj Gardner and Jean Wandel walking down the Kybunga Main Str. (pictured above)

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