



# DU Grape Vine



AUGUST 2023

## PROFILE— SUE DEALE

Sue is a very recent addition to our congregation following her move from the Gold Coast to Clifton Springs in the middle of the year.

Sue was born in Sydney and lived at Seven Hills in the western suburbs. Her father was a firefighter and her mother a secretary. She had a brother and sister. She attended Oldfield Road Primary School and then Grantham High School followed by Central Baptist College to follow her mother into secretarial work. At school Sue was into sports, especially athletics, and followed through with this into general activities. Proudly she notes that she was a member of the Australian team for the 1974 Commonwealth Games in Christchurch—her focus being the Pentathlon and the Long jump and she finished 10th in both. Her athletics career stopped after marriage when she needed to have a spinal fusion.

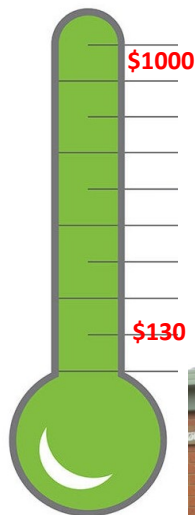


Sue worked for TNT and then some medical specialists as a private secretary. She married and after some time adopted a boy and a girl. She now has two grandsons. In 1994 she started as a teachers aide in special needs primary and then secondary schools and continued in that role for nearly thirty years. She moved with the children to the Gold Coast in 2004 after a marriage breakdown. The move to Clifton Springs was to be closer to family and after looking around Melbourne came across Clifton Springs by chance, which gave her a less-frantic life style.

Sue attended a Baptist Sunday School and Girls Brigade as a youngster then dropped away from church. She returned to church when her children were little. She attended Southport Church of Christ that had a regular attendance of about 400. When she moved to Clifton Springs she searched the web sites for local churches and almost went to the Baptist church until her neighbours, Claire and Peter Sierakowski, suggested our church. She is still finding her feet here. She attends church because she has a belief and needs for that to be fed in conjunction with others. Welcome Sue.



## LOOSE CHANGE



We start again with loose change for the Aboriginal Literacy Foundation. The July offerings have been \$130; based on \$5 per book that is 26 books for aboriginal children.



## RETREAT

A great day with a different format made all participants think about what shapes and forms us as we shaped, carved, and polished stones; even if you were not very creative you still ended up with a lovely holding stone that had meaning for you.



## This months' services

6 Aug —10.30 am Rev Karen Eller  
HC & Loose change  
13 Aug —10.30 am Jenni's Team  
20 Aug —10.30 am Rev Isabel  
Greenall  
27 Aug—10.30 am Joy & Ian  
Porter

## SPECIAL BIRTHDAY

Congratulations to Brenda Jacobs who celebrates her 80th birthday this month. There will be an "O" birthday lunch on Sunday 20 August at the Clifton Springs Golf Club for Brenda & Margo Jones (Sept).

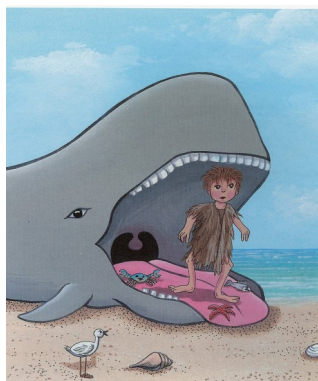


Happy birthday!

## AUGUST

John Miller  
Pat Duch  
Lynda Smith  
Glenice Benney  
Margaret Underwood  
Lois Mellross  
Bruce Van Every  
Ian McLaverty  
Brenda Jacobs  
Andrea Lindsay

Happy birthday!



What did Jonah's family say when he told them about what happened before reaching Nineveh? "Hmm, sounds fishy."



	MORNING TEA	WELCOME	VESTRY	READING	PRAYERS	COUNTING FLOWERS
AUG 6	Susan & Pat	Ken	John	Andrea	Sue	-
13	Andrea & Rhonda	Carol	Denise	Jenni's Team	Margo	Jenni
20	Win &	Wilma	Lynda	Rhonda	Marie	Brenda
27	Marg & Dianne	Denise	Ian	Ian & Joy	Colleen	Susan

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## MOWING

AUG Peter & Claire