

SUNBURY



Musician Chris Galea is part of the Humans of Sunbury initiative.

Picture: DENNIS MANKTELOW

Initiative shines a spotlight on lives

WEB PROJECT CELEBRATES ORDINARY PEOPLE

Natalie Filmer

SUNBURY residents and workers are being invited to share their stories in a celebration of community.

Humans of Sunbury is a collaboration between Sunbury Community Health, Goonawarra and Sunbury Neighbourhood Houses.

Sunbury Community Health executive manager Bernie Hetherington said the project would celebrate the town's unsung heroes.

"We know many people work behind the scenes making things happen, caring for each other and making Sunbury a great place to live," she said.

"Humans of Sunbury tells the stories of everyday people we meet in our homes, down the street, at our

SHARE STORIES

Humans of Sunbury stories can be a short paragraph, quotes, statements from or about community members, with their permission. Participants are encouraged to upload their story and a photo and share on the Humans of Sunbury Facebook page, or email bernieh@sunburychc.org.au

sports clubs, arts and community groups, in our faith communities and at our schools.

"By sharing these stories via Facebook, websites and local media, we want everyone in Sunbury to think about how they can contribute to the health and wellbeing of Sunbury."

Among those already fea-

tured is long-time Sunbury resident Chris Galea who volunteers at radio station 3NRG when he's not playing gigs with the Jacksons Creek Boogie Band.

"I have a lot of memories here," he said.

"I've been out of Sunbury and back again. You live and learn and realise there's a lot of good here. There's still a sense of town here and a lot of familiar faces.

"I often eat my breakfast in Sunbury Square and when I see someone I give them a smile. People kind of gravitate towards me because they know your face.

"They just say hello and have a chat, then walk off. You might be the only person they've spoken to that day, so you feel like you give a bit of yourself as well."