

Winter on the Riesling Trail

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# *The Riesling Trail*

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**Hello Member**

**and welcome to our Winter E-News | *Along the Riesling Trail ...***

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# From the Chairman

As we say, “Every season, another reason”, to visit the Riesling Trail that is! Recent showers have accentuated the autumn colours along the trail as well as settling any dust. So, it’s as good a time as any to enjoy the trail. We see this in our monthly recordings of trail users, where numbers so far this year are on a par with those of last year. Bit by bit we are seeing more interstate visitors as well as a few from overseas visiting the Clare Valley and the Riesling Trail.

We are continuing to improve the trail so it is safer and more enjoyable for trail users. This includes re-building the bridge at the northern end of the Watervale station area and strengthening another bridge several kilometres north of there. This is being done by Jason Gill and his team. The section of the trail next to Station Road in Clare will be improved by Clare Quarry with a quarry sand finish making it the same surface as the rest of the trail. While there, we will partition off the trail through the southern car park with bollards keeping the trail separate from vehicles, making it safer for trail users.

In the next few months you will see a few more seats and shelters along the trail. These include seats donated by Neighbourhood Watch and the Cameron-Hill family. We are also planning to put a shelter over a seat (donated by the local Coffee and Chat group) next to the Riesling Trail bridge over the River Wakefield just north of Auburn, thanks to a generous donation from Stephanie Toole of Mount Horrocks Wines. Our plan to re-align the trail at Watervale so it follows where the railway line used to be is now on hold because it has not been approved by the Department of Transport.

We have also commissioned a beautiful sculpture representing Monica McInerney sitting on the roof of the Station Master’s house reading a book. This is being done

by Paul Leditschke, and with construction advice from Mace Engineering. It will be located next to the trail within eyeshot of the Station Master's house. All being well, this sculpture will be unveiled towards the end of this year.

As always, thank you to all who have supported the trail financially and in other ways. This includes the those with watchful eyes that report back to us any issues they see along the trail.

**Allan Mayfield**  
Chairman

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Allan completed the Boston UK Marathon on Easter Monday. He was happy to run a shorter distance when he participated in the Druridge Bay parkrun in Northumberland on a fine spring day.





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## Work Along the Riesling Trail

The new bridge on the Riesling Trail at the northern end of the station yard at Watervale. It was made by JC Gill or more commonly known as Jason Gill or Gilly & his crew (son & daughter).

An improved feature is the pipe railing – easier for cyclist to grab & less maintenance than the usual timber railings.

Thank you to all the Volunteers for your tireless work.

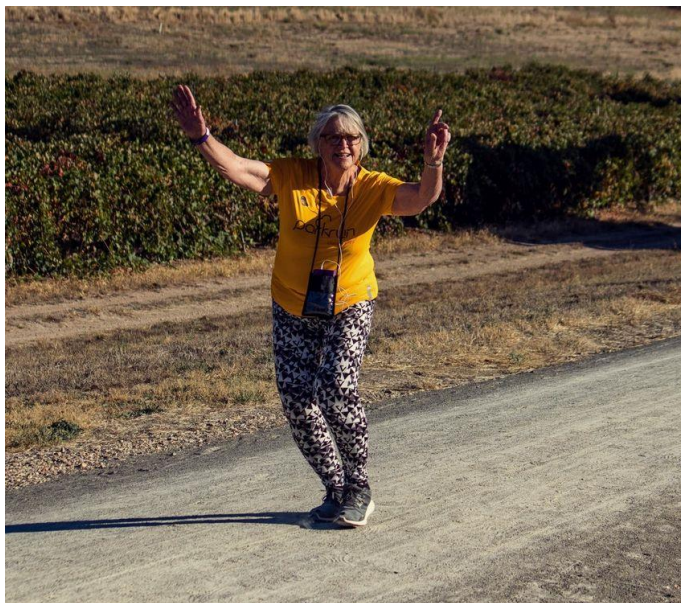


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parkrun every Saturday morning

Happy birthday Julie Cowperthwaite hope you had a great day celebrating.

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## Live Better through parkrun

To celebrate parkrun as a way to live better, **Medibank** has been putting a spotlight on the things that make parkrun so great – the people and the courses







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The Leasingham Caravan Park has new owners

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## Mathie's Meat Shoppe and The Little Red Grape



Today we dropped in to see Jason at Mathie's Meat Shoppe to give him a gift to say 'THANK YOU' for supplying us with great quality meats over the past four years. Mathie's provide the very tasty meat that make the fillings of our pies delicious and full of flavour. Jason has also been a big part of helping us give our pies that bit extra when we enter our competitions and helping us bring home countless awards such as "Best National Gourmet Pie" and "Gourmet Sausage Roll" in Australia.



**The Little Red Grape**

**'Australia's Best Pie & Pastie Award'**







The Watervale Hotel



Arts Collective Clare Valley



Clare Valley Art Gallery



Watervale General Store





Bed in a Shed Accommodation ... view from the window



Clare Country Club



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ALL TICKETS \$155

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Clare Valley Tours





Right: Clare Mitre 10

Below: Calaby Real Estate



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Thank you for your continued support of the Riesling Trail,  
it is very much appreciated.

The Riesling Trail Committee

## Traker Readings – 2022

THE RIESLING TRAIL 'TRAKER' READINGS							
USER NUMBERS 2022							
MONTH	White Hut Rd	Clare	Sevenhill	Watervale	Auburn	TOTAL	YTD
January	624	3211	3075	1268	404	8582	8582
February	581	3098	2373	1092	301	7445	16027
March	671	4138	3837	1749	478	10873	26900
April	775	5424	5574	2238	883	14894	41794
May	647	3047	2774	1375	515	8358	50152
June						0	50152
July						0	50152
August						0	50152
September						0	50152
October						0	50152
November						0	50152
December						0	50152
TOTAL	3298	18918	17633	7722	2581	50152	

MONTHLY VARIATIONS							
	White Hut	Clare	Sevenhill	Watervale	Auburn	Total	YTD
May-22	647	3047	2774	1375	515	8358	50152
May-21	843	3552	3255	1715	908	10273	50838
Variation	-23.25%	-14.22%	-14.78%	-19.83%	-43.28%	-18.64%	-1.35%
YTD 2022	3298	18918	17633	7722	2581	50152	50152
YTD 2021	3498	18504	17459	7719	3658	50838	50838
Incr/Decr	-5.72%	2.24%	1.00%	0.04%	-29.44%	-1.35%	-1.35%



## Tax Deductible Donations are now easy to make

We rely heavily on donations to maintain and improve the Riesling Trail.

Individuals can claim their donations as a tax deduction if the funds are directed through the Australian Sports Foundation.

Simply click on the link which will take you to the Australian Sports Foundation website, Payment

Options [Click here](#). or search the Riesling Trail website at

[The Riesling Trail | The Riesling Trail Development Fund \(asf.org.au\)](http://The Riesling Trail | The Riesling Trail Development Fund (asf.org.au))

This method of donating is mainly for Donors who do not have an ABN for tax purposes.

Thank you for your support of the Riesling Trail, any donation is greatly appreciated.

If you have a specific project you would like to see completed and can make a significant contribution towards it, please contact the committee to discuss your requirements."

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## Thank you to our Honorary Business Friends

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A special thank you to the Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council for printing of the Newsletter for distribution to Members who do not have email.

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Finally ... sincere thanks to you, as a Business or Individual Friend of the Riesling Trail for your continued support to upkeep and continually improve the Trail for users.

... from the Riesling Trail Team

*Every season, another reason* ~~~~~

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