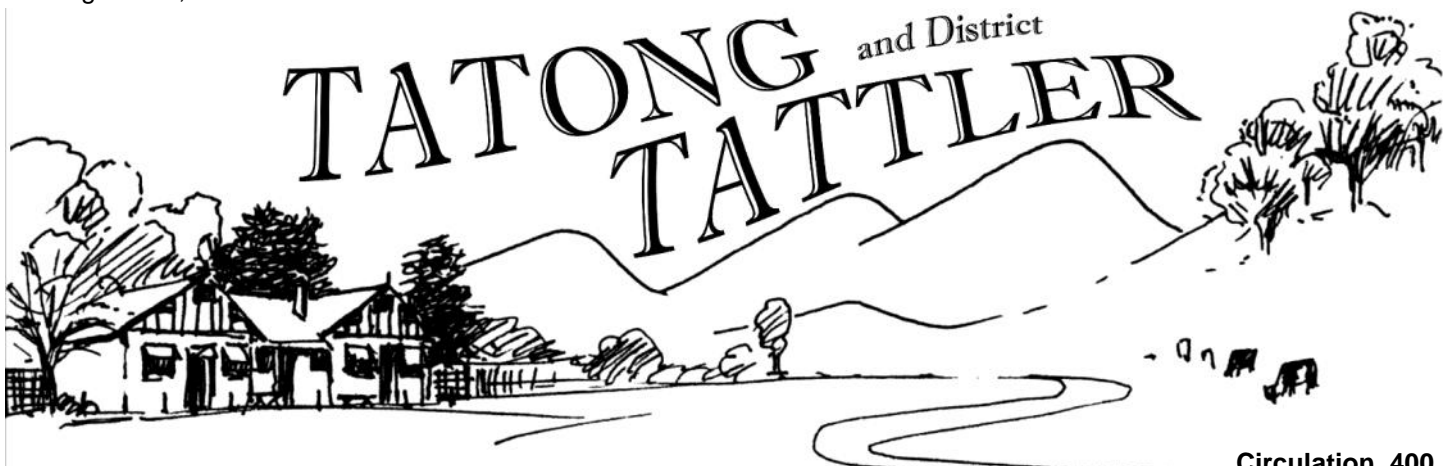


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A big welcome to DAISY LOUISE HOPPER MILNER, born March 5th.
 Daisy is the first child for Sally Milner and Josh Hopper.
 Sally grew up in Moorngag, the daughter of popular locals and business people Jenny and Peter Milner.
 Jenny was a pharmacist who operated her pharmacies in Carrier St and Violet Town for many years before moving to Bridge St in partnership with Marsha Watson.
 Peter and Jenny also owned Benalla Timber Products on Maginness Street.
 Jenny and Peter would have been over the moon with Daisy's arrival, such a beautiful little baby.



The Tatong Heritage Group recently hosted a display as part of the Benalla Heritage Festival.
 The Hall was a picture with an extensive display of the Group's photos and documents in readiness to welcome visitors.
 We welcomed 6 visitors who enjoyed our interaction and then chatted over a cuppa.

One of our guests commented this is a high tea so well presented by Heather. .

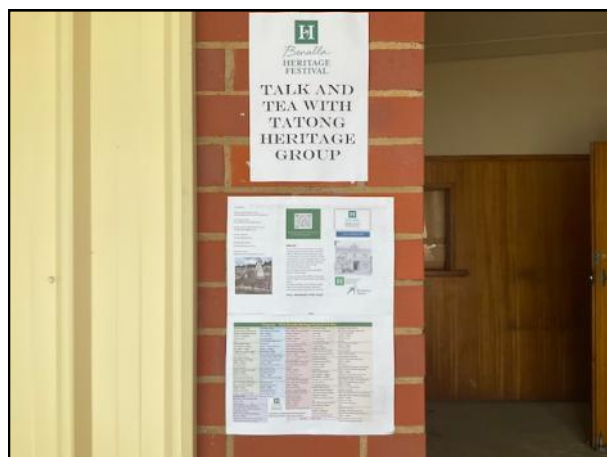
Bill Willet representing the Family Research Group, recalled stories when he lived next door (on the Tatong- Tolmie road) as a teenager, how different Tatong was then .

Time escaped us to visit the murals but that can be for another occasion.

On a perfect autumn afternoon, the Hall and township, with the golden sunset, looked a picture, bringing closure to the day.

All this would not have been possible without the hard work of Joan, Heather, Chris and Joe , thank you all for your dedication to the Group .

Thank you to Chris, for the touching display of the Armed Forces that can be viewed for a couple of months.





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White Gate Dates



The next **White Gate dinner @ the Tavern** is set for **Wednesday June 5th**. Hopefully no one will be forlornly stuck at home with Covid. May good health and good food prevail! Ring the Tavern on 5767 2210 & book yourselves in for 6:30-ish.

Life at White Gate is very busy; so busy that the usual correspondents have no time to report on what's happening on their patch.

So if someone else at White Gate cares to be an unusual correspondent, do please string a few words together on happenings thereabouts.

I'm guessing it is dry. No one ought be bogged unless a tank leaked. Flood and bushfire risk will be low. The stock will be friendly and welcoming. It's time to invent a rain dance. - *Andi Stevenson*

White Gate Fire Brigade Roster:

Leigh Humphries	26 May	Andrew Marriott	23 Jun
Bill Ferguson	2 Jun	Noel Hutchens	30 Jun
Norton Grimwade	9 Jun	Terry Trounson	7 Jul
Henry Thorne	16 Jun	Les MacLean	14 Jul

GOOD NEWS FOR TATONG

After last months 'sermon' I thought it best to find something good to say about Tatong. Tatong is chocolate box territory being set in a walled valley, strewn with majestic red gum trees and livestock contentedly grazing in the meadows. I guess that's it. Oh, but yes it has probably the most photographed pub in the country as visitors stroll all over the road looking for the best angle for a snap.

Tatong also holds remnants of its past history with monuments and displays such as the timber trolley inside the crossroads parkland. Timber and farming are still a major part of its industry and there are tradies, hobby farms, and other small businesses as well as others who grow stuff for sale or trade. I have mentioned the Tavern, the pride and joy of many locals and what is probably the one thing most outsiders know about Tatong. While it may be hard to believe Tatong once had a butcher's shop, an emporium, a police station and others I don't know about.

Naturally Tatong has been associated with Ned Kelly and his mates and the small tank mural beside the Tavern depicts the gang prospecting in the hills nearby. This mural is mainly the stuff of legend because Pedro of Tavern notoriety suggested the scene to me in his efforts to attract more tourists. The gang definitely roamed the hills as is known from the tragic Stringy Bark Creek massacre. Tatong had and still has the standard fire shed and school and not far away the creamery in Swanpool. Sad to say the school and sports grounds and associated buildings are not getting so much use and with aging committee members it seems that their days may be numbered.

Mike Larkin

Just a Farmer

On Friday May 17th the dairy farmer and I attended a screening of “Just a Farmer” at the Swanpool Cinema with a full house in attendance.

Just a Farmer was written by and starred Leila Macdougall. It was filmed in their house, on their property near The Grampians. It is not a true story but based on facts surrounding the suicides of farmers, one every 10 days, in Australia.

The story shows the stress which many farmers face, droughts, floods, humane shooting of injured or starving stock, failed crops, equipment needing repair with no funds to pay. It also highlights how many farmers internalise this and don't seek help or even recognize the need for help.

The story revolves around a young Mother and how she copes with life after her husband takes his own life leaving behind an alcoholic Father and a failing farm with mounting debts.

The story is both compelling and confronting, I doubt there was a dry eye in the cinema at times and was followed by a question and answer session with Leila, Rural financial counsellor and local farmer Jim Moll and “the Unbreakable Farmer” Warren Davies, one of Australia's leading rural mental health speakers.

Unfortunately, the film hasn't been nationally distributed through normal cinemas but is available to stream. There is also going to be a screening at Parliament House in June. - Linda De Fazio



Gawn to Town

Farming is a challenge. It demands action and innovation. A farmer needs the ability to cooperate with others, and the ability to work alone. Isolation to a lesser or greater degree is usually part of the

deal. Stock farmers need to understand many different animals (of which humans can be the most trying). Farming is largely an outdoor activity, involving mud, and dust, all sorts of weather, then hours in a truck or tractor cabin. There is a lot to be responsible for. Where there are livestock there will be dead stock (thank you Pete Smith). Periodically a study is announced showing that farming is dangerous work, and the bureaucrats get all excited, then forget about it.

I loved farming, and miss many aspects of the lifestyle. But in a way I'm relieved to be through it, safely on the other side. In our farming career we never got burnt out; just the odd bushfire to chase, taking out a bit of crop and some fences. Back in 1927, White Gate was wiped out by a bushfire. We were never flooded in a damaging way; the Edward River would occupy some river frontage paddocks, but the worst a flood did was strand a mob of ewes on an island, and the ram had to be rowed out to them. At White Gate the water can stand on the ground (ooooohhh but that's a wet block, Kristin used to say). We endured some bad droughts, but they didn't destroy us. The worst disease we had to cope with was foot-rot - that was bad enough, but we dealt with it. The worst accident occurred after we'd left the big farm, when someone lost some fingers to a post-hole driver. (Shudder). Prices could get depressing, and the actions of bureaucrats and politicians even more so.

There is an old joke about two farmers both winning Tattsлото. One, when interviewed, planned to travel, to buy a BMW, and a nice house. The other farmer planned to just go on farming.

Well over a century ago, Laura Ingalls Wilder wrote: "A farmer never has any money. The people in towns tell him what they will pay for what he has to sell, and then they charge him what they please for what he has to buy. It is not fair."

I dips me lid to all farmers. It takes physical, mental and emotional strength. Good luck. - Andi Stevenson

Swanpool News

Our June programme is jam packed with goodies, including a wicked little matinee, our iconic Environmental Film Festival, and an all Aussie Double Bill.

"The Rooster" and "Limbo" are two gritty Aussie dramas, starring Hugo Weaving and Simon Baker, screening on the King's Birthday long weekend.

Our Environmental Film Festival takes place on Saturday 15 June, starting at 1.00pm, and featuring three sessions, with a handpicked selection of films, and inspiring speakers. All tickets must be pre booked via Trybooking, trybooking.com/CQQSN. The ticket price of \$35 includes afternoon tea and dinner, as well as this fabulous programme!

Wicked Little Letters is our special matinee, starring Olivia Colman, in an unusually swearsy role, screening Friday 21 Jun, 10.30 am, and also first on that weekend's Double Bill. In 1920s England, Rose Gooding (Jessie Buckley) protests her innocence when Edith Swan (Olivia Colman) accuses her of sending insulting anonymous letters. Based on a true story, and starring two of Britain's best leading ladies!

We bring our current season to a triumphant close with the blockbuster to end all blockbusters, "Dune 2", with one of the few screens, sound systems, and venues in the North East that does justice to such an epic film. Screening as a single feature due to its length, and with no interval, so we suggest you bring a picnic to enjoy! 6.00pm on Saturday 29th June, and 5.00pm on Sunday 30th June.

Thank you to all our loyal patrons and volunteers who keep this fantastic local gem alive, we look forward to welcoming you back next season as well!
Deb

2024 Tatong Tattler Writing Competition

During 2024 the Tattler Committee may at times award a prize of a voucher towards a meal at the Tatong Tavern.

We will be assessing submissions received by the Tattler, of original work up to 1,000 words, of fiction, biography, comedy, poetry, etc.

Entries might be published in the Tatong Tattler, at the discretion of the committee.

Judgment will be by the Tatong Tattler Committee; any judgement will be final and not open to argument, threats, or bribery.

The judges may change the rules at their discretion.

SANTA'S BUTTONS

Twelve oz. chopped, mixed fruit
Four oz. chopped dates
Two oz. chopped glace pineapple
One oz. chopped crystallised ginger
Two oz. chopped prunes
One cup coconut
Two oz. chopped dried apricots
Three-quarter cup walnuts and almonds
One cup milk
Two tablespoons sherry or rum
Extra coconut and cherries for decorating

Mix all the ingredients together and form into small balls the size of a walnut; toss each one into coconut. Top with pieces of red cherry. Place on an ungreased tray and bake in a slow oven for 15 minutes, or until a very pale golden color.

—Mrs H. Scholz, Lima South, Vic.

In 1972, the Weekly Times launched a "Pioneer" recipe competition, resulting in their "Pioneer Cook Book".

The recipe above, "Santas Buttons" is signed as from Mrs H. Scholz of Lima South.

Her granddaughter Mitzi Jones says that her grandmother was Beatrice, Mrs Herman Scholz. Beatrice lived to be 101, living at home on the farm right up to her passing.

The Scholz family sold vegetables for many years from the farm.

Mitzi is living now on part of that same farm, and of her children, one lives in Lima with her three children; great-great-grandchildren of Mrs H Scholz.

- Andi Stevenson



Beatrice Scholz

NOTES FROM THE BACKYARD

I feel like a timber worker since the big rains we had from October '23' to January '24 which caused exceptional growth in our trees. As Thoreau said cutting firewood warms you twice, once when you cut it and twice when it burns in the heater.

BTW, I do not cut trees 'down' rather I coppice them. Coppicing is a form of firewood management where branches are trimmed and when cut and dried can be used for firewood. This means that a tree can be 'shorn' over and over like a sheep.

One of my best tools is a Japanese made 3.5 meter long pole saw, not the type with a chainsaw at the tip but just a curved, sharp blade. This is better for me than the motorised type because due to their weight I don't have the strength to operate them safely. The other excellent features of using this long saw is that I am getting exercise and I am standing on the ground or other secure footing rather than up a ladder or steps. It's much easier to run away from falling limbs when you're on the ground than up a ladder!
Mike Larkin

TATONG TOPICS – JUNE 1924

Benalla Standard 3rd June 1924:

Colonial Mutual Life, Ass. Pty. Ltd. Melbourne, 22nd May 1924. Messrs, Moule, Hamilton & Kiddle, Melbourne. Dear Sirs,— Re Benalla to Tatong Railway Construction Trust, your letter of the 21st inst., enclosing a letter from Mr. A. Harrison, hon, secretary of Taxpayers Association, dated 14th inst., was received by me during the meeting of the board yesterday afternoon and I submitted views on the question raised. The directors took a very sympathetic view of the question raised in the letter and indicated that they would be disposed to meet the wishes of those locally interested as far as they could possibly do so, and towards that end would be prepared to dispose of the debentures received by the society without charging any penalty for redemption before the contract date 1/12/1930, It is assumed, however, that the secretary to the Trust will be able to arrange any repayments such as mentioned in the letter of £5000 in one transaction, and so concentrate any dealings with the matter. It must however, be understood that the society's security in regard to any debentures not redeemed will not be in any way impaired by the lease referred to. I think that is all I can say at present. It may be necessary to make more detailed arrangements later on. Yours faithfully. (Signed) JAS. PULLAR,
Secretary.

Benalla Standard 6th June 1924:

RATES— The shire rate collector (Mr. Murray) desires it to be made known, that rates due to the shire must be paid on or before June 10, to ensure enrolment on the municipal roll. This means that Tuesday will be the last day for receipt of payments. After that date interest at the rate of 6 per cent, will be added from Feb. 17 and the ratepayer will also be liable to a fine. Total rates collected to 5th June: — Devenish riding £1190 (outstanding, £1923) ; Mokoan £1210/3/- (£1510) Central, £1887 (£1734); Tatong, £1366/15/- (£1816) Warrenbayne, £1126/13/- (£1331). Sanitary rate, £508/17/- (£532). Total, £7280/8/- outstanding.

Benalla Standard 6th June 1924:

Benalla Courts:

The case against Thomas H. Cameron, in respect of 320 acres at Tatong. Rabbits were again ...freely mentioned to the 137 furry customers and 40 burrows.. This properly was netted in, but evidence was given by the two officers that neither reasonable or practicable' means had been taken to destroy. Defendant pleaded not guilty and suggested that if the wombats on Crown Lands were eradicated some good might eventuate. He was sceptical as to the numbers counted, and indignantly refuted their statements. He had used apple poisoning; but the Magistrate imposed a fine of £5, with £1/12/11 costs.

Benalla Standard 13th June 1924:

V.F.U. — A special meeting of delegates from district ladies' committee of the Victorian Farmers' Union was held in the Albert Hall on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. H. J. Guppy occupied the chair, and Mesdames Newman (Tatong), Territt (Goomalibee), Lee (Glenrowan), Warnock (Winton), Jackson (hon, secretary), were in attendance. General routine was the order of business, and a strong resolution was passed supporting the candidature of Mr. Carlisle, and delegates agreed to communicate to branches the necessity for a special effort to be made to secure the return of Mr. Carlisle.

The North Eastern Ensign 17th June 1924:

STATE ELECTIONS (abridged).

THE CARLISLE-MITCHELL CONTEST.

As the people of this district already know, there were two contestants in the field for Benalla-viz., Messrs J. J. Carlisle, of the Country party, the retiring member, and Mr Alexander Mitchell, Nationalist. Mr Carlisle, of course depended largely on his long service for the electorate, and found enthusiastic supporters' everywhere. Up to midnight Mr Carlisle was leading by nearly 900 votes, so that the few returns to come in, could not possibly affect his position as victor of the contest.

North Eastern Ensign 20th June 1924:

From Benalla Shire Council Meeting: From D. McClelland, stating that the P.M.G. had approved of a telephone service being constructed between the Spring Creek sawmills and Tatong and that it would be necessary to place the line from the forest boundary to Drummond's on the road, utilising such trees as are available for that purpose, and asking for the council's permission re same.-Granted:

Benalla Standard 24th June 1924:

Mail to Spring Creek. — In response to a request from Mr. D. J. McClelland, that a mail service be established between Tatong and Spring Creek, the Deputy Postmaster General has informed Mr. Cook, M.P. that the matter will be inquired into.

The Herald Melbourne 28th June 1924:

ANGLING: An interesting experiment to determine the relative values of brown and rainbow trout in the Tatong district, near Benalla, is being conducted by the Fisheries and Game Department. Two streams practically identical as natural conditions, have been selected and next week 500 brown yearlings will be liberated in one, and a similar number of rainbows in the other. The variety of trout which subsequently proves to be the better adapted to the district will probably be exclusively used for future restocking.

Compiled by Barry O'Connor, Tatong Heritage Group.

A TRIP TO CANADA AND NEW ENGLAND**PART 2****Linda De Fazio**

The next part of our journey we head towards Niagara Falls, something off the bucket list. Lunch is a stop at the most picturesque little town of Niagara-on-the-Lake in Southern Ontario, home to the oldest existing golf course in North America. We remember this pretty little town for another reason. Laurie, not listening to the fellow handing out samples mistook a strawberry enhanced stick of soap for a sweet and spent the rest of the day blowing bubbles. Niagara Falls are pretty amazing. A helicopter flight over the falls, boat cruise to the base, where we all get soaked despite the attractive red ponchos, the light display at night and our hotel with a view are all memorable. Not so memorable is the commercialisation at the town of Niagara. Casinos and shops selling all sorts of junkie stuff.

Next morning we cross the International Rainbow Bridge, with a spectacular view of both Falls, the American and Canadian, then into America. Considering the numbers of people crossing their southern border illegally we find crossing from Canada more than a little daunting. Despite having an ESTA (Electronic System for Travel Authorization) we need a further permit, a Form 1-94, the application can only be made no more than 7 days prior to entry, travel documents, photos and fingerprints; apparently we passed muster and are allowed through. We continue on to Lancaster, Pennsylvania situated in the heart of Amish Country.

Today we visit the Pennsylvania Dutch Country, or Amish Country. What a fascinating place to visit with the unique lifestyle of the Amish people, a marked contrast to 21st century life.

We visit a school and house constructed for visitor benefit with a local Amish guide who gives us an intriguing view of Amish life. Faith based Amish traditions include wearing plain clothes, living in a simple manner, helping a neighbour in need. Services are held in church members' homes instead of more traditional church buildings, services lasting up to 3 hours.

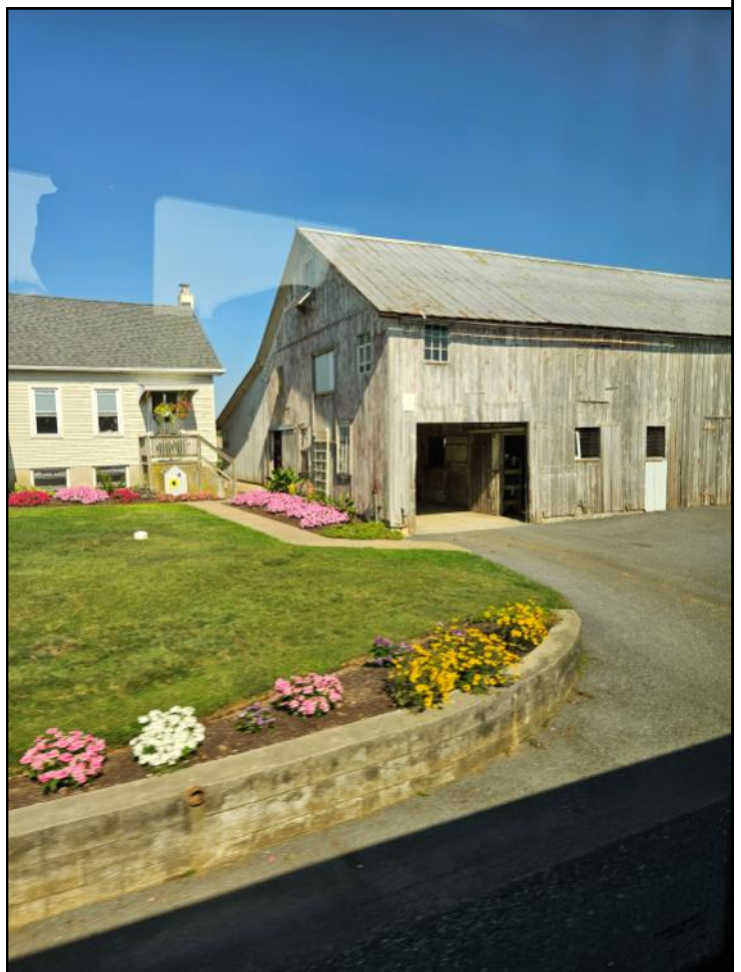
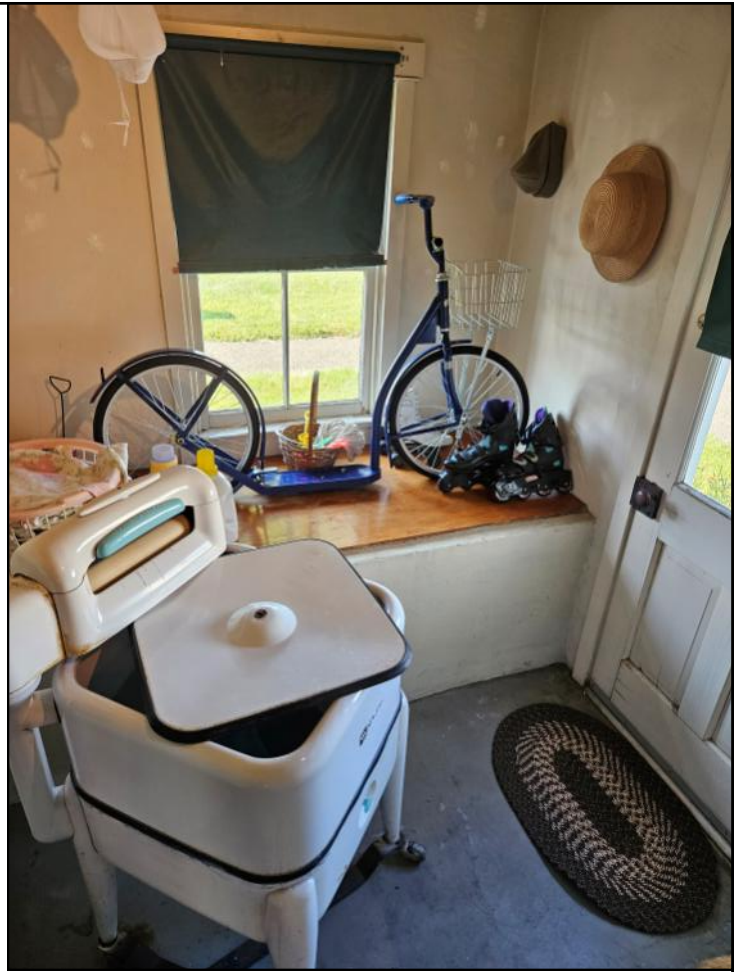
It is a slower pace of life, more relaxed way of living but with a strong work ethic. Everywhere we look is clean, tidy, the houses beautifully presented.

For lunch we stop at a place called Intercourse, named for the interconnecting roads, with young women dressed in traditional clothing, including bonnet, serving our meals. Most Amish speak two languages fluently Pennsylvania Dutch and English. A most interesting, captivating visit. Next we are off to Washington DC, via Baltimore.

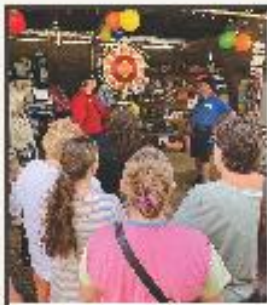
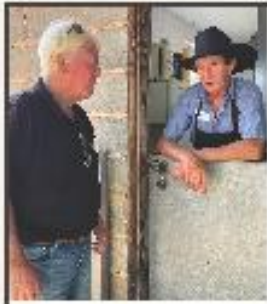
In Washington our accommodation is at The Willard Hotel, the address is Pennsylvania Avenue not that far from the White House. We don't manage to get an audience with POTUS, Joe being in Hawaii visiting victims of the fires on Maui.

The next day is very busy, attempting to see as many Washington landmarks as possible in a short time. Arlington Cemetery, home to the eternal flame and JFK's grave, Washington Monument, Lincoln Memorial, Vietnam Memorial, Martin Luther King Memorial, WW2 memorial and the White House.


The weather is hot and humid and the 'leisure' afternoon suggested by our guide with visits to the many museums located in Washington actually becomes a rare opportunity for some rest and relaxation.



Pictures from the Amish Village at Bird In Hand, Pennsylvania



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THE GIRLS SHED

Joan Lewis

In April The Girls Shed 3 day weekend at the Tatong Hall which was very well attended on all 3 days. The girls worked on various crafts such as quilting, bag making, knitting, embroidery on a machine, ceramics, painting and bowl covers. Our thanks to our local artist Mike Larkin for giving up his time to demonstrate the art of painting a gum tree. Kylie's painting was fantastic. Gail gave a demonstration on how to use embroidery machines.

It was a very creative weekend and lots of fun with the girls sharing their talents and good humour. We look forward to the next weekend later in the year.

The May Girls Shed was well attended also with a variety of crafts being worked on. If you are interested in any type of craft come along, and even if you are not into craft you can have a cappuccino and a chat. It is a great social day out.



CRUTCHING EWES AT "WILLOW GLEN" TATONG

Recently our shearing contractor purchased a three stand crutching trailer. We employed Nick Van Elk and his shearers to crutch our ewes for the first time which was the best decision we have made. While his shearers were crutching, our son vaccinated and our grandson drenched the ewes. Barry and I fed the ewes up into the trailer while Nick fed the ewes along behind the shearers. It was fantastic as 582 ewes were crutched, vaccinated and drenched all in 3 hours without any pressure on us. It didn't take too long either to clean up the crutchings and pack up the trailer.

Barry has always done the crutching while our son and grandson drenched and vaccinated and brought the ewes into the sheep handler, which would take us at least two days. Barry would suffer with cramps for the next couple of days. He started shearing when he was 16 so after 60 years it was time to retire from this task. The ewes are now lambing, twins and triplets so it is full on hand feeding.

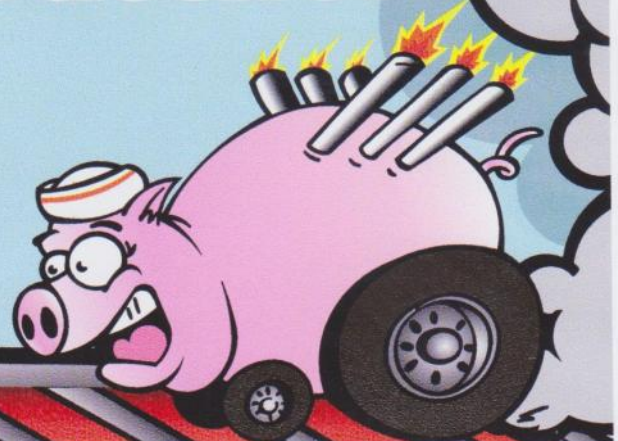
We recommend Nick and his team as they made the job so easy for us.
Joan Lewis



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BYO Drinks



What's on in the area June 2024

Sat 1st Movies Swanpool 6pm
 Sun 2nd Matinee 'Ordinary Angels' Swanpool 1.30pm
 Sun 2nd Movies Swanpool 5pm
 Wed 5th Whitegate dinner at the Tavern 6.30pm
 Sat 8th Movies Swanpool 6pm
 Sun 9th Movies Swanpool 5pm
 Wed 12th Tatong dinner at the Tavern 6.30pm.
 Fri 14th Girls shed at the Tatong Hall from 9am
 Fri 14th Fish & chip night at Molyullah sports ground from 5.30pm
 Fri 14th Movie Swanpool 6pm
 Sat 15th Environmental Film Festival Swanpool 1pm
 Sun 16th Archery at Tatong rec reserve 1.30pm
 Sun 16th Movie Swanpool 6pm
 Mon 17th Ukeladies - Afternoon of entertainment at Thoona Hall 1.30pm.
 Fri 21st Matinee Swanpool 10.30am
 Fri 21st Musical at Benalla town hall 7.30pm
 Sat 22nd Matinee performance of the musical at Benalla town hall 2pm
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 Sun 23rd Matinee performance of the musical at Benalla town hall 2pm
 Sun 23rd Movies Swanpool 5pm
 Fri 28th Musical at Benalla town hall 7.30pm
 Sat 29th Matinee performance of the musical at Benalla town hall 2pm
 Sat 29th Movie Swanpool 6pm
 Sat 29th Musical at Benalla town hall 7.30pm
 Sun 30th Movie Swanpool 5pm

If you have an activity, meeting date, market, sports event or anything else you would like people to know about that's on in July please send the details to tattler.whatson@gmail.com by the 19th of June

Donation of Hand Dryers – thank you Reece!

The Tatong Recreation Reserve are pleased to announce the installation of two new electric hand dryers in the outdoor toilets. The original hand dryers were stolen over the Christmas – New Year holiday period and despite police investigation, the crime has not been solved.

Reece Plumbing manager Richard Heywood read of the theft in the February Tattler and immediately offered to replace the dryers free of cost. The Recreation Reserve wishes to acknowledge the donation and thank Reece Plumbing for their generosity.

Hopefully this is the end to this sad tale. Along with secure fixings, new security cameras are in the pipeline which will hopefully deter future theft or vandalism.



Thank you to Richard Heywood, Manager of Reece Benalla

Executive Needed

The Tatong Heritage Group is an active group, meeting 6 times a year. We have many members, who pitch in and contribute to our various activities.

However, current members are not keen on taking an executive position. At the September AGM the President will step down, after 13 years. So far, no one has volunteered to take the job on. The Treasurer & Secretary would really love to step back also. Anyone interested in joining a local group, especially if happy to take on light committee duties, please consider sharing your skills with the THG.

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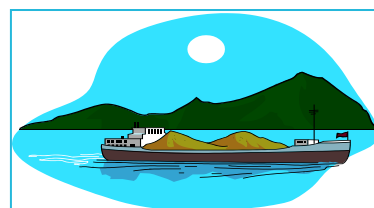


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 Bore water PVC pipes Large garden rocks 12 foot Brooker Tinnie (topper)
 Quantity of paints (mainly colours) **Call in for a look**

The Tatong Heritage Group was formed in July 2004.

20 years on, we will celebrate over lunch at the Tatong Tavern, on Monday July 15th.

Members, ex-members, and interested parties are invited to join our celebration.

Contact the Secretary or President, or email on tatongheritage@yahoo.com.au



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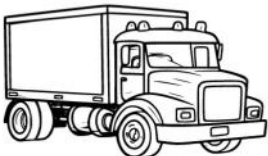
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2016	69.7	11.9	36.9	38.5	117.2	110.5	142.8	108.4	172.1	91.4	50.1	101.3	1050.
2017	67.6	36.2	49.1	61.7	52.5	6.5	92.1	112.4	23.9	100.1	29.3	118.9	760.3
2018	34.3	6.4	24.9	13.7	49.8	67.2	52.8	81.2	25.1	22.3	75	73.1	525.8
2019	27.7	13.2	23.8	22.7	105	72.9	83.7	49.4	51.3	34.9	37.9	40.8	563.3
2020	63.6	35.6	88.4	207.	53	77	43.5	66.8	49.4	132	34.1	40.7	891.3
2021	76.6	47.8	39.6	8.2	66.5	99.3	154.9	51.5	92.6	66.5	111	40.5	855
2022	219.3	4.8	72.7	81.4	42.5	102.5	49.7	126.6	111.9	232.2	139.2	25	1217
2023	25	18.7	61.1	62.8	59.2	197.6	51.1	67.2	25.2	120.8	57.1	98.2	846
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WEATHER IN THE TATONG TOWNSHIP

Unfortunately there is the feeling of semi-drought in the air, but that is not uncommon while waiting for the so-called autumn break.

The total rainfall up until the 15th of May is 13.1mm and the total for the whole of April was just 26.9mm. The little rain that we have been getting is just enough to keep plants alive but not much more.

I do love the autumn colours on deciduous trees. The avenue of trees between the crossroads and the bridge has developed beautifully and the recent lopping of lower branches on the plantation trees has enabled more access for mowing.

Mike Larkin



Come along, bring your lunch and some goodies to share, do some craft or just have a chat. Hope to see at the Tatong Memorial Hall. Patricia 57672287

Next Girl's Shed. 21st June 9am—5pm

TATONG ARCHERY NEWS

While people come and go to give archery a try the numbers are still good and like climate change gradually increasing. Today, Sunday the 19th of May was bitterly cold but still seven archers turned up and shot arrows, mostly into the target but there were quite a few misses of the whole target let alone the inner circles of gold

and red. For extra fun we are placing a balloon dead centre of the 50 meter target. Paul Shea and I both burst a balloon, unfortunately more of a freak shot because the other 5 (out of 6 arrows per end) were not as accurate. We shoot every second Sunday on the Tatong oval starting at 1:30pm and all are welcome. Mike Larkin

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