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## **ROMSEY RED CROSS UNIT**

Local Red cross members will voluntarily collect March Appeal Red Cross Calling donations at a central location outside Romsey Newsagency on the following dates when we have booked to have such a stall:-

Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 9.30am - 12.30pm.

Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 1.30pm - 4.30pm



Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 1.30pm - 4.30pm

Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 1.30pm - 4.30pm

We will be wearing Red Cross Collectors Identification and issuing official receipts for all donations. Red Cross Raffle Tickets can also be purchased then and at several local businesses with very worthwhile prizes available. **"Help us to help others"** please if you are able to do so.

Next Red Cross Meeting at Leeanne Eames home, 7 Collier Close, Romsey, Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> March at 1.30pm. New members welcome to join us.

**NB.** Please remember Danny Blume Winter Fashions on Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1998 at 10.30am in the Romsey Uniting Church Hall. Donation of \$5.00 includes morning tea/coffee.

*Helen Clement*





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### ROMSEY LIVING WORD A.O.G.

Is a church caring for its community and we love to see new faces. You are welcome to join us for the following meetings.

**SERVICE TIMES. 10am & 7pm Sundays**

Bible studies: 7-30pm Thursdays

Young Adventurers: 11am Saturdays

Youth group: 7-00pm Friday/ Saturday

Ladies meeting: 10-30am Wednesdays

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#### **BOLINDA PRIMARY** **SCHOOL** **MARCH NEWS**

Our new room has now been refurbished and Gr.1-3 have shifted in amid great excitement. Gr.3-6 were able to return from the Bolinda Hall and into our own comfortable surrounds. We do thank the Bolinda Hall Committee for allowing us to use the hall for nearly 5 weeks.

We had a wonderfully successful Family BBQ after school one night and despite a fresh breeze, 20 families and staff enjoyed the socialisation and good food. The next weekend we had a huge working bee with the grounds abuzz with activity from one end to the other. Parents and children together working on various projects all for the betterment of our school. Many tasks were accomplished thus

saving school funds that can now be allocated to other areas.

Our Fundraising Team have had several meetings and are looking to a very successful year. With the new Keys to Life Program being implemented in all schools, it has been decided that a large portion of our fundraising will go to the purchase of materials and books needed for this program.

The Gr.3-6 had a visit to Dromkeen to task with artist and author Ian Abdulla and to watch him at work. Ian was Aboriginal Artist of the Year in 1991 and very kindly signed his 2 books for us. This activity was enjoyed greatly by the children.

We had a wonderful visit from Graeme Gordon from the School Wheelchair Education program. After an inspiring talk and terrific question and answer session, Graeme took all the children in small

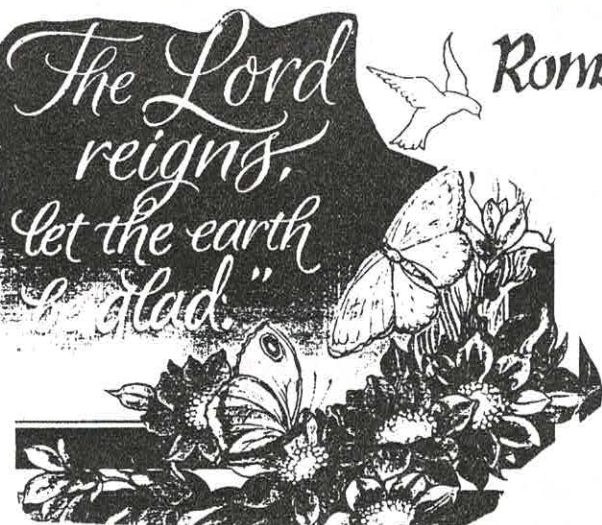
groups for a wheelchair basketball session using the trailer load of wheelchairs he brought with him. Graeme is an Australian Wheelchair Rugby Representative and has represented Victoria in Basketball and Lawn Bowls. He was an inspiration to the children who really responded very well to him and gained a huge amount from his visit. We followed the Winter Olympics very closely and sent our Herofaxes to the Australian Team. The whole school is now looking forward to our excursion to the Queenscliff Marine Centre in a few weeks. Also our Athletic sports carnival with Clarkefield and Darraweit Guim will also be held shortly, so we are all out running and throwing. Until next month - bye from busy Bolinda.

*Keith Jenkins*  
Principal - 5428 5317.



## TICKAWARRA FRAMING GALLERY

Following the recent successful exhibition by members of the Romsey Art Group in aid of the Fire Brigade, a selection of their paintings is now on Exhibition and for sale at Tickawarra Framing Gallery, 72 Main Street, Romsey. Open Tuesdays 9am - 6pm or ring 5429 5588 to arrange a time. Josephine Francis.



## *Romsey & Lancefield Christian Fellowship*



We invite you to our Sunday morning service,  
held at 10.00am in the  
Romsey Mechanics Hall.  
We welcome your enquiries to  
Geoff Holland (Minister)  
on 03 5429 5673 or  
Graham Mau on 03 5429 1488,  
or write to  
Romsey Lancefield Christian Fellowship,  
P.O. Box 92, Romsey 3434.

### Riddells Creek Primary School



3.30pm onwards

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lose it. If you lose it...you've lost your  
enthusiasm; you've settled for something less.  
This will never do. Fight like hell for your  
dream and get it.

Guru RHH

### ROMSEY UNITING CHURCH:

As we enter the Easter Season we have entered also the time of Lent with thankful humble hearts and we thank the Romsey/Lancefield Catholic parish for including us in their Lenten Bible Study evenings to be held each Thursday evening at St. Mary's Presbytery, Chauncey Street, Lancefield. We look forward to joining together again with other local Christians on Good Friday Morning when we all walk the Way of the Cross with further details in our weekly bulletins.

Harvest Thanksgiving Services will be held at both Romsey and Lancefield Churches on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 9am and 10.30am respectively.

Plans for a Progressive Lunch to be held on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April at 12.30pm at the Homes of Mr. And Mrs. Laurie Quinn in Hutchinsons Lane, Romsey and then to the home of Mr. & Mrs. David Strack in Hesket Boundary Road and finishing with Desserts and Tea/coffee at our Sunday School Hall in Pohlman Street, Romsey.

Tickets and further details available from Helen Quinn, 5429 5358, Sandra Strack 5427 0472, Helen Clement 5429 5317.

Weekly Worship Services continue with Sunday School lessons included at 9am and Holy Communion shared on the first Sunday of each month.

Next U.C.F and Guild meeting is to be held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 1.30pm in the Sunday School Hall with Easter Devotions being shared, new members welcome.

We welcome safely home from recent overseas travels, Elizabeth Brown, Graham, Daniel and Heidi Strack also Carole Clough. Two additional R.E. teachers are still required for Romsey Primary School. Encouragement, prayerful support and training are readily available to all volunteers and the lesson material is all updated and really excellent.

For all Pastoral Joys or Concerns please contact either Noel Shaw 5429 5509 or Robert Clement 5429 5225 who will contact a Relieving Minister. *Helen Clement*



**PLEASE NOTE:** The Easter Ceremonies dates are last year's. Parish Reconciliation = Tuesday 31/3/98 8pm at Lancefield. Palm Sunday, 5/4/98 8am Lancefield; 10am. Romsey; 7.30pm Lancefield. The other dates will appear in time in April Romsey Rag.

## St. Mary's Catholic Parish - Lancefield/ Romsey

Fr. George O'Connor: 54 292130; Sr. Patricia (School): 54 291359; Sr. Frances (Convent): 54 291582.



### Mass times

Sat.	10am	Romsey	
	7.30pm (vigil)	Lancefield	
Sundays of the month	1st & 3rd	2nd, 4th & 5th	
	8am	Lancefield	Romsey
	10am	Romsey	Lancefield
Daily masses: as advertised in the weekly bulletin.			
Reconciliation (Confession): 11am Saturday or by arrangement.			

### PRAYER LIFE

- **ROSARY** recited before weekday Masses and before Sat. night Mass.
- **'HOLY NAME OF JESUS'**  
**CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:**  
Monday, 7.30pm Romsey Church Hall.  
Contact: Merle De Silva 54 295 672. If you would like to request prayers for family or individual needs please write clearly, no names necessary, to: The Holy Name Of Jesus Prayer Group, 57 Metcalfe Drive, Romsey.
- **CHRISTIAN MEDITATION** (silent prayer) St. Mary's Church, Romsey, Monday, 8-9 pm. Phone: Stephen 54 295 907
- **Extra Mass** each Wednesday morning during Lent 6.15am Romsey
- **Stations Of The Cross** Friday evenings 7.30pm Romsey
- **Lenten discussions** 10.00am St. Mary's Hall Romsey

### MASS OF ANOINTING

Friday 13th March 11am Lancefield  
Morning Tea afterwards.

### EASTER CEREMONIES

#### Parish Reconciliation (3rd. Rite)

Tuesday 18th March 8.00pm Romsey

#### Palm Sunday

7.30pm Lancefield

8.00am Romsey

10.00am Lancefield

#### Holy Thursday

Thursday 27th March 7.30pm Lancefield

#### Way of the Cross (Ecumenical)

Friday 28th March 10.00am Lancefield  
Anglican Church

#### Passion

Friday 28th March 3.00pm Romsey

#### Easter Vigil

Saturday 29th March 7.30pm Romsey

#### Easter Sunday

30th March 8.00am Romsey

10.00am Lancefield

### STRESS MANAGEMENT

Lisa Delaney from Cobaw Community

Health will be speaking on **Stress Management**. Date: Wednesday March 4th and 18th, 10.30am - 12.30pm, St. Mary's Presbytery, Lancefield.

Please phone Presbytery for details.

### DROP-IN CENTRE

Every **first Thursday** of the month

2nd April **coffee morning/afternoons** are held at St. Mary's Church Hall, Romsey. 10.30 am start. The St. Vincent de

Paul Conference of Lancefield/ Romsey offer a table of goods for sale, card games etc. Come & have a browse & chat, you will be most welcome!

For transport call the Presbytery 54 292 130

### RETROUVAILLE

This program is based on a similar program developed in France. It is specifically designed for partners whose marriage is in difficulty, whether this may be in lack of communication, boredom, loss of interest, conflict, separation, hurt and anger, or any of the issues that may be present which create disagreement.

Retrouvaille is run by couples trained in this field. It has a high rate of success in saving marriages. The next program will be held from March 13th-15th.

For confidential enquiries 9703 2724

*As we prepare to enter another Lent let us keep one another in our hearts. This is a time of conversion - a time to turn from what is passing away in order to be at one with him who is eternal.*

*From: The Present Christ  
by John Main OSB*



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- \*Metway Bank
- \*Hong Kong Bank

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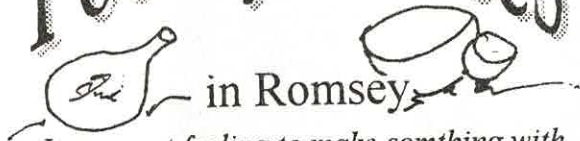
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# Pottery Classes



*It's a great feeling to make something with your hands and show it off to your friends it's relaxing and we have a bit of fun doing it.*  
Classes Start on Monday the 23rd March and will continue through till the end of the year. there will be an afternoon class 12.30 - 3.15pm

and evening class 7.30 till 10pm.

For further information contact Gillian on 54 295448.

The absence of alternatives clears the mind marvellously.

Henry Alfred Kissinger (1923-)

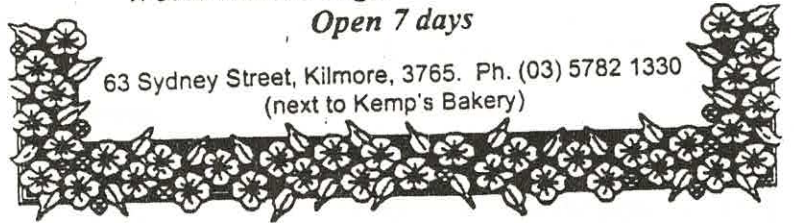


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Eileen Caddy

★  
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Johann Wolfgang von Goethe (1749-1832)  
German poet, novelist and playwright





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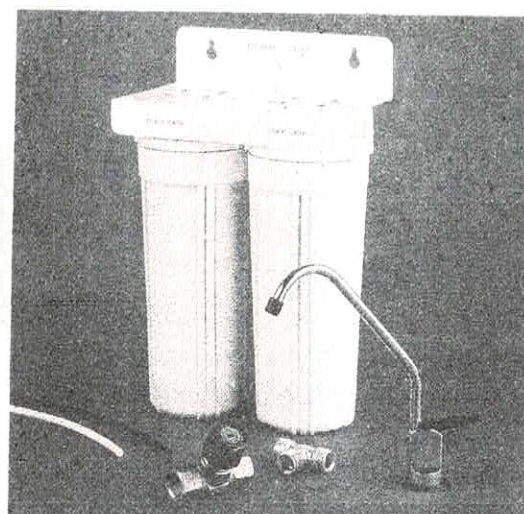
Maybe you are already aware of these problems and are going to the trouble of buying bottled "spring" water, with all the problems of lugging it home.. periodically running out and to say nothing of the endless cost.

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## **ROMSEY ANGLING CLUB**

**Secretary:** Simon Allen : 5429 5754

**President:** Russell Neyland : 5429 5620

**Treasurer:** Bill Macleod : 5429 5384

Dear Fishing People,

Newsletter Number 3 already and the fishing is firing up. Our last trip was out on the bay - Kirks Point, Werribee area - with Whiting the targeted species. Eight adults and 3 juniors attended. Unfortunately I was unable to defend my title for this trip, but that left it open for someone else to take over and this was done in grand style. All fishermen caught bag limits or near bag limits of Whiting, Trevally, Pinkies and good sized Gars were also caught in an excellent days fishing.

The advantage of fishing as a group was highlighted when the President again had problems starting his motor - Janine reckons he doesn't have any problems with starting his motor at home, but that's another story. He was able to call upon the expertise of another club member who gave him some good advice to get going again, but the Prez isn't sure that replacing a diagram of the fuel pump will fix the problem. I think that's diaphragm in arachnid language.

Our next trip is to Phillip Island to catch Elephant Fish - a full report will be given in next months newsletter. Up coming trips are Portland at Easter and the Hotties in May. Please consult your fixture.

The next meeting of the Romsey Angling club will be held on 16<sup>th</sup> March, 1998 at Ross McHenry's shed, 4 Whelans Place at 7.00pm. all members and non-members welcome. Remember this your chance to have say in what we as a club do.

Received recently was a letter from Rex Hunts Fishing Adventures, asking for any interesting fishing stories for that magazine to publish. They will pay for anything they think is worthwhile. For more information see Pat Carra or any committee member. So get pen to paper and earn yourself and the fishing club a quick dollar. We would also like to organise a Fund Raiser to Crown Casino which will include meals, bus etc. If you are interested please let us know so we can get rough numbers to see if it is worth the effort to organise. Again call pat or any other committee person for more details. While on the subject of money raising, if you have any ideas i.e., sponsorship or raffles, please see or call Pat as he is in charge of all our money making schemes.

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The members and committee of the Romsey Angling Club would like to extend our best wishes to Graham James who has been a bit crook of late. Get well soon mate we hope to see you dangling a line - fishing line that is - very soon. See Ya soon Simon Allen Romsey Angling Club



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## Socialisation

Many dogs show a weakness of temperament or inability to cope when faced with a particular situation because of inadequate socialisation when they were young.

Every puppy needs to be carefully exposed to as many different people, children, places, noises and animals as soon as possible.

What you must do to help your puppy to become an emotionally sound adult dog is:

1. Take your puppy with you as often as you can.
2. Never force a situation so that your puppy becomes frightened.
3. Don't encourage your puppy's fears by picking it up or patting it.
4. Do not allow adults or children to overwhelm your puppy.
5. Allow your puppy to approach and investigate strange people, places and objects at its own pace.

To learn more about how to protect and educate your puppy why not bring it to my next  
**Puppy Training Course starting on Wednesday 11th March.**

## **Wanted**

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Love means to commit oneself without  
guarantee, to give oneself completely in the  
hope that our love will produce love in the loved  
person. Love is an act of faith, and whoever  
is of little faith is of little love.

Erich Fromm (1900-1980)

*German-American psychoanalyst*



The Macedon Ranges Theatre Group presents:

# "THE REMOVALISTS"

David Williamson's award-winning play is coming to the Macedon Ranges . . .

A Black Comedy set in the early 1970's, this play deals with a number of issues including Human Relationships, Domestic Violence, Police Corruption and Brutality. The play, performed and produced by Macedon Ranges locals, will appeal to those in the community interested in this world renowned Australian Playwright's work, and the social issues he explores.

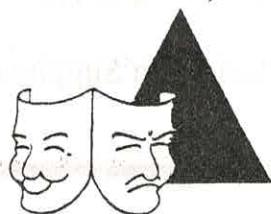
**VENUE:** Mount View Theatre  
56 Smith Street MACEDON

**DATES:** Fri 27<sup>th</sup>, Sat 28<sup>th</sup> February,  
Fri 6<sup>th</sup>, Sat 7<sup>th</sup> March, 8:00 pm

Tickets available at:  
\$15, \$12 conc

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The Mount Players is pleased to support the Macedon Ranges Theatre Group in their production of *The Removalists*, and commends it to members of its mailing list.



## The Mount Players Inc.

Mount View Theatre  
56 Smith Street, Macedon  
Fax: 5426 1892

PO Box 216  
MACEDON 3440

The Mount Players is pleased to also provide the following preview of its program for 1998:

*Two Weeks with the Queen*, directed by Peter Anson.  
This very human show explores hope and filial love, and provides some humorous looks at medicine.

April 3 => April 26

*Rehearsal for Murder*, directed by Nick Ward. This is a murder mystery with a twist in its tale (*pun intended*).

June 5 => June 27

*Rumble at the Rock*, directed by David Runnalls. An original play with music by John Payne and lyrics by Helen Murdoch, this is set at Mt Diogenes, time now.

August 14 => September 8

*One Act Play Festival*, directed by Leo Vandervalk.

Bookings for all Mount Players productions should be made through our ticket agent,  
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Woodrow Wilson (1856-1925)  
*President of the United States, 1913-1921*





# ROMSEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWS MARCH 1998

### SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS:

Even before the due date for the close of nominations (Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> March, 4pm) an excess of nominations have been received. An election for School Council positions provides a clear indicator of the interest of parents in our school and its programs and I thank all candidates for the time and commitment that the School Council role requires.

*Nominated for the five vacant positions on council school Council election are: Stephen Hendy, Roger Baker, Denise Barnes, Keith Hocking, Terry McNamara, Stephen Angus and Paul Mitchell.* Full details regarding the procedures, ballot papers and information provided by the candidates can be found in this week's school newsletter. As a reminder to parents that ballot papers need to be returned by 4pm on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March.

*Our congratulations are extended to Cr John Fryer & Cr Joan Gibbs who were re-elected unopposed to the two vacant DOE employed positions on council*

**COMPUTER GRANT:** As a result of a successful submission the school recently received in excess of \$2,700 to assist in the development of Learning Technology throughout the school. Re wiring and the establishment of several new hubs in the school has provided every classroom with access to the Internet and facilitated the Local Area Network to operate more effectively. The wiring, most of which was completed during the school vacation ended up to be a larger undertaking than first proposed but the task is now completed satisfactorily. The Library too has expanded and contracted. Extra shelving to house the book stock has been installed thus reducing some of the area available for tables and group meetings. This again emphasises the need for our new extension program.

**ROMSEY AUSKICK 1998:** Auskick is a football skill program for children from Prep to Gr.6 and will be held at Romsey PS on Friday afternoons from 4-5pm. Applications for this program which will commence on 13<sup>th</sup> March at the School Office on the 13<sup>th</sup> after 3.30pm. Please note that due to the School Carnival on the 20<sup>th</sup>, no Auskick program will be conducted on that night. Information packages are available from all local schools.

**23-25<sup>th</sup> March School Nurse visits Romsey PS** Parents are reminded that they can make appointments to discuss issues with Sr. Julie Craig by contacting the school office. Julie will also be addressing parents as a group on the 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9.30am. These initial sessions are always interesting and any interested person is invited to attend.

**March 20<sup>th</sup> School Twilight Carnival** - This event was a huge success last year and the planning committee are hoping for an even higher attendance this year. Please refer to the advertisement in this issue of the Romsey Rag, which clearly outlines all the activities and attractions you will be able to enjoy.

**April 2<sup>nd</sup> "Side Show Sustainable"** - recycling is vitally important and the Shire have subsidised this animated performance in order to reinforce this message for all children. The show will be conducted at the school and other local Primary Schools have been invited.

**April 6<sup>th</sup>. The Dental Van arrives.** This service is not free this year and parents and families from local schools will be

visiting Romsey for their treatment. It is expected that the Dental service will be in Romsey until mid May

**April 6<sup>th</sup>. 7.30pm. Safety House Meeting** Annual General Meeting All interested people are cordially invited. A special thankyou is expressed to the householders who offer this voluntary service within our community. If you are interested in assisting in this way please contact the school.

**OUR PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE:** Progress is quietly being made on this exciting new addition to our school. Revise plans have been endorsed by the Department of Education and permission to proceed has been granted. Two weeks ago our enlarged newsletter carried plans of the building so that all parents could gain an understanding of how the proposed extension will look and how it will service the needs of our children and community. Even more recently, school council have gained authorisation from the Australian Tax Office to have a Building Fund which can legally attract tax deductible donations of \$2+ This will no doubt present an attractive opportunity for those wishing to donate to the fund. Initial quotations are being sought by Mr Ken Strange who is acting on behalf of School Council. Ken will be reporting to School Council on the 18<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm. Anyone interested is cordially invited to attend and hear first hand the results of the School Council Election and the progress made to date on the building project. Further progress reports will be reported through forth coming editions of the Romsey Rag.

### SPORTS REPORT:

At the inter schools Tennis Tournament Romsey sent a team which proved a very successful.

In the Girls singles, Elisha Ireland was third and had a victory over the girl who won the final.

Our Girls doubles team of Kate English and Jessica Eames won all matches including the final as did our Boys doubles team of Sam Witteveen and Mitchell Cooke. Brenton McAdam maintained his unbeaten record and easily won the Boys singles. Congratulations are extended to Brenton who has been made Aussie of the Month for his initiatives, leadership and lunchtime coaching of the team of children prior to this event. It is worth noting that most team members had never played competition tennis before. Well done. Kate, Jessica, Sam, Mitchell and Brenton will all go to Bendigo in March to compete in the Victorian primary Schools Tennis Championships. **The cross country:** Training for our school and Interschool Cross Country events has been underway for some time. On Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April our Year 3/4 students will compete in their 2km event at 9.30am and at 10.15 the 5/6 unit will compete in the annual 3km event. The interschool cross country will be held at Hanging Rock early in May.

**Supporting the Community:** Envelopes soliciting financial assistance for the Royal Children's Hospital Appeal were distributed this week. I commend this annual appeal to you in requesting your financial support. Next month small metal enamel badges in the shape of children will be on sale for \$2 in aid of the Save the Children Appeal.

**CURRICULUM EVENINGS: School Information Nights** have now been formally conducted by each unit in the school. The parents who attended have found them very helpful. We have an open door policy at Romsey and so if you have any queries regarding the progress of your child, you should be aware that teachers are happy to hold interviews with you at any mutually convenient time throughout the year. I would stress however that Monday afternoons are not available for this purpose as teachers have other administrative commitments and it is also unwise to hold interviews at the classroom door. When making interview appointments it is always wise to give advance warning as to the topics to be discussed so that the appropriate staff member can gain the information required and provide you with informed and accurate answers.

If you have queries regarding any of our programs, please feel free to ask.

*Trevor Turnham* - Principal



## **C.F.A. AUXILIARY**

Thanks to the Romsey Art Group, the C.F.A. raised in the region of \$2,000 over the weekend of their exhibition. Thankyou to all who helped in their many ways.

It has been a busy two weeks. Apart from catering in our own group we made ourselves available to the Red Cross while "the heat" was on over in Macedon.

It is nice to know folk are willing to drop everything and run to aid others. Thanks everyone.

The next Auxiliary meeting is 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 1998 at 8pm at Headquarters. All Welcome.

Helen Watts - Secretary.

## **ROMSEY & DISTRICT NETBALL ASSOCIATION**

**Annual General Meeting  
Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> March, 1998  
7.30pm.**

In the Supper Room,  
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Cnr. The Crescent & High  
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Junior & Senior Teams must  
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**Enquiries: M. Skinner  
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Some of our athletes travelled to Albury in mid February for two very hot days - both of weather and competition! Personnel Bests' came thick and fast at the Little Athletics Regional Championships and by the end of the weekend all our athletes had improved their pb's. Michael Francis, Chris Laguda, Bianca Laguda and Trivess Moore from this Centre will be advancing to the State Championships at Olympic Park later this month. In the meantime we still have three competition days (Saturday 7th, Saturday 14th and Wednesday 18th) before our own Centre Championships on the 28th of March.

The summer season finishes with the presentation and BBQ on Friday evening (April 3rd).

Information on Little Athletics - 5429 1751 or 5429 6089

## **Hesket Highlights**

Hesket Primary School is extremely proud of the achievements of both past and present students.

At the end of 1997 ex Hesket students completing year 7, excelled at local secondary schools :

Dux at Braemar College, Dux at Kyneton Secondary College, Academic Excellence Awards at Gisborne and Kyneton Colleges, High distinction gradings for other students at Braemar and Straight A's for a student who went to Niddrie Secondary College.

Another outstanding performance was the Hesket Guitar Students winning the Grand Gold Medal for 1997 at Christine's Music School. This was in open competition at a concert held in December.

The schools Demonstration Skipping Team again thrilled the crowd at the Woodend Carols By Candlelight. The children displayed their excellent skipping skills and fitness. They are sponsored by the National Heart Foundation and their training and state wide performances continue to be an important aspect of the childrens' development, both in fitness and self confidence.

Our annual school concert was held for the first time in the Romsey Mechanics Hall. The childrens' polished performances delighted the large audience, many of whom were proud grandparents who had been keen to attend.

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The summer season is coming to a close with the finals in progress at the moment. The section one senior team has done very well to make the finals finishing fourth after the home and away matches. Section eight in the juniors are also contesting the finals and we wish both teams well in their upcoming games. All teams acquitted themselves well throughout the year and had an enjoyable season, well done.

The new winter season commences in the first week of May and

ANYONE WISHING TO PLAY for the club would be made most welcome and we would love to hear from you, please contact either of the people below.

Current members are also reminded that those who are available for comp. should contact Les as soon as possible as teams have to be in by 21st March.

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## WOMEN'S GOLF - ROMSEY.

Wednesday 4th of March marked the opening day of our regular season and Helene Newnham, one of our life members, officially opened the golfing year at the presentation of our President/Captain's day. This was a well attended day with teams coming from as far away as Yea and Melton Valley as well as local surrounding teams including Lancefield and Mt Macedon. Altogether we had ten visiting teams and three teams of our own competing in the wonderful autumn weather. The runners-up for the day were our own Pam Bray and Beth LeNepveu whilst the winners from Melton Valley were Joy Blake and Jean Davis with a very good nett score.

Our annual "Bring a Friend" day was again very successful with a total of 23 ladies participating. The weather was hot and windy (25/2/98!!!!) but most of us enjoyed the friendly game of Ambrose. The winning score for the day was from the team consisting of Shirley Shelton, Elaine Ireland and their friends Linda Wadden and Karen Clement. Elaine is a fairly new member who is improving every game, Shirly of course was the experienced, consistent one and Linda and Karen provided the back up support that is so essential in the game of Ambrose.

Most of the new (and old) friends had a wonderful time and especially enjoyed the lovely lunch afterwards. If anyone would like to join us on a Wednesday morning you would be made more than welcome and we would love to see you (9 o'clock in the clubhouse) Do come and try out this wonderful game.

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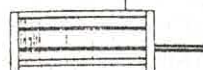
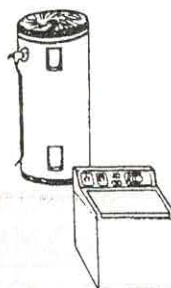
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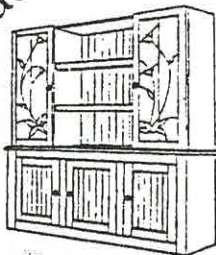
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## VICTORIA POLICE

As a result of efforts made by two local youths Simon MUIR and Ben PAYNTON the idea of building a B.M.X track in Lancefield has become a feasible proposition.

Approaches have been made to the Lancefield Park Committee and the Macedon Ranges Shire Council. The park committee have generously made available an area within the park on which to build the track, the Shire have offered to supply all the materials required.

The next step is to lobby for support within the local community to actually build the track. To this purpose a public meeting will be held at the Lancefield Mechanics Hall on Tuesday Night at 8.00 p.m. the 10th of March 1998.

At this point in time our enthusiasm is high but our resources both human and mechanical are limited. We require parents, kids, friends and generally anyone who wants to see the track built and is prepared to lift a shovel to come forth. A front end loader or backhoe or two would speed up proceedings immensely.

If your are able to assist in any way or just want to hear what is happening please come to the meeting.

It is anticipated at this time that the actual working bee to build the track will be held on Sunday the 29<sup>th</sup> of March 1998. This date will be dependent on availability of materials and will hopefully be confirmed by the time of the meeting.

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### February Meeting

**T**his month, Deb Burge gave us a taste of what is FREE with Windows 95. We learnt how to set up and use Microsoft Exchange and Microsoft Fax. If you have a modem connected to your PC, you may have a fax machine and not know it. Further details are in the club's quarterly news letter.

Free software will be a recurring theme as we endeavour to assist you with utilising your computer to its fullest extent at minimal additional cost.

We also had an impromptu hardware solving session when unfortunately, the Club's PC decided to pack it in. We had to transfer the disks to a second machine that Deb had fortunately brought along.

Notice a change to our logo? The Macedon Ranges Computer Club has finally become an incorporated body. Thanks to all who helped us in reaching this important milestone.

### FUTURE MEETINGS

**Third Sunday of each month**  
**Mar 15, Apr 19 and May 17**  
**2:00 p.m. at BUNGAWITTA (old**  
**primary school) in ROMSEY**  
**Bring a plate for afternoon tea**

### Next Meeting - March 15th

As part of our ongoing commitment to our membership, we will be holding another of our problem solving sessions. This is where good feedback is received between all who attend. If you are experiencing any particular hardware or software problems, bring your PC along

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and some of our more knowledgeable members may be of assistance.

As usual our meetings are open to all members of the general public and entry is FREE! Both experienced computer users and first timers will be able to gather the latest information on both the current and future technology.

### Club Contacts

**President:** Stuart McMinn - 5429 5563; [stuartm@internet.net.au](mailto:stuartm@internet.net.au)  
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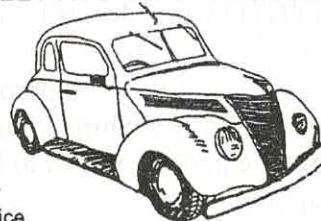
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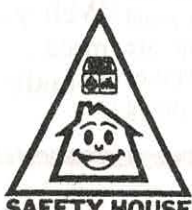
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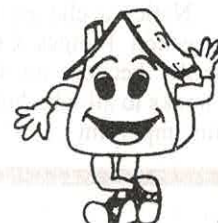
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