



150

YEARS OF OUR TOWN
1875 – 2025

Corryong

**JOIN US FOR A SERIES OF EXCITING EVENTS
THAT HONOUR CORRYONG'S PAST, CELEBRATE
ITS PRESENT, AND INSPIRE ITS FUTURE!**

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20-27 JULY 2025

CORRYONG MEMORIAL HALL PROCLAMATION HIGH TEA

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From 12pm, Sun 20 July 2025

Step into elegance and celebration at the Proclamation High Tea in the historic Corryong Memorial Hall (est. 1882). Enjoy delicious finger food served on delicate crockery, while being serenaded by the Army Acoustic Duo performing 80 minutes of contemporary pop covers.

Watch Corryong College drama students re-enact the township's naming in a charming skit, and be wowed by the Corryong College Band, led by maestro Gavin Heycox.

Two talented local vocalists will lead a sing-along, accompanied by "Agnes," the hall's beloved baby grand piano. And to top it all off, the haunting sound of a lone piper will stir hearts and memories.

Don't miss the Corryong Health display of vintage nursing practices ...and fellas, enjoy a chat with nurses in period uniforms as they serve your tea!

Book a table (seats 10) and join your community in celebrating 150 years of Corryong's proclamation.

Tickets: \$60.00 person.

Licensed bar available at bar prices.

Did you know?... in 1875, when Corryong was proclaimed a town, it was the most isolated settlement in Victoria.

A PHOTOGRAPHIC STORY CAPTURED BY ARNOLD PLAYLE

ATTREE PARK, CORRYONG

10am - 4pm, Sun 20 - Sat 27 July 2025

Step into the lens of Arnold Playle, a pioneering Corryong photographer whose work captured the essence of the Upper Murray from the 1880s onward.

Born in Geelong, Arnold moved to Corryong in 1883 and became a prominent local figure - watchmaker, jeweller, landowner, and historian. His legacy lives on through stunning glass plate photographs, lovingly preserved and digitised by his descendants, including Mark Whitehead.

This exhibition, supported by the Man from Snowy River Museum, showcases Arnold's remarkable visual record of Corryong's early life - buildings, landscapes, and the people who shaped our town.

A heartfelt thank you to the Playle and Whitehead families, and the late Jim Nicholas, for preserving this priceless history.

WALK THE LINE: CORRYONG'S TIMELINE

NORTH SIDE OF HANSON STREET

Fri 4 - Sat 26 July 2025

Take a stroll through Corryong's past with this engaging outdoor timeline. Featuring key milestones and historic visuals, this collaborative project brings our town's story to life.

Created by Corryong College, the Man from Snowy River Museum, and local groups, the timeline includes interactive QR codes that unlock deeper stories, photos, and voices from the past.

A must-see for locals and visitors alike! Scan the QR visit www.visittheundiscovered.com.au/timeline for more.





SACRED HEART MORNING TEA

SACRED HEART
SCHOOL AND PARISH,
HANSON STREET

10am, Wed 23 July 2025

Parishioners, past and present students, and their families are warmly invited to a special Morning Tea in the Lacey Centre.

Join us as we celebrate the rich history of our community with a display of student artwork and treasured memorabilia. We'd love to hear your stories and memories of years gone by.

The Sacred Heart Church will also be open for guided tours and a special blessing, offering a moment of reflection and connection.

Come along, reconnect, and be part of this meaningful day in the life of Sacred Heart.

CORRYONG: PAST & PRESENT

NORTH SIDE OF
HANSON STREET

Sun 20 - Sat 27 July 2025

As you wander through town, discover stunning artworks that blend Corryong's modern streetscapes with historic photographs from the Museum's collection. These visual time capsules offer a unique opportunity to pause, reflect, and appreciate the people and places that shaped our community.



MAN FROM SNOWY RIVER MUSEUM EXHIBITIONS

MAN FROM SNOWY
RIVER MUSEUM

Sun 20 - Sat 27 July 2025

BROKEN BUT STRONGER: GOLD RUNS THROUGH OUR VEINS

In 2023, roadworks unearthed a hidden treasure—remnants of Corryong's first town tip. Among the finds were pottery, glass, and household items dating back to the late 1800s.

These fragments, once part of everyday life, tell stories of resilience. Around those tables, our pioneers faced wars, droughts, fires, and illness—yet they endured. Like the pottery they left behind, we too may be broken by life's hardships, but with gold in our veins, we mend - stronger, wiser, and more connected than ever.

IF I COULD TURN BACK TIME

Step back in time and explore the rich history of Corryong and the Upper Murray. This special exhibition features fascinating permanent displays of pioneer life, handcrafted treasures, vintage buggies, and historic buildings.

SOAK IT UP!

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RIVER TOURISM ASSOC.

Sun 20 - Sat 27 July 2025

TAKE A STROLL

Take a wander down Hanson Street and discover our town's story told through vibrant, eye-catching window displays. Some businesses have gone all out!

GRAB A KEEPSAKE

Commemorate the celebration with a charming souvenir fridge magnet! Delivered to all Corryong town addresses and post boxes, or available for a small cost at the Corryong Visitor Information Centre. A perfect keepsake!

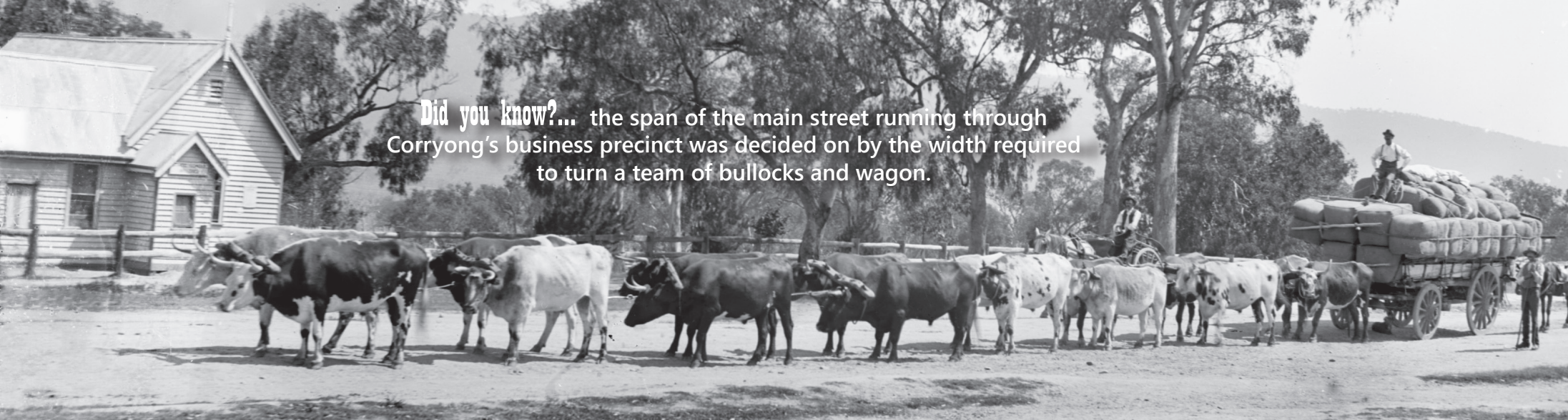
STEP INTO THE SCENE

Don't be surprised if you bump into a bushranger or a bonneted lady! Community members will be donning period costumes throughout the week - especially at local events. Snap a selfie with a historical twist!

Museum highlights

- Live blacksmith demonstrations
- A digitised photo collection spanning 150 years
- The Strzelecki Display
- Temporary Snowy Hydro exhibition.

*Stay tuned for updates on the Man
from Snowy River Museum Facebook*



Did you know?... the span of the main street running through Corryong's business precinct was decided on by the width required to turn a team of bullocks and wagon.

A PASTORAL, AGRICULTURAL & MINING GAZETTE

HANSON STREET STORES

Sun 20 - Sat 27 July 2025

The life and times of Corryong and the Upper Murray as observed by the Corryong Courier. Since its first issue on 25 January 1894, the Corryong Courier has been the beating heart of the Upper Murray—capturing the joys, challenges, and milestones of our community for over 130 years.

As you explore Hanson Street, keep an eye out for special displays of historic Courier articles that shine a light on the people and events that shaped our region. From everyday happenings to major milestones, these stories are a window into our shared past.

Black Sheep Cafe will showcase some of the region's most significant moments, while *Top of the Town* will share the fascinating history of their building and its place in Corryong's story.

Take a stroll through time—it's a story worth discovering.



MEMORIES OF CORYYONG'S PAST

Hear heartfelt stories from locals as they reflect on school days, community life, and the moments that shaped their lives. These beautiful recollections are available now on the Man from Snowy River Museum's YouTube channel.



Don't miss this chance to relive Corryong's history through the voices of those who lived it.

Scan the QR code to
tune in today!

CORYYONG PRESCHOOL OPEN DAY

CORYYONG
PRESCHOOL,
47 HARRIS STREET

10am - 12pm, Fri 25 July 2025

Celebrating 66 years of early learning, Corryong Preschool invites you to explore its rich history and vibrant present. Established in 1959 in response to the Snowy Mountains Scheme, the preschool has been a cornerstone of the community ever since.

From its first director, Mrs Margaret (Peggy) Byatt, to the beloved Mrs Edna Anderson who served for 40 years, and the many passionate educators and assistants who followed, the preschool has nurtured generations of Upper Murray children.

Today, Corryong Preschool proudly supports 55 children with a dedicated team of six staff, offering 15 hours of funded kindergarten for both 3- and 4-year-olds.

Come celebrate the people, stories, and spirit that have shaped this cherished community space.

TEA-RIFFIC TOGETHER!

RSL HALL,
42 DONALDSON
STREET, CORYYONG

**10am - 1pm daily,
Tues 22 & Thurs 24 July 2025**

As Mrs Playle once said, "To give material comfort to husbands, sons or sweethearts who marched to battle—that became Corryong's Red Cross objective." For over 110 years, Corryong's Red Cross has stood by the community through fires, floods, and everyday needs. Join us for a cuppa, cake, and conversation as we honour this incredible legacy.

Share stories from the past, explore a historical display, and celebrate Corryong's 150th with warmth and reflection.

Everyone is welcome - come share in the spirit of service and community.

Did you know?... Charles Cowper, first holder of the "Kuriong" (Corryong) Squatting Run, joined politics in 1843 and went on to serve as Premier of N.S.W. five terms.



NATURE WELLNESS TRAIL OPENING

PLAYLES HILL, CORRYONG

Free BBQ 11am - 1pm, Thurs 24 July 2025

Enjoy a free sausage sizzle thanks to Corryong Health and be among the first to explore the brand-new Nature Wellness Trail, created by Corryong Health in partnership with Ovens Murray Mental Health, Alcohol and Drug Alliance (OMMHADA) and NatureFix.

This self-guided trail features seven wellness stations designed to help you relax, reflect, and reconnect with nature. Set against the stunning backdrop of Playles Hill, it's the perfect way to unwind and recharge.

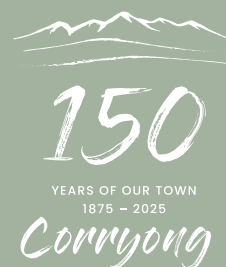
Trail Highlights:

- Mental health "pause points"
- Guided or self-paced option
- Indigenous-led sensory routines
- Companion app for a deeper experience



Bring your friends and family for a relaxed and restorative day at our opening, or any day!

The *150 Years of Our Town Corryong* community celebration has been brought to life by passionate, community-minded individuals in collaboration with The Man from Snowy River Tourism Association, Corryong Memorial Hall Committee, Corryong Health, The Man from Snowy River Museum, Sacred Heart School and Parish, Corryong Preschool, Corryong College, Corryong Rotary, Corryong Red Cross, Corryong Lions Club, and Towong Shire Council. Together, we honour Corryong's past, celebrate its present, and inspire its future!



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