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Robbo Men Meet to Plan Shed

By Nigel Walker

The vision of the blokes involved in the Robertson

Men's Shed is to establish and maintain a Men's Shed and associated shop in Robertson that addresses for men—social inclusion, participation, health and community building. It would be a place where men of all ages can meet and do things in a practical way that will encourage good self-esteem. It would support and fund-raise for the Men's Shed and for the local community.

The aim is to develop a place where men can socialise and engage in practical projects and ensure that the Robertson Men's Shed develops into a valued community facility supported by a thriving and active membership, in partnership with the local community, Council and Governments.

The Men's Shed group had initially had an idea to see if the vacant land between the CRT Robertson Country Store and the CTC on Hoddle Street was a place we could build a Men's Shed but that is not possible. So, at the meeting on 13 May, the group decided to approach the CTC committee to see if a



Second meeting of the Robertson Men's Shed group at the CTC@Robertson on 13 May 2017.

Men's Shed could be built behind and on the western side the CTC. The CTC Committee has since provided enthusiastic in principle support for pursuing this option.

The Next meeting will be on Saturday 12 August at 10.30am at the CTC. We hope we'll see you there. We will be electing a committee to move the Robertson Men's Shed forward.

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Nurturing our Village Community

By Michael D Breen

Many of us feel uneasy when we join a group of strangers. I know I do. Robertson is a special place. Not a perfect place; just special. Much of its specialness comes from what it does not have; fog, not smog, roads not traffic jams, trees not concrete, steps not escalators, houses which do not tower over us and stop sunlight. You don't have to get dressed up to go shopping. And you don't need to be formally introduced to say "Hello" to someone on the footpath or in a shop. Robertson is more of a healthy wholegrain loaf than an overpriced cream sponge smothered with icing.

If you think about the future, this creates opportunities and threats. I presume we want to be in charge of the future of our village. One way to consider the challenge is, *"how do we preserve a friendly sense of belonging and inclusion; while at the same time including people who want to come and live in attractive Robertson without spoiling it?* Aussies are funny people, especially rural Aussies. They can be slow to forgive and shun new people or new ideas, they can be cruelly critical of differences. They can also in times of fire, floods, births, and deaths get in and help with everything they have.

There are heaps of stories about blow-in' newcomers and the locals. And underneath those stories there is often an unsureness, which shows itself as coldness. The locals understandably don't want newcomers telling them they are behind the times. Residents deserve respect for having kept

the town going over the years.

The newcomers on the other hand wonder whom they can trust. They are unknowing, unsure. This is often camouflaged with a thick coating of bravado. These folks can sound quite boastful and off-putting. It is just their way of saying, "I know you don't know me, but please, take me seriously. I am not sure of how I can make a contribution".

The better we look after our town and the better we get along with one another the more people will be attracted to come and live here. So what do we do? How do we avoid being overwhelmed? As cities become more expensive and cramped our place becomes a desirable destination. Treating new people with a cold shoulder will injure our own hearts and souls. On the other hand being a desirable destination can ruin a place. Think of Surfers Paradise Lost.

Maybe the answers lie within; with what we have now and how we treasure what we have. If we look deeper than the street signs or 'for sale' signs into what we treasure, what we really value and what we can let go of we may find some creative ways forward. The more we can include newcomers and encourage them to invest in our groups and clubs the less they will feel a need to be critical and we benefit from their contributions.

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Remembering Judy Benjamin

By Lucy Palmer

I first met Judy at a party in 2002, a few weeks after my husband had died. On that day I was feeling very brittle, but I was comforted by the thought of meeting Judy as I knew she had also been widowed at a young age. **She** would understand how I was feeling.

"It's wonderful being a single parent," she told me. "You can raise your children exactly as you please."

Pragmatic, feisty, determined and brave, Judy was a guiding light, with her unique, no-nonsense outlook. She became a treasured friend, and was much loved by my children who called her Jelly Bean Judy. She also quite liked them as long as they did not speak too much and were perfectly behaved.

She very rarely gave advice unless I asked for it, rather she led by example, constantly forging forward with new plans, new adventures and an ever-increasing circle of friends. Doing what she pleased was one of Judy's greatest qualities. I've met few people who have known what they really want out of life, and she was always gutsy enough to pursue what worked for her.

She was complex, ambitious and resourceful. She was continually learning, always relishing good ideas, and she most admired people who persevered.

Judy went to art school at a time when women of a certain age, having raised their children, were expected to quietly disappear into the background.

Instead, she reinvented herself, and used the fuel of her intellectual and creative hunger to inspire her work. Throughout her life, she followed the yearnings of her heart to forge passionate and important relationships.

Everywhere she looked, Judy saw beauty, wonder and endless fascination. Her spirituality embraced all of the mysteries of life, great and small. For Judy, there was no God but nature.

She was erudite, naturally stylish, sophisticated, and full of charm. She loved films, plays, Netflix and beautiful food. She was self-reliant, determined, and stubborn. There were still so many things she wanted to do – revisit the Aboriginal communities of northern Australia, go to Antarctica, take a flying lesson.

She loved new technology and was determined not to let the internet and all its treasures pass her by. If



Judy Benjamin

there was a new gadget on the market you could be sure Judy would not only have heard of it, but had probably already bought one.

As I grew to know her, I was in awe of the depth and breadth of her life experience. One story she told me involved the death of her mother when she was nine years old, and she was not immediately told about it. She described how she visited the local shops, asking people there if anyone had seen her mother.

Judy's deepest life experiences re-emerged in her art, and many of us are fortunate enough to have a "Judy Benjamin" on our walls. The abstract works were very much loved. She had so much patience.

For many years, she loved her community in Robertson and they loved her. On Mount Murray, she created the perfect artist's enclave, a magnificent garden for her grandchildren to wander in, and a paradise for her way of life.

But life in McGuiness Drive was getting harder for Judy as she got older, and her instincts told her to move on. She set her sights on a new life on the south coast, a decision most of us found quite bewildering – if not reckless – but she had a deep yearning to be near the sea. And who would be game enough to try and change Judy's mind once it was made up?

"Look what I've got," she told me with great excitement as the day for the move grew nearer. It was a brand-new face mask and snorkel. I've met few people even half her age, even a quarter her age, with a more irrepressible sense of adventure. I asked her one day how she was adjusting to life in Shellharbour. "The ocean temperature is perfect," she said and then added: "There are quite a lot of tattoos."

Judy was a brilliant and beautiful light. She loved us and we loved her, and we always will.

Judy Benjamin passed away on May 4 2017. A community celebration of her life will be held on Saturday 17 June from 3pm at the CTC. For more details call Jenny on 0429 826 431 or email jennykena@robertsonctc.org.au

Life's Experiences

By Graham Thomas

Not that I'm a great follower of celebrity news, but is it just me, or does there seem to be more and more celebrity goings on being reported on news sites than ever before? Perhaps we have fascination with famous people and what they get up to because our lives are a little mundane, a little boring even. But I want to say that boring is good! The mundane is good.

Living lives of contentment in the here and now has a lot going for it. The apostle Paul writes in the Bible, after describing a whole bunch of not so good things he's experienced, that he has "learnt to be content in all circumstances" (Philippians 4:11). It's a pretty good lesson. Rather than searching for things that aren't ours and are pretty much out of reach, we're to be content with the things we have.

So perhaps I can encourage you to be thankful with what God's given you? Even if it seems a little boring. Forget the celebrities and their lives, celebrate what we have here: community, friends, family, peace, fresh air and spectacular scenery to name a few.

However, the greatest gift God has ever given us, which leaves wealth, fame and fortune for dead is his son Jesus. Here's a great (and pretty famous) verse, which sums us God's gift.

John 3:16

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

Why not come along to one of our services at Robbo Anglican one Sunday and find out more of this Jesus and why people are thankful for him.

Sunday services are:

8am traditional (1st and 4th of the month)

10am Family with kids program

6pm Youth

Our youth group meets on Friday nights from 6.30-8.30pm.

Hope to see you there.

Graham Thomas

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Vale Hilary O'Brien

By Michael D Breen

Hilary O'Brien died on Monday 3 April 2017. An obituary might correctly add "After a long battle with illness." Six words.

They tell of Hilary's history, well a sliver of it. They do not tell of most of Hilary.

Now it is Hilary's absence which saddens. Which annoys and frightens us. Because uncomfortably we know that this life is a death sentence. It is just that she has gone before we do.

Hilary leaves an infinite lot of absences from our community, our planet. She leaves the places where we have been meeting her, at the shops, at trivia on Tuesdays, at the Book Club, but more concentratedly at her house, in the hearts of David and her sons and their children. She leaves off the delivery of her smiles, frowns, words, giggles, indignations and expressions of affection.

Hilary was heroic. Every person is heroic when you think about it or when you hear their story as they face their individual daily challenges and disappointments, duties and responsibilities.

But over the years Hilary faced more than many do. She embraced all the setbacks as just another challenge to manage. Either in finding a treatment of a palliative which worked.

And then vulnerably she faced the powerlessness of modern and ancient medicine and the hollow eyes of physicians and their granite ultimatum, "There is nothing more we can do".

Thanks Hilary for being a Zorba for us. Someone who lived each day to the capacity of yourself on that particular day.

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Community News

Robertson Environment Protection Society (REPS)

Dr Rosemary Purdie - Guest Speaker for REPS meeting on Friday 9 June at 7.30pm in the Robertson Community Centre.



Rosemary is a botanist who cut her plant teeth at Adelaide University. After graduating she spent two years teaching at the Agricultural University in Malaysia before doing her PhD in fire ecology at ANU. She then honed her plant skills in western Queensland doing vegetation surveys with the Queensland Herbarium before

returning to Canberra to join the Bureau of Flora and Fauna where she helped to edit four volumes of the Flora of Australia. She subsequently diversified her interests, working at the Australian Heritage Commission for 12 years on natural and cultural heritage, then at the Murray Darling Basin Commission for four years on natural resource management, before supposedly "retiring". However she was appointed the ACT's second Commissioner for the Environment for three years before "retiring" properly, which gave her the freedom to become her own boss and a pretty much full time "plant person" once more. Since her university days, she has travelled extensively in Australia, collecting over 11,000 plant specimens that are lodged in the national and state herbaria, where they help contribute to scientific knowledge about Australian plants. She has spent the last four years actively researching the flora of Black Mountain.

The Robertson Garden Club Takes an Active Role in the Robertson Community

By Colin Hancock

The Club meets on the 1st Monday of each month at the Community Centre, Caalong St starting at 1.30pm and concluding with a beautiful home baked afternoon tea only country folk know how to prepare.

New members and visitors are always welcome. If you are a new resident (or not so new) of the Robertson district, whether you have a large acreage or a town block, you will be welcome at our meetings by like minded people from our community.

Exchange ideas and discuss the best plants to grow in our unique environment. Listen to guest speakers on a wide range of topics. Exchange plants, cuttings or bring along your best blooms and brag a little.

This Month (June) Phil Lavers will talk about "Growing Organic Vegetables".

In October each year The Robertson Garden Club organises and runs The Open Garden Weekend. This event brings visitors to Robertson from all over the Sydney, Illawarra, South Coast and Highland Districts to experience and enjoy the various gardens which are generously opened on the weekend by the owners, many of whom are residents within the community.

This year's event will be held on Sat 7th & Sunday 8th October with 7 local gardens opening to the public, many for the first time. All proceeds of the Open Gardens are put back into the Robertson community with such organisations as the Robertson Rural Fire Brigade, The CTC, the School of Arts and the Robertson Show Society being some of the previous beneficiaries.

We would also like to hear from like minded community groups and local schools who have specific programs that the Garden Club may be able to assist. (Applications would need to be approved by the members).

If you would like to be a part of this traditional event, whether it be to assist this year or next, or if you would like to include your garden in future events, please contact myself or any member of the club.

Colin Hancock - President 0421 061 651



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Robertson Turns 155

By Quentin Waters

Early in May our little village of Robertson quietly turned 155!

On Friday, 2nd May 1862, the Governor of New South Wales John Young, on the advice of Secretary for Lands John Robertson, by proclamation reserved a 1 square mile block of land from sale, for the purpose of establishing a town. The place chosen was on Hoddle's line of road at a place Robert Hoddle had named Three Creeks when he battled to cut a track through the rainforest 1830.

John Young was born in India of Irish and British heritage. At 24 he was elected to the House of Commons for the County of Cavan, Ireland, where he served for 24 years. In 1861 he was sworn in as Governor of New South Wales. He was succeeded in 1868 by the Earl of Belmore, Richard Lowry-Corry, while he then crossed the globe yet again to become the 2nd Governor-General of Canada in 1869.

John Robertson however has quite the story. With the establishment of Responsible Government, Robertson was elected to the brand-new Legislative Assembly in 1856. When he joined the Cowper ministry in 1858, he was largely responsible for amending the electoral legislation to introduce adult male franchise. Robertson became Premier in March 1860, and he completed his drafting of his Crown Lands Alienation bill and Crown Lands Occupation bill, which created free selection before survey. However, his radical land reforms were defeated in October. This allowed him to request the dissolution of Parliament, and at the resulting election in December he won a clear majority, while all candidates who openly opposed the reforms were defeated. In January 1861 he handed the premiership to Cowper, while he concentrated on the land bills as Secretary for Lands. The bills passed the Assembly on 27 March 1861. Robertson resigned the next day, and was appointed to the Legislative Council on 3 April, where he continued his fight. However, the aristocratic upper chamber stubbornly refused to support the reforms. Robertson managed to persuade Cowper to advise the new Governor John Young to swamp the Council with 21 new members, or the cabinet would resign. With the expiry of the initial 5 year terms imminent, the Governor agreed.

Outraged by this, the President of the Council announced his resignation and left the chamber

Department of Lands,
Sydney, 2nd May, 1862.

HIS Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, directs it to be notified that, in pursuance of the provisions of the "Crown Lands Alienation Act, 1861," the Lands specified in the Schedule appended hereto, shall be reserved from sale until surveyed, for the preservation of water supply or other public purpose.

JOHN ROBERTSON.

SCHEDULE.

COUNTY OF CAMDEN.

No.	LOCALITY.	AREA IN SQUARE MILES.	DESCRIPTION.	DATE OF GAZETTE PROCLAMATION (IF ANY.)
3	At the Three Creeks, on Hoddle's line of road from Kiama to Wingecarribee, at the source of the Wingecarribee River.	1	County of Camden : commencing at a point bearing east and distant 60 chains from a marked gum tree, at the source of the Wingecarribee River; and bounded thence on the north by a line bearing east 1 mile; on the east by a line bearing south 1 mile; on the south by a line bearing west 1 mile; and on the west by a line bearing north 1 mile, to the point of commencement.	

PASTORAL DISTRICT OF GWYDIR.

7	On the Macintyre River, above Dight's Station (Yetman).	2	Reserve No. 22 of the Gwydir Reserves	4th July, 1855.
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PASTORAL DISTRICT OF MURRUMBIDGEE.

52	At Minjary, Stuckey's Creek, on the road from Tumut to Gundagai.	1½	That portion of Reserve No. 116 of the Murrumbidgee Reserves, within the following boundaries: commencing at a point bearing north 71 degrees west, and distant 24 chains and 60 links from the northern corner of section 2, at Minjary, Stuckey's Creek; and bounded thence on the north by a line, crossing Stuckey's Creek, bearing east 1½ miles; on the east by a line bearing west 1½ miles; on the south by a line bearing north ½ miles; on part of the west by a line bearing north to the south boundary of the reserve, as proclaimed on the 17th April, 1862; again on the south by part of that boundary bearing west to its south-west corner; on the remainder of the west by the west boundary of that reserve bearing north to Stuckey's Creek; again on the north by that creek, downwards, to its intersection with the north boundary aforesaid; and thence on the remainder of the south by part of that boundary bearing west to the point of commencement. [This description embraces the reserve at Stuckey's Creek, excluded from conditional purchase, as proclaimed 17th April, 1862, and its extension.]	17th April, 1862.
53	At Bangus, at the confluence of Ade-	2	Reserve No. 117 of the Murrumbidgee Reserves	2nd May, 1862.

Proclamation of the Robertson Land Reservation at the Three Creeks

before administering the oath to the new Council. Eighteen others followed his example, leaving the chamber without a quorum the same day. Parliament was prorogued. The 5 year terms expired and Governor Young appointed the new 21 member chamber for life, including Robertson. The land bills were re-passed by the Assembly in September 1861, and passed the Council in October, before Governor Young finally gave the Assent on the 24th of October 1861. Robertson then resigned from the Council and won the by-election for the seat of Shoalhaven, continuing on as Secretary for Lands.

John Robertson would eventually serve as Premier 5 times, and was knighted as a Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George in 1877. And of course the land reservation at Three Creeks for the proposed town of Yarrawa would soon be named Robertson in his honour.

Preserving Robertson's History

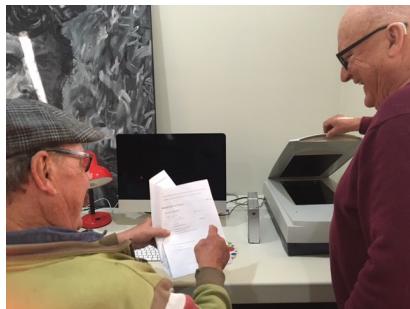
By Doug Pritchard

The Robertson History Preservation Group (RHPG) held its first meeting in the new digitisation room at the CTC@Robertson on Sunday 2 April 2017.

It has been a while since this group won a grant from The Wingecarribee Council Community Assistance Scheme but plenty has been happening in the meantime. The equipment we required in order to carry out our goals included a 'state of the art' Apple Mac Pro. In addition, there were scanners and a host of software including Photoshop and the digital asset management program Filemaker. The support and enthusiasm demonstrated by local photo library professional, Sarah Tahourdin, has been astounding. We couldn't have got to where we are without her! Apart from her countless hours, she has donated over \$10,000 worth of equipment to us.

Attending the meeting were: Doug Pritchard, Sarah Tahourdin, Peter Glass, Ted Smith, Bob Clouth and special guests, Helen Tranter, Brendhan Waters and Quentin Waters. Allan Stiles was an apology (overseas). Sarah demonstrated the processes to scan, digitise and record historical documents. There is a lot to learn and we are lucky to already have two keen volunteers to kick start the digitisation namely Janice Jenour and Gary Norwell. And we need more.

The aim of the RHPG is to categorise, scan and identify material pertaining to the history of Robertson. As the material is digitised, we hope to place the archive on *Trove*, the National Library of Australia's comprehensive historical collection. The documents and images will be available to anybody interested in Robertson's origins, families, war contributions, businesses social history. All that is needed now is for people to come forward who would like to have their family history and stories preserved in perpetuity.



We have our own room down at the CTC, with coffee to boot. If you are interested in becoming involved in the project or have documents or photographs you think could be of interest, please contact Doug Pritchard on 0413 055 062 or email Doug@dougpritchard.com.au or ring Karen, our manager at the CTC, on 4885 2665.

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Robertson District Swimming Pool Getting Closer!

By Don Ferguson

The Robertson & District Swimming Pool Association is delighted to advise that it has been granted \$32,865 (inc.GST) by the Veolia Mulwaree Trust for the part purchase and installation of equipment for the planned Robertson Aquatic Centre. This follows an Application made earlier this year.

The Committee are now very close to obtaining a Construction Certificate from Wingecarribee Shire Council. All stakeholders including Clubs Grants and the National Stronger Regional Fund join the Committee in waiting for this long drawn out process to be approved.

At its last Committee Meeting a minutes silence was taken following the passing of our member Hilary O'Brien. Hilary was a constant contributor and always brightened up the proceedings whenever she could attend. Our colleague member David is continuing to contribute to the project.

Residents may have noticed the removal of 13 trees from the Aquatic Centre site. This was carried out by Beau Woodward of First Choice Earthworks following Council approval. Security fencing is now in place in readiness for the site preparation to begin after the CC approval

As always if you require further information or wish to contribute to the project please visit our web site www.robertsonaquaticcentre.com on Face Book or contact Ian Hunt RADSPA Secretary 0418 871 027 or Don Ferguson President 0419 445 413.

Yoga Compared to Exercise. Part One.

By Jennifer Robinson, Life Consultant, Yoga and Meditation Teacher.

For many, yoga is considered a form of exercise or movement practice to keep the body in good shape. On a deeper exploration, I have also found that yoga reveals itself as a metaphysical art form with a rich history, philosophy and scientific accomplishment which make it a higher form of physical training and more. If yoga is done correctly it will balance the mind, bring health and rejuvenation to the body and enliven the spirit.

A regular yoga practice will maintain and stabilise the biological functions of the body and mind. The brain itself functions healthier. Yoga postures help and support our internal organs in the regulation of physiological function and enzymatic hormonal secretion. Every posture is created on the basis of types of neurological, anatomical and historical angles, which stimulate the endocrine glands and nervous system to promote health and balance in the body.

During yoga practice, oxygen consumption is increased which nourishes the body with refreshed oxygenated blood and increased vitality. During traditional exercise such as running, oxygen and other resources are expended to achieve the physical action undertaken, which shifts the body's normal balance resulting most commonly in tiredness and fatigue. If you speak to any elite athlete or body builder you will find that their numerous exercise sessions reap little reward without the essential rest and recovery in between. Yoga improves the overall health of the body so recovery is much more effective. This is why many Olympians and professional sports men and women quietly include yoga in their training schedule. Yoga has the capacity to be the exercise and the recovery all in one. Yoga will revitalise you so you can achieve better health, a balanced mind or perhaps a faster lap of the track.

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To be continued.....

Life Alignment Yoga Class is held on Monday evenings 6.15—7.45 pm at Robertson Community Centre in Caalong Street.

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Computer Classes at the CTC@Robertson

2 June—Word Introduction

9 June—Word Intermediate

16 June—Excel Introduction

23 June—Excel Intermediate

30 June—Powerpoint

All classes run 10am—1pm and the fee is \$70 (\$60 concession). Classes are run by a professional, experienced trainer and the fee includes a manual.

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'Health is the greatest possession' Lao Tzu

The Memory of Music Launches in Robertson

A 'sort of memoir' is how Andrew Ford describes his new book - though it's really about music.

'I've written eight books before this one,' he explains, 'all of them about music, but I've never managed to say what music *is* or what it's for.'

'Because music invades our lives and often sets up camp there, you can't really attempt to answer these questions except in the context of a life. And mine's the only life I'm qualified to write about.'

The Memory of Music takes readers from Andrew's early childhood in Beatles-mad Liverpool to his work in Australia as composer and presenter of *The Music Show* on ABC Radio National.

The Memory of Music will be launched in Robertson by Ben Quilty at a special event at the CTC@Robertson. At the book launch Andrew will talk about his Robertson pieces: *Scenes from Bruegel*, which used recorded voices of students

from Robertson Public School in a live performance by players from the Juilliard School in New York, and *Elegy in a Country Graveyard*, heard to such good effect in the film. He'll also talk about his community piece, *A Singing Quilt*.

Tickets are \$30 which includes refreshments plus a copy of the book (RRP \$32.99) - signed, if you like - or \$10 for refreshments alone. The launch is also a fundraiser and all profits will go to the CTC. The book, published by Black Inc., will be in shops the following day.

The *Memory of Music* book launch and fundraiser is on Sunday 2 July from 3 - 5 pm at the CTC@ Robertson. Bookings can be made online at <https://www.trybooking.com/QGZW> or ph 4885 2665 or info@robertsonctc.org.au

The Best of Art Cinema at Bea Cinémathèque

Lovers of good art cinema have an opportunity every month to see a curated selection of films at *Bea Cinémathèque* at the CTC@Robertson.

Bea is looking forward to presenting the following films over the winter months –

June 18 at 1.30pm - **Alexandre le bienheureux** (Very Happy Alexander, 1968) – a French comedy by Yves Robert. This film combines moments of uncontrollable hilarity with a serious look at the problems of being different in a small town. It is not to be missed!

July 16 at 1.30pm - **The Gold Rush** (1942 version) - Charlie Chaplin's comedic masterpiece featuring his Little Tramp character. Look out for the dance of the dinner rolls and the meal of boiled shoe leather....

August 10 at 1.30pm - **Nights of Cabiria** (1957) by Federico Fellini with Giletta Massina. Winner of an Academy Award for Best Foreign Language Film - a waifish prostitute (Massina) wanders the streets of Rome looking for true love but only finds heartbreak. This film was eventually remade in Hollywood as *Sweet Charity*. Experience Fellini's original neo-realist version.

Bea Cinémathèque is at the CTC@Robertson, 58-60 Hoddle Street Robertson. The CTC café opens at 1.30pm for coffee and tea (the CTC prides itself on serving great coffee).

Bookings are recommended and can be made by contacting the CTC on ph 4885 2665 or info@robertsonctc.org.au Tickets are \$10. www.robertsonctc.org.au



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Robertson Events Calendar

June 2017

Fri 2	Computer class—Word—Introduction see page 7	CTC@Robertson
Fri 9	REPS public meeting—7.30pm Speaker Dr Rosemary Purdie Botanist see page 8	Robertson Community Centre
Fri 9	Computer Class—Word—Intermediate see page 7	CTC@Robertson
Sat 10	Robertson Railway Garden Working Bee 9.30am-12.30pm	Robertson Railway
Sat 10	Live Music—Dave Debs 8pm til late	Robertson Bowling Club
Sun 11	Robertson Markets 9-2 (2nd Sunday of the month) mob: 0408 238 575 Pat	School of Arts
Fri 16	Computer Class—Excel—Introduction see page 7	CTC@Robertson
Sat 17	A community celebration of the life of Judy Benjamin see page 3	CTC@Robertson
Sun 18	Bea Cinematheque—Very Happy Alexander at 1.30pm—see page 9	CTC@Robertson
Fri 23	Computer Class—Excel Intermediate see page 7	CTC@Robertson
Sat 29	Robertson Burrawang Rovers Soccer Club Race Night 6pm-9pm This year our club will support a diabetes charity https://www.facebook.com/events/450963968581902/?ti=cl	Robertson Bowling Club
Fri 30	Computer Class—Powerpoint see page 7	CTC@Robertson

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Sun 2	Book Launch The Memory of Music by Andrew Ford 3-5pm see page 9	CTC@Robertson
Sun 9	Robertson Markets 9-2 (2nd Sunday of the month)	School of Arts
Sat 15	Deadline for August edition of Robertson News	CTC@Robertson
Sun 16	Bea Cinematheque—The Gold Rush at 1.30pm—see page 9	CTC@Robertson

Regular Events

Every Mon	Yoga Jennifer on 0407 771 828 6.15-7.45pm In School Term only	Robertson Community Centre
1st Mon	Robertson Garden Club 1.30pm Colin Hancock mob 0421 061 651	Robertson Community Centre
3rd Mon	Wuka Plukas Ukulele Group mob 0429 826 431 Jenny 7-9pm	CTC@Robertson
Every 2nd Tues	Robertson Community & Seniors Group 10am-3pm	Robertson Community Centre
Every Tues	Trivia Night 7.30pm	Robertson Inn
Every Tues	Social tennis 1-3pm Contact Lyndy Scott 4885 2805	Robertson Tennis Court
Every Tues	Mindfulness Meditation 3-4pm followed by Buddhist Discussion Group	The Robertson Doctor
Every Wed	Robertson Knitting Group 10.30-12.30	The Cool Room Emporium
Every Thur	Robertson Choir group 4.30-6.30pm Contact Karen Wilmott ph: 0403 044 828	CTC@Robertson
Every Fri	Robertson Railway Modellers Group 1.30-4.30pm	The Fettlers Shed
Every Fri	Free Trivia/Joker Jackpot/Prize Tombola	Robertson Bowling Club
Every Fri	Live Music	Robertson Inn
Every Sat	Crop Swap 9-10am	Outside Rockabellas
1st, 4th Sun	Traditional Service at 8am every 1st and 4th Sundays of the month	St Johns Robertson
Every Sun	Family Service – 10am every Sunday and Youth Service 6pm Sundays	St Johns Robertson
1st, 3rd, 5th Sun 2nd, 4th Sun	Catholic Service 8am Catholic Service 5pm	St Peter's Burrawang



ROBERTSON BOWLING CLUB

Open 7 days a week

Bistro Open Wednesday - Sunday Lunch and dinner



Every Thursday - Soccer Club Joker Jackpot - Prize Tombola

Every Sunday - Prize Tombola - Members Draw

Every Friday - Free Trivia - Joker Jackpot - Prize Tombola - Members Draw

Live Music – Dave Debs

Saturday 10 June from 8pm til late