

# GREENETHORPE

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## September Birthdays



1st Emily Kershaw  
6th Giselle Capra  
10th Charlize Amezdroz  
16th Andrew Schaeffer  
18th Bob Taylor  
19th James Bryant  
22nd Gabriel Amezdroz  
23rd Thomas Taylor  
23rd Susan Fisher  
24th Tanya Brown  
24th Alex Carney  
24th Emma Carney

## History Group Meeting

Thank you to everyone who attended August's meeting. August theme was clubs and groups. Find below the list we compiled.

Gliding Club, Town Tennis Club, Methodist Tennis Club, Catholic Tennis Club, Cricket Club, Rugby League Club, Scouts, Girl Guides, Young Methodists Club, Young Nationals, Junior Farmers, Red Cross, CWA, Home League, Gould League, Police Boys Club, Rifle Club, Race Club, Show, Cycling, Yoga, Band, Catholic Womens' League, Country Party, National Party, NSW Farmers, Oddfellows, Indoor Cricket, Craft Group, TAFE, Christmas Club and Skate Hall.  
Can you add to this list?

Sadly, a number of Greenethorpe residents and ex-residents have recently passed away. I'm sure you will find the following related articles very interesting.

### **Jill Schweers - passed away 28<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

Many Greenethorpe locals will be sad to hear of the passing of Jill Schweers. Jill and John Schweers were teaching in Greenethorpe from 1970 – 1973 and were well respected in the district. Jill was especially talented in teaching the lower classes, particularly in reading. They were both respected by the children. John spent much of his spare time with the older children and was very keen on sport. Those who were involved will remember. Our sympathy goes to John. He has lost his lifetime mate.

### **Eunice Jessie Bishop 9.8.22 – 10.8.18**

Eunice grew up on a poultry farm at Marsfield in Sydney with her 6 brothers Fred, Harold, Len, Norm, Stan and Phil (all deceased). It was while scoring for her brothers, in a cricket game, that she met George Francis Bishop.

They married in 1947 and in 1950 Eunice's father Reuben Jacobs purchased 'Marandoo', on the corner of Grenfell and Greenethorpe Rd, mainly for when Norm returned from the war.

Eunice and George moved to Marandoo in 1951. The property was then 2,760 acres and it was run as a family company. The homestead was built in 1906 by Sir William McMahan's Grandfather.

In the early years they ran 3,500 turkeys that were hatched in Sydney and reared at Marandoo. Eunice was renowned for producing delicious homemade butter and thick cream from two Jersey cows, milked each day.

George taught Eunice to play golf and it wasn't long before her golfing talent was evident. Eunice was Cowra Ladies Champion 13 times between 1957 and 1978. During this time, she was also Western districts Tournament Champion in 1962, 67, 68 and 1972. She also won the Western Districts Champion of Champions in 1962 and 1969. She was made a life member of the Western Districts as well as the Ladies Golf Union. Travelling to Sydney to play golf (flying weekly when Cowra had a Sydney plane service) was a regular event which saw Eunice playing for Bonnie Doon Golf Club and in many Sydney tournaments. Eunice also gave back to her beloved sport. In Cowra she was Captain in 1966 & 1967 and was the Western District Handicapper for 24 years from 1968 to 1992!

Eunice's health deteriorated from 2000 when she suffered a stroke which put an end to her daily walk of 3.6 km out to the mailbox and back. She was in Weeroona nursing home for 5 weeks after 8 weeks in Cowra hospital. Eunice celebrated her 96<sup>th</sup> birthday on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August and even helped blow out the candles on her cake. Sadly, she passed away the very next day. Eunice lived at Marandoo for 67 wonderful years and had a happy married life with George for 71 years.

George would like to thank the many Greenethorpe Community members for their support during this very sad time.

### **Stafford Moore 25.10.1935 – 28.06.2018**

Stafford was a great man who worked hard for his wife Jean and 3 children, Debbie, Robbie and Jacqueline. He was much loved by his grandchildren and great grandchildren. Stafford loved anything mechanical and always helped anyone who needed something fixed or made up. He was also a very good and sort after wool

classer and farmer. He will be sadly missed and forever loved by his wife and family.

### **Jennifer Hall - passed away 16<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

Jennifer Marjory Payne was born in 1938 at Habberfield NSW where her father was a farmhand.

Jenny's early schooling was by correspondence after which went on to Dubbo High School. After finishing high school Jenny moved to Molong NSW where she worked at a pharmacy for 4 years.

Jenny left Molong to go to Sydney nursing but soon moved back to the country and took up a nursing position at the Cowra District Hospital.

At this time a young male shearer from Grenfell NSW was a patient in the hospital. Jenny, always up for a challenge, was dared by her co-workers to ask this chap out on a date. This she did and on the 14th August 1959 Jenny married Kevin Hall (Gundy)

Kevin and Jenny made their home at Main street Greenethorpe (today known as the Bannister residence) and they soon began to have a family.

Their first child was Glen, born in 1960 followed by Rosemarie in 1962, Matthew in 1964, Susan in 1965 and Simon in 1967.

Kevin was shearing at Keith I'ansons property near Iandra (today owned by the Westmacott Family) when Keith suggested that Kevin could earn a regular weekly wage working for him on his farms. Kevin laughed and said "You cockies don't pay much money", so Keith sweetened the deal and offered a house rent fee. Kevin and Jenny moved to Uppingham (still standing and today owned by the Allen Family) and here they began raising their family on the farm.

The children had to walk to the bus stop, 1km down the hill, in the freezing cold in winter and Jenny was most upset her girls' uniforms were only a thin dress. Jenny went to a P&C meeting one night and suggested that she would design a new uniform for the girls. This she made by hand from scotch guard tartan of red, blue and white

and presented it to the P&C. That uniform was made part of the compulsory uniform worn by girls for many years after. Jenny was very persuasive.

All the children have fond memories of living and growing up on the Uppingham Farm.

The Halls lived in the weatherboard and Fibro 2 bedroom house at Uppingham until 1976. This was when they bought their first home at the lower end of Redbank street. The home was formally owned by Mrs Hodgson, Alan's mum. Today it is owned by The Bradley Family.

This was home to the Hall family for the next 14 years. The children grew and made lives of their own away from Greenethorpe.

Kevin continued working for Keith and worked for him for 25 years until he suffered a heart attack and went into early retirement. Their working relationship come to an end but their friendship kept going for many years after. Kevin kept himself busy breeding Budgies and fishing with mates and of course a little bit of time was spent at the Shamrock.

Over the years Jenny worked as well, not being afraid to do a bit of hard 'yacka'. She worked at cleaning or babysitting at various farm houses in the district as well as cleaning the Uniting church and The Shamrock Hotel. Jenny would also catch the school bus to Wirramah and pick cherries while the kids were at school and then catch the bus back home, just in time to cook dinner and welcome Kevin and the children home from school or work. Jenny and the whole family also packed eggs at The Langfield Poultry farm at Bonnie-Doone Greenethorpe (Today owned by The Hodges Family).

In 1990 Jenny's mum who lived at Cootamundra began to have health issues and, as Jenny was a trained nurse, Kevin and Jenny decided to sell their beloved home at Greenethorpe and purchased a house 3 doors down from Jenny's mum at Cootamundra so Jenny could care for her mum.

Sadly Kevin passed away in 2003 at the age of 73. Jenny lived by herself until her own health failed and Simon, their youngest son, returned

home to care for her until she passed away on 16th July 2018 aged 80 years.

Those who new Kevin I'm sure would remember his jovial belly laugh and how infectious that laugh was, or how he would claim to know it was going to rain as he said he could feel it in his water. But perhaps the most memorable was his use of big words. Kevin loved to use big words to baffle others.

Remembering Jenny is easy as she always had a smile on her face. Jenny would always make you feel welcome at her home and would give anyone the shirt from her back.



**20th Annual On-Property Sale**  
**180 LAMBPLAN POLL DORSET**  
**and WHITE SUFFOLK RAMS**  
**Tuesday 4th September 1 pm**  
**"Springvale" 349 Adams Lane**  
**Greenethorpe**  
**BBQ lunch before sale,**  
**Rodney Watt**  
**6343 6248**  
**0417499204**

**[www.felixrams.com.au](http://www.felixrams.com.au)**

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## **Uniting Church Services September**

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> at 9am

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> at 9am

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## GSM Hall News

*August has been another busy month!*

### ***June's & James Fundraiser***

The Quiz night was a wonderful community event & a good fun time was had by all. An amazing number of sponsors (50!!) -Thanks Judith & Belinda. 14 tables many very well dressed Mexicans ! Wallies adding to the atmosphere.

A cheque for \$3,000 was presented to June and James.

***Thankyou! Thankyou! Thankyou! To all that contributed to the event.***

### ***Firewood Fundraiser***

John Guymer & Grandson Scott were the leader in a massive 'saw, split, stack and deliver' operation in the showground resulting in almost \$1,000 to go towards our Hall Outdoor War Memorial. Locals gave their time, utes, chainsaws, fuel & 'backs' to make this day happen. Thanks Dave Matthews, Dave watt, Chris & Hugh Wills, Peter Harrison, Bob Bryer, Col Chapple, Jimmy Bryant, Jack Bryant, Tony Billington, Richard Stonestreet & Graham Watt. A big thankyou to John and Scott Guymer who gave their time and expertise to the Hall at 'mates rates'. Thankyou to Jude Bryant, Jenny-Lynne Watt, Merle Bryer and Jill Allen who worked hard providing sustenance for all.

## ***Clearing Sale***

The Hall committee were asked to cater for the Dawes clearing Sale, held last Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August. Once again, a very willing band of helpers made this a successful & enjoyable day. Always a good chance to catch up with locals and ex-locals. Thank you to all helpers, cooks and bakers. \$600 profit was made on the day.

### **GSM Hall Committee AGM**

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September  
7pm in the supper room  
Minutes of AGM 2017 displayed on  
Community Notice Board

All Welcome 

**To all those who attended, donated to and/or helped organise the Quiz Night fundraiser, June Iddon, James Rowe, Suzie the dog, Matilda the cat and numerous hens would like to throw out a big Thankyou.**

**Over \$3,000 was raised, and the cheque has been banked whilst we wait for the d.a to be approved and we can begin to rebuild.**

**James and June.**

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