



Weekly Bulletin **Friday 4 March 2022**

CLUB CLIPBOARD



HAPPY BIRTHDAY CANBERRA!

We are celebrating Canberra Day on

MONDAY 14 MARCH



Starting from 11.30am, the cost is \$10.00 (subsidised by the raffle) and booking with payment close on this coming **MONDAY 7 MARCH** - Club Office - 9.30am-2.30pm daily.

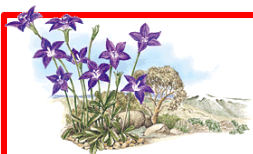
There is a 'Capital' Sausage Sizzle - sausages, salad, onions and bread as well as Celebratory Bottles of Bubbly on each table. No birthday would be complete without cake; the Canberra Centenary Cake has been recreated for the occasion and there will be a delicious morsel for everyone with tea or coffee.

The gumboots are coming out of the cupboard, there will be a quiz to test your local knowledge of our territory and the Happy Birthday Raffle will be drawn.

Norm Swanwick is our MC and he is sure to have a surprise or two for us.

BYO drinks, paper plates will be provided but if you would like to 'dine in style', please feel free to bring your own plates, etc.

We will be celebrating come rain, hail or shine!



SHUTTERBUGS CAMERA GROUP PRESENTS **"OUR CANBERRA" PHOTO EXHIBITION**



Our special photo exhibition showing club members favourite photos of Canberra and district is now on full display in Parkview Hall at the Seniors Centre. All 55 Plus Club members were invited to submit their favourite photos of Canberra and we had a terrific response. So, many thanks to all those who contributed.

The exhibition has been organised by the Shutterbug's camera group and is being held as part of our celebrations for Canberra Day on 14 March along with our sausage sizzle. The photos will be on display for a number of weeks so why not drop in and take a look.

The best viewing times this coming week will be on Monday afternoon and Thursday morning when the hall is not being used. Otherwise, if you are attending an activity at some other time, check to see if the hall is not being used and pop in, or better still why not come along to our club's social on Monday 14 March. There are also a number of posters on display detailing some interesting facts about Canberra - *Norm Swanwick*.

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TIMETABLE

Saturday 5 Mar - Monday 14 Mar

*GC Gumnut Cottage *TSC Tugg Seniors Centre

Day / Date	Time	Activity
Sat 5 Mar	10.00 am	Acrylic Art W/S - TSC
Sun 6 Mar	8.50 am	Walking Group
	2.45 pm	Uke 55 - TSC
Mon 7 Feb	9.30 am	Bolivia - GC
	9.30 am	Zumba - TSC
	10.00 am	Crafty Corner - GC
	10.30 am	M 4 M - TSC
	2.00 pm	Social Bridge - GC
	4.30 pm	Yoga - TSC
Tues 8 Mar	8.00 am	Active Ex – Men - TSC
	9.10 am	Active Ex – W - TSC
	9.00 am	LL Cycling Group
	1.00 pm	Mah-jong - GC
	1.15 pm	Seated Yoga - TSC
Wed 9 Mar	9.30 am	Cribbage - GC
	10.00 am	Carpet Bowls – TSC
	12.15 pm	Line Dancing-AB-TSC
	1.00 pm	K-nit 'n' K-natter - GC
	1.15 pm	'Take 55' Movie Group
	1.30 pm	Line Dancing-Beg -TSC
	2.45 pm	Line Dancing-Imp - TSC
Thurs 10 Mar	9.30 am	500 (cards)- GC
	10.00 am	Android SIG - TSC
	1.00 pm	Mah-jong - GC
CANCELLED	1.15pm	Lawn Bowls
	3.30 pm	Improvers Bridge - GC
	3.45 pm	Yoga - TSC
	7.30pm	Online Trivia
Fri 11 Mar	9.00 am	Cycling Group
	9.15 am	Tai Chi - TSC
	11.45 am	Sit n Be Fit - TSC
	12.00 pm	Learning Circle - TSC
	2.00 pm	Carpet Bowls - TSC
Mon 14 Mar	11.30 am	Canberra Day SS

ACTIVITIES UPDATE



SOCIAL SUNDAY BINGO RETURNING FOR 2022!

Now that masks are no longer required
we are easing back into Bingo!

But what we forgot was the long weekend!
So, Bingo is now going to return on

SUNDAY 3 APRIL at 2.00 pm

We apologise for any inconvenience and we
will transfer the names that we have on the
list to Sunday 3 April.

John Williamson



LAWN BOWLS Thursday 10 March CANCELLED

This is advance notice that the scheduled
Lawn Bowls on **Thursday 10 March** has
been cancelled due to the Vikings Rinks not
being available on that day.

The cancellation is for this date only and with
the next Lawn Bowls being held on **Thursday**
24 March (weather permitting!)

John Williamson

RAFFLE

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
CANBERRA!**

Over \$50 worth of local
products from the region
to help you celebrate
Canberra's Birthday!

TICKETS
1 for \$2.00 / 3 for \$5.00
Available from
the Club Office

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK!

Sunday – 6 March – 2.45 pm **UKE 55 – UKULELE GROUP**

The next Ukulele session will be this coming Sunday and song sheets will be sent out prior to Sunday.

This session will follow the Beginner Ukulele Lessons which begin at 1.30 pm.



Please note that these lessons are for those who have **registered as a student** for this series of lessons. More info about the lessons, can be found at ukesalive.com.

Wednesday – 9 March – 1.15 pm **'TAKE 55' - Movie/Coffee Group**



We had coffee and conversation before going to see *Belfast*. The movie took us all back to a situation we all saw unfold on TV. Although it was in black and white, we didn't seem to notice it. The cast was great, Judy Dench just gets better with age and 10-year-old Jude Hill was amazing.

We have decided to see *Ruby's Choice* next week and as the only session on Wednesday 9 March is at 2.15 pm, we will meet at Cherry Bean at 1.15. pm. Everyone is welcome!

Pam Hall



*Starring two-time Golden Globe Winner Jane Seymour OBE, **Ruby's Choice** is a poignant tale that follows three generations of strong Australian women. Bonded by shared moments of wisdom and joy, secrets from the past are revealed. As Ruby's illness threatens to push them apart, the family must make a big decision. Ruby's Choice will resonate with audiences touched by dementia, while offering hope and inspiration to live life to the fullest. Ruby's Choice will support dementia care with a portion of its profits.*

Thursday – 10 March – 10.00 am **ANDROID SIG**



We are a group of beginner enthusiasts who get together on the 2nd Thursday of each month to ask questions, share our knowledge (and discoveries) and learn about our Android technology.

As a 'Self Interest Group', we cover all Android devices and welcome new members. We are a friendly group who enjoy a cuppa and chat, and we look forward to meeting you!

Margaret Lester

Thursday – 10 March – 7.30 pm **TRIVIA WITH FRIENDS**



Our next on-line Trivia night will be held on **Thursday 10 March**. Joining forces with Tuggeranong Probus members, we have five rounds of 10 questions in each, covering a wide range of topics. There are sure to be questions you can easily answer. There are no prizes, just the satisfaction or realising how much general knowledge you have, or in my case haven't!! New competitors are always welcome, so why not contact me at ameade@pcug.org.au and join us this month?

Anne Meade



'Gotta dash – there's a Zoom meeting at 2 p.m. that I need to interrupt.'

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!



A DAY AT THE COAST MOGO & BATEMANS BAY TUESDAY – 3 MAY



**A combined tour –
the Probus Club of Tuggeranong & the Tuggeranong 55 Plus Club**

It is time to desert the city lights for a breath of sea air!

Travelling with Horizon Coach Charter, we depart at the respectable hour of 8.00 am, from the **Town Centre Vikings Club** (parking available at the rear of the Club). We stop at the charming **Braidwood Park** for morning tea, before beginning our coastal visit in the small heritage village of **Mogo**. This little patch of paradise has been battered and bruised over the past two years but is slowly recovering. Now is your chance to support and explore the unique variety that the village offers. Lunch is at your leisure but not included in the cost. You are free to bring your own picnic lunch, or why not enjoy some delicious local fare, i.e. at *Grumpy and Sweethearts*.

Then onto the volunteer-run **Bateman's Bay Museum** on the edge of the CBD. Set in the 1905 former courthouse, this museum not only offers exhibits and artefacts on the region's history and also houses The Book Emporium, home to a wide range of quality pre-loved literature. The day is not too long and after our coastal 'cruise around', we will arrive back in Tuggeranong by 5.00 pm.

The cost for the day is **\$45.00** (does not include lunch) and booking with payment is required **MONDAY, 28 MARCH**.

Please note, to protect all of us, double vaccinations with boosters are required.

Travel Committee

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS



All memberships (except new members from Jan 2022) are now due for renewal by **31 MARCH 2022**.

The renewal fee remains at **\$15.00**, and this early notice gives you plenty of time to visit one of our lovely ladies in the office – 9.30 am to 2.30 pm Monday to Friday.

If you would prefer to use Internet Banking, the Club's Direct Credit details are:

BSB 633 000 Acc No: 159575455

However, you MUST include your name as the description, so that we can identify your payment.

We will send you a confirmation email so that you know your payment has been successful!

Jenny Barclay, Treasurer

TALKING GARDENING!



GARDEN GOSSIP – the conversation has begun!

The first meeting of the new group, *Garden Gossip* was held on Tuesday 1 March and attracted 25 members who were brimming full of enthusiasm and ideas.

Although called *Garden Gossip*, it was clear that the group's future activities will not be all talking as there was a keen appetite for outings to gardens around the region as well as offers of working bees and an interest in establishing a herb garden and shade house in the grounds of Gumnut cottage. Outings and working bees are to supplement the monthly meetings rather than replace them.

Meetings will be held on the **1st Tuesday of each month** and will feature:

- a bring and swap table, for members to share their surplus plants or produce
- time for “show and tell” and/or “gardener’s question time”, when members can seek advice from the collective wisdom of the group on all things gardening
- dates for the gardener’s diary
- group discussion on a topic of interest or guest speaker.

For more information and March’s Gardener’s Diary, have a look at the group’s new page on the Club’s website – click on this link - [Garden Gossip](#)

WHAT’S ON NEXT MONTH!

The next meeting is on TUESDAY 5 APRIL, 10.00 am – 12.00 noon.

Guest Speaker:

Garry Winter who is a member of a Community Garden in Kambah is going to help set us off in the right direction when it comes to developing the club garden/group.

Topic for discussion:

Everyone could bring their opinions, ideas and experiences of compost and what would work for a garden such as the Gumnut Cottage.

Have you built your own? (photos)

Do vermin become a problem?

How many leaves is too many to collect and save?

Where to start with compost at the Cottage?

Why not come along next month
and enjoy a little **Garden Gossip!**

Mandy Cox



OUR COMMUNITY!



CANBERRA'S FIRST EVER TOOL LIBRARY

Most of us will have an assortment of power tools stored away in the shed or garage that come out for the odd job, but have you given any thought to whether it is actually worth owning them? You may use your cordless drill a few times a year, but the sawhorse and circular saw you bought to make the cubbyhouse or planter boxes are probably still sitting there waiting for the next project you are too busy to start. Apparently, the average drill is used for just seven minutes a year!

On the other side of the tool ownership conundrum are people who either don't have the means to purchase the tools to do jobs around the home, or the space to store them.

Using the tried and tested library model that has been successful around the world, Canberra's new tool library, Community Toolbox Canberra, is just like a book library, but it loans out useful equipment such as hammers, drills, circular saws and angle grinders, and opens opportunities to borrow items beyond tools. The tool library allows members, for the equivalent of buying one tool a year, to borrow items for craft, household and leisure activities as the library collection grows. It is a much more affordable, and a space and resource conscious way to create a shared pool of equipment. Access is open to all Canberrans over 18 with annual membership starting at \$22.

The Community Toolbox Canberra opened in November 2021 as a volunteer-run, not-for-profit community enterprise. Its mission: "to make it possible for everyone to have the means to create, have fun, try a new hobby and make their home more liveable and, in doing so, reduce waste and pressure on the Earth's resources."

A crowd-funding campaign in August last year raised more than \$16,000 in memberships. Since November, more than 120 people have joined and borrowed about 150 items from the library. In coming months, the team also hopes to open a repair café and recycling space for hard-to-recycle items.



So, if you have tools and equipment sitting in your cupboard or shed that you don't think you will use again, why not donate them to this 'lending' library. Through the library, they will be available to the wider community, maximising their use, helping to save the planet's resources by embracing the sharing economy and living more sustainably.

Located on the grounds of Youth with a Mission at 76 Federal Highway, Watson, the public are invited to attend the official launch



and open day at Community Toolbox Canberra at 3.00 pm next Saturday, 5 March.

For more information on membership or donating suitable items and equipment, visit [Community Toolbox Canberra](https://www.communitytoolboxcanberra.com.au)

TALKING TECHNOLOGY WITH A TWIST!



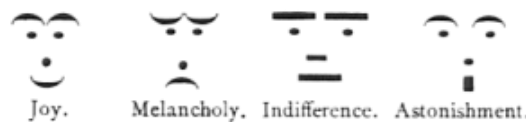
WHY DO WE USE EMOJIS ANYWAY? A FASCINATING HISTORY OF EMOTICONS



The concept of emojis isn't all that new as cultures have used different forms of pictograms as a part of human expression for centuries. The ancient Egyptians, for example, used hieroglyphics to record their stories and history.

Since they started taking off in the 2010s, emojis have pretty much evolved into characters for a new millennial language. But the predecessors of the "picture characters" we know and use excessively today are older than you'd expect.

Before emojis, there were emoticons, facial expressions made with punctuation marks. The first emoticons appeared in an issue of *Puck* magazine, all the way back in 1881. The magazine published four "faces" - conveying joy, melancholy, indifference, and astonishment—and called them "typographical art."



They were first used as a way of communicating emotions online in 1982. When it became difficult for people to tell the difference between jokes and serious posts on a Carnegie Mellon University digital message board, faculty member Scott Fahlman came up with a solution: Add the symbol :-) to denote humorous posts, and add the symbol :(to serious ones. In his announcement about this proposal, he even specified readers to "read it sideways."

Emojis, were created in 1998 by Shigetaka Kurita, an engineer at the Japanese phone company, NTT Docomo. He was working on a way for customers to communicate through icons. The result was a set of 176 icons he called emoji. The name combines two Japanese words: "e" (picture) and "moji" (character). Kurita says that he drew inspiration for his emojis from manga, Chinese characters, and international signs for bathrooms.



Now, more than 3,000 emojis exist and we don't need to tilt our heads sideways to understand them!

TALKING TEASERS!

MOVIE QUIZ CHALLENGE – CAN YOU GUESS THE FILM?

Something a little different this week – For all those movie buffs, can you guess the film from these series of ‘emojis’.

Hint: 1. Silence of the Lambs

Answers in next week's Bulletin



And some conventional **BRAIN BUSTERS** if you are missing Trivia!

1. How long is the lifespan of a silkworm?
2. In Roman mythology, who was the king of the gods?
3. Ashton Kutcher and Seann William Scott starred in which 2000 comedy movie?
4. What nationality was composer Richard Strauss?
5. Quicksilver is another name for what metallic element?
6. What is the fruit pitaya better known as?
7. Who wrote The Cook's Companion, a book with more than 1100 pages of advice on over 100 common ingredients?
8. In mountaineering, what are you doing if you are rappelling?
9. What are the author J.R.R. Tolkien's first three names?
10. Acacia pycnantha is the technical name for what Australian flora?

1. Six to eight weeks 2. Jupiter 3. Dude, Where's My Car? 4. German 5. Mercury 6. Dragon Fruit 7. Stephanie Alexander 8. Abseiling 9. John Ronald Reuel 10. Golden Wattle

Brain Busters Answers