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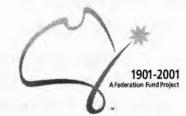
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As we go to print final details are being put in place for the official opening of the track by Mr. Neil O'Keefe on Australia Day. Newnhams Earthmoving and Mustey's Earth Moving have supported our efforts to the fullest a kindly placed a marker at the Romsey and Lancefield ends of the Track.

Brass plaques commemorating this very historical event in our both town's history are being placed on these rocks for all to see in the future. A full report of the day's events will be listed in the next edition of the Rag.

Margaret Howatson, Secretary.



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in theory, the amount of child support assessed in commensurate with the income, earning capacity, property and financial resources of both parents.

Where the formula assessment is claimed to result in an amount of child support which is unjustly high because of 'special circumstances, either of the parents can seek a departure from the rate administratively assessed.

For example, in H v H (1999)FLC 98-010 a father applied for a departure order, namely that his child support liability be reduced from \$40 per week

per child for the two children of the marriage who were aged 9 and 6 years.

The father had limited earning capacity because his lower left leg had been amputated after a work injury, and he was currently unemployed.

In October 1998 he had received \$215,000 by way of a WorkCare payment which he used to purchase a farm property.

In discussing the husband's application for a reduction in child support liability, the Family Court said that had the husband set aside 20% of his WorkCare payment as a fund on which he could draw child support, he would have been able to meet his child support obligations and still have left a sum to place a deposit on a property.

Therefore the circumstances of the case did not fit within one of the grounds for a departure order.

In assessing whether there are special

circumstances to depart from a formula assessment of child support based on the payer's decreased income, a court will look at the reasons for the drop in income, the payer's earning capacity and the payer's assets and financial resources.

This item has been prepared by Maureen Wiltshire, Solicitor of Main Street Romsey. Readers should not act only on the basis of material contained in this item because the contents are of a general nature only and may be liable to misinterpretation in particular circumstances. Changes to legislation occur quickly.

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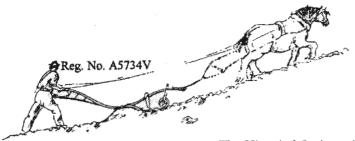
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The Historical Society will be planning its calendar of events at its first Annual General Meeting for the year on Tuesday February 27th at the historic Seymour Cottage, Palmer Street, Romsey at 8.00pm You are most welcome to come, share a cuppa and chat or pull

on the overalls and gardening gloves on Saturday 24th February from 9.00am for the first Working Bee of the year also at the Cottage. If you want further details direct your enquiries to the Secretary, Jean Clement on 54 29 5417.

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ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION

The Romsey Art Group's 20th Annual Art Exhibition will once again be held next year.

It will be at the Mechanics Hall, Main Road, Romsey, the Opening Night being Friday 23rd February, 2001 at 7.30pm.

This year the Country Women's Association, Romsey Branch is sponsoring the Exhibition and also including a Display of Patchwork, Quilting and Crafts from the central Highlands Group

The Exhibition will also be open on Saturday and Sunday 24th & 25th February from 10am - 4pm. An entrance fee of \$2.00 will be charged and morning and afternoon teas will be available.

The cost of the Opening Night will be \$20.00 per double, however prior payment will be accepted at \$18.00 per double.

If you would like an invitation please contact:

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An Exhibition of Chinese & Japanese Paintings by local artist

The Art Group is always looking for new members, so if you are an Artist and would like to join or for further information contact Jan Thomson on 5429 5634.

The Artists meet on Tuesday mornings at 9.00am at the CFA Rooms, Romsey.



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COMMUNITY BANK SHARE OFFER SOON TO CLOSE

Romsey residents will have to act quickly to ensure that they have a stake in our community owned and operated bank.

The share offer for the Community Bank is due to close on February 20, so people who have not yet subscribed should do so without delay.

With a successful capital raising through shares, the Community Bank project will see a community-owned Bendigo Bank branch open in Lancefield, and priority work towards the establishment of a facility in Romsey.

The chairman of Lancefield & Romsey Community Financial Services, Brian Russell, said the Romsey component of the project would probably see an agency open as the first step, with a view to expanding to a full Bendigo Bank branch as business and resident support built up.

Prominent Romsey residents, solicitor Maureen Wiltshire and businessman Doug Newnham, are members of the board.

Information forums were held last month (January) and prospectuses have been widely distributed through the district to generate the minimum \$295,000 in capital needed to take the final step in the project - recruit staff to open the bank and fit out the Lancefield premises in the former Westpac branch in High St.

"The whole board is committed to also establishing a facility in Romsey as a priority, with a view to expansion as support grows," Mr Russell said.

"Our prospectus requires a minimum of \$295,000 in share capital to open the bank. It has provision for an oversubscription of up to \$105,000 in additional capital, and we envisage that these extra funds would be important in progressing the ongoing development of services in Romsey."

Mr Russell said copies of the prospectus - the formal legal offer document and application form for shares - were mailed out to Romsey and Lancefield residents who pledged their support during the two-year project working towards the bank.

"The board is inviting those supporters to take out extra shares over and above the amount they pledged, and other residents of the district to also take this last chance to subscribe and be part of the ownership of our own bank," he said.

"The bank will be a major benefit to us all - not only to the shareholders, but to all the people and businesses of the district who can become customers and enjoy the benefits of personalised banking service

The Community Bank will operate as a full branch of the Bendigo Bank, with deposits and business protected under the normal banking arrangements that apply to all its branches.

Profits will be shared between Bendigo and the community company, Lancefield & Romsey Community Financial Services, with local profits being further divided into shareholder dividends and funds for projects of community benefit.

"We urge all residents of the district to take up the opportunity to collect a prospectus and purchase shares in our community-owned bank," Mr Russell said.

People wanting to collect a prospectus or seeking more details about taking out shares should ring Board members Maureen Wiltshire (5429 5292) or John Haslett (5429 1754), or Mr Russell (5429 2100).

(Media inquiries: Graeme Walker, Lancefield & Romsey Community Financial Services 9616 7296.)

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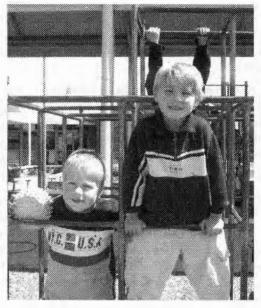
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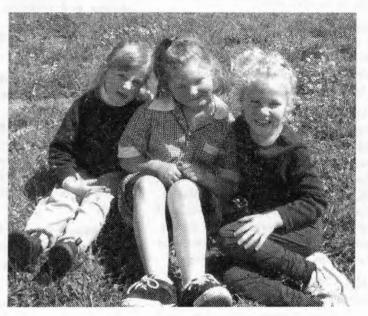
P s Starting School

With over fifty preps starting school this week for the first time it would be expected that there might be a few anxious moments from some of these young children and their parents as this next big step in these children's lives is taken. However the start to the school year has gone very smoothly at Romsey Primary School due in large part to the comprehensive transition program conducted throughout last year. All these young children have had regular visits to the school, firstly to familiarise them with the physical layout of the school grounds and to feel comfortable in this new environment. Children also have had a large number of classroom



visits, participating in a range of classroom activities. We have also had both younger and older children visiting the kindergarten, sharing story books and other activities to help allay any misgivings these new students may have in relation to play times with older children around. The efforts to ensure a happy and successful school life will continue throughout 2001. Additional information sessions will be held for parents in the next few weeks. Also the Parents as Helpers program will be offered for interested parents focussing on ways to effectively assist young learners in both classroom activities and at home.



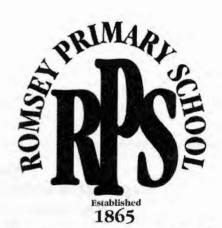


Information Technology

Romsey Primary School continues to expand the learning technology capability available to students with another significant upgrade computers for students. The school has another twenty-seven purchased computers and enhanced the school's curriculum network with the installation of a school wide radio link capability. "This will give teachers and students greater flexibility in how we use this educational facility in the school,' reported Information Technology coordinator Mr John Mackintosh. The school is committed to maintaining its tion at the forefront of schools in 1. .rea and continuing to enhance students' learning in all Key Learning Areas.

Quality in Schools

Romsey Primary School is embarking upon a major innovation with the school undertaking involvement with the Quality in Schools program this year. This is a twoyear program conducted by the Australian Quality Council, which initially involves a core team of teachers learning to use specific tools or strategies that can be used in a variety of situations to assess the effectiveness of the process or activity undertaken. Schools that have been involved in this program report that it has been one of the most significant professional development activities they have ever undertaken. The school has an expectation that the program will significantly impact on all areas of operation from classroom practices and management to administrative procedures.



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ST. MARY'S SCHOOL NEWS SCHOLARSHIPS

Three students from St. Mary's were the recipients of scholarships awarded last December by the local CW Lions Club and Rotary Club. While all students are to be commended for their achievements in education and citizenship, we are very proud of the three students who have been recognised in this way. We also appreciate the support of the three organisations which awarded the scholarships which will be used for Secondary school needs.

<u>Jessica Fewster</u> was the recipient of the CWA scholarship. Jessica will be attending Year 7 at Salesian College, Sunbury.

Tom Unsworth was the surprised student who received the scholarship from the Rotary Club. Tom is enrolled at Sacred Heart College, Kyneton.

<u>Damian Pendlebury</u> was the winner of the essay competition 'TRY RUGS NOT DRUGS' which was conducted by the Lions Club. Damian - will continue his education at Assumption College.

After a very happy and successful year 2000, St. Mary's School Community is looking forward to another busy interesting year. Due to the gradual increase in enrolments, the year 2001 will see some changes at St. Mary's. Approximately 180 eager children will begin the school year in seven classes. Additional classroom space has been provided to cater for this number.

Mr. Pete Vanstan, who has contributed a great deal to St. Mary's over the past three years, has been appointed Deputy Principal at St.

Catherine's in Melton.

We are pleased to welcome

Mr. Brendon Lawlor

as Deputy Principal and Grade 6 Teacher.

Also joining our enthusiastic staff are Mrs. Shelly Thrum who has recently moved to Lancefield and Mrs. Sue Gale who is known to many as a regular Emergency Teacher.

Approximately 30 Prep children are being accommodated in two Prep/Gr. I classes.

The Transition Program conducted throughout the latter half of last year has made settling in to school much easier for these children. A similar program will be held this year for new families and students. Parents are reminded to complete Expression of Interest Forms for all children not yet at school.

The major Curriculum venture this year will be to continue the CLASS Literacy Program. The Reading component was introduced last year and we look forward to similar results with the writing component. This is an intensive program in grades Prep, I and 2 with methods extending across the school.

St. Mary's Country Harvest Fair & Market will be held on Friday 16 Ih November an exciting event to mark on your calendar!

Paul 's Milk Cap are being collected as a

fundraiser for St. Mary's - 10 cents for each cap. Please save your Milk caps and pasthem on to St. Mary's.

SACRAMENT PROGRAMS ST. MARY'S PARISH

Parents who wish their children to be included in this year's programs are asked to contact St. Mary's School **Office** for enrolment forms by Friday 16fl' February Phone: 5429 1359.

Programs will be held for Penance and Eucharist (Confession and Holy Communion) for Grade 3 children upwards and Confirmation for children in Grade 6. All enquiries to St. Mary's School please.

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DEAN JOHN MacCULLAGH GRAVE RESTORATION - AN UPDATE!

ank you to all those who supported the celebration afternoon and pilgrimage to the grave at the end of November. A wreath of red roses made by Joy Miller of Rochford was laid on the grave by Mrs. Anna Wood in memory of Elizabeth and John MacCullagh. Mr. Paul Doyle, archivist, St Paul's Cathedral, Bendigo, gave an excellent address on the life and times of John MacCullagh. Overall the afternoon raised \$450.

Good progress has been made on the grave. Huntly Barton (monumental mason, Kyneton) has done an excellent job in lifting the grave where it was badly sunken. He will do further work in this area and also concrete the top.

Remaining work then is:

- 1. New pebbles to be spread on top;
- 2. Repainting the fence (voluntary labour);
- 3. Cleaning of marble tablets.

Why not give a visit to the Lancefield Cemetery and see for yourself!

More money is needed for the completion of the work and welcome donations may be sent to: The MacCullagh Grave Account, c/- Mrs. G. Mitchell, Redwood Drive, Romsey (Tel: 5429 6418).

Doreen Morgan, (Hon Sec) St. Paul's Anglican Guild, Romsey.

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COUNCIL NEWS - MT WILLIAM WARD

Here we are, well into 2001, and after a bit of breather, the pace of life is speeding up again. I hope you have all had some sort of break and are feeling refreshed. For me, there has been some time to reflect and prepare for the year ahead. I have re-read my original goals as a Macedon Ranges councillor and find that their general direction is unchanged. I continue to be absolutely committed to effective community consultation and communication and am pleased to report that this commitment exists throughout the Council and senior management. Your participation whenever you can, with a positive attitude, will ensure that your wisdom contributes to the flourishing of our community.

My commitment to environmental issues is more solid than ever. The draft Natural Environment Strategy will be adopted early this year and will provide an excellent framework for many action plans to be developed to address environmental concerns. One of these is for the development of wildlife corridors to link our remaining areas of wildlife habitat. Already this work has lead to partnerships being developed with neighbouring Shires for a regional approach to wildlife corridors. A project application to the National Hertitage Trust is being developed for significant funding to assist in linking the Cobaw and Macedon Ranges. Action plans are also under way for:

Improvement to the Vegetation Overlay of the planning scheme; and Recycling and Waste Minimisation.

These action plans will provide a model to be used in developing many other plans to address environmental issues effectively.

I will be closely involved in the Rural Land Review, which will be starting shortly. With the community, a vision for our rural land will be developed which balances key issues such as changing land use, environmental protection and development pressures. This will provide Council with direction and policies into the future, for appropriate development of the rural areas of our Shire. The outcomes will be incorporated into the planning scheme through the amendment process. I want to see this important process approached in a really creative way with many ideas from Australia and the world stimulating and enriching our thinking. Please participate in this community consultation if you possibly can and let us know of any interesting developments or policies you hear about, please let me know or contact Gerard Holwell (Manager Planning & Building) on 5422 0305.

Councillors and officers have been increasing their advocacy role on behalf of the Macedon Ranges community on a wide range of issues lately, including fuel pricing, road funding, local health partnerships. strategic transport planning. Watch the Shire page in the local papers and the Shire Update for news of these issues. In particular, action in relation to the threat of downgrading of Clarkfield railway station, has resulted in an assurance from the Transport Minister, Peter Bachelor, that the station would definitely not be closed. Any public transport in the Shire is important and we want to see improvement in services not downgrading.

New shire staff: We have a new Social Planner, Community Development officer and Parks Development Officer all of whom are already providing very useful guidance in their areas. This focus on people through community planning is very pleasing and it will be great to see a more coordinated approach to caring for our parks. Appointments to our two environmental officer positions will be announced very soon.

Shire to employ its own Valuer: There will be many benefits in having our own valuer on staff, including improved

availability for ratepayers, timely processing of supplementary valuations and objections, improved communication with rates staff and participation in policy and systems development.

Expansion of Staffing at Romsey Shire Offices: Around 17 Shire staff in Parks & Recreation, Physical Works and Infrastructure & Assets, including the new Director of Community & Physical Services, Brian Lancaster, will now be located in Romsey.

The Lancefield Community Bank Prospectus is out! Show your support for your community by investing in the excellent initiative.

Grant of \$9130 to Macedon Ranges to develop Regional Transaction Centre concept for Lancefield.

Lancefield waste water consultation is finished The community has preferred the treatment to occur at Romsey, where upgrading to meet both Romseyis and Lancefield's future needs will be undertaken.

My attendance at the Australian Local Government Association General Assembly was very useful, expanding my understanding of local government issues from a national perspective and providing many of new ideas and contacts. An immediate benefit was the prize I won as a result of visiting the Cubok Interactives display - \$50 worth of website development for the Shire! Let us know what you would like on Shire site.

Till next time,
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Contact:.

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What's News

Welcome to 2001! I hope that everyone had a safe and enjoyable holiday time, especially those who were able to have a holiday!!

What does the coming year hold in store for us? Nobody really knows. Some know that they are going to a new school, or are starting a new job, or are facing new challenges with VCE, but even these have an element of the unknown.

For me, the unknown future is exciting. For some others, the possibilities are terrifying. The difference is faith. Faith is not blindly going forward without fear or thought. I still get scared, and I carefully consider my options before making a

sion (Just ask my wife!). But faith gives me hope that there is more than randomness and just what I can see. By trusting in a God who created this world and cares for this world, including me, the uncertainty is reduced.

I still don't know what the future holds for me or my family, but I have confidence that things will work out in the end, even if it is beyond this world. That's my faith, my belief and my hope. Where do you place your hope?

Rev Alan Williams

If you have any questions about the Christian faith or the church, please feel free to ask Rev Alan.



What's On

4 Feb 9:00am worship & Sunday School, including Holy Communion. This is the first day of Sunday School for 2001, so come along and make some new friends!

9 Feb 5:00-6:30pm KUCA Club meets at the church for a games night. KUCA is for children from grade 3 up to year 8, but there is a group for younger brothers and sisters.

1 1 Feb 9-00am worship & Sunday School, including a guest speaker from Gideons International.

14 Feb 1-30pm UCAF (Ladies Guild) meets at the church for the annual Commitment Service.

16 Feb 5:00-6:30pm KUCA Club meets at the church.

18 Feb 9:00am worship & Sunday School.

23 Feb 5:00-6:30pm KUCA Club meets at the church.

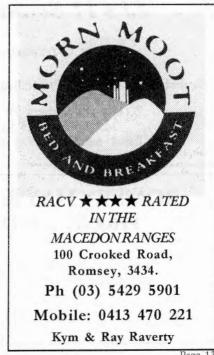
25 Feb 9-00am worship & Sunday School.

This will include the debut of the church's dance

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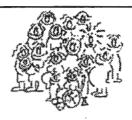
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