ROMSEY GOLF CLUB

Golf/Bowls Clubhouse

(Competition Times only)
Secretary, Kevin Dunn
President, Robert Preece
Membership Fees:
Ph. 97444585
Adults \$230
Juniors \$ 35

Competitions held on Saturdays at 12.00pm.

**NEW TUESDAY COMPETITION ** ALL WELCOME. 9.30 TEE OFF - \$5.00 ALL INCL. (Tea, Coffee & Biscuits provided)

The course is available for social groups with clubhouse facilities and bar by bookings only.

Results

23 June Par

B Warrener (18) +5

30 June Monthly Medal M Hoyt (29) net 65

7 July **John Laing Sheild Rnd 1** J Laing def L Wright 8/6

Stableford T Ellis 34 pts

14 July **John Laing Sheild Rnd 2**

R Rindzevicius def Joel Molloy 10/8

Stableford M Hoyt 38 pts

Keep your eye out for our "Paddock to Plate" Raffle tickets to help support the Club. Tickets are \$2 each and prizes are as follows:

1st Prize Beef & Lamb

2/3 body of prime beef and 1 whole lamb

packed ready for the freezer

2nd Prize Beef & Lamb

1/3 body of prime beef and 1 whole lamb

packed ready for freezer

3rd Prize Country Produce Hamper

Ladies Report

Results for this month

Wed 27th June, Wed July 4th, Wed July 11th—no play due to rain

Wed 18th Par (winner Beryl Cole

Now for the rest of the month. I travelled to Woodend, Wednesday June 27th for their Captains & Presidents day. The weather was blowing a gale and raining, after a few cups of tea they had a match committee meeting and decided the weather was too dangerous to play in. They were worried about trees falling as they had recently lost quite a few old trees. Later that same day a large tree fell on their clubrooms wiping out the ladies change rooms and the bar. No one complained that the day was called off

Thursday 5th July Hilda, Kath and myself ventured out to Euroa. Drove most of the way in the rain and a voice from the back seat KEPT asking do you think we will be playing. Answer "Yes *** its only rain." Well we hit off a little late and yes it was only rain, but the casual water was all around making it impossible to find somewhere to take relief. Eventually some greens succumbed to the water and became unplayable and most of the field was called off the course after playing 8 or 9 holes. Because they didn't want to drive on the course a couple of groups

were left out ploughing through the water until they were missed by their travelling team mates wanting to finish packing the car before changing out of our wet clothes. They played 11 holes. We will go back in September and hopefully the sun will shine on us next time.

Thursday 19th July An important day in the Romsey Calendar the **Romsey Bowl.**

The Romsey bowl was sponsored by the Romsey Pharmacy and we are very grateful for their sponsorship and sending a representative to present the trophies and join the ladies for lunch. The day was marred by heavy drizzle with poor visibility and the players that had entered arrived but were not enthusiastic about playing. We sent the 11 teams out and 4 of our members stayed out to help keep them moving in the right direction. Ladies found the course heavy and hard going, many of them said they had never been so cold before. The sun did shine for a instant and the weather did clear up for the last six holes after everyone was already wet. We had 8 ladies who found the going to tough and enjoyed the comforts of the heater and hot drinks inside while waiting for lunch.

Results on the day Winners of the bowl were a surprised Trentham team with 69 points.

The team consisted of Mary Campbell (20) 22pts, Shirley Shelton (19) 22 pts & Elaine Hanson (20) 25pts.

A Grade winner : Cheryl Collings (18) 33 pts from Trentham

B Grade: Winner Joan McDonald (30) 26 pts from Alexandra

NTP 10th Dale Stuart (8) Seymour.

Thanks must also be said to the Romsey men who maintain the course in the good condition it is in. We had



Elaine Hanson, Mary Campbell & Shirley Shelton

many comments about the greens and how fast they were. Special thanks to Matthew who was up early that morning mowing the greens prior to the start of play. All the work on the course is done by volunteers and they do an excellent job.

With the weather hopefully past the coldest pe-

riod if any lady wants to come for a hit of golf please come to the clubrooms 9am on a Wednesday morning and we will welcome you.

Recipe for the month

Pasta Medley

Pasta

4 rashers bacon finely chopped

1/4 cup parsley

1 egg

11/2 cups grated cheese

2 chicken breast fillets, chopped

½ cup cream

Pinch paprika

Cook bacon and chicken in saucepan until brown. Add parsley, cream, egg, paprika and cheese, heat until boiling. Stir in hot pasta and toss lightly.

Beryl Cole 54295411

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Community Forum

Romsey Hub - Romsey Community House

An Open Invitation to All Community Groups and Organisations and Interested Residents

Tuesday August 28th at 7.00 pm at Romsey Primary School

Building work has now commenced on the Romsey Hub development incorporating the old shire office and the old post office buildings, and is due for completion in about 12 months. This is a very exciting and significant development for our community, and it is vital that the facility is utilized to its fullest potential.

The Romsey Community House is one of the major stakeholders in this project, and the committee recognizes that it is most important to start planning now how to best achieve this. The committee therefore would like to invite you to attend this forum.

The purpose of this forum is to:

- Acquaint all community groups and organizations with the facilities that will be available once the Hub is complete.
- Explore how the facilities and services offered within the Hub may be used by community groups.
- Explore how the Community House may be able to support and assist other groups in the community by the provision of activities, facilities, and targeted (and specifically funded) programs.
- Explore how other groups in the community may be able to support the Community House in establishing and maintaining a high profile as a viable community resource within the Romsey township.

It is most important to stress that the Hub is a facility for **all** members of our community, and if all groups and organizations (and individuals) can come together to strategically plan how to best utilize it, the outcome for our residents can only be a positive one.

Could you please indicate your attendance by contacting Karyn Gottschling on or Robyn Moore on 5429 6445.

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From Joanne Duncan MP - Member for Macedon

Dear Friend

I have been privileged to recently chair the Parliamentary Committee enquiry into the impact of public land management practices on bushfires in Victoria. Hearing the stories and submissions from the various groups and individuals who were affected by these fires gives thought to our own volunteers in the Macedon Ranges.

Both the CFA and SES men and women give their time and often put their lives at risk for others. They are the epitome of what 'community' means, an often much misused word today. Volunteers come from all walks of life, they have diverse backgrounds, interests and skills. One thing common to them all is their desire to put something back into their community

After the fires of summer we now have winter storms to cope with, and again it is our emergency service volunteers that come to the rescue. So thank you to these amazing men and women who contribute their knowledge, skills and time to help others.

Thank you must also go to the families of all volunteers who provide the necessary support to allow volunteers the time and commitment needed to respond and assist those communities in need. And acknowledgement must be paid to employers of the volunteers who have given time off work to assist with the response to community needs throughout the fire, flood and storm activities of recent months.

Warm regards
Joanne Duncan MP
Member for Macedon

HOW YOU CAN HELP THE ROMSEY RAG

The Romsey Rag is always looking out for more articles and more volunteers. If you have an group, organisation, event or just an interesting story that you want published please use the Rag as vehicle for getting your message across. Publicising the activities and events of clubs and not-for-profit groups within our community is free in the Rag!

We also need volunteers to help with the task of collating the Rag each month. We now have a circulation of 2000 copies, and the more people we have putting the Rag together the easier the task. It only requires a couple of hours once a month on a Thursday morning and you are guaranteed of a friendly reception. If you can help please contact Joan Sparkes on 5429 5848.

Crohn's Disease And Colitis Support Group

If you suffer from Crohn's Disease or Colitis and you are interested in starting a local support group please contact

Louise 5426 2129 Nancy 5429 5087 or Shirley 5429 5755 Partners also welcome. The Romsey Rag August 2007



The Anglican Parish of Lancefield and Romsey



VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE.

Hasn't it been great to see the amount of water the God has provided for the land of late? Evidence of this can be found in the fullness of our dams and the amount of surface water on the sides of the road. Not to mention the snow that fell in the area recently. We can store these experiences in our minds or through photos and by writing them down we can pass them onto our children and grandchildren.

Another thing we believe is important at our church to pass on is the Christian Faith. Churches (gatherings of God's people) don't stay alive unless the Christian faith is passed on. One of the best places for that to happen is the family home and probably the most vital place for that to happen. In my recent reading, I have found a book that will help those who are willing pass on the Christian Faith to their young children. The name of the Book is "Raising Kids with Faith". It has contributions by 15 different authors who work with children in churches as well as having children themselves. The book contains many valuable tips on passing on the Christian Faith to those who want their children to live with Christian Values as spelt out in the Bible (the only source for finding Christian values).

If you are interested in getting a copy, then I would be more than happy to order you one for the cost of \$5.00. Please contact me on the number below, if you wish to obtain a copy.

That's this month's foundation building view from the vicarage.

Rev. Leroy Coote

Vicar

Christ Church Lancefield with St. Paul's Romsey.

Regular Events

You are cordially invited to any of our Services: 9:00am at Romsey located at 77 Main Street, Romsey and 10:30am (with children's program) at Lancefield located at 33 Chauncey St., Lancefield. All our Services are "Worshipful, Anglican and Relevant."

Our Church Youth Group meets from 5pm – 7pm every Sunday Evening in the Lancefield Church hall. Cost \$3.00 to cover dinner. Anyone in Grades 5 – 9 at school welcome. Come along and see what fun activities we do. All welcome and all our leaders have up to date "Working with Children's Checks".

For further details on any of our activities, please contact the office on 5429-1380.

In Case of Emergency..... ICE FACT SHEET

What is ICE?

- ICE (In Case of Emergency) encourages people to store emergency contact details in their mobile phones under the word ICE—In Case of emergency
- During an emergency and ICE contact can make it quicker and easier for police and emergency services workers to get in contact with someone who can help with vital information.

How do I use ICE?

- Type the acronym ICE followed by a contact name (for example ICE—David) into the address book of your mobile phone.
- Save the phone number.
- 3. Tell the ICE contact you have nominated them as your emergency contact.

ICF Advice

- Your ICE partner should have a list of people to contact on your behalf eg. Friends, family, your place of work.
- The number used for ICE should be easy to contact eg. A home number could be useless in an emergency if the person works full time.
- Your ICE partner should know your blood type and any medical conditions that could affect your emergency treatment—for example, any allergies or current medications.
- If you or your preferred contact is deaf, prefix the number with ICETEXT.
- If you wish to have more than one ICE contact, save the entries as ICE 1, ICE 2, ICE 3 etc.
- ICE <u>is not a</u> substitute for the common sense steps you should take to notify friends or relatives when you are going out or going on a trip.

Important points to note:

- A security PIN on your phone means police and emergency services will not be able to access your ICE contact.
- If you are under 18, your ICE partner needs to be a parent or guardian authorised to make decisions on your behalf, eg. If your situation requires medical intervention of a serious or urgent nature.

ICE in Victoria:

- In Victoria the police will normally be the organisation to make contact with the family of accident or emergency victims, and will usually do this in person. It is possible that the emergency services will also make contact with family members in specific circumstances.
- Victoria's police and emergency services have well practised processes in place to contact family members. However ICE is a welcome additional tool to complement their existing procedures.
- ICE is another information source that is available to the police and emergency services in circumstances where existing family contact processes are unable to be used.

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'THE SHOW MUST GO ON' -LANCEFIELD FARMER'S MARKET **STALLHOLDERS RESOURCEFUL IN TOUGH TIMES**

With crops affected first by drought and then by wet weather, stallholders at Lancefield & District Farmers' Market are nothing if not resourceful.

Katie Findlay of Mt Alexander Fruit Gardens, a regular vendor of fruit at the Lancefield Farmers' Market, has run out of fruit but will still be at the July market, selling homemade jams and jellies made from the 'seconds'.

"First we had the drought, then a bird plague finished off the damage," she said. "We ran out of apples five months early! However, we had a lot of good seconds, all totally spray free, which we are using the fruit 'seconds' to make jams and jellies and we will have a fine range of those at the market."

Among the range will be apple jelly, quince jelly and jam, cumquat marmalade and spicy Indian tomato pickle.

Black Hill Apiaries Graham Connell said that the season had been a difficult one for all primary producers, with the long hit dry spell.

"As we only harvest within the local area many normally regular species did not yield at all. Some species flowered profusely but yielded poorly. Over the last few years the flowering patterns have varied wildly from the norm," he

Nevertheless they will have a good range of honey for sale, including the local Messmate Honey which is very popular.

"This dark honey is harvested from the Macedon area and the eucalyptus species only yields nectar every four-five years," Graham said. "All the colonies have been wintered down in readiness for - hopefully - a long wet winter."

Lizette Snaith of Warialda Beef said that, as they like to use as much of each animal as possible, they will have hides from their cattle for sale at the July Lancefield Farmers' Market.

"They retail between \$650 - \$800 each and are about 2.5m square", Lizette said.

They will also have Italian salami made from their beef, as well as their range of beef cuts and pates.

Pam Brajevic from Barfold Olives said that their marinated olives are really popular.

"We have the traditional Kalamata olives marinated with herbs, and our green olives, Hardy's Mammoth either with chili or herbs - all are Estate grown and marinated in the traditional style to keep their crisp, nutty flavours," she said. "Also our infused extra virgin olive oils - lemon, basil, garlic and chilli - but especially garlic and basil, are much sought after for their sensational aromas and taste. All our extra virgin olive oils are first pressed/cold extracted, and Barfold Olives do everything from 'the tree to the bot-

The next Lancefield & Districts Farmers' Market will be held on Saturday July 28th in the wide central plantation running down Lancefield's High Street, and will run from 9am-1pm. Apart from all the local produce for sale, there is always entertainment, such as face painting, music provided by local musicians, a sausage sizzle and hot coffee provided by the local cafes lining the high street.

"ATTENTION CITY COMMUTERS"

The Lancefield Romsey Commuter Bus offers a Mon-Fri return service direct to the CBD at the cheapest rate available in the shire. Currently \$40.00 per week for permanent travelers. Departs Lancefield General Store 6.35am, 3 pick up points in Romsey, arrives CBD 7.40am Departs Cnr William & Latrobe Sts 5.20pm, arrives back in Romsey & Lancefield 6.30pm



The Romsey Rag August 2007

From Cr Henry Bleeck

Coaching the kids on road safety

Teaching road safety to the younger members of our community is of vital importance, and it's pleasing to see an active and innovative program operating in the Macedon Ranges Shire during recent years. Many of our youngsters travel to school by bus - and statistics show that the few seconds around getting on and off are danger periods for pedestrian accidents. The Macedon Ranges Local Safety Committee also had concerns about the problem of safety around the buses, and believed an awareness campaign was needed.

Sen-Const Joe Grbac and local Traffic Safety Education Senior Programs Officer Gavin MacDonald have played a key role in presenting an innovative bus safety program to large numbers of

students attending primary schools in the Shire. And Bus Association Victoria has an excellent pamphlet, Safe Bus Travel, which I urge every parent to get hold of.

There are several key steps which parents can take to minimise any risks to their children around the school bus. If they're picking up their child from the bus stop, they should park on the same side of the road as the bus will pull up. One of the dangers is children running across the road to mum or dad's car, excited to tell them about their day at school. If you're parked on the same side as the bus, the kids aren't running onto the road. Motorists should also be aware when they're passing stationary buses that there's a danger that children might suddenly dart onto the road. Older children are role models for the youngsters, so it's important they display good road sense around buses and lead by example. Children should give themselves plenty of time to get to the bus stop, so they don't have a lapse in attention while trying to ensure they don't miss their ride. If there are no footpaths, the youngsters should walk to the stop on the side of the road facing the traffic – and wear something bright.

At the stop, the key rules are:

- Stay well back from the roadside while waiting for the bus. Most buses have an 'over-hang' at the front, to accommodate people stepping up from the gutter.
- Don't push or shove others when you see the bus approaching.
- Wait until the bus stops completely before going near the door.
- Enter the bus in an orderly manner.

Any parents wanting more information about traffic safety education or the excellent bus safety program which has operated in our Shire should ring Gavin MacDonald c/o Gisborne Secondary College on 5428 3691 or Sen-Const Grbac at Kyneton police station on 5422 1377.

Romsey Art Group

Henry Bleeck.

Your Local Macedon Ranges Shire Councillor.

5422 7027

Storytime at Romsey Library Tuesday 10.30am Come along & join in the fun!!

Pre-school

Romsey Artist group was founded in 1978 and over this time to the present day we have been able to help with funding at C.F.A. headquarters for the basic essentials. Donations up until the present time have raised approximately \$56,000, all of which has been used for essential equipment. Some has been used for a fridge, curtains and equipment and other items for the extensions at C.F. A. Headquarters in Romsey. The Romsey Artist Group meets on Tuesdays at C.F.A. headquarters. Please feel free to join in.

Art Competition

The Art Group is running an Art Competition for primary school children. Entries depicting either Springtime, Dance or Sport are invited. Entries should be no bigger than A4 size. The closing date is October 4th. Please make sure you include your name, class, and school. Judges are local artists. Winners will be announced in the October edition of the Romsey Rag. Entries can be left at Romsey Primary School.

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Romsey Primary School News

Musical Production

Our Senior (Years 5 & 6) students are currently working on this year's musical production "I Love the Knight Life" – a retelling of the legend of King Arthur with a very modern twist. All our students in these year levels are participating in the production- and there is a flurry of activity currently with the construction and painting of sets, the preparation of costumes and of course the learning and practicing of lines and songs. The production will be on 15, 16, 22 and 23 August in the school's Performing Arts Centre. Tickets will go on sale on 6th August.



Welcome to Ms Katrina Khoo

At the commencement of this term we welcomed Ms Katrina Khoo to the Romsey Primary School teaching staff as our new LOTE (Indonesian) teacher. Ms Khoo brings to our school a strong background in teaching at all year levels and will enable the school to continue its strong commitment to this area of the school curriculum established over many years.



Police Band Performance

The students were treated to a performance of the Police Band on the first Thursday of term. The program entertained and delighted students and staff with lots of interaction between band members and the audience. This performance helped to build positive relationships between the police and the community as well imparting some positive safety messages. Local Police members Russell and David were in attendance and were introduced to the students. Through this program police were seen by the students as approachable, friendly and helpful.

Winter Wonderland

While we came back to school this term with an icy Antarctic blast there was great excitement from our students when the skies opened up and dumped snow on Romsey. For most of our students it was the first time they had seen snow in real life. A number of classes including these preps took advantage of this rare experience and ventured outside to sample the snow for themselves.



New Flagpole

Our new flagpole now forms a central feature of the entrance to the school grounds. Work was completed on this project over the school holidays. The timber edging will enable this area to be planted with indigenous plants. The flagpole was made possible by a grant provided by the Federal Government.



Buildings & Grounds Development

While the school holidays may have been a time of some rest for our students we continued to push forward with a number of buildings and grounds projects. During this time we had:

- A major upgrade of the school's Information & Communication Technology Network. This has involved the installation of fibre optic cable and network switches. This forms the first phase of the Investing in Our Schools ICT upgrade made possible through our successful submission for funds through the Federal Government. This project will be completed with the provision of a number of interactive white-boards in classrooms.
- A concrete path constructed linking the southern (White Avenue) path to the basketball courts
- Concreting around the base of the drinking taps adjacent to the Performing Arts Centre
- Installation of stone features in the semi-circle areas in the courtyard
- Completion of flashing as part of the roofing upgrade in the relocatable atrium area.

Enrolment 2008

Romsey Primary School Information packages with enrolment forms have been distributed to local kindergartens. If you would like to receive one of these but have missed out please contact the school. We are always happy to talk to parents about our great programs, wonderful learning environment and facilities- call in and make as appointment. Enrolments for next year are being accepted now. If you are intending to send your child to Romsey Primary School in 2008, we would appreciate having the enrolment form to school by the end of August.

Barney Healy Principal The Romsey Rag August 2007

Romsey & Cancefield Districts Historical Society Inc.
P.O. Box 11,
Romsey, 3434.

Childhood Memories

At our next general meeting on Tuesday August 28th, you are invited to join us to listen to, or tell, your favourite child-hood memories. If possible, please WRITE them for us to keep! We meet at Seymour Cottage, Palmer Street, Romsey at 7.30pm, in the kitchen with an open fire—just the atmosphere to reminisce and recall those memories of childhood.

There will be a brief update beforehand, of Historical Society matters, and a cuppa and a chat afterwards. Visitors are always made most welcome, so do mark the date on your calendar.

Enquiries to Secretary jean Clement—5429 6522.

A blast from the past:

From "The Romsey Examiner" - Thursday July 25th, 1957.

Speedster Fined Twenty Pounds

The first case arising out of the 30 miles per hour speed limit in Romsey township came before Mr A. O'Connell, S.M., at the Romsey Court on 19th July, 1957, and penalty of twenty pounds inflicted by the Bench should act as a deterrent to the many who, up to the present, more often ignore the regulation than obey it.

First Constable Davies proceeded against Graham Calcutt, of Joanna Court, Mt. Waverley, for exceeding the speed limit of 30 m.p.h., in Main Street, Romsey, on 12th April 1957.

Evidence was f\given that the defendant drove through Romsey at a speed of 55 miles per hour. A fine of twenty pounds was imposed.



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Coordinator Elsie Parkinson 5429 6327 or 0422 860 486





Col and Jan are being used powerfully to touch their homeland of Australia. Col has spoken at The Great Hall in Federal Parliament as well as Parliament House Brisbane and Sydney. In 2003 Col was Nominated for Australian of the Year.

His daily radio segments 'True Blue Faith' are heard around the nation. In 2004 Col had an earned doctorate conferred upon him by a University in Florida USA in recognition of his research and writings on Australia's Christian Heritage.

Col and Jan Stringer are in high demand to speak at meetings and conventions all over the world.

Wednesday 15th August 2007

10am ~ 'Inspire' Women's Meeting with <u>Jan Stringer</u>

7:30pm ~Evening meeting with Col Stringer

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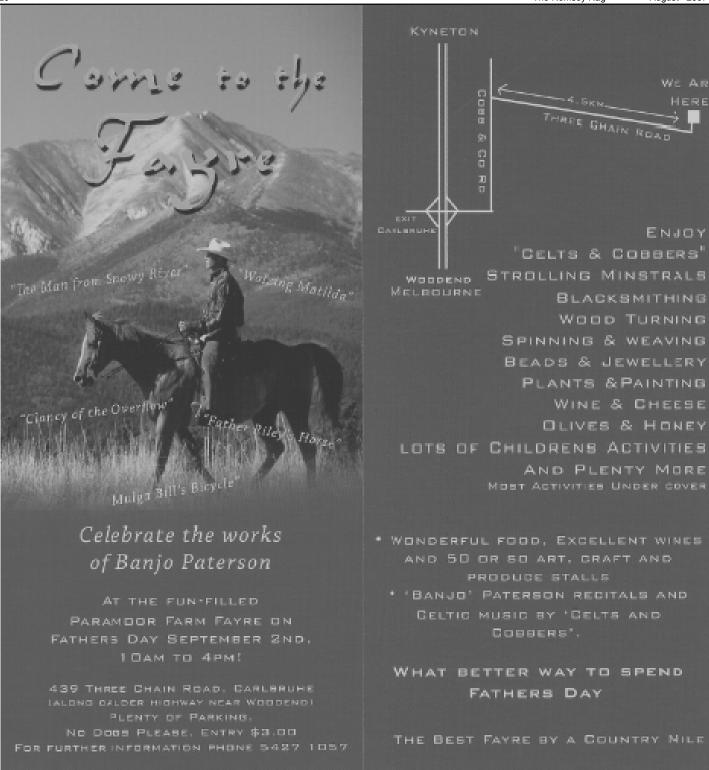
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PROFILE

Paramoor Farm Fayre Celebrates Banjo Paterson

Yes, the fun-filled Paramoor Farm Fayre is on again - Father's Day, Sunday September 2 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.!

Wonderful food, excellent wines and 50 or so delightful local art, craft and produce stalls complete a wonderful day out for Dad and the family - and it's all under cover!

What better way to spend Father's Day!

This year we are celebrating the songs and poems of the great Banjo Paterson. Listen to the "Celts and Cobbers" folk poets and musicians as they recite "The Man From Snowy River", "Clancy Of The Overflow", sing "Waltzing Matilda" and many other Australian and Celtic songs!

There's plenty to entertain the children - and they will learn more about this great Australian at the same time.

Renew your acquaintance with Paramoor's splendid Clydesdales - not the type of horse ridden by Banjo, but he would have loved them too!

Come and enjoy the best family day in the Macedon Ranges.

Paramoor Farm - 439 Three Chain Road, Carlsruhe (along the Calder Highway near Woodend). Plenty of parking. No dogs please. Entry \$3.00.

For further information ring 5427 1057.

The Romsey Rag August 2007

What's Happening on the Wildlife Front?

Macedon Ranges Wildlife Network is a newly formed group of local wildlife carers, rehabilitators and wildlife enthusiasts, who would like to share with you some of their experiences and their commitment to our unique wildlife. We all believe that we are very privileged to live in a shire which still contains a rich diversity of native animals. We also believe that this rich diversity should be protected and its knowledge shared.



Currently we are developing our website www.mrwn.org.au—but it is not yet fully operational—give us time—we are all volunteers!

As we are all aware, our shire is in the firm grip of winter. No only do humans feel the cold and have numb fingers, red noses and sore backs from carting firewood—the wildlife in our shire is having the winter blues as well. The crew from the Macedon Ranges Wildlife Network has a few suggestions to get us through this icy time.

Did you know that our wildlife is mostly nocturnal? Meaning that kangaroos, wallabies, wombats and koalas and all of the rest are moving between their "sleeping areas" and their "feeding grounds" between dusk and dawn. And did you know that in winter, this coincides with the movement of motorists travelling in cars to and from the city at around 4.00pm to 8.00am?

Wildlife crossings are marked with a yellow sign and a black kangaroo symbol on them. By being aware, using your peripheral vision and slowing down, you could save yourself a dent in your car—and save us having to mend the broken bones of a native animal (or even having to euthanase it).

A lot of our wildlife keeps a very low profile in winter. It's called "torpor" and it's similar to hibernation. For example, you would not see any of the Chocolate Wattle Bats we have here in the shire on a frosty night—but give them a few degrees above zero and they happily zigzag at dusk after all those juicy moths.

Once the degrees drop, Rattus Rattus and Mus Mus move in. And I am talking here about those disgusting rats and mice that chew plaster and wiring. I bet that many of you may not be aware that we have native marsupial mice—Dunnarts and Anthechinus. And they are HIGHLY desirable to have in the house! Not only DON'T they chew on your muesli in the pantry, they eat and discourage the introduced vermin and cockroaches as well! Stay tuned for more snippets next edition. And stay warm! Your crew from the Macedon Ranges Wildlife Network.

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Summer season team entries

We are calling for all interested people for both junior and open Saturday tennis competition to contact us now. Summer season begins in third term – September.

Juniors - The beginner teams in section D will be playing matches on **Friday nights** for this summer season. Saturday morning competition will be for sections C, B and A. Please contact Mandy Green - 5429 5191 by Saturday 18th August. Open - These teams play on Saturday afternoons.

Congratulations!!!

To our section 1 Tuesday morning Ladies tennis

team. They have succeeded once again at winning this seasons Grand Final – well done to you all!

Our Thursday night section 2 team made it to the finals, but narrowly lost the first final.

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- Tennis racquets are also available for use, when hiring the

Please contact Bev on 5429 6189 or Kaye on 5429 5622, for court hiring or membership enquiries.

Annual General Meeting

All interested community members are welcome to attend our AGM to be held at the clubrooms in Park Lane, on Wednesday 12th September, at 7.30pm.

Club Contacts

Club coach – Andrew Peake 0412 225 792

Social Tennis – Thursday Morning at 10.30am – Eileen French 5429 3391

Mid-week Ladies

- Bev Beaumont - 5429 6189

Senior Saturday Tennis (Open)

- Bev Beaumont - 5429 6189

Junior Saturday Tennis

- Mandy Green - 5429 5191

Tennis coach

Andrew Peake, our professional club coach, can provide coaching from 5 years of age and for all ability levels, including social hitters and competition players.





Lancefield/Macedon Ranges Relay For Life 2008.

The Relay For Life fundraiser for the Cancer Council of Victoria is going ahead again next year. It will be held on the weekend of March 1st and 2nd at the Lancefield Park.

Now is the time to register a team and to start your fundraising. If you would like to register a team please contact the Relay For Life people on: 1300 65 65 85

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The next Romsey Market will be held on Sunday August 26th. New stall holders are always welcome. Enquiries: 0438-414-245 The market recommences in August

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Ripper Reads For August

Chain of Evidence - Garry Disher

The fourth title in Disher's Hal Challis series and unquestionably the best so far. To quote Peter Corris on the front cover, "Disher is delivering the best crime fiction around." The characterisation is spot on, even with the minor players, and the regular staff at Waterloo Police Station just keep developing more and more facets to their personalities and lives. Having dealt with drug dealers, murderers and other seedy aspects of police work in previous titles Disher carefully weaves his plot around the possibility of a paedophile ring operating on the Peninsula. Surprisingly Challis is absent from all this entails, caught up with his father's imminent demise in outback S.A. It is left to Sgt Ellen Destry to try and connect the chain of evidence that she painstakingly uncovers and the results are both surprising and shocking.

Sensational Sashiko - Sharon Pederson

Wow! If you have any interest in Japanese textiles at all then this is a great little book. If you not only have an interest in Japanese textiles but quilting and appliqué too then this little book will provide you with many design ideas, patterns and projects to keep you busy undertaking this traditional form of textile art – Sashiko. Liberally illustrated with photos and full-size pattern designs; this book appeals because of the simplicity and beauty of the finished Japanese designs. Pederson also emphasises the quilt as you go method which succeeds in producing reversible projects that are just stunning.

Bruises - Archimede Fusillo

Archie Fusillo writes great stories about teenage boys who are trying to cope with problems in their lives that are bigger and more complicated than just the usual run of erratic adolescent hormones. His latest book 'Bruises' is no exception. The story takes place at the annual Year 11 school camp, but the five boys in Bunkhouse Five arrive at the camp with all sorts of emotional baggage just simmering below the surface. When one of them, Ape, turns the heat up, boiling point is reached and emotions overflow and violence erupts. As a result the lives of all the boys will be changed forever. A compulsive read.

Combined Romsey/ **Lancefield Probus** Club.

We have had quite a few nice outings this year already, one being to the Werribee Wetlands, seeing how the sewerage goes through many different processes till it can be sent out to sea as quite clear water. A most interesting trip there and a great tour guide to tell us all about the process.

We also have luncheon outings, some self-drives. One we had this year so far was to an Indian restaurant in Sunbury, where we all got to try 7 different courses from mild to hot food. A very enjoyable luncheon out.

Contact our secretary if you are interested in joining our club and our great friendships we all have with one another.

Secretary— Jeni Clampit 5429 5480

Romsey Kindergarten Goods & Services Auction

To be held at the Romsey Golf Club. August 18th, 7:00pm. Free entry, supper provided

& drinks at bar prices. Auction items include: sports & dance lessons, car tinting, party hire, dinners, show tickets, car services and much, much more... For further information

contact Raelene 54296272

Romsey Uniting Church Pohlman Street, Romsey. 3434

Minister Avril Hannah-Jones: 5429 5351 Mobile: 0408 380 962

Church Council Chairperson: Noel Shaw - 5429 5509

Secretary: Jeni Clampit - 5429 5480



You are most welcome to come to the Romsey Uniting Church Services and share in fellowship and worship...

On Sunday 29th July, Romsey Uniting Church was joined by Lancefield, Riddells Creek and Mt. Macedon Uniting Churches in a combined service. This service commenced at 10.30am and was followed by lunch. It was a very enjoyable day. We are organising these combined services to occur during the month that has five Sundays. Each church to take a turn having the service.

The visiting minister for August is Lindsay Parkhill who is completing his fifth year at theological College after working in Arnhemland as a teacher linguist for fifteen years. He is looking forward to returning there next year with Frontier Services. He is married to Louise and his son James studies journalism at Monash University. Lindsay has an abiding interest in language and culture, and is presently studying Arabic.

August 4th – the Romsey Uniting Church will be conducting a Sausage Sizzle outside the Supermarket. We are actively raising money for Local Missions and Community.

Psalm 23

Psalm 23 is reassuring.

The image of the shepherd guiding, guarding and feeding his flock is comforting.

Reading it for the umpteenth time the other day, though, something struck me that I'd never noticed before.

The psalmist writes confidently that God guides him in the paths of righteousness, but follows this immediately with "Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death..."

Leading me in paths of righteousness sounds great, particularly after the green pastures and still waters bit. But then comes the valley of the shadow ...

The writer, I assume, saw no contradiction between the

He's saying that paths of righteousness don't always lead to still waters.

And having the right religious passport doesn't guarantee trouble-free travel.

It's echoed in verse five.

"You prepare a table for me ..." but I'm warned that it may be in the presence of my enemies.

That "table" isn't a quiet picnic by the lake, when the only discordant note is the ants on the cake.

God provides my needs, but it may well be in preparation for the next part of the struggle.

My enemies, says the psalmist, are nearby.

But so is the shepherd; not to make life easy, but to surround me with love, and to give me the strength for the next step forward.

Reflection:

Lord, there's always a catch, I get hooked on the green pastures and still waters.

I could spend my time very nicely lying in summer grass. Content.

And if I felt really energetic, I'd open my eyes and watch the clouds sail by, safely, far overhead. That's where clouds should be.

But when those clouds draw thick chill curtains over the sun, their shadows racing over the ground, I shiver.

And when they come down to ground level, my level, shrouding me in mist, I walk a panic path of fear.

The still surface of my peace shattered.

Rough rippled by the first breath of wind over the water. Are these the paths of righteousness?

I pick my way through, hesitating at every step.

Worried that when I move my foot may slip, my ankle twist, and, sometimes, putting out my hand, there's nothing there.

Or so it seems.

And yet, somehow strength is there.

Supporting me.

The shepherd takes me high to pasture, over rocky paths. Calling me to effort.

I climb, struggling through thorn thickets, the way marked by scraps of wool torn from the fleece of my selfsatisfaction.

It makes me breathless.

But you are there.

Counting the sheep.

Knowing when I stray.

Giving your life to rescue me.

Taking me, each day, nearer the fold.

(Written by Eddie Askew. Used by permission - Leprosy Mission International.)

Church Services conducted during August 2007

5th. 9am.	Worship service
12 th . 9am	Conducted by Lindsay Parkhill Communion Service Service conducted by
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There may be disruptions to our phone, email and other communications during the

Postal Address, Email and Mobile Phone Contacts will not change, however staff will have new phone numbers (see below).

The **location** new address is:

40 Robertson Street, Gisborne. (Melway 197 D7 or VicRoads Ref 636 C6)

(Offices formerly occupied by Western Water, Opposite Police Station).

New Staff Phone Numbers:

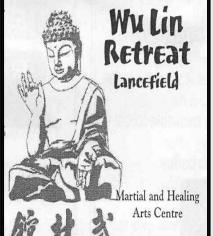
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"Children at Lancefield Kindergarten are looking forward to a wild time."

The youngsters of the 4 year old group at Lancefield kindergarten are eagerly looking forward to the visit next week of Wild Action Animals. Snakes reptiles and other native animals will be joining the children for a "hands on" experience in the comfort of their own classroom. The children are also focussing on the culture of indigenous Australians and as a result have a mini bush camp erected in their play area and are making boomerangs and didgeridoos. All this comes on top of last term's visit by Thingle Toodle who taught the children all about road safety, including being a good passenger and pedestrian and safe play practices.



Lancefield Kindergarten offers a variety of educational programs for both pre kinder (3year old) and kinder (4 year old) children including incursions and excursions, craft, language development, pre number and number skills, socialisation and other vital skills for development. The fully qualified and experienced teachers and their caring assistants aim to provide a warm, caring and stimulating environment in which children are given the opportunity to develop at their own rate while increasing independence as part of an essential preparation for early school years. Children are encouraged to explore, investigate and solve problems, develop skills in working with others while building those crucial first friendships.



Enrolments are currently being taken for next year in both 3 year old and 4 year old groups. Recent government changes have meant that holders of health care cards now pay no fees in the 4 year old group, to have their children involved in this essential educational opportunity, while others in the community pay most reasonable fees. Lancefield Kindergarten is now a registered child care provider which enables those who are elibible to also claim a child care benefit. A good working relationship with the recently opened Lula Mays childcare centre has enabled children to attend both child care and kinder as the child care centre will transport children back and forth.



For further information about vacancies for 2007 or 2008 contact the Kindergarten on 5429 1388, or Enrolment Officer Bernie on 5429 1802.

Macedon Ranges Bridge Club

Bridge is one of the most popular card games in the world. Millions play it socially and in the form of duplicate bridge as the member of a club. There are 49 clubs in Victoria affiliated with the VBA (Victoria Bridge Association), including your 'local' club; the Macedon Ranges Bridge Club (MRBC).

MRBC meets each week on Monday afternoon at 12.45 and Tuesday evening at 7.30 at the Community Centre Hall, Forrest Street, Woodend, and new players are made very welcome. On Tuesday evenings, in addition to the normal duplicate play, we also hold classes for beginners run by the club president Rex Fox.

The MRBC is also hosting a 2-session Bridge Congress in the Woodend Community Centre Hall on Sunday 9 September from 10 am to 5 pm. This is open to anyone who holds a current Australia Bridge Federation (ABF) registration number. To register, or find out more about the congress or the MRBC in general, please contact Rex on 5427 1569 or the club secretary Peter Wells on 5427 4440.

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KINDER CORNER ROMSEY KINDERGARTEN NEWS

It is the middle of Winter, and Romsey has even seen snow. The Kindergarten has commenced a new term, and much is planned for both the children and the broader kinder and general community.

As mentioned previously, the Kindergarten is strongly dependent on the partnerships it forms. These partnerships start with those within the Kindergarten, such as between Committee and Staff, Staff and parents, Staff and children etc. Outside the Kindergarten environment, there are other important relationships which need to be maintained to ensure Romsey Kindergarten continues to provide an outstanding pre-school education service to Romsey and surrounding areas. The relationship between the Kindergarten and local primary schools, particularly Romsey Primary School, is a logical example which includes everything from exchange of resources to the effective transition of children from Kindergarten to school.

Romsey Kindergarten also has a special relationship with the Shire of Macedon Ranges. This Kindergarten is one of only three (3) in the Shire which are independent, community managed kindergartens. The Shire has been particularly helpful in its offer of resources to assist the activities at this Kindergarten. A memorandum of understanding to formally recognise this relationship is currently being drafted.

Of course, the other really important link is that between the Kindergarten and the community as a whole. In addition to the provision of the pre-school service, Romsey Kindergarten is committed to being an active community participant, whether that be as part of the local Business and Traders Association, or in the provision of social events that are open to the general community.

We look forward to ongoing development of our special community relationships in the second half of the year!

Crazy Clothes Day

Romsey Kindergarten was the scene of some "interesting" dress sense at the end of last term, when Crazy Clothes Day was held. Children and teachers, alike, embraced the occasion with some amazingly outlandish outfits. It was a



great opportunity for some good fun which was had by all.

Wild Action Is Coming

There will be some "Wild Action" at Kindergarten this term. The teachers and children are looking forward to the visit by some wildlife (with some hands-on experience!!) later this term. More will be reported after the big visit.

Grant Applications

Committee of Management is currently awaiting the outcome of two grant applications. Our concept plan for our longer term playground development was the subject of our application to the Shire Community Grant Scheme. We hope to learn of the success, or otherwise, of that application next month. The Volunteer Small Equipment Grant Scheme has also been utilised to obtain equipment designed to facilitate the volunteer work at the Kindergarten. As we are beginning to regularly host guest speakers at the Kindergarten, this grant request has included a data projector and catering items, which will facilitate these activities.

Professional Development

Our teachers and assistants have been undertaking some interesting Professional Development (PD) courses recently. This is ongoing during the year, with the teachers doing a combination of formal (structured courses) and informal (e.g. visiting resource centres, spending time at other kindergartens). It is a very important part of providing an ongoing, progressive pre-school service.

Goods and Services Auction

As you would all be aware, this is fast approaching. Be at the Romsey Bowls and Golf Club on Saturday 18th August for a great night out. A sumptuous supper will be provided and drinks at bar prices will be available. Please support the Kindergarten at this social fundraiser, which should be a lot of fun. Contact **Kath Brundell (54 293 137)** if you have any queries.

Open Day

As previously mentioned, the Romsey Kindergarten's Open Day will be on Saturday 8th September between 11am and 4pm. This year there will be a program of guest speakers running during the day. It will include Renee Silvermann from Kathy Walker and Associates, a Maternal and Child Health Presentation, a speaker from the local Library and our own wonderful Teachers. In addition, there will be face painting, a jumping castle, helium balloons, sausage sizzle, show bags, a cake stall and a raffle. Local Shire Councillors, representatives from Family and Children's Services and our local State Member have been invited to attend. Tnhis will be "bigger than Ben Hur"!!

Enrolments

These are progressing very well. Please contact **Tracey Newnham** on **54 296269** or **0409 511439** if you have any queries.

Jenny Stillman (0412-349849) Committee of Management The Romsey Rag





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Lancefield Romsey Lions Club

Lancefield Rsmey Lio0ns would like to know if the Romsey community would like to hold another Romsey Expo in the near future. We would like expressions of interest so that we can ascertain whether this would be a viable project in the near future. The last Expo was a great success and I am sure that many clubs benefited from it. Please contact me on 0411 643 407 or at home on 5429 1990. Julie Starec

Lions meetings

Lancefield Romsey Lions Club meets every 2nd Monday (business) at the Mehcanics Hall in Romsey and every 4th Monday for a Dinner Meeting. Anyone who has recently moved into the area (and established residents too!) and is interested in finding out more about Lions and our Lions projects please let me know and come along to one of our dinner meetings (please call me first), you would be welcomed. Don't hesitate to call on the numbers above.

LIONS MARKET

The Liopns Club Market is held on the 4th Sunday of each month (except June, July and January) in Romsey. New stall holders are always welcome. Contact John on 0438 414 245

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Auslan

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Cost:

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Paediatric first aid teaches first aid treatment and management suitable for parents or those caring for children aged 0-12 years. The course includes resuscitation, choking, wounds, management of shock & paediatric emergencies (eg croup, epiglottis, febrile convulsions etc). Dates: Saturday 11 August 9am—4pm

Cost:

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Saturday 11 August 9.00—3.00pm Dates:

Cost:

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Hesket Primary's Fund Raising Dance Saturday Sept 22nd – Kyneton Town Hall The 2007 Hesket Primary School's fund raising dance will be held at the Kyneton

Town Hall on the evening of Saturday September 22nd. **The evening will begin at** 7.30pm when a spit-roast meal will be served. The music and dancing, "Darryl Cotton and Band," will start at 8.30pm. A country cakes and slices supper will also be served later in the evening



The theme for this year's dance is "Masquerade Ball" and the children have been

hard at work in Art lessons designing and making masks for their parents to wear at the dance. Everyone in the school community has been looking through their wardrobes, checking with relatives and friends and the local shops to make sure that they look the part for this Masquerade Ball so expect some wonderful and creative costumes on the night.

All monies raised on the evening will go towards the construction of our new sports shed. This building will store sports equipment as well as larger items such as the school BBQ and mower.

We hope to raise money through a variety of party games (between the brackets of music) and raffles. During the year the organisers have collected a variety of goods and services and these are grouped into attractive packages. Numbered tickets, two for \$1.00, will be on sale and all patrons will be able to place as many tickets as they like into the boxes below the packages they wish to win. All raffles will be drawn at the end of the evening.

Tickets will be \$40.00 - Ticket enquiries contact: Lynda 5427 0004

A dance bus will run from Romsey via Kerrie to Kyneton and back to Romsey after the dance. Bus tickets will be \$8.00 each. For more information contact Lynda at the above number or the school at 5427 0330

This will be the 20th Annual Hesket School Dance; to date every one has been successful, providing a wonderful night's entertainment for the people who attended and much needed funds for the school. We would like to invite everyone to make up a table and to come to our fund raising "Masquerade Ball" and share in the fun of a great night's entertainment at the Kyneton Town Hall on Sat Sept 22nd



St. Mary's Parish - Lancefield & Romsey

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MASS TIMES

Saturday: 7.00 p.m. Lancefield 1st, & 3rd Sunday of the month: 8.00 a.m. Lancefield and 10.00 a.m. Romsey 2nd, 4th & 5th Sunday of the month: 8.00 a.m. Romsey and 10.00 a.m. Lancefield

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REGULAR EVENTS

SVDP Drop-In: First Thursday of each month, 10.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m., St. Mary's Church Hall, Romsey. All welcome to come for a game of cards/chat and free lunch.

Spiritual Guidance: Last Wednesday of each month at the Presbytery, 27 Chauncey Street, Lancefield. John Stuart, Councillor and Guide. Tel: 5429 2130 for more information.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Saturday Evening Mass:

Having spoken with the Saturday evening Mass-goers and other feedback from the Parish, it has been decided to change the Saturday evening Mass time from 7.00 p.m. to **6.00 p.m. starting from Saturday evening, the 21**st **July**. This will apply during Winter only, to change back to 7.00 p.m. during the Summer, which change will take place on the weekend of the change from Eastern Standard Time to Summer Time and vice-versa.

Parish Feast Day:

7.00 pm

Parish Feast Day will be celebrated on the Sunday nearest the birthday of Our Lady which this year will be on the 9th September. More information in September's edition.

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ST. MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

Term 3 is underway and we are already in the full swing of things. A busy term awaits us all.

The students in Grade 4 have been working on a Religious Education unit called 'The Parish Community- God's Spirit In Action'. They have looked at the feast of Pentecost and how the Spirit changed the lives of Jesus' followers and how the Spirit is present in their own lives.

As a class they have looked for something significant they can do to help someone in the community. They explored the humanitarian efforts of Moira Kelly, a resident from Kilmore, who has set up the 'Children First Foundation' which seeks to help those children, primarily under fifteen years of age, that have operable conditions but are ineligible for assistance from larger aid organisations due to their country of origin, remoteness or the severity of their illness.

They came up with many suggestions and decided that they would like to hold a pedal-athon, where the students, in shifts, will ride an exercise bike for 12 hours- 8.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. on Monday, 6th August.

If your family would like to sponsor the Grade 4 students in this endeavour please contact the school.

Last term the grade 5 and 6 students participated in the COBAW Sports carnival. The footballers made the semi finals and the netballers made the Grand Final. A great day was had by all, with all games being played in good spirits and fine sportsmanship was on display. Congratulations to all competitors!

The St. Mary's Gardening Group has been doing a fantastic job helping to make our school beautiful. The children helped with the planting of some native rosemary along the front fence of the school.



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HOUSE NEWS

Programs for Term 3:

Art Classes: For Children and Adults: Children's Art Classes (School Holidays)

All materials and light refreshments supplied.
Call Gillian on 5429 5448 / 0411 579 906 for further details.

Adult art classes will be run in Term 3 every Tuesday night 7—9.30 pm

Commences July 24th. Phone Gillian for details.

Art & Craft Market for Romsey

Expressions of interest are sought from local arts and crafts people to start a regular <u>art and craft market in Romsey</u> It is anticipated that the first market will be held in November.

For information phone Gillian on 5429 5448 / 0411579906

Some of our old favourites include:

Yoga With Kym Oliver Wednesdays 7.00 pm at Romsey Primary School.

Cost: \$12 per session or \$100 per 10 week term. For further information or bookings contact Kym Oliver on 54292134.

<u>Learn To Knit with Heather</u>—weekly All levels of knitters meet on Monday nights Mondays 7—8 pm at Romsey Primary School. \$10 for 5 lessons. Contact Robyn on 0412 275 152

Writer's Group with Dee White—new members welcome. Please contact 0412 275 152 if you are interested in joining. Meets once per month on the first Monday night at 7.00pm at Romsey Primary School. NEXT MEET-ING MONDAY JULY 2ND AT 7.00PM.

Crop till you drop: Each third Saturday of the month beginning April 15th. for all you Memory Makers and Scrapbookers. Starts at 5.00pm, cost is \$15 per session and includes pizza or fish'n'chips for dinner. For further information contact Belinda Williams 54291693/ 0407 203 826

Payments for classes booked through the Community House need to be made at Romsey Primary School or mailed to Romsey Community House, P.O. Box 418, Romsey.

For information, to express interest or suggest new activities please contact Robyn on 0412 275 152

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Probus Club Romsey - Lancefield

Meetings of the Romsey – Lancefield Probus Club are held on the 4th Thursday of each month at St Mary's Church Hall, corner Main and

Barry Streets, Romsey, at 10.00am.

Probus is open to all retired and semi-retired people to enjoy a great social and friendly atmosphere.

Contact

Mrs Pat Shannon (President) on 5429 6194 or Mrs Jeni Clampit (Secretary) on 5429 5480

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Greetings from the Romsey Toy Library!

Do you have any board games tucked away in your cupboards which are hardly ever used or that you children have grown out of? Then think of us at the Romsey Toy Library! The toy library's board games range desperately needs replenishing but we do not currently have the funds to buy new ones. If anyone out there has a board game they wish to donate, please contact Leanne Manton on 5429 6583 anytime. Educational board games such as Junior Monopoly, Junior Scrabble, Boggle or strategy games such as Connect 4, Battleship or Trouble would be especially welcome. Don't worry if your set is missing a dice or a few bits - the toy library already has board games so your incomplete set could help us update our current collection if pieces are missing or worn. A special plea for a copy of Trouble and Connect 4, as both of our copies need replacement. If you have any toys which you think might be suitable for the toy library and you would wish to donate, please contact Leanne anytime as we are grateful for any assistance.

Romsey residents would have noticed the Romsey Community Hub is under construction. Mesh fencing has been placed around the old council chambers and post office site so the builders can start work and portables have been placed in the former car park so the library can relocate. The toy library committee is looking forward to next year when we can move into to the new hub. This will give us a lot more space and see us located right next to the children's book section in the heart of the library, which is an ideal place for a toy library! Toy library committee members have been meeting once a month with a steering committee which will plan how the new hub will operate as well as elements of its interior design and fittings. Representatives on the committee include the Romsey Playgroup, Romsey Neighbourhood House, Mitchell Library Service and council staff and we are all working together to ensure the smooth running of the hub once it is operational.

Welcome to the new members of the toy library this month – we are growing steadily and that is most heartening. All residents of the Romsey and Lancefield area, whether carers, parents or grandparents, are most welcome to join our toy library. All toys can be borrowed for two weeks at a time and this is a great way for parents, grandparents and carers to have a constant new source of amusement for children. With membership of the library just \$15 for six months and \$25 for a whole year, our fees are very affordable for everyone. Call into St Mary's Hall (behind the Catholic Church) in Main Street, Romsey, on Saturday mornings from 10am-11.30am and you can view our range of toys and sign up!

Toy library members and members of the community are asked to support the library's one and only fundraiser for the year, a sausage sizzle at Bunnings in Sunbury. The date is Saturday, September 2 – the day before Father's Day, so we expect the store will be extremely busy! The money we make from the sausage sizzle will go towards paying our annual insurance costs and membership of Toy Libraries Victoria, our parent body. Anyone who can help with this sausage sizzle is asked to call Leanne on 5429 6583. Anyone who could spare an

hour to turn a few snags on the barbie would be most wel-

We will be buying all of our supplies i.e. sausages locally for the sizzle, so even though the fundraiser will be held out of town, we will still be supporting local business, which we feel is extremely important.

As always, we need new members! Memberships are still \$15 for 6 months or \$25 for one year, regardless of the number of children in your family. We have lots of 'big toys' – scooters, Cozy Coupe cars for toddlers, jeep rideones, trikes, see-saws and the like – which are great to borrow as they are expensive to buy. Come along one Saturday morning and check out our range! We have hundreds of puzzles, games, large and small toys, ride-ons, LeapPads, Leapsters and educational CD-ROMs for you to borrow for children aged from birth to 12 years. Or just give Leanne Manton a call on 5429 6583 and we'll sign you up. The library opens in St Mary's Hall (behind the Catholic Church) on Saturday mornings from 10am until 11.30am.

Thanks for your time and look forward to seeing you at the library!

Yours sincerely LEANNE MANTON, President, Romsey Toy Library Inc. 2007

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All Funds Raised Will Go Towards Our New Sports Shed The Romsey Rag August 2007

Lancefield & Romsey Community Banks

OUR BANKS TAKE THE CARD

Our Romsey and Lancefield Community Bank branches have a range of Bendigo Bank credit cards to meet the needs of every customer. Natalie Cullinger, a branch manager at our local Community Banks said the range of cards – Red, Gold, Business, Basic Black and 'RSPCA Rescue' – are competitive and tailored to the range of different needs that our customers may have. And they cover the range of Visa and MasterCard. Natalie said the Bendigo Red card with the 'up to 44 days interest free' option had automatic rewards, while the Bendigo Red without an interest free period had a lower interest rates and optional rewards.

The Bendigo Gold is a Visa card which offers up to 55 days interest-free, with automatic rewards – offering 50% more rewards than the standard cards.

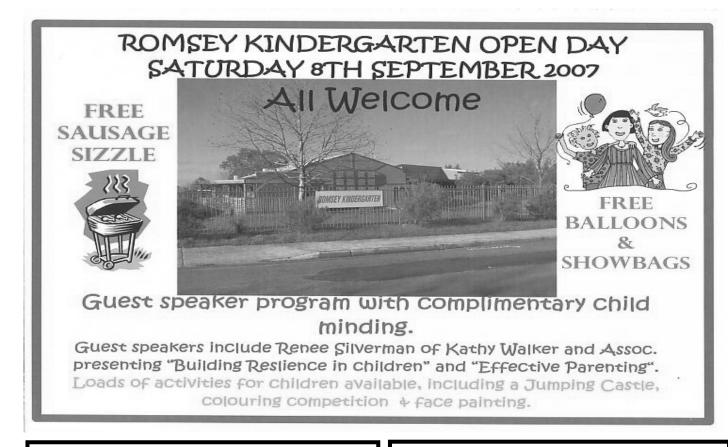
The Bendigo Business card is a MasterCard with up to 44 days interest-free.

The Bendigo Basic Black offers up to 44 days interest-free, which offers an interest rate of 9.95% pa.

And Bendigo has two RSPCA Rescue cards – one with up to 40 days interest-free and the other 55 days – with use of the card helping raise funds for the RSPCA.

Natalie said there was a range of annual fees and interest rates depending on which card was chosen.

"Our credit cards offer a level of value that's hard to beat, so I invite all our customers and local residents to come in to our Lancefield or Romsey branches and talk to our customer service officers," she said. "We have brochures available which people can take away and compare to determine which card will work best for them. Alternatively, they can complete their paperwork at the branch and get the ball rolling on getting their card. And like all accounts that they open with our Community Bank branches, any business and transactions they conduct through their card ulti-



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From 1st January 2008 bait users in Victoria will be able to purchase 1080 bait products form accredited retailers or authorised perishable bait manufactures.

This replaces the previous system where you could only purchase 1080 bait products one hour per week from 58 Department of Primary Industries (DPI) locations around the State. You were also unable to buy perishable baits like carrots for rabbit control or liver for fox control.

However in order to purchase 1080 pest animal baits under this new system, you are required to complete a 1080 training course and hold the appropriate licence or permit.

These changes are designed to make it easer for you to purchase 1080 bait products. They will reduce your paperwork and enable a greater range of bait types to become available to users. They will also make the manufacture, supply and use of 1080 bait safer" *Changes to the 1080 Pest Animal Bait System – What You Need to Know –* DPI Brochure

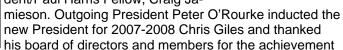
More information for users, retailers and manufacturers of perishable 1080 pest animal bait is available from the DPI website at: www.dpi.vic.gov.au/1080 or by calling the 1080 Bait Hotline on 1300 10 1080

If you want a brochure please call L. Milne 03 5421 9659.

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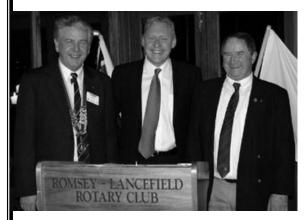
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Members of the Romsey Lancefield Rotary Club Inc. held their Change Over Dinner at Glen Erin at Romsey on Saturday July 14th. The Chairperson for the evening was Past President/Paul Harris Fellow, Craig Ja-



of 19 projects across the Romsey Lancefield community as well as services to International Rotary worldwide. Local councillors Henry Bleeck and Geoff Neill and partners Wendy and Pam were in attendance as was Joanne Duncan MLA for Macedon and members of the Lancefield Romsey Lions Club: Julie and Milos Starec and Jed and Wendy MacLoughlin. Many local identities and businesses were also in attendance on the evening. A special presentation on the night was given to our honorary member and local icon, actor Anne Phelan OAM (known for her work in popular shows such as: Something In The Air, Mother and Son, Blue Heelers, G.P., Marshall Law, A Country Practice, Homicide, Bellbird and of course Prisoner, Anne has also been seen in over 50 plays including Mavis Goes To Timor). Anne was recently awarded a Medal of the Order of Australia for her support of women with HIV and for asylum seekers and refugees. Anne will be appearing in her own play: An Accidental Actress on Thursday 18th of October 2007 8.00pm at the Kyneton Town Hall. The former Assistant District Governor, John Garito, was formally presented with a certificate of thanks and medallion from the Club for his unswerving support over the past twelve months. Incoming President Chris Giles expressed desire to continue to support all local community activities including the Relay-For Life as well as forging closer links with the Lancefield Romsey Lions Club.

Greg Powell (Acting Secretary) Romsey Lancefield Rotary Club Inc.



Incoming President Chris Giles, Chairperson Craig Jamieson, Outgoing President Peter O'Rourke



Outgoing President Peter O'Rourke makes a presentation to honorary Rotarian Anne Phelan OAM.

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Gala Opening for Gillmay Gallery

Friday the 13th (of July) was anything but unlucky for local artist and ceramicist Gillian Gorrie when she saw the culmination of a lot of hard work and dreaming come to fruition with the opening of her gallery in Romsey. Well over 100 people were in attendance to wish Gillian well in this new and exciting venture. The gallery is located in the old National Bank building in Main Street, next to the pharmacy. It features art works in many different media—from paintings in oils, water colours and pastels, to jewellery, ceramics, fabric art and embroidery and photographic art. All work on display is original, and of very high quality.

The exhibiting artists are all local people.



The opening evening was a great celebration of Gillian's efforts to provide a venue to showcase local talent. The champagne flowed as the guests enjoyed their first viewing of the array of very beautiful artworks. In performing his duties as host for the evening, Gillian's husband Doug paid tribute to the hard work and time Gillian.

s- Gallery owner Gillian Gorrie an

had put into developing the venue and sourcing local artists to exhibit in the gallery, and of how long Gillian had been dreaming of this event.

A sample of the beautiful and original works available at the gallery.

Gillian plans to run themed exhibitions from time to time, as well as maintaining a range of varied artworks in various forms. She will also be running art classes for children, ado-

lescents and adults, initially at the gallery, but under the auspice of the Romsey Community House.

This is a very new venture for Gillian and for Romsey. It is hoped that it will be well supported by our local community and by people visiting the area.

The gallery is open Wednesday to Sunday from 10.00am to 5.00 pm. Call in and have a browse—you might just find that gift or art work for yourself that you have been looking for!

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