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ROMSEY & LANCEFIELD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Romsey & Lancefield Christian Fellowship is a Non Dedominational, locally based christian church, presenting the gospel of Jesus to the community.

Through our regular program of Sunday Services and mid-week meetings, we provide fellowship, Bible Teaching, assistance and encouragement for those in need. From May 7-13 we will present a week of outreach meetings, with an emphasis on preaching the word of God with healing and other signs following. Guest speakers for this important week will be American Evangelist Martin Morelli, and Col Stringer, paster of one of Australias fastest growing churches in Darwin. N.T.

We invite people to join us in this rapidly growing work at one of our regular Sunday Services in this coming month.

April	10th	Romsey Mechanics Hall	10.30 am.
APRIL	17th	Lancefield Mechanics Hall	10.30 am.
APRIL	24th	Romsey Mechanics Hall	10.30 am.
MAY	1st	Lancefield Mechanics Hall	10.30 am.

Further enquiries invited to Geoff Holland 295 673 or Phillip Hemphill 291 672.

DR. HUDSON - DENTAL PRACTICE

Dr. Hudson Wishes to announce that he has commenced dental practice on a Thursday. For dental appointments, please phone 057 821933 or on a Thursday, 054 295 481.

ROMSEY SCOUT GROUP PAPER DRIVE

On Saturday 16th April, 1988, there will be a truck parked at the Romsey Shire office car park also 2 trailers will be parked by the Lancefield grain Store.

The reason for this is the collection of Old News Papers, to help with the running costs of the Romsey Scout Group for boys of all ages in the area. If you have more than a 1 tonne load of paper, would you kindly phone Daryl White on 295 512 for a collection time.

1st. ROMSEY SCOUT GROUP COMMITTEE 1988

Group Leader	Ashley Spear	295 435	Members	Mary Campbell	295 629
President	Daryl White	295 512		David Strack	270 472
Secretary	Lyn Gradie	270 469		Trevor Odering	295 241
Treasurer	Margaret Spear	295 435		Paul Skovdam	295 507
Hall Mangmt.	Heather Turnham	295 435		Carole Graco	295 500
Quartermaster	Jim Salter	295 379		Betty Peacock	295 686
Typist	Margret White	295 512			

TRIVIA BUFFS PLEASE NOTE

A great night has been arranged for you, May 28th - 7.30pm. B.Y.O. Drinks & Glass. Supper provided. \$5. per head. Suitable for 11 years and over.

Proceeds are to help all Romsey Scouts wishing to go to the Adelaide Jamboree, in December. Venue - Scout Hall Romsey. Bookings no later than 20th May. Please phone Helen Watts 295250. Denise Jordan 295574.

BI-CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION GALA

To be held at Bolinda Hall, reserve and schoolgrounds on Saturday 16th April, 1988. Former residents will be invited back and we want all the district to attend. There will be plenty of entertainment, including cricket matches, bus tours of the district, pony rides and in the evening, a disco and old-time dance. For evening Meals there will be a B.B.Q. and Spit Roast.

Admission: \$10. Family \$4. Single. Dress: Colonial Dress (Optional)

For more information contact:- Joy Green 285 347 or Maureen Winter 285 317.

ROMSEY AUXILLARY OF WINDARRING

The Romsey Auxillary of Windarring will be holding their Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 3rd. of May, 1988. at 8pm. in the old library room in the Romsey Mechanics Institute. (First door on your right as you enter the Hall). If you are a member of the Auxillary or someone who is interested in helping to raise funds to assist the intellectually handicapped adults unit in Kyneton, please come along to our meeting.

Elaine Lobb
Hon. Secretary.

MEALS ON WHEELS

The meals on wheels service continues to supply a much needed service to the local community. In 1987 4226 meals were delivered. In August 1987 a delivery was commenced for 2 days a week to the Residents of Riddells Creek. Extra volunteers and recipients are required to make this service more viable.

The cost of meals to each client is \$2.20, and the Shire \$1.26. At Christmas time 34 parcels of plum puddings and biscuits were made up and delivered to the recipients of meals on wheels.

Many thanks go to those volunteers who give their time, money and petrol to this service To Mrs Joy Barton, Mrs Brynhild Hirst and Mrs Dianne Ginely for their patience and work in drawing up the rosters. Thanks also to Mrs D Viney, Secretary: Mrs M MacDonald, President: and Mrs T Linsten, Treasurer: Mrs Marianne Mix did a great job as cook in 1987. The new office bearers in 1988 include :-

- Mr A Mathieson President
- Mrs H Clement Vice President
- Mrs P Corner Secretary
- Mrs T Linsten Treasurer

Mrs Rose MacCarthy as Shire Co-ordinator, continues to hold the whole service together with her expert administrative skills. Thank You Rose.

Patricia Cornor
Secretary Meals on Wheels

ST PAUL'S KINDERGARTEN

St. Paul's Kindergarten, Romsey would like to advise that enrollments will be only taken at the kindergarten on the last tuesday in each month, between midday and 1pm. A child may be enrolled after his/her second birthday. A photocopy of birth extract is essential for records. If anyone has any inquiries re-enrollments they may contact the Enrollment officer at the kindergarten on phone: 295 294 during the above time.

E. Scanlon
Secretary

POTTERY CLASSES

In term 2 I will be offering a Beginners class, which will cover basic construction techniques when working with clay. Coil Slab and Pinch Pot along with a sawdust firing

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The advanced class will include 3 demonstrated topics (slab plotters, press moulding and a slab box construction), All materials firing and glazing included for this item. The rest of the time will be free for you to make whatever you wish (clay glaze and firing for this time is not included). A series of 11 classes costing \$77.00.

Beginners class commences Monday May 2nd 1pm.-3.30pm. Thursday 5th 6pm.-10.30pm.
Advanced class commences Monday April 11th 6pm.-10.30pm.

For further information please phone Gillians Pottery on 295 440

LANCEFIELD / ROMSEY LIONS CLUB

Its getting close to the Lions Club Ball that will be held on the 14th May at the Mechanics Institute, Romsey, there is only a couple of tables left, so first in will be best dressed, \$10. a ticket, table of ten, BYO food and drink, we'll supply the music, and it will be great music, if you miss the night, you will be kicking yourself, what tickets that are left are on sale at the National Bank, Romsey.

Over the next couple of weeks you will see a raffle being conducted in Lancefield and Romsey, It is a Mothers Day Raffle and will be drawn on Mothers Day. First prize is a wheelbarrow with assorted gardening tools, value about \$500. Second prize is a knitted shawl, just the thing for keeping warm on the winter nights. Tickets are \$1. each and the money goes to Lions and then back into the town, so help us to help you.

Warren. B. OPIE
Secretary.

SHIRE OF ROMSEY

FREE TREE SCHEME

The Council intends to distribute four (4) trees per family to residents of the Shire on Saturday, April 23rd. 1988, commencing at 10.am. at the following locations :-

Romsey	Main Street, Near Lions Park
Lancefield	Main Street, on Bookmobile Site
Riddells Creek	Main Street, outside school
Darraweit Guim	Outside school.

B.F. Carne
Shire Secretary.

COUNCIL NEWS

A planning permit for 13 Strata Title units in Barry Street West has been granted. A request for a permit to establish a landscaping business on the west side of Melb.-Lancefield Road between Gordon Cres., and Reynolds Drive was refused.

Twelve months ago Council requested the S.E.C. to install streetlighting in parts of town. It has not been done and we have again requested the matter be attended to.

A reminder for you to read the classified ads. in local papers. Two staff positions have been advertised, one for a computer operator, the other, we believe, in the rates office.

Council will purchase another 4 or 5 baby capsules, whilst still attempting to negotiate with Metropolitan Councils for their capsules that are no longer being used. We have two baby swingers (bulkier form of baby restraint) for sale at \$45. each.

Council is proposing an amendment to our planning scheme. Land affected in this riding is a triangular patch bounded by Knox Road with Melb.-Lancefield Road, the area bounded by Forbes Road, Tickawarra Road, Ochiltrees Road and Melb.-Lancefield Road and approximately the northern half of land bounded by Melb.-Lancefield Road, Boundary Road, Crooked Road and Ochiltrees Road. Submissions about the amendment must be sent to the Shire Secretary by 16th April, 1988.

Have you recently turned 18? Have you recently moved into the area? If you answer yes to either of these questions, have you notified the electoral office? Electoral enrolment forms are available from the Post Office. Take the time to check that your name is in the electoral roll, these can be inspected at either the Post Office or Shire Office during normal business hours. If your name is not there, you cannot vote for this area.

Till next time
Ken FRANCIS
Geoff NEIL

ROMASEY GOLF CLUB LADIES

The Ladies golf season started on Tuesday 22nd, March, with 8 ladies taking part in the days play. Along with the magnificent weather there were some very good scores. The Ladies play each Tuesday and hit off time is 9.30am. Anyone who would like to try and play please come along and try. Further inquiries Elaine Scanlon 295 371. When summer tennis and bowls finish we will be looking forward to the rest of our members on the fairways. Our gala day is Wednesday April, 27th. Winners To Date:-

March 22nd	S Shelton
March 29th	P Gardner
April 5th	S Shelton

S Shelton has reduced her handicap to 33 (from 36) and P Gardner reduced her handicap to 35 (from 36) in the past three weeks. Congratulations to those ladies.

POLICE NEWS

Its a terrible thing to see someone put in so much work and effort into a project and then see it wrecked by wanton vandalism, such was the case at the Romsey Primary School a week or so ago when the school canteen was broken into, food was taken, a window smashed and tomato sauce sprayed around the canteen, floors, walls and even the curtains sprayed with tomato sauce, total value about \$125.00. The good news is that we managed to apprehend the culprits and as a result two 14 year old youths were charged with burglary and theft and will face the Kyneton Childrens Court at a later stage.

Last week Romsey and Lancefield Police were called to the Mt. William Road area as the result of an alert resident seeing a motor car acting suspiciously in that area, the driver of the vehicle was arrested, his motor vehicle searched and a number of marijuana plants found in his possession, he also will be appearing at Court Later this month. Just goes to prove, some people do care and are prepared to contact us when they see something that is not right.

Now that Easter is over, everyone can breathe a sigh of relief, no reported accidents within the area over that period, our driving must be improving, that dosen't mean that we can take it any easier just keep on being careful.

The three months amensty in relation to firearms is still on, so if you have any firearms that you want to get rid of you can still leave them at the Police Station, no questions asked.

We still have some bicycle flags on sale at the Police Station, they are \$5.00 each and really are a must for the young cyclist, with the darker weather coming on they do help the motorest to see the young bike rider, whilst on the subject of bike riders we still have a few of them that persist in riding on the footpaths, this is a NO NO, if they persist in doing this then a few tickets will have to be handed out and you the parent will have to foot the bill.

Warren B. OPIE
Snr./Constable, 16679,
Officer in Charge

HISTORICAL SOCIETY,

P.O. Box 11 Romsey 3434.

Mr Flynn, of the well-known silver-smithing family in Kyneton will be guest speaker at our May 24th Meeting, to be held in the Romsey Mechanics Institute Hall at 8pm. This should be a most interesting night and we would like a large audience to participate, so please mark the date on your calendar and invite a friend or two. Everybody welcome.

The Reunion of the Sidney Seymour clan was a happy day on Sunday March 20, when some eighty or so descendants of one of the earliest pioneers of our district met at the cottage built by their ancestor (Palmer Street, Romsey) and enjoyed Romsey's perfect weather, whilst talking, eating and reminiscing.

Our April 26th Meeting will be held at the Lancefield M.I., at 8pm when Bob Notman will speak about the Malhouses which used to be in Lancefield. Bob used to work at the Malhouses and cantell us all about the process of preparing the barley which was then sent to the breweries in Melbourne. Visitors and friends will be most welcome at this Meeting too, and supper will be served afterwards.

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Members are reminded to R.S.V.P. by 22nd April if they are coming to the Ball on Friday May 20th. This is important, so that we know how many tickets we can offer to the general public after that date. Tickets are a modest \$15. each, with supper included, (BYO Licence) and formal or period costume dress. Col Richard's band, the New Taratones, will give us 50:50 dance music, and there will be brief tuition before each of the old time dances, so that everyone can join in.

Enquiries about any of the above items can be directed to the President: Robert Clement 295 217. Vice President: Elaine Lobb 295 321 or myself.-

Jean Newell 295 522
Hon. Secretary.

ROMSEY BROWNIE GUIDE LOCAL ASSOCIATION NEWS

The Brownies Guide local association ran a successful produce stall on Saturday the 19th of March. \$171.00 was raised. Thanks to Mrs S Vanbommel & Mrs I Freestone for manning the stall and so to the Romsey Citizens for their generous support.

The Romsey Guide and Brownies local association Annual General Meeting will be held in the Romsey Scout Hall on Monday the 18th April, 1988. at 7.30pm. All parents are encouraged to attend and contribute ideas to administrative functions of our Brownies and Guide association. Office bearers for the forthcoming year will be voted in at this meeting.

Thank you to the L.A. Parents and Helpers who delivered phone books in the township area this was also a good fund raiser.

Patricia Corner
Secretary.

CORNOR CRAFT

Romsey Village

WOOL SALE for 2 weeks only Commencing 12th April 20% off ALL WOOL.

LANCEFIELD & DISTRICT BUSH NURSING HOSPITAL

Two changes have been made recently at the hospital in which the community may be interested.

The first, with a view to increasing efficiency & improving access to administration, involved moving the office of Manager/Secretary from the old Nurses' home in the Hospital grounds, to the main building. Mrs Gwen Crossman & Her assistant Mrs Maureen Goodman can now be found at the end of the long hall at the northern aspect of the hospital.

The other change was the conversion of the old labour ward, now no longer in use, to a dining room for use by patients who are mobile & well enough to dine together and thus enjoy some social contact & interaction. It is proving very successful and the room with its previously clinical atmosphere, is gradually undergoing refurbishment.

There is a space at one end of this room which is just crying out for a piano or pianola. There must surely be many homes in which a piano sits gathering dust, unloved and unplayed, but which would give much pleasure to our patients. The hospital would be most grateful if such an instrument could be donated or lent. How about it !!!

NURSING MOTHERS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA.

ROMSEY/LANCEFIELD.

The discussion topic for our April meeting is "Crash course on Breast Feeding". It will be held on Thursday 20th April at 8pm. at the home of Lynette Finn, 1 Ragan Drive, Romsey, Phone 295 660.

All mums and mothers-to-be are most welcome.

ROMSEY RED CROSS UNIT NEWS: Many thanks to all who helped with our Red Cross

Calling during March - we very much appreciate the time and effort of our callers and special thanks to all who donated realising a total to date of \$

These funds are vital to enable Red Cross services to continue within our community here and everywhere as the needs are on-going and ever-increasing. Red Cross volunteers work in association with other community organisations e.g. the Salvation Army, the Country Fire Authority, the State Emergency Service, and the Victoria Police. Assistance is available immediately in time of fire, flood, accident or any emergency at all and in these times shootings and bombings cause extra pressures on Red Cross personnel.

To support the on-going need for funds to maintain our services Romsey Red Cross Unit members are asking local residents to support their "David Keys" Fashion Display to be held at Romsey Mechanics Hall on Thursday 5th May at 10.30 a.m. A light luncheon will be served and a donation of \$5.00 is requested. Please plan to join us on this day for a pleasant function and a chance to purchase some attractive winter woollens (so necessary in our climate). An extensive range of jumpers, jackets, tops, slacks, skirts, blouses and frocks will be displayed in a range of styles and sizes - so come along and bring a group of your friends too. Please phone either Trish Corner (270 494) or Helen Clement (295 317) before 29th April so catering arrangements can be finalised.

Extra helpers are needed to help on our rosters to transport local residents for treatment and to provide child-minding at Cobaw Community Health Service on Mondays from 12 MD - 1 p.m.

All Romsey Red Cross Unit members were pleased to hear of the happy arrival of Seamus Frederick Wiltshire after the unfortunate house-fire suffered by his family in January. We wish the family well as they busily plan to rebuild their home in Main Street.

World Red Cross Day is to be celebrated by all the Red Cross Units within our Central Region at a Luncheon to be held at Kismet Park, Sunbury on Monday 9th May at 12md and tickets at \$15 are available from Helen Clement (295 317). Romsey Red Cross Unit meetings are held monthly on the 3rd Monday of each month and our next meeting will be Monday 18th April at 2pm in the meeting room of Romsey Mechanics Hall when any new members will be made very welcome

Trish Corner (Hon. Sec.)

ROMSEY PRIMARY SCHOOL RED CROSS YOUTH GROUP: Office-bearers for 1988 were elected at our March meeting and are:

President - Emily Shanahan
Vice-president - Richard Sparkes
Secretary - Rebecca Shufflebotham
Treasurer - Marcus Ritchie

Plans to support the 1988 International Project - The New Road of Life - The Red Cross Orthopaedic Centre at Peshawar, Pakistan and The Camp Challenge funds to assist Children suffering from cancer conditions were made with an extensive list of fund raising suggestions. 3 icy-pole days have been held proving enjoyable and successful and Easter cards were made and delivered to the residents of the Peter Lourey Flats in Station Street. In second term we will be learning First Aid and making soft toys to be sent to the Children's Hospital. Mrs. Sue Little (our teacher) and Mrs. Carole Craco and Mrs. Helen Clement help us with our meetings and activities.

The Woodend and District Group for the Victorian Riding for Disabled Assoc. require the assistance of people with suitable ponies and/or horse transport to work on a fortnightly roster involving two hours of a Wednesday morning. This is an extremely worthwhile activity benefitting the riders from the self-esteem to the physical aspect. The Group has approx. thirty children riding. These children come from the local area across to Melton. Anyone interested in helping please contact H. Betts on 295 203.

Country Women's Association - Lancefield Branch (Cont'd.): We also hope to see a new face or two at our next meeting on Friday, 22nd April, at the Mechanics Hall, Lancefield, meeting commences at 1.30p.m. We take this opportunity of hoping you had an enjoyable Easter and that with winter near upon us you are looking for something to become interested in - such as the Lancefield Country Women's Association.

Betty Garner,
Publicity Officer.

ROMSEY YOUTH CLUB: A reminder of the monthly Committee meeting to be held on Wednesday 13th April, at 7.30p.m., Romsey Primary School. All parents welcome.

COMING EVENTS:

JUNE - FAMILY BUSH DANCE
20th AUGUST - TRIVIA NIGHT.

More information on these events to follow. Both promise to be good entertaining nights so keep the dates free.

Beryl Cole.

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

- * April 12 - Wool Sale
- April 16 - Golf Club Open Day
- * April 16 - Bi-centennial Gala Celebration - Bolinda
- * April 16 - Scout Paper collection
- * April 17 - Romsey Lancefield Christian Fellowship
- * April 23 - Shire Free Trees.
- * April 26 - Historical Society meet g
- * April 27 - Golf Gala Day
- April 28 - Nursing Mothers Meeting
- * May 2 - Pottery classes commence
- * May 3 - Windarring Aux. meeting
- * May 5 - David Keys Fashion Display
- * May 14 - Lions Club Ball
- * May 18 - Brownie/Guide Local Ass. Annual General Meeting
- * May 20 - Bi-centennial Ball
- * May 24 - Historical Socieity Meeting
- * May 28 - Scout Trivia Night.

Items marked * are mentioned elsewhere in this edition.

ITEMS FOR THE MAY ISSUE OF THE ROMSEY RAG TO BE AT THE POST OFFICE BY 2 p.m ON FRIDAY 6TH MAY, 1988 - THANK YOU.

Compilers reserve the right to reject or include any item presented for pri

I would like to sponsor an edition of the Romsey Rag Yes.....

I would like to help with the delivery of the Romsey Rag Yes.....

EDITORIAL COMMITTEE: Trevor Turnham, Bev Large, Beryl Cole, Margret White, Laurel Hiles, Kerry Lemin.

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ROMSEY TENNIS CLUB: Winter Tennis - The Winter Competition will commence late April and all intending players both Junior and Senior are asked to have their names submitted either with the secretary or at the Romsey Sports and Clothing Store. The completed Summer Competition saw teams again reach the final rounds and congratulations go to the Junior sections 2 and 3 for reaching the semi-finals and section 5 for reaching the preliminary final also senior section 1 for reaching the semi-finals. The Mid-week Ladies tennis play their finals after Easter and Romsey have 4 of the 5 teams playing - good luck ladies.

At the recent end of season break-up bar-b-que acknowledgements were made to the most consistent player for the Summer season - congratulations to Bruce Clement section 1 and Janine Burge section 4. The club is always looking for new members so come along and join for the Winter Competition before it's too late.

G. Schmidt (secretary)
295 305.

IN YOUR ROMSEY GARDEN NO. 27: Growing Potatoes From Seed. Several seed companies in the U.S.A. will be offering seed of the new potato "Explorer" this year (1982), the first successful open-pollinated potato from SEED, according to an article in "Garden Cuttings", November 1982. It is intended to start life indoors and be transplanted into gardens. Planting seed costs only 20% that of vegetable propagation (tubers). "Explorer" potato tubers average about 4oz. - typical size for baking potatoes is 8 oz. Most gardeners in the U.S. can expect to be able to obtain potato seedlings just as they do seedlings of tomatoes or capsicums.

Root Regenerators: Dr. Bruno C. Moser of Purdue University in the U.S.A. has achieved good results in increasing root generation using a toothpick implant. Toothpicks are soaked in 100 mg I.B.A. plus 100 ml of 95% ethanol overnight and airdried prior to being inserted into holes drilled in tap roots or lateral roots of at least 1/2 inch diameter. This gives a two layered root system to the transplant as the I.B.A. is released from the toothpick gradually. Possibly this system could be used with Hormone 20 (Formula 20), a propriety product commonly available in nurseries and garden centres. H20 is a combination of I.B.A. with N.A.A.

Syd. Wheller.

COBAM COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE ANTENATAL CLASSES - Commencing

April 7th at Campaspe Lodge, Wedge Street, Kyneton.

April 18th at St. Mary's Hall, Main Road, Romsey.

Classes designed for you and your support person. Weekly for six weeks. For further information contact Community Health Nurse Diana Knichala on 22 3011 between 8.30 - 4.30 Monday to Thursday.

Country Women's Association - Lancefield Branch: The March meeting was held on Friday, 25th at the home of a past member, Mrs. Nola Smith, who has recently moved to Melton. This was to celebrate the 52nd birthday of the group. We had a delightful day at Mrs. Smith's charming home and as she had gone to a great deal of trouble, as had her husband Bill, we would all like to extend our thanks to her and Bill.

After lunch we held a short meeting to discuss the forthcoming Central Highlands Group Exhibition to be held at Kyneton Shire Hall on Thursday, May 5th. A list of items to be submitted by members was finalised for this event. Appreciation was voiced that the Romsey Rag had printed our previous report and in response to our request for suggestions for the Spring Show, we are pleased to report that we have had a couple of responses. We would still like to have more ideas for making this event successful and you are once again requested to forward any to Betty Garner on (054) 291 702