

# HALL PAVILION & COMMUNITY COTTAGE

## 2019 / 20 ANNUAL REPORT

This year saw consistent use of our community facilities until the COVID-19 Rules effectively prevented continued operation. There were 228 confirmed Pavilion bookings, 26 of which had to be cancelled due to COVID and over 30 enquiries refused since the shutdown. Activities included Hall Market days, weddings, a large number of children's and adult birthday parties, family reunions, dances, christenings, Christmas parties, Pilates, Tai Chi, other functions and as a venue for the National Sheep Dog Trials.

The Community Cottage is available for activities for a maximum of 30 people. It was used on 101 individual occasions for activities like craft, meditation, yoga, wakes and health related activities. The above number does not include twice weekly use by Hall Men's Shed. Hiring income covers outgoings such as rental, electricity, gas, water, sewerage, expendables and maintenance.

The management team was very busy meeting requests for viewings, responding to hirers' enquiries, recording booking information, conducting follow up inspections and carrying out general maintenance of the facilities and its furnishings. Thanks go to Alison Reynolds and Phil Robson, John Starr and Margaret Morris for their constant and diligent efforts and support throughout the year.

Thanks to the VHDP, for maintaining the on-line Pavilion booking system that greatly reduces the volunteer management workload, as well as providing a convenient and efficient service to the hirer.

Pavilion and Cottage revenue makes a substantial contribution toward the funding of ongoing activities of the VHDP.

The year ahead is unknown territory while we await easing of COVID-19 rules. Currently our income from hiring is almost negligible and there are outgoings to be met for electricity, gas, water etc. Many community organizations are in a similar situation as we all meet the ongoing challenges of financial survival.

Fortunately previous wise financial planning by VHDP in establishing fund reserves is assisting us in providing community facilities at present.

Tony Morris  
Pavilion Committee Member.