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RANDOM RAGGINGS by "Rambler"

The new white lines between Romsey and Monegetta should be a boom. However, many drivers don't seem to have noticed them yet. In the four or five weeks since they were painted I have been passed on the wrong side of double lines on half-a-dozen occasions. One driver committed the same offence on successive mornings.

Let us take due care. We don't want any more tragedies on the roads...and, on the subject, there is a crest just south of the Bolinda school that is deep enough to hide oncoming vehicles. How about some appropriate lines there too?

Where is Romsey going? Does anyone know? We have the old "village" admired by travellers for many years, and loved by inhabitants both old and new. It is even recognized as a selling point by developers of the new estates, according to a recent leaflet.

But the original village is in danger of being swamped by the new development. Can it's character be maintained in the midst of progress? Experience elsewhere indicates that it will take care and commitment to ensure that development - which is inevitable - is carefully monitored.

At present there seems to be little, if any, co-ordination with respect to the layout of the estates or the architecture of new homes.

By the time you read this we will have elected a new look Council. Let us hope that they can take the appropriate lead and guide both developers and settlers along paths that will ensure disciplined progress and an attractive future for Romsey

Now is the time, before it is too late !

SHIRE OF ROMSEY COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS

As a result of the Elections held throughout the Shire last Saturday, the Romsey Rag Committee wish to congratulate the following Councillors on their election to office and encourage them all to work vigorously as a team for all. rate payers.

Preferential Voting was used for the first time in Council elections. Actual voting results for the candidates listed below are displayed in the foyer of the Shire officers.

ROMSEY RIDING	TERM OF OFFICE	CENTRAL RIDING
Doug NEWNHAM	3 Year	Tom HOBAM
Geoff NEIL	2 Year	Rupert CLARKE
Doreen SMITH	1 Year	Peter SCANLON
LANCEFIELD RIDING	TERM OF OFFICE	RIDDELL'S CREEK RIDING
Terry DOWLING	3 Year	Robert VAN LOON
Kevin TULLY	2 Year	Robert BLACKBURN
Neville DUMBRELL	1 Year	John GREEN

COUNCIL NEWS FOLLOWING THE JULY MEETING:

- * An application was received and approved for a retail shop on the site of the old Fire Station.
- * A sixteen lot sub-division was approved for the east side of Rogers Street, immediately north of Barry Street, as was Stage 2 and 3 of the Falbury Estate (between White Avenue and Digby Drive.)
- * At least 2 sheep have been killed by marauding dog(s) in Hutchinsons Lane. Please make every effort to secure your canine.

Ken FRANCIS / Geoff NEIL.

In the State of Victoria there are 210 municipalities. Of these only three had 18 Councilors, they being Kyneton, Romsey and Melbourne City Council. Following last Saturday's elections, a new 12 member Council was formed, in our Shire.

Romsey Shire was formed in 1916 and the first Shire Office is now the Infant Welfare Centre. July was the last meeting of Romsey's 18 member Council.

(I would also care to mention that one of the Shire's longest serving Councillors and Romsey Riding representative, Ken Francis, has taken the opportunity to retire, after 27 years service. Considering the "job" is purely voluntary, Ken has given much to the community. I wish him well in his "retirement.")

" A NEW ERA HAS BEGUN, new Riding Councillors and terms (and phone numbers) are - Doug NEWNHAM - 3 years (295287), Geoff NEIL - 2 years (295523) and Doreen Smith - 1 year (295524). I would like to thank all persons that assisted and supported me during my campaign, especially Pam, and congratulations to Doug and Doreen on their success. To Anne and John, I would extend my regards for being worthy "competitors". John has given 11 years of valuable service to the Romsey community, being Shire President on one occasion. His experience and guidance will be missed."

Till next time, Geoff Neil.

ROMSEY PRIMARY SCHOOL - FOOD HAMPERS - RAFFLE RESULTS:

3 Equal Food Baskets of Groceries, fruit, vegetable and a side of lamb was the prizes for Romsey Primary School's Special Effort Raffles of 6th August. The winners were Mrs. E. Black; Mrs. B. Smith both of Romsey and Mr. D. Fisher of Tullamarine area. Our thanks to all who worked so hard and also to those who supported the school by helping to raise the sum of approximately \$618.00.

CAR WASH SUCCESS:

Thanks to a great effort from many volunteer labourers, the combined Scouts and C.F.A. Car Wash on Saturday, 6th August was a terrific success. Thanks to all those who brought their cars along and supported the groups. Together we raised \$526.00. The Scouts will use their half of the money towards sending 7 Scouts to a Jamboree in Adelaide in January, 1989. The C.F.A. will spend their share on truck maintenance. We will conduct another car wash in a few months. Thankyou again for your support.

MACEDON RANGES & DISTRICT MOTOR CLUB - caters for all motor enthusiasts. Veteran, Vintage, Pre-War, Modern Classic, Hot Rods, Street Machines, Motor Cycles and Stationary engines. Meetings held on 1st Wednesday of month at club rooms at the Woodend Race Course, Forest Street, Woodend. Visitors welcome. Enquiries:- Secretary Graeme Lemin, 295725 or David Vaughan, 295721.

ROMSEY FIRE BRIGADE:

Honey Drive - 1 Kilogram tubs \$3.20 each. If you would like to order a tub contact any fireman before August 26th. Honey comes from McDonalds in Castlemaine (Yellow Box). Money with orders please.

Ron Cole. 295411.

LANCEFIELD & DISTRICT BUSH NURSING HOSPITAL Inc.

The hospital Committee of Management wishes to thank the willing workers of the Lions Club & the Scouts for pruning the hedge on the south side of the hospital grounds - a fine example of a community effort well done !

Those who attended the Pleasant Sunday Afternoon at St. Paul's, Romsey on 31st July can vouch for the quality and tone of the Organ. An amount of \$396 was raised for the hospital and grateful thanks are directed to St. Paul's Anglican congregation and the Artists who gave us such an enjoyable afternoon of music.

St. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

The Pleasant Sunday Afternoon at Romsey's St. Paul's Anglican Church proved to be just that. Held to aid the Lancefield and District Bush Nursing Hospital, the ninety people who attended raised approximately \$400.

Gordon MacKenzie of Melton was the organist, and with Dorothy Allen, Lyn Cornish, David Allen, Derrick Roa, and Len Brassington the programme was a delightfully balanced musical afternoon held in a warm and beautiful building.

The Concert coincided with the Lancefield and District Bush Nurse Hospital Appeal for members and donations.

THANK YOU

Peg RANDELL

ROMSEY-LANCEFIELD UNITING CHURCH YOUTH GROUP

At the recent Annual Meeting the President for the past three years, Kate Pegler, stood down to concentrate on her year 12 studies.

The new office-bearers are ;

President	-	Trudy Smith
Secretary	-	Michelle Robb
Vice-President	-	Stuart Turnham
Treasure	-	David Hall
Committee Members	-	Paula Smith, Gareth Anderson.

ROMSEY UNITING CHURCH

The Romsey Uniting Church is a family church. Sunday School and Youth Work are important facets of its programme. However, people of all ages are welcome at worship and at various fellowship and mission activities.

The church is located at the northern end of Pohlman Street.

Worship and Sunday School are conducted at 9am. each Sunday. Baptisms and Marriages are arranged by consultation with the Minister, Rev. Adrian Pegler, at 25 Williams Street. (Phone 295 351).

ROMSEY LANCEFIELD NURSING MOTHERS

THURSDAY 11th August, is the date for our Coffee Morning to be held at 10am. at "Mountain View" Lancefield. If you are interested in attending please ring Dianne Morrison ph. 291 241 for further details.

The ABC of breastfeeding is the topic for our August meeting to be held on Thursday 25th August, at 8pm. The venue is the home of Kaye McNamara, 3 Whelan's Place Romsey, ph. 295 622.

Some other events that are coming up in the next month or two include a Soup Luncheon to be held on Thursday 15th September, and also a cake stall on SATURDAY 8th October.

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ROMSEY LANCEFIELD NURSING MOTHERS Cont..

It would be great to see some "new" faces at our meetings so if you are a mum or mother-to-be seeking friendship and support from other mothers, feel free to come along to our discussion meetings.

Breastfeeding counselling is available from Dot Chandler 285 378 - Mary Campbell 295 629 - Lynnete Finn 295 860.

THE ROMSEY RED CROSS UNIT

The Romsey Red Cross meet on the 18th July at the Mechanics Hall. It was a challenging meeting as we were visited by Helen Nisch and Karen Franze who talked to us about becoming citizen advocate for the folk at Caloola. The work involves linking a disabled person to a person without a disability. In short one person caring for another. At Caloola there are 600 residents but only 25 advocates available to help and befriend these people. Many of them have no family and friends so life is very boring and dull for many. They have no connection with the outside world. They have little private property.

We were left challenged by the need to think beyond our own needs and rights to the needs and right of those who have very few. Become involved.... Ring Sunbury 744 7378 or write to Box 420 for more information.

Red Cross have red and white tableclothes available for hire. Ring Helen Clement if interested in hiring these.

The next meeting will be on Annual General Meeting and an information day commencing at 1.30pm on August, 15th. Monday. Members of Red Cross in Melbourne will be sharing with us on this day. Please come along and join our happy group. Bring a friend. We will gather in the Mechanic's Hall meeting room.

Patricia CORNER
Secretary.

FIRE PROTECTION WORKSHOP

SATURDAY 29th OCTOBER, 1.00pm. ROMSEY MECHANIC'S HALL

Lecturers, Displays, Commercial Exhibits, Bus Tour, Refreshments Provided.
\$1.50. Fire Fighting Equipment Prize Admission \$4.00

Sponsored by Arnolds Fences, Monsanto, And Silvan Pumps
Shults Machinery Hire. Enquiries Peter Clinick 291 897.

ROMSEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

"FOCUS ON FOOD" Luncheon 8th September, 1988. 10.30am. \$5. per ticket

Light Lunch Mechanics Hall Romsey

Demonstrations, Recipes and Tastings.

Bookings to Jenny Jacobsen 295 643 or Judy Ellis 295 557.

ROMSEY - LANCEFIELD SENIOR CITIZENS

Romsey Lancefield Senior Citizens will hold a street stall 1pm. in Main Street, Romsey on FRIDAY 26th AUGUST.

All members please bring a gift and buy a gift. Tickets for a Hamper will be drawn.

Guarding Against Cervical Cancer

The Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria, in conjunction with local Community Health Workers, and local doctors, is launching a new campaign in our region to prevent cervical cancer by encouraging women to have a Pap test. The campaign is commencing August 1st.

Cervical cancer (cancer of the neck of the womb) is one of the most preventable forms of cancer. But every year, Victorian women die from this cancer and many more need extensive treatment. This could be avoided if only every woman had a Pap test regularly.

All women are at risk of cervical cancer. However, cervical cancer rarely occurs in women who have never had sex.

Cervical cancer is no respecter of age - it occurs in both the young and the old. However, women over 40 appear to be at greater risk for two reasons. Firstly, over 70% of invasive cancer occurs in this age group. Secondly, studies have shown that this group of women are less likely to have had regular Pap test than younger women - some will have never had a Pap test at all.

Women put off having a Pap test for many reasons - some don't know about them, others want not to know. Some women think they're too old whilst others feel too embarrassed to ask their doctors. You might recognize these feelings - these are normal but remember, cancer of the cervix is one of the most preventable cancers.

The Pap test is the effective early detection test for cancer of the cervix. It is able to detect early changes in the cervix long before a woman has any signs of a problem. These changes are not cancer but, if left untreated, may lead to cancer.

If abnormal changes that may lead to cancer are seen, effective treatment will lead to cure and also not affect a woman's ability to have children. Women can arrange with their own doctor to have a Pap test. Some women prefer to go to another doctor for this purpose and others prefer a woman doctor. Your doctor understands this.

Special Pap test clinics, particularly for women over the age of 40, are being organised during the campaign period. On August 31st and September 13th from 7-9pm at Kyneton branch of Cobaw Community Health Service.

Don't put off having a Pap test any longer - look after yourself, arrange your Pap Test today - it might just save your life.

To make a booking contact Cobaw Community Health Service - Phone 054 223 011.

1st ROMSEY SCOUT JAMBOREE FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

FILM at Romsey Mechanics Institute Saturday 13th AUGUST, 1988. 3pm & 7.30pm.

ADULTS \$5.00 CHILDREN \$3.00

VICE VERSA Starring Judge Reinhold and Fred Savage.

ROMSEY SCOUT GROUP

The Romsey Scout group will be holding a paper drive on 13th August, 1988.

The vehicles will be parked at the Shire Office Car Park once again, between 9am - 12 noon. For Papers, Phone Books etc. to be dropped off.

For Bulk Pick Up phone 295 512 for arrangements.

Daryl WHITE
President

ROMSEY YOUTH CLUB

Please remember the Annual General Meeting at the Romsey Primary School. 10th August, 1988. at 7.30pm. All Adults welcome.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

P.O. Box 11 Romsey 3434

Guest speaker at our AUGUST 30th meeting will be Tony Marshall, who is the Manuscripts Librarian at the State Library of Victoria and Vice President of the Royal Historical Society of Victoria.

Mr Marshall will be telling us about the Australian Manuscripts collection at the State Library, and how members of the public can use this collection, so we look forward to an interesting evening. The meeting will be held at the LANCEFIELD Mechanics Institute Hall, commencing at 8pm, and supper will be served at the conclusion of the evening.

Neighbouring Historical Societies are being invited to this occasion, and all members of the public interested in this topic are cordially invited and will be most welcome. Enquiries to President Robert Clement (295 217) or Vice President Elaine Lobb (295 321).

NOTE There will be no meeting held on our usual 4th Tuesday in August. Meeting changed to 5th Tuesday. AUGUST 30th. for this month only, to suit the guest speaker.

Jean Newell
Hon. Secretary.

IN YOUR ROMSEY--GARDEN No. 31

NEW DAYS - OLD WAYS. The following is based on an article in Nov. 1982 "Garden Cuttings" with permission from the Editor: At a recent International Horticultural Congress an eminent horticultural scientist referred to the need for educating amateur gardeners in some of the older skills and techniques like collecting and trapping insect pests rather than spraying with poisonous chemicals... Scientists therefore, in their continual quest for knowledge are not unmindful of the elementary skills that have served well past generations of gardeners.

There is an important lesson here for all of us, before we become totally absorbed in new skills or bedazzled by new products. ... Are we forgetting that birds and small reptiles are the best pest exterminators, (their own exterminators permitting - S.W.), and earth worms the best soil improvers? And do we sometimes forget that Old and rather elementary precaution of giving our deciduous shrubs - and that includes roses - a winter wash?... We need to know more allelopathic plants as they are called, in other words plants that have an inhibitory effect on unwelcome invaders. It has been suggested that allelopathy may be the "ying" to the "yang" of companion planting, so strongly advocated by the organic brigade.

Perhaps what is needed as well as research into new concepts, is research into some old ideas. It could be, in the long term, more fruitful than the development of more chemicals.

Syd WHELLER

SALVATION ARMY RED SHIELD APPEAL

The grand total of \$1028.66 was collected in the Romsey area which is a record for Romsey. Many thanks go to the collectors and the contributors.

D. REID

Sporting News in Romsey

ROMSEY GOLF CLUB - LADIES

Results of weekly competitions :-

July 5th H. Stammers 38 stableford points
July 12th L. Ritchie 90 - 30 - 60
July 19th L. Beasley 95 - 36 - 59
Secret partners L. Beasley, S. Shelton. 128 nett.
July 26th E. Scanlon 101 - 32 - 69
Aug 2nd Winner of Silver Spoon E. Scanlon 98 - 32 - 66
Flag winner E. Scanlon 18th Fairway.

During the month L. Ritchie has reduced her handicap to 29 and L Beasley's handicap now 34.

ROMSEY AND DISTRICT BASKETBALL ASSOC.

We are seeking players for Senior Under 13 and Under 16 competitions.

REGISTRATION Days Junior Aug 20th 2-4pm at Rec. Centre.
Senior Aug 22nd 7-9pm

Fees include insurance and a singlet and proof of age must be provided.
Clinics for U.13 and U.16 players will be held between 10am and 2pm on 20th and 21st September, respectively.
Competition is expected to commence on 10th October, 1988 with play on Mondays and Thursdays.

Adrian Cahill

ROMSEY WALKING CLUB

Ever thought you would like to find a way of becoming fit and healthy and really enjoy yourself at the same time?
Doctors reckon its one of the best ways. Well, we've found it! Its one walking club. We meet each Tuesday 09.20hrs at Cobaw Community Centre (old Catholic school) in Romsey, to walk or ramble our morning away.
Walks vary according to the weather and all areas of the Shire are being explored. We have some magnificent scenery.

Beginners have the opportunity of shorter distances to start off with.
It only costs 50¢ as we return to the hall for a cuppa.
Come and join us we would love to see you. It really is a delightful way to spend Tuesday morning.

Helen WATTS

CAROLS AEROBIC CLASSES

Get fit and stay that way by joining Carol's aerobic class. Work at your own pace to music. It's lots of fun, so come along to the Romsey Mechanics Hall on Monday and Thursday mornings from 9.15 to 10.00. Only \$2.00 per session with creche available at 50¢. Enquire to Carol on 295 590.

ROMSEY HARNESS CLUB

Romsey harness club wish to advise any interested person in training their horses on the trotting track, (which is situated at the Romsey Memorial Park) must be members of the said club.

Any persons interested in joining the club please contact Neil Rowley - 295460

ROMSEY TENNIS CLUB

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - of the Romsey Tennis club will be held on WEDNESDAY 10th AUGUST 8pm. at the Romsey Recreation Centre meeting room and members are asked to attend in order to elect office bearers and to discuss General Business for the coming Summer Season.

SUMMER TENNIS - All members and any new players wishing to play Summer Competition Tennis are to have their names submitted to the secretary either at the A.G.M. or by mid August in order to have a team selection meeting later in the month. Those people who have been near the Tennis Courts will have noticed that the two new courts are awaiting completion and it is hoped that we can run some open days and a tournament using all five courts prior to the summer season commencing - dates to be decided at the A.G.M.

Junior & Senior players now is the time to register for the Summer Competition and lets see Romsey Tennis Club expand for the benefit of all.

Greg SCHMIDT 295 305
SECRETARY

ROMSEY CORNER CRAFTS

Romsey Village Ph. 295 639

Winter Clearance SALE during August. 20% OFF all Wool in Stock.
20% OFF Knitting Books
Knitting Needles & Accessories

Agent for Gisborne Dry Cleaners In by 5pm Wednesday
Back by 10am Friday

FOR SALE

AUSTRALIAN SILKY TERRIER PUPS

3 males - 1 female Age 7 weeks
Purebred - Vaccinated - Pets only
Phone 295 339 Reasonable price.

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VIDEOS

Romsey Take Away General Store, Molly and Barrie are pleased to announce they are Hiring out Videos \$3.00 night or 2 for \$5.00 Good Selection.

HOBBYTEX FABRIC PAINTS

Puff and all special effects paints, as well as regular colours. Iron on transfers, transfer pencils and paper. Pre-printed canvas, velvet and non-woven pictures to paint, as well as household linen items and mirrors. Large reductions on discontinued lines prior to new catalogue release later in August. Ring Wendy BRANTS on 295 913

ROMSEY NEWSAGENCY

Winning Prints are here !!! We now have an excellent film processing service available from the 1st August. You may drop your film into us and receive it back within 48 hours. UP TO 27 Prints \$9.99

UP TO 36 Prints \$11.99

EXTRA set of Prints \$4.00

Home DELIVERY OF NEWSPAPER & MAGAZINES. We would like to make known the fact that we do run an efficient Home Delivery Service for morning and afternoon papers and magazines. We deliver approx. 300 morning papers and welcome the opportunity to deliver your requirements.

IRONING OUT PROBLEMS:

To the Working Ladies, is your Ironing getting out of Control and you cannot see yourself getting to the bottom of the pile..... Would you like some help?? At just \$6.00 per hour and will do any mending that may be necessary, please ring Bronwyn 295787.

TRIVIA NIGHT : 20th AUGUST, 1988. : 8pm. Sharp.

Can the people who have booked tables please collect the money and forward it to the Romsey Primary School by 12th August. There are a few tables left so please book soon. Supper provided B.Y.O. drink and glass. \$8.00 per head. This will be a fun night so book soon.

B. Cole. 295411

BROWNIE/GUIDE L.A.:

Thankyou to the mothers who baked for our cake stall. The raffle was not drawn as all tickets had not been returned. We will draw the raffle this week and notify winners.

B.Cole. 295411.

STOP PRESS!!

The Anglican Parish of Lancefield Romsey wish to announce that Rev. Grant Hilton has been appointed as their Parish Priest and will be Inducted at St.Paul's Church on Wednesday, 17th August, 1988, at 8pm. A warm welcome is extended to Rev. Grant Hilton and wife and young family.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

DATES BELOW ARE DETAILED INSIDE THIS EDITION:

- August 10. Romsey Youth Club Annual General Meeting
8pm. Romsey Tennis Club Annual General Meeting.
- 11. Nursing Mothers Coffee Morning.
- 13. Film at Mechanics Hall
- 15. Red Cross Meeting 1.30pm.
- 20. 2-4pm. Registration Junior Players Romsey Basketball Association.
- 20. 8pm. Romsey Primary School Trivia Night.
- 22. 7-9pm. Registration Senior Players Romsey Basketball Association.
- 26. Senior Citizens Street Stall 1pm.
- 30. Historical Society Meeting - Guest Speaker.
- September.
 - 8. Focus on Food Luncheon.
 - 15. Nursing Mothers Cake Stall.
- October.
 - 8. Nursing Mothers Cake Stall.
 - 29. Fire Protection Work Shop.

ITEMS FOR THE SEPTEMBER ISSUE OF THE ROMSEY RAG TO BE AT THE POST OFFICE BY 2pm. on FRIDAY, 2nd SPETEMBER, 1988. - THANKYOU.

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