

A local Surrey Hills composer

Carol Dixon

I have lived in Surrey Hills for the past nineteen years, spending my childhood in Werribee, a country town back in the Sixties, then living in a few inner western suburbs before moving here in early 2001. Music has been my strongest passion since early childhood where I recall being captivated by the ABC test pattern music as a very young child and, when I knew how, I would often play my parents' collection of classical vinyl records. I studied Piano at school and at VCE, music being my favourite subject throughout school.

But after school I studied Nursing, and devoted time to the workforce, to an Arts Degree, and later a Graduate Diploma in Psychology, leaving aside my love for music. It was not until our son was about six and I had been spending several years' doing creative work through improvisatory dance movement, that I decided I had neglected music for too long. This led to a kind of ache deep within. During an exploratory dance class one evening, all of a sudden I felt utter clarity and a conviction of what I had to do next. Compelled to respond to this inner yearning, I decided to study music at tertiary level, and to become a composer. Having already taken up piano lessons again, I embarked on developing piano skills further so as to apply on the piano for a music degree.

In 2010, I commenced a Bachelor of Music at the University of Melbourne and, in early 2015, completed this with an Honours degree and a major stream in music composition. Since then I have worked on my composition as time allows and have had eleven new works written and performed. It has been a fabulous journey, but indeed a huge commitment of time and effort. It is fortunate I can work casually and with flexible hours as a Nurse to allow for time for composition.

I co-founded the Australian Composers' Concerts of which three concerts have occurred at St Stephen's Anglican Church, Richmond. The focus of these concerts is to involve well known and emerging Australian composers



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to perform their works, with an emphasis on new compositions or premier performances.

This current project is for our local orchestra. The Surrey Hills Orchestra accepted me to write for the Victorian Community Orchestra Project (2019), an inaugural event. It is wonderful to compose for a local orchestra, and my brief was to make the piece playable and well suited to the orchestra's standard. As players have different skills, some of the players have more challenging parts than others. My piece is a symphonic poem - Hearth, reflecting the state of the earth confronted by the crisis of global warming.

I would be delighted for Surrey Hills' residents to support their local orchestra at this event and would welcome you to come along and hear them perform my piece, Hearth. One of the Surrey Hills Orchestra performers, Benjamin Bates who is the leader of the Double Bass, has arranged a guitar piece Grand Solo by Fernando Sor, for the Surrey Hills Orchestra to also perform at this concert. The VCO Project Concert will be at 5.00pm 24 August, at Malvern Town Hall, 1251 High St, Malvern, with seven orchestras participating. Details can be found, and tickets purchased at www.vcoproject.org

Tribute to Mont Albert Probus

Lyn and Ian Shand have been members of the Mont Albert Probus Club since its inception 26 years ago. They were in their late 50s when Ian, who had been a lecturer with overseas trade teachers at Hawthorn Institute for many years, was retrenched with many others when the role of the Institute changed. He was devastated, but Probus was a god send and, since that time, he has been President, organiser of speakers, and 24-seater bus driver for 11 years. Lyn runs the Gardens Outings Group and has recently written the history of the club.

Lyn says when they first joined the club, they were concerned about "all the grey-haired people", but they

quickly found that age didn't matter at all and formed many friendships. They have enjoyed many activities including local and overseas tours, din outs, cinema luncheons, pizza nights, garden outings, book groups, writing groups, walking groups and a fashion parade.

Lyn and Ian reflect on the fact that, because of their age, many of their Probus friends from earlier years have died, but new friendships have formed. And they have nothing but praise for the friendliness and vibrancy of the club where there is no problem in getting people to take on responsibilities for its activities.



Mont Albert Probus Garden Group at The Crofts, Flinders

Surrey Hills Music Festival

Planning is well underway for the 10th Surrey Hills Music Festival, with the event having a slightly different structure than in the past. Festival Director Jenny Gay has been scheduling the programming to ensure the community is able to attend and enjoy multiple events spread over a two-month time period, which will include a variety of performances, venues and types of events, rather than our usual weekend event.

We can now reveal that the Festival will be featuring acclaimed singer-songwriter Grace Knight in a special one-night event in October, a special show and workshop for children in the October school holidays, and a performance by Cabaret superstar Amity Dry, at the Hawthorn Arts Centre. In addition, the Festival will feature various warm-up activities on site in Union Road on Friday 15 November, and then a free, 12-hour event on Saturday 16 November, with performances in at least four different sites around the Surrey Hills Neighbourhood Centre concurrently.

Applications for local musicians, stallholders and volunteers are now open, and Jenny is keen to feature as much local talent as possible on the main event day in November, so is encouraging musicians of all ages and abilities to submit their applications by the end of August, to be considered.

To receive notification of the full event details, including ticket on-sale dates for Grace Knight, Amity Dry and the school holiday program, Jenny says people should follow the Festival's Facebook page www.facebook.com/SurreyHillsMusicFestival and sign up for the e-mailing list on the Festival's website www.surreyhillsmusicfestival.com/home.html

Surrey Hills Music Festival is very grateful for the support received by ongoing major sponsors the City of Boroondara, Bendigo Bank, and Coles Supermarket, Surrey Hills.



Grace Knight



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Course Highlights



We've recently had two events that show us how wonderful the people around us are

We had a great night at our recent Trivia Night fundraiser

which was organised by Gillian Cohen and Lynn Pickles with Ron Pickles acting as the strict but fair Trivia Master. The event sold out early and it was wonderful to see the Chandler Room full of people enjoying themselves and also raising much needed funds for the Centre which helps us to run our many programs and activities at low or no cost.

Last month we also celebrated all the work our volunteers do for the Centre at the Volunteers' Appreciation Drinks. We have over 200 volunteers registered with the Centre which is an incredible number. While volunteer numbers have remained constant across our volunteer run activities such as curating the Heritage Collection and running special interest groups like Scrabble, walking, bike riding and Mah Jong, and delivering this newspaper, it's great to see the Centre add new volunteering opportunities like Viv's Kitchen and You Matter, our newest venture where volunteers help to set up functioning and welcoming homes for women and families escaping domestic and family violence.

Our Annual General Meeting will take place on Thursday 12 September. This will be an opportunity for us to look back at the past year and reflect on what we have achieved as well as welcome new Board members. It would be great if you could join us and show your support for the Centre.

Shima Ibuki, Centre Manager

Diary dates

Term 3

15 July - 20 September

Annual General Meeting

Thursday 12 September 2pm-4pm

Surrey Hills Twilight Market

Thursday 12 September 2pm-4pm

Surrey Hills Music Festival

Friday 15 November - Saturday 16 November

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Good Gut health series

FERMENTED FOODS PART 1 – KOMBUCHA AND WILD FERMENTED LEMON SODA

Friday 9 August 6pm - 8pm **NEW**

Learn how to make Kombucha and fermented soda so that you can replicate the process and get the health benefits of fermented beverages in your own home! You also get to take home your own bottle of kombucha and step-by-step instructions.

Cost: \$70/\$60 SHNC member

FERMENTED FOODS PART 2 – SAUERKRAUT AND OTHER FERMENTED VEGGIES **NEW**

Friday 23 August 6pm - 8pm

Learn how to make Sauerkraut, pickles and fermented salsa. Take home a sample of fermented veggies and set-by-step instructions.

Cost: \$70/\$60 SHNC member

COLES LOCAL SUPERMARKET TOURS WITH JOEL FEREN **NEW**

Monday 12 August 10am – 11:15am,
Monday 19 August 4pm – 4:15pm, or
Sunday 1 September 10am – 11:15am

Join Joel Feren, Accredited Dietitian and Nutritionist, as he takes you on a tour of your local supermarket. Joel will provide you with the skills to read and interpret complex nutritional labels and identify how you can prepare quick and nourishing meals that will allow you to work smarter not harder in the kitchen. These tours are suitable for singles, young families, seniors and persons living with diabetes.

Cost: \$30 per tour

Techonology series

DR SHARON HORWOOD PRESENTS – SCREEN ADDICTION **NEW**

Friday 16 August 6pm – 7pm

Join Dr Horwood from Deakin University as she presents her 2018 research findings on the relationship between excessive device use and mental health. Dr Horwood will also outline the next phase of her research and answer any questions you may have.

Cost: FREE but bookings essential

GET MORE FROM SOCIAL MEDIA **NEW**

Thursday 6 August 10am – 12:30pm

Do you want to know how to get better use from social media? This workshop goes through the basics of popular applications and how to best use them to connect to a global world or just stay in touch with family, friends and colleagues.

Cost: \$35/\$30 SHNC member

CYBER-SECURITY AND THE CLOUD **NEW**

Thursday 13 August 10am – 12:30pm

Do you want to know more about 'The Cloud', what it is and the benefits of using it? This workshop demystifies 'The Cloud' and shows you the benefits of using it to keep your computer and data safe.

Cost: \$35/\$30 SHNC member

PARENTAL DEVICE CONTROL **NEW**

Thursday 22 August 10am – 12:30pm

Many parents face the challenge of excessive screen time and how to effectively keep their children off their devices. Be equipped with practical and effective solutions that can be implemented in the family unit to help manage appropriate device use.

Cost: \$25 (parents only)

Community series

WHICH WAY FORWARD – BALANCING DYNAMICS OF 50+

Wednesday 7 August 7pm – 8:30pm

Explore the challenges and opportunities as you transition to retirement. The workshop helps participants develop practical strategies, build empowerment and unlock a new path forward. Note: does not provide financial advice.

Cost: \$35

Children's workshops and holiday programs

UKULELE FOR KIDS (7 – 12 YEARS)- 2 SESSIONS **NEW**

Saturday 31 Aug and 7 Sept 3pm – 4pm

Do you have a ukulele and want to learn more? Join Des Mahoney, accredited ukulele instructor, and have fun with your ukulele with kids your own age! (suitable for beginners or those who can play simple tunes).

Cost: \$40 for both sessions (or \$25 for 1 session)

NEW HOLIDAY PROGRAMS CLICKER KIDS

Friday 4 October 9am – 10:30am

This workshop is facilitated by Boroondara Dog Training and introduces children to clicker training, a fun and effective way to communicate with your dog. Learn to play games and develop skills that help train your loyal friend. All clickers included, no pets.

Cost: \$25

TOYS FOR YOUR PETS

Friday 4 October 11am – 12:30am

Facilitated by Boroondara Dog Training, a fun workshop where kids get to make toys for their loyal pets, all materials provided.

Cost: \$35 or both Clicker Kid's and Toys For Your Pets: \$50

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Surrey Hills Foodie Festival

Saturday 12 October 11.00am – 4.00pm

The best way to enjoy a Saturday during Spring is to indulge in some delicious food and entertainment for the whole family. Surrey Hills Foodie Festival, hosted by Our Holy Redeemer Primary school, has something for everyone, with activities for parents and kids alike (tweens, under 4s, and everyone in between). The Foodie Festival will be host to some of the best Food Trucks Melbourne has to offer. Breathe in the specials of the day: beef brisket sliders with slaw; divine flavours from spice nation kitchen, original flavoursome Souvas; tender calamari; fish tacos; classic Spanish paella; and for the big kids at heart, there will be ice-cream, smoothies, milkshakes and hot chips too!

Centre stage is set with superb sound and a stellar line-up including, Melbourne Cheer Academy, Momentum Dance, Bodyfit Fitness Club, fashion parade by local designer Cachi Designs, and local gymnasts including acrobats, tumblers, funambulists and much more! If you're craving attractions look no further – wine and cheese station, smoothie powered pedal bikes, free activities for under 4s, signature lay-down two passenger Kite Flyer experience, Bubble Soccer, Dart Ball, face painting, silent auction, homemade cakes and jams and Devonshire tea are all on the menu.



Come along and celebrate the best that Surrey Hills has to offer. Tickets can be bought ahead of time at www.foodiefestival.com.au For more information contact Sharon Cheevers at sharoncheevers@hotmail.com

E-waste (electronic waste)

The Victorian Government has banned all e-waste from going to landfill. E-waste refers to electronic waste. If it has a plug, battery, cord or any other power supply and is not working or unwanted, it is e-waste. This includes items from work, home or even the garden shed, from batteries, rice cookers and light globes through to vacuum cleaners, computers, TVs, small and large household appliances, power tools and battery toys.

You must not put any e-waste in any of your bins. You must now separate all e-waste items for a separate recycling program. Before recycling your e-waste, consider donating or selling it first. This is always better than recycling. The North Balwyn Repair Cafe can help to repair electronic items that are no longer working for free. You can drop off all e-waste at the Boroondara Recycling and Waste Centre, 648 Riversdale Road, Camberwell, and other locations. There will be no fees for dropping off small to medium sized e-waste including office and hi-fi items such as TVs, stereos, DVD players, VCR players, computers, printers, scanners and accessories. Large e-waste items will still be charged as per the fees and charges schedule.

E-waste is full of valuable resources that we can reuse, as well as some hazardous materials that are bad for the environment. More than 95% of e-waste is recyclable.

Protect the environment. E-waste products can contain hazardous materials such as heavy metals like lead, mercury and cadmium, as well as ozone-depleting chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) and flame retardants. Even in small amounts, these dangerous chemicals can cause environmental contamination.

For more details see <https://tinyurl.com/y5dq2ut>

Protecting trees in Whitehorse

Whitehorse City Council is proposing to introduce permanent controls to its planning scheme to protect trees in residential areas and is seeking community feedback on Amendment C219 which is currently on exhibition. Whitehorse Mayor, Councillor Bill Bennett said that, as Whitehorse was recognised for its leafy streets and neighbourhoods, it was important to put these controls in place to protect residential trees. "Conserving the trees and tree canopy that contribute to the streetscape and neighbourhood character is at the centre of proposed tree protection controls," Cr Bennett said. "Properties that will be covered by the proposed tree controls will require a permit to remove, destroy or lop any tree that has a trunk circumference of 1 metre or greater measured at 1.0metre from the ground and/or a height of 5 metres or greater. "Under the permanent significant landscape overlay, certain trees will not need a planning permit to be removed, destroyed or lopped. For example, a tree that is less than 3 metres from the wall of an existing house won't need a planning permit to be removed. A tree species that is listed in the proposed planning control as an environmental weed also won't need a planning permit.

For more information, or to have your say, visit www.whitehorse.vic.gov.au/Amendment-C219.html Feedback will be received until Monday 19 August.

Pleasant Sunday Afternoon Concert at Holy Trinity

To celebrate the 20th anniversary of the rebuilding of Holy Trinity's pipe organ Thomas Heywood, an international concert organist and entertainer will be playing on Sunday, August 11 at 2.30pm. His program consists of some classical organ pieces plus his own arrangements/transcriptions of well-known orchestral pieces. Thomas also has a video screen so people can see his hands and feet as he plays. Tickets at door are \$20.00 (adults) and \$10.00 (children),

and this includes afternoon tea in Trinity Hall afterwards. Both the church and hall are heated. Inquiries: 9808 0390

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A dream comes true

Trudy Seca

I am very excited to have just opened a new shop Nuno Nuno at 18 Hamilton Street Mont Albert. My dream for many years after working for other businesses was to open my own shop and combine my love of crafts and handmade items and to have a space for workshops. Initially, as a student, I studied Art but after finishing never pursued it as a career although I have dabbled in all sorts of crafts, inspired by my mother who was a dressmaker and a father who was a builder. I had always wanted to try quilting and patchwork, but I was always too busy to learn! When my son was at Wattle Park Primary School a group of us decided to make a raffle quilt, and there started my quilting journey. After a dream trip to Japan last year, I decided life was too short and made a decision to follow my other dream and here I am selling curated textiles for quilting, clothing and crafting, and patterns, and running classes and workshops, alongside handcrafted giftware and accessories with a Japanese vibe. And if you are wondering, NUNO is Japanese for cloth. Trudy Seca can be contacted at 18 Hamilton Street Mont Albert, 9898 7104 or 0418 359 865.



It began with candlelight

On 30 May 1959, a ceremony by candlelight accompanied the marriage of Deborah Lynette Hansen with Ian Donald Shand at Benson Street Methodist Church, in Mont Albert Road. The church has long since gone, but Lyn and Ian's marriage is still going strong with never a dull moment and they have just celebrated their 60th anniversary. Congratulations!

Ian started school at Chatham in 1941. He has detailed memories of his school life, and much of the history of Union Road, the 'Surrey Hills village'. In 1953, the late Ken Hall suggested Lyn go to the Friday night youth club at Benson Street, where Ian and Lyn first met. But it was at a church dance at St Hilary's in 1956 that Ian invited Lyn to join friends at a coffee lounge, and the rest, as they say, is history!



For Love or Money

For Love or Money is a group exhibition of Australian artists exploring ideas related to work, emotional labour and artistic value. In particular, it examines the economic structures that underpin artistic labour and how artists sustain their practices within broader capitalist systems. Across the exhibition there are strong elements of humour and playfulness present in some of the artworks, while others are more vocally critical in their questioning of our notions of value. For Love or Money questions the relationship between work, making art and making it work as an artist. It is guest curated by Sophia Cai in collaboration with the Town Hall Gallery at 360 Burwood Road Hawthorn, and will run until 25 August. Monday to Friday

10.00am to 5.00pm and Saturday and Sunday 11.00am to 4.00pm. For more details phone Boroondara Arts on 9278 4770 or email arts@boroondara.vic.gov.au



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