

# Moyhu Community Plan 2011/2012

## ***What is community planning & what does the Moyhu community hope to achieve?***

A Community Plan talks about the key issues facing a community and recommends strategies that Council and/or agencies could implement to address your identified needs.

The Moyhu community hope to improve the liveability of their rural town. This will be achieved through volunteers working together on projects that will provide social, recreational, environmental and cultural outcomes. The action group will lobby for services and infrastructure upgrades to the township.

## ***Profile***

Moyhu is the gateway town to the King Valley. It is located 27km SE of the Rural City of Wangaratta. A major feature of the district is the King River which is located a kilometre from the town and is a popular swimming point. The Moyhu Farmers' Market, with an emphasis on fresh local produce attracts locals and passing tourists. The fertile plains are mainly used for agriculture, particularly crop growing, grazing and viticulture.

The 2006 ABS census data reported a population of 205. The largest age group is the 45-64 age group with the population generally getting older. Families also form a large part of the population. Almost half the residents own their homes, with almost a third are purchasing theirs; about 16% residents are renters.

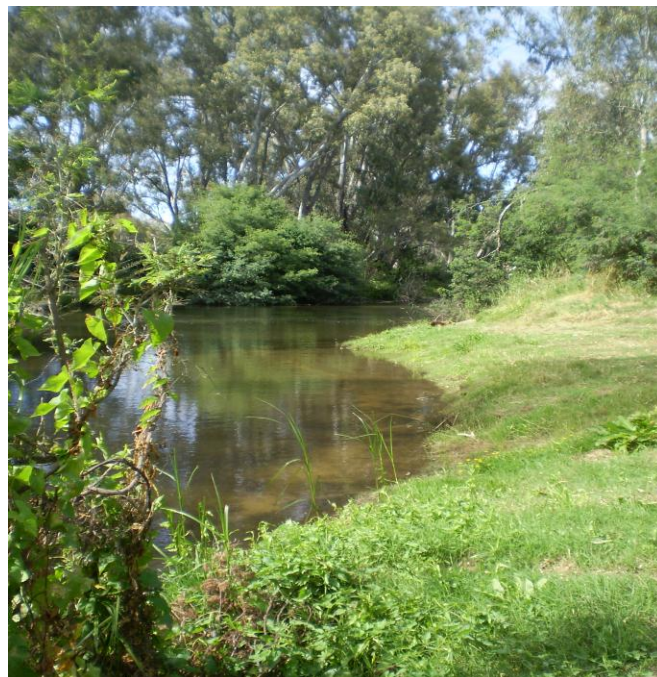
## ***How Moyhu got its name***

The name Moyhu seems to have originated with the Byrne family who in 1859 were one of the earliest landowners in the area and had emigrated from a town in Ireland named Moihu (pronounced Moyhu). Records then show that in 1866 a catholic parish priest at Wangaratta applied for aid from the Education Board for a school at Moihu. By 1868 it appears that Moyhu was the accepted spelling as the Post Office was opened on 1st January 1868 under this name.

## ***Background***

The Rural City of Wangaratta facilitated a town meeting on Monday 29 August 2011 at the Moyhu Soldiers Memorial Hall. The aim of the meeting was to review the

2009/2010 Moyhu Community Plan and identify new projects and celebrate those that have been achieved.



## ***What Community Groups exist?***

King River District Fishing Club  
King Valley Learning Exchange & Internet Cafe  
King Valley Community Men's Shed Group  
Moyhu Action Group  
Moyhu Bowls Club  
Moyhu CFA Brigade  
Moyhu Cricket Club  
Moyhu Farmers Market Committee  
Moyhu Football & Netball Club  
Moyhu Historical Preservation Group  
Moyhu Tennis Club  
Moyhu Lions Club  
Moyhu Neighbourhood Watch  
Moyhu Playgroup  
Moyhu Pony Club  
Moyhu Recreation Reserve Committee  
Moyhu Soldiers Memorial Hall  
Moyhu Valley Masonic Lodge Committee  
Moyhu Youth Club  
North East Victoria Slow Food Group – King Valley Region  
Active Rural Community (O&K CH)  
Stitchin' Sisters Craft Group

## **Communication**

King Valley Grapevine  
Moyhu Community Website [www.moyhu.vic.au](http://www.moyhu.vic.au) (inactive)  
Moyhu Community information booklet (in progress)  
Moyhu Primary School Newsletter  
Community Noticeboard at General Store  
Wangaratta Chronicle- King Valley News  
King Valley Tourism Association Publications

## **Community facilities**

Lions Park	Carl Schulz Park
Masonic Lodge	Moyhu CFA Shed
Moyhu Police Station	Moyhu Primary School
Moyhu Pre-School	Moyhu Transfer Station
King Valley Learning Exchange	Moyhu Tennis Courts
Moyhu Recreation Reserve	BMX Track
Moyhu Soldiers Memorial Hall	Federation Park
Ovens & King Community Health	
Moyhu Bowling Club	
Moyhu Youth Club	

## **What Community Events are held?**

Australia Day BBQ	Moyhu Farmers Market
Easter Fair	Moyhu Gymnastics
Display	
Garden Expo in Spring	Slow Food Events
Lions Christmas Carols Day	Lions Club Charity Bowls

## **What Memorials exist in Moyhu?**

Moyhu Soldiers Memorial Hall & Honour Boards  
Reflection Corner – Lions Park  
Hume & Hovell monument  
Moyhu Primary School honour board

## **Services available to residents**

Child & Maternal Health Services  
Ovens & King Community Health Services  
Active Rural Community  
Men's Shed  
Church Services – Anglican, Catholic & Uniting  
King Valley Community Bus Service Mon/Wed/Fri  
Moyhu Outside School Hours (MOSH)  
Reticulated water service  
Moyhu Preschool  
King Valley Learning Exchange Services

## **Businesses**

Boggy Creek Vineyards  
De Bortoli Wines  
Rob Rees Hairdressing  
Gino's Auto  
Erickson Plumbing  
Dave James Plumbing  
Jenvey Transport  
Juene Retreat B&B  
McDonald Earthmoving  
Meadow Creek Nursery  
Moyhu Caravan Park  
Moyhu General Store & Post Office  
Moyhu Hotel  
Moyhu Wine Company B & B  
O'Brien Transport  
O&K Mechanical Services  
Razzamajazz Dance Studios  
Shanley Signs  
Assorted Trade persons & Agricultural businesses  
Sampsons Bus Service

## **Existing Plans & Strategies**

Moyhu Community Strategic Plan  
Moyhu Football & Netball Strategic Plan  
Moyhu Hall Capital Improvements Plan  
Moyhu Market Plan (in progress)  
Moyhu Recreation Reserve Strategy  
Moyhu Tennis Club Strategic Plan  
Moyhu Youth Club Plan  
King Valley and District Fishing Club Strategic Plan  
King Valley Learning Centre Plan

## **Themes from the community meeting**

### **29 August 2011:**

*This is a list of identified needs generated from a brainstorming session:*

#### Table 1:

Youth Club upgraded, Lions Park – payment for water and electricity by Council and public toilet, information centre, flood control of Lions Park, under cover facility for market – large, establish proper museum, bike track to Moyhu from Oxley and beyond – soon, sewerage, grey water plant – recycling, walking track from Park River to Recreation Reserve, amend zoning planning – for future business and housing growth, Moyhu to be included in tourism area officially, more health services – aged care facility/GP, zoning for accommodation – tourism, community garden.

#### Table 2:

Business CBD: hotel, store and PO, garage, caravan park, Jenvey Transport, hairdresser, O'Briens Stock. Residential: Encourage housing, elderly citizens flats. Out of Town: Nursery, wineries. To attract: motel, B&B, aged hostel, industry, golf course. Recreation: cycling and scooter path, irrigation recreation reserve, go cart track, gun clubs rifle range. Community Wellbeing and Health: upgrade kitchens and rec reserve, meals on wheels.

#### Table 3:

Rezoning Moyhu – south side to allow growth, Moyhu include in tourism route to King Valley for future funding opportunities, new multipurpose youth club facility, tennis courts x 4 resurfaced with lighting to allow night competition, street scaping to improve visual appeal of town, sewage, increasing tourism, walking track to river and from presbytery to Rec Reserve, develop Lions Park, bury drain opposite Lions Park, Increase accommodation – high – med end accommodation, curbing, guttering, tree lined street, cohesive approach to town planning, communication, short/long term prioritised goals, new model for action group to be successful, governing body incorporated or DGR status, Australian Sports funding membership, upgrade walking track to school, history of Moyhu – black and white photo trail from Moyhu to school and Moyhu to river for tourism appeal.

#### Table 4:

Rezoning to create future housing expansion on north and south side of Bartley St, block sizes to vary to allow a mix of housing and small industries, possibility of becoming solar efficient, truck parking hub, subdivision to reflect rural atmosphere, aged accommodation, aged accommodation for frail elderly closer to centre of town – also more flats, better mobile reception, national broadband, safe access for pedestrians from Recreation Reserve to town as well as to King River, narrow gauge station project – recreate the station yard to original plans in conjunction with rail trail, events – Textile Art festival – Stitchen Sisters, streetscape and street lighting – to improve the overall appearance of the town, community hub – we encourage the establishment of a community hub

*A workshop will be held on Monday 10 October 2011 at 6.30pm at the Moyhu Soldiers Memorial Hall.*

### **\$5,000 Community Planning Grant**

***The Community Champions of Moyhu have chosen to develop a shared path from the Senior Citizens Flats to the Moyhu Recreation Reserve.***

## Moyhu Community Action Plan Review 28 August 2007 - ACHIEVEMENTS

Priority Need	Community Leadership	Aim	Goal	STATUS
Sewerage	Moyhu Action Group David E, Jill & David H	Provide an efficient sewerage system for the Moyhu township.	Upgraded infrastructure.	Rural City of Wangaratta is in communication with funding body and N E Water.
Grey Water	Moyhu Action Group	Provide drainage infrastructure in the township to meet health and environmental standards.	Upgraded infrastructure with provision for storage and the ability to redirect grey water for irrigational purposes.	Connected with the sewerage
Zoning/Planning	Ian, Phil & Graham	Allow for development in the Moyhu township.	Amend zoning to create residential housing for population density in township.	
Walking Track	Moyhu Action Group	Provide a safe and accessible shared path linking the township to the King River.	Design and develop a 1.3km shared path along the Meadow Creek Road.	Application has been put up as a project in RCOW.
Youth Recreation	Moyhu Action Group, Recreation Reserve committee & Chris Hume-Cook	Provide a place for youth to come together for recreation.	Expand Youth Services and programs and upgrade BMX track	BMX track was built.
Health & Wellbeing Services	Moyhu Action Group & Chris Hume-Cook	Allow residents access to health, child & aged care services. To provide activities and events that increase social connections and	Health, child & aged care services established for Moyhu residents.  Assist to establish permanent site for Men's Shed Group	Men's shed funding achieved

		volunteering.	To develop a Moyhu Community information booklet to include a calendar of events to encourage active participation.	
Museum	Moyhu Action Group	Preserve the heritage of the Moyhu district.	Continue to register memorabilia.  Establish systems, policies and procedures to ensure the collection of memorabilia is maintained.	Lions Club supporting the projects.
Tourism & Business Development	Moyhu Action Group	Build the profile of Moyhu and support tourism & business development opportunities.	Encourage more tourism and businesses operating in the Rural City of Wangaratta to include Moyhu and district as a place of interest.  Establish an Information Centre to assist the flow and availability of information to visitors	
Signage	Bill Daunt	Provide directional signage on the approaches to Moyhu and street signage within the township.	Directional signage to be updated on the all approaches into Moyhu, tourist signage to be erected.  Moyhu is marked on VicRoads map.	Achieved
Road Maintenance	Bill Daunt	Maintain roads, and in particular, the township roads such as Byrne and Bartley Streets	Seal Bartley Street.  Upgrade kerb & channel in Byrne Street and car park line marking outside businesses.	
Communication	Moyhu Action	Provide a communication tool for local residents,	Update a community website under the domain name	Achieved

	Group	community groups and businesses to share information.	Moyhu.vic.au	
	Neil Jarrot	Promote local community groups & businesses to new and existing residents and tourists.	Produce a Moyhu Community & Business directory listing.	

### **OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS**

Rotunda, disabled access ramp & car park at tennis courts  
 New netball court  
 Avenue of Trees  
 Food & Wine events

## REVEIW - Moyhu Community Action Plan 2011/2012

Priority Need	Community Leadership	Aim	Goal	Stakeholder Group
Sewerage and drainage	Phil Larkin	Provide an efficient sewerage system to allow for growth of the Moyhu township.	Upgraded infrastructure to support residential growth.	EPA NE Water Infrastructure - RCoW
Street Scape - Walking/Bike track from town to Recreation Reserve.	Neil Jarrott	To provide a walking/bike track between the town and the recreation reserve.	To provide a safe off road walking/bike track, between the town and the recreation reserve, for pedestrians and users of the facilities at the reserve – particularly children.	Vic Roads Infrastructure - RCoW
- Streetscape and lighting.	Neil Jarrott	Improve the overall streetscape and lighting in the town area to provide a pleasing and inviting atmosphere for residents and visitors alike.	Extend garden areas, provide additional street furniture and lighting where needed, replant existing avenues of trees along the entrances to the town and in the town area.	Infrastructure - RCoW
- Walking track to river.	Neil Jarrott	Provide a safe and accessible shared path linking the township to the King River.	Design and develop a 1.3km shared path along the Meadow Creek Road.	Infrastructure – RCoW
- Kerb and channel, Byrne & Bartley St	Bill Daunt	Improve the CBD of Moyhu.	Kerb & channel of Byrne Street from Barkley Street to the Moyhu store.	Infrastructure - RCoW

Zoning/Planning	Phil Larkin	Allow for development in the Moyhu township.	Amend zoning to create residential housing for population density in township.	Planning Unit, RCOW
Health & Wellbeing Services	Jill Graham	Increase health services.	One stop shop.	Ovens & King Community Health Social Planning- RCOW
Tourism				
- Accommodation	Anneshka Brown	Mid ranged holiday accommodation for 15 – 20 families.	Promote as the tourist area in the Greater King Valley.	Tourism Officer - RCoW
- Narrow gauge rail museum.	Neil Jarrott	To recreate the Moyhu narrow gauge station from original plans using existing goods shed, gangers hut and vans.	Promote interest in narrow gauge railways and attract tourists, including rail enthusiasts and link cyclists & the rail trail.	Tourism Officer - RCoW Heritage Preservation Group Vic Rail
- King Valley FibreFest	Tina James	Develop Moyhu as the art and craft hub of the greater King Valley area.	Run a 7 day biennial fibre and fabric festival.	Cultural Officer - RCoW
Moyhu Recreation Reserve	Mick Resson	To be able to water oval at night as the water license requires.	To be able to play football and cricket in all seasons - Victorian Cricket Football League approval and Cricket Vic.	Sport & Recreation Officer - RCoW Suitable funding
- Irrigation				
- Renovate kitchen	Mick Resson	To renovate and or renew the existing kitchen facilities within the main building structure at the Moyhu Recreation Reserve.	To better support all the users groups and bring the facility up to the current food safety standards.	Sport & Recreation Officer - RCoW Suitable funding
	Anneshka	Upgrade facility to		Youth Officer - RCoW



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Upgrade Youth Club</li> <li>- Improve sporting facilities including tennis courts.</li> </ul>	<p>Brown</p> <p>Tania White</p>	<p>encourage participation in a positive and safe environment.</p> <p>Build 2 functional courts with multipurpose capabilities including lighting to allow night competitions that are safe and accessible to the whole community.</p>	<p>Purpose built youth centre.</p> <p>Be inclusive and welcoming of all member of the community, whatever their age, socioeconomic or cultural background or ability.</p>	<p>Suitable funding</p> <p>Sport &amp; Recreation Officer - RCoW</p> <p>Suitable funding</p>
<p>Governance</p>	<p>Bill Daunt</p>	<p>The Moyhu Action Group is a proactive group of people who will function under the appropriate Governance structures.</p>	<p>The Moyhu Action Group will meet on a regular basis.</p>	
<p>Develop the Moyhu Soldier's Memorial Hall to become a community hub</p>	<p>Peter Shanley</p> <p>Neil Jarrott</p>	<p>To upgrade the hall facilities and develop a community hub.</p>	<p>The Moyhu Soldier's Memorial Hall is a community hub with a broad range of service delivery, such as health, men's shed and learning.</p>	<p>Infrastructure - RCoW</p> <p>Department of Planning and Community Development.</p>

## COUNCIL CONSIDERATION- MOYHU COMMUNITY PLAN 2011/2012

### Infrastructure

Community Issue	2030 Community Vision Link	Council Plan Link	Stakeholder
<p>Provide an efficient sewerage system to allow for the growth of the Moyhu township.</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> Upgraded infrastructure to support residential growth.</p>	<p>Identify infrastructure requirements.</p>	<p>Advocate with relevant authorities for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· water security and quality for Wangaratta; and</li> <li>· reticulation of water and sewerage provision in rural townships.</li> </ul>	<p>EPA NE Water Infrastructure - RCoW</p>
<p>To provide a walking/bike track between the town and the Recreation Reserve.</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> To provide a safe off road walking/bike track, between the town and the recreation reserve, for pedestrians and users of the facilities at the Reserve – particularly children.</p>	<p>Plan and develop a shared use system of pathways throughout the municipality.</p> <p>Continue to participate in the North East Road Safety Council.</p>	<p>Plan a network of shared paths designed to provide walking and cycling access between townships and community facilities.</p>	<p>Vic Roads Infrastructure - RCoW</p>
<p>Improve the overall streetscape and lighting in the town area to provide a pleasing and inviting atmosphere for residents and visitors alike.</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> Extend garden areas, provide additional street furniture and lighting where needed, replant existing avenues of trees along the entrances to the town and in the town area.</p>	<p>Identify problem lighting areas and implement an appropriate programme.</p>	<p>As part of the community planning process, develop structure plans for individual townships.</p>	<p>Infrastructure - RCoW</p>

<p>Allow for development in the Moyhu township.</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> Amend zoning to create residential housing for population density in township.</p>	<p>Deliver zoning changes through the Planning Scheme</p>	<p>Develop an overall housing/population strategy to include appropriate zoning, density and service provision to accommodate population growth within Wangaratta and surrounding townships.</p>	<p>Planning - RCoW</p>
<p>To be able to water oval at night as the water license requires.</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> To be able to play football and cricket in all seasons to Victorian Cricket Football League approval and Cricket Vic.</p>	<p>Commence drought proofing of key reserves and sporting facilities.</p>		<p>Sport &amp; Recreation Officer - RCoW Suitable funding</p>
<p>To renovate and or renew the existing kitchen facilities within the main building structure at the Moyhu Recreation Reserve.</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> To better support all the users groups and bring the facility up to the current food safety standards.</p>	<p>Support activities that engage people with shared special interests (e.g. sport, cultural, heritage, gardening/ environment) and promote these to the community. Support cultural groups to develop opportunities to celebrate their heritage.</p>	<p>Assist with the development of strategic plans for Recreation Reserve Committees of Management.</p> <p>Advocate for continued investment into hospitals, government services, education, arts and culture, recreation facilities.</p>	<p>Sport &amp; Recreation Officer - RCoW Suitable funding</p>
<p>Upgrade facility to encourage participation in a positive and safe environment.</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> Purpose built youth centre.</p>	<p>Work with young people to further develop activities for youth.</p>	<p>Assist with the development of strategic plans for Recreation Reserve Committees of Management.</p>	<p>Youth Officer - RCoW Suitable funding</p>

<p>Improve sporting facilities including tennis courts.</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> Build 2 functional courts with multipurpose capabilities including lighting to allow night competitions that are safe and accessible to the whole community.</p>	<p>Support activities that engage people with shared special interests (e.g. sport, cultural, heritage, gardening/ environment) and promote these to the community.</p> <p>Maintain and further develop key sporting, cultural and recreational opportunities and rural recreation reserves/halls.</p>	<p>Assist with the development of strategic plans for recreation reserve Committees of Management.</p> <p>Strengthen the capacity of sporting groups through advice, advocacy and targeted funding.</p>	<p>Sport &amp; Recreation Officer - RCoW Suitable funding</p>
<p>Improve the CBD of Moyhu.</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> Kerb &amp; channel of Byrne Street from Barkley Street to the Moyhu store.</p>	<p>Maintain and further develop a vibrant CBD, rural townships and destinations, including public art.</p>	<p>As part of the community planning process, develop structure plans for individual townships.</p>	<p>Infrastructure - RCoW</p>
<p>To upgrade the hall facilities and develop a community hub.</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> The Moyhu Soldiers Memorial Hall is a community hub with a broad range of service delivery, such as health, men's shed and learning.</p>	<p>Maintain and further develop key sporting, cultural and recreational opportunities including and rural recreation reserves/halls.</p>	<p>Continue to upgrade facilities to ensure communities have access to a place to meet for social, recreational and learning opportunities.</p>	<p>Infrastructure - RCoW Department of Planning and Community Development.</p>

## Community

Community Issue	2030 Community Vision Link	Council Plan Link	Stakeholder
Increase health services. <b>Goal:</b> One stop shop.	Support a strategy for health services provision within the region to be led by health authorities and agencies.	Work with the health service sector in developing an integrated approach to service delivery and health planning.	Ovens & King Community Health Social Planning-RCOW
Governance <b>Goal:</b> The Moyhu Action Group will meet on a regular basis.			Community

## Economy

Community Issue	2030 Community Vision Link	Council Plan Link	Stakeholder
Mid ranged holiday accommodation for 15 – 20 families. <b>Goal:</b> Promote as the tourist area in the Greater King Valley.			Tourism Officer - RCoW King Valley Tourism Assoc
Develop Moyhu as the art and craft hub of the greater King Valley area. <b>Goal:</b> Run a 7 day biennial fibre and fabric festival.	Community to identify local attractions and features from community planning.	Increase community arts and culture delivery in townships across the Rural City of Wangaratta.	Cultural Officer - RCoW

## Arts, Culture and Heritage

Community Issue	2030 Community Vision Link	Council Plan Link	Stakeholder
<p>To recreate the Moyhu narrow gauge station from original plans using existing goods shed, gangers hut and vans.</p> <p><b>Goal:</b> Promote interest in narrow gauge railways and attract tourists, including rail enthusiasts and link cyclists &amp; the rail trail.</p>	<p>Support activities that engage people with shared special interests (e.g. sport, cultural, heritage, gardening/ environment) and promote these to the community.</p>	<p>Provide advice and assistance in regard to heritage buildings and places. Support cultural groups to celebrate their heritage.</p>	<p>Tourism Officer - RCoW Heritage Preservation Group Vic Rail</p>



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