# Romsey Rag

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### Romsey Ecotherapy Park Inc (REP)

#### **Stage 3 Funding Announcement**

Romsey Ecotherapy Park Inc (REP) is thrilled with the State Government's announcement of §615,000 funding for Romsey Ecotherapy Park's Stage 3 (the FINAL stage) construction.



- This Regional Development
  Victoria funding will enable a
  seamless construction transition
  from the construction of Stage
  commencing in July and will
  finish the Park."
  - REP President, Raelene Mottram.
- Romsey Ecotherapy Park Inc's vision of a health and wellbeing space in nature for all ages and abilities will finally be realised and will be an asset for our local region and those who visit it."



For more, see page 16

### Romsey Mechanics' Institute

#### www.romseymechanicsinstitute.com

Well, things rarely go as smoothly as hoped. We have had a few hiccups with our toilet works but everything is now sorted out. Work began on May 11th with the removal of a stud wall and repairs to the floor for the new all access unisex toilet at the front of the building. We expect/hope works will be completed by the beginning of July. Our thanks to Tekron, Altmann & Assoc and Dependable Building Services for their efforts to get this project up & running. Thanks to our user groups also who moved their times to accommodate the works. This project is possible due to support from the Bendigo Bank & the Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions.

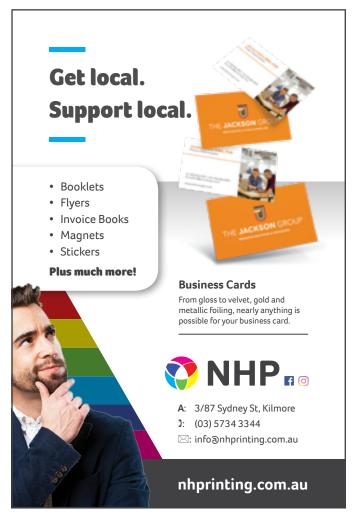


#### The Cowboys and Angels Dance Academy

competed in the Australian Dance Championships at Tamworth during April. Competition was fierce despite the pandemic reducing numbers. Cowboys & Angels maintained their high standard winning fifteen 1st, nine 2nd and seven 3rd placings and being named "Club of The Championships."

Additional Power Points: Currently a double and a single power outlet at the rear is the only power in the main hall. These outlets are on the same circuit. It is easy to overload and constantly trips the circuit breaker. Due to this, we cannot hold Local Area Network (LAN) computer gaming nights and other activities eg. card nights and board game nights which need more intimate lighting than the hall's overhead lights. The CoM has applied to the MRSC Community Funding Scheme for help to increase the number of power points in the main hall. Fingers crossed.

The CoM wishes to meet with groups interested in planning and running **Film Afternoons or Nights.**Our newly installed Audio Visual equipment is ready and waiting. Film shows - a great way to raise funds and your group's profile in Romsey.





### Welcome to the June edition

#### **Leaves starting to fall**

Nearly half the year gone. What are your hopes for the rest of 2021? The June Romsey Rag has tales of some great successes, and rewards for hard work. Well done.

What is your winter in Romsey? Are you new, and how do you see it? A little glimpse too, in this June Rag, of early Romsey... how the farmers first settled on these surrounding hills. Some things have become easier... but today has its challenges (how FAST technology changes!)

Send us your thoughts, or impressions, and ideas for what you think could happen in Romsey. The more ideas, the merrier! Just a reminder to ensure you are using the new email address for all correspondence: email@theromseyrag.com.au

Please note articles should be restricted to **300-350 words** plus/minus a picture. Articles will be edited as required. The editorial committee reserve the right not to print inflammatory or unsuitable materials.

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### Diabetes and your feet

#### Did you know

- Foot problems are very common and often debilitating for people with diabetes.
- Every two hours a person with diabetes has a leg or foot removed from diabetes-related foot disease
- 80% of diabetes-related **amputations** are preventable with proper care from a Podiatrist



#### How does Diabetes affect the feet?

- The nerves in your feet become dull and less able to feel pain over time.
- Your body is less able to push the blood down to your feet.
- Your skin is less able to heal from cuts and scratches.

#### Home Tips:

- Look for broken skin on your feet
- Feel your feet for numbness
- Feel your feet to check they are not too cold or hot
- Moisturise your feet
- Protect your feet with well-fitting shoes

#### When should I seek help?

- A Podiatrist should check your feet every 12 months.
- Also see a Podiatrist if:
  - o you have broken, hard or rough skin on you feet
  - o your feet feel numb
  - o your feet feel very cold or very hot



Coming in for proper treatment is well worth your time.



# June in your garden

#### by **Melanie Kinsey**

I know winter is just around the corner when the wind blows the fiery red leaves off my smokebush and I am left with a skeletal silhouette of the bushy small tree.

The smokebush and the berberis are the last deciduous plants to turn in my garden. The contorted filbert tries its best but only manages a few yellow leaves that quickly turn brown. However, this then reveals the baby catkins that will fatten up over the next few months. The porcelain grape leaves have turned a butter yellow but both the lilac and the forsythia were a big disappointment shedding their leaves with no show at all.

As the flowers fade, its all about form and texture - the grasses coming into their own and contrasting with mounds of green, bronze and grey foliage. The dramatic form of the striped agave really stands out now in the low slanting light. I have moved my frost tender succulents back up against the house beneath the verandah. The remainder of my succulent collection takes its chances out in the open. I particularly love Othonna capensis the ruby necklace which I have planted in wall pots near the front door. When first planted, they were bright green, but now as they have dried out and the weather has got colder the leaves have turned to a purplish red. It produces tiny yellow flowers on long stems which are an unexpected and delightful contrast.

The salvias are one of the few spots of colour left in the garden – I caught an eastern spinebill doing their best impression of a humming bird on my purple Salvia leucantha. The spinebill also visits the navy-blue Salvia 'Anthony Parker' and the bright red Salvia elegans at this time of the year, as they like the flowers with tubular shapes the best.

### We, the members of the Lancefield/Romsey Lions Club are Committed to assisting, and caring for our Community.

On Saturday 8/5/21, our Lions members did a community service by cleaning up the roadside litter on the Melbourne Lancefield road. After approximately three hours, we had collected enough litter to fill our members' trailer

#### **Our Mission**

To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs.





# Avoid a frozen meter this winter

A frozen meter or pipe can stop your water flow

Protect your meter with a box or blanket

Find out more at westernwater.com.au/frost



### That's a Wrap from the Outgoing Editor!

### Well, they say all good things come to an end and that is why I am writing to you all.

Last year was a trying year for everyone and while I was fortunate enough to keep my job, I was told in June that I was going to made redundant at the end of December 2020. That was truly devastating and knowing I was one of many people facing that same fate, I felt it would be very difficult to find a new job. I was fortunate enough that one job I applied for came through and although they originally wanted me to relocate, I managed to negotiate a roster that requires me to work a 9-day fortnight, with three weeks spent onsite and one week working from home.

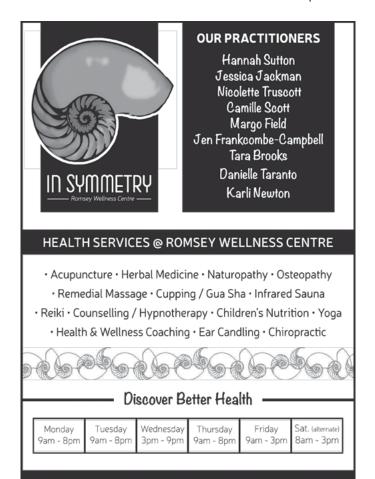
I started my new job in January this year and while I am happy to still have an income it has come at a cost. Being away from home is less then ideal, I am no longer able to play as much hockey as I have previously, my garden is slowly being taken over by weeds and much of my time is spent travelling as I like to get home as often as possible.

To give you an idea of how much travel it involves, I was able to buy a new car with my redundancy in February and already it has 14,500kms on the clock! It also has meant I no longer have the time to dedicate to the Romsey Rag as the Editor, something I have enjoyed since taking on the position in mid-2018. I will remain on the committee, helping with proofreading and I hope to contribute each month with topics that I hope will interest everyone.



The Rag will now be compiled by our printers so you will see what the professional can do!

Thanks to everyone for the kind words and apologies to anyone who I inadvertently neglected to incorporate in previous editions.



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### THANK YOU SHAUNA

For the past three years, the Romsey Rag has been put together by Shauna Martin. Her computer and document design skills have resulted in the high-quality product that we have all come to know.

Unfortunately, Shauna's work commitments have had to take priority and she can no longer spare the time needed for The Rag.

From this issue, the work previously done by Shauna has been outsourced resulting in the changed appearance you now see. Over the years that The Rag has been published, the "look" has changed many times and probably will again in the future.

The committee and friends of The Romsey Rag wish Shauna all the best in her work life and are glad that she is still involved with The Rag in other roles.

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### RRBATA Update

#### The Romsey Progressive Dinner - A Huge Autumn Festival Success

Sold out 8 days ahead of the event, the Romsey
Progressive Dinner was the "Icing on the cake" for the
Romsey Lancefield region's involvement in the inaugural
Macedon Ranges Autumn Festival.

A total of 150 diners led in three groups by their entertaining guides rotated between Soltan Pepper, Verdure and Evan's Bistro Bar and Garden where they enjoyed good food, wine and poetry!

#### Romsey Region Business & Tourism Association (RRBATA)

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The benefits of the Romsey Region Business and Tourism Association. Be a part of it!

Romsey Online Remember Don't forget, ANYONE CAN BE A REPORTER! Whether it is sporting results, photos, reports on events etc, the website is waiting for your "news".

Please ensure a note of consent from people featured in any photographs accompanies your submissions. Remember, the website is only as good as the information fed to it at *info@romsey.org.au*.



#### **Stand Together**

Checkout the 'Stand Together' photographs on display at the Romsey Bendigo Bank and Lancefield Primary School.

In 2020 Macedon Ranges police attended 517 callouts to family violence incidents – a 14.4% increase.

The Lancefield Romsey 'Stand Together' campaign is a family violence prevention initiative of the Lancefield and Romsey community. It shows how people can share the responsibility to make places safe, where we live, work and play – so that everyone is supported and respected equally.

In the photos, local hold up pledges that encourage healthy and respectful relationships, that challenge gender stereotypes and that oppose violence between men and women.

On 15 June the photos move to Romsey Primary School and St Mary's Primary School – until June 30.

For info call 5421 1666 or email healthpromotion@scchc.org.au

As they transitioned between restaurants along the festoon-lit Main Street, they experienced local makers' stalls, music and even more food provided by the taster restaurants – Old Mates Café and Romsey Indian Restaurant.

RRBATA could not have staged this event without the amazing support provided by the Macedon Ranges Shire Council which included the beautiful festoon lighting and road closure.

RRBATA would also like to thank the following:

- Colin Cameron Feature Entertainment
- Poets Jack Bamford, Donna Prince, Ben Oost
- Guides Sharni Page, Kerrie Ritchie, Sue Blakey
- Entertainers Ben McGill, Drummergirl Drummers, Bourke Trio.
- Green Room Host Camille Scott
- Participating businesses Soltan Pepper, Verdure, Evan's Bar Bistro and Garden, Rue De Fleur, Burnbrook Fields, Old Mates Café, Romsey Indian Restaurant, Romsey Community Cooperative, Romsey Bottle O
- Romsey Region "Makers" Big Tree Distillery, Bruno Zinkiewicz, La Bibelot, Jo and Barb's Colourful Creations, Robin's Nest Pottery, Country Jo's Homemade, Yours Truly Gifts ns Co.
- Photography Isabelle Jai Photography
- Stall Lighting Offroad and Outback, BRD Excavations





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# Tussock Extension Commences in Romsey West

# The community-led Victorian Serrated Tussock Working Party (VSTWP) is launching a project to support and empower landholders to the west of the Romsey township.

The project area around Romsey and Kerrie will include over 180 parcels of land covering 4500 hectares of farmland and rural living properties, including the important headwaters of Charlies Creek and Deep Creek. The project will aim to ensure that infestations of serrated tussock on roadsides, railway reserves and public land in the project area are also treated.

Serrated tussock (Nassella trichotoma) is a highly invasive grass native in Argentina, Uruguay, Chile, and Peru. Scattered serrated tussock infestations have been found in the Romsey and Kerrie areas and if left untreated may rapidly decrease biodiversity in native grasslands and seriously reduce the agricultural capacity of properties.



Landholders in the project area will be offered a free property visit with strict social distancing and will be provided with a map noting any serrated tussock infestations located on their property.

#### The program will also offer:

- A project launch and serrated tussock information day.
- Technical one to one advice on serrated tussock control and management for each situation, subject to COVID19 restrictions and upon the landowners agreement.
- A landholder information package detailing serrated tussock identification, control calendar and management options.

The VSTWP offers support in the area to raise awareness of serrated tussock, promote best practice management techniques, and encourages communities to voluntarily manage this invasive species.

For further information, please contact Ivan Carter, Extension Officer, Victorian Serrated Tussock Working Party on 0422 605 953.

For more information and a map of affected areas on serrated tussock please visit **www.serratedtussock.com** 

#### From your councillors (June 2021)

#### **Dear Residents**

### Council has released two particularly important documents for community consultation.

The first is our budget for 21/22. If you have any interest in what will happen in the next 12 months, this is a must read. The other document is the Council Plan.

This document will give you a concept of where we are heading in the years ahead. Your submission on either document can be made until COB on 8th June. Please, do not let this opportunity to shape what we do, pass.

In February, Council determined to write to the owner of the Romsey Hotel, regarding its future. A meeting between Mr Jim Hogan and Council staff took place in April. Mr Hogan indicated there were organisations interested in purchasing the site for conversion into either a supermarket or food outlet.

The possibility of reopening the pub as a pub/bistro venue was discussed however, Mr Hogan advised this concept was not currently an active project.

The cost of recycling going to landfill is very much an expensive exercise.

From Febraury 2020 to March 2021, total tonnages of contaminated recycling that went to landfill equated to 2150 tonnes (approximate) or \$300k - \$350k (approximate), basically 2.5 x cost of recycling. No question – education is the key, and we need to do better!

Uploading the Loddon Mallee Waste Info App (free) is a good start.

#### Till next time.

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Annette Death 427 956 117 (adeath@mrsc.vic.gov.au)

### St Mary's Lancefield & Romsey

#### Already we find ourselves halfway through the term, it's great to see the students so settled and enjoying school life.

#### **ANZAC Day**

On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, we held a special assembly to commemorate ANZAC Day The first time parents attended assembly in person, since early last year. St Mary's families were asked to send in information on relatives which had served in the armed forces. We had a huge response. Information and photos were displayed as an honour wall.

Our ANZAC service was attended by the Romsey Lancefield RSL who also participated in the ceremony. A huge thank you to these members, Reinhard Goschiniak, John McCosker OAM (Military) and John Horan. It was a moving service, enhanced by our display and students handmade wreaths. Thank you to family members who attended and to the students for displaying great respect.

On Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April, our St Mary's School Leaders attended the ANZAC Service in Lancefield. A moving service well attended by locals. Thank you to school leaders, John Cleve, Emily Stocker, Holly Alderton, Coco Portelli and Ella McCarthy who participated and once again did themselves and our school proud. Lest we forget.



#### Mother's Day Devonshire Tea

Thank you to all our mum's, grandmothers and special females who came together to celebrate Mother's Day at our Devonshire Tea on Friday 7th May. What a wonderful atmosphere there was as all these amazing females enjoyed each other's company, a good chat, a laugh and some delicious scones, jam and cream! It was fabulous to see so many families join us and we hope they all had a very special Mother's Day.

#### Yr 5/6 Camp

On Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> April our Yr 5/6 's headed off on their 3-day, 2-night adventure to Warrnambool. It was a non-stop 3 days, with superb weather and many exciting activities. Students and staff were kept very busy throughout with a full program including - a visit to the National Wool Museum in Geelong, sightseeing along the Great Ocean Road (Loch Ard Gorge, London Arch, Twelve Apostles and the Blow Hole), a coastal awareness program which included rockpool rambles and a self-guided visit to the Warrnambool Soldiers Memorial.

They also got to explore Flagstaff Hill Maritime Museum and, in the evening enjoyed the Sound & Light show "Tales of the Shipwreck Coast". Finally experiencing the breathtaking birds-eye-view of the magnificent Otway Ranges from the World's tallest treetop walk - the Otway Fly Treetop Adventure.

A memorable camp with many great tales of the fun and laughter. Thankyou to staff who attended and to students for their behaviour, their sense of fun and remaining positive and resilient.

**Jo Shannon** (Community Liaison Leader)



### Romsey/Lancefield RSL Sub-Branch

# The President, committee and members of the Romsey Lancefield RSL wishes to thank the people of Romsey and Lancefield for their generous support for our recent ÁNZAC Day Appeal.

TEACUTE AUSTRALIA

The community contributed a grant total of \$11,674.75 to the ANZAC Appeal. The donations of the appeal go to the Returned and Services League of Australia (RSL) General Appeals Patriotic Fund which is set up to assist serving members of the Australian Defence Force, Past Present and Serving members and their families. The Romsey Lancefield RSL Sub-Branch receives 50% of all donations which we use as our operating budget for the running of our Sub-Branch.

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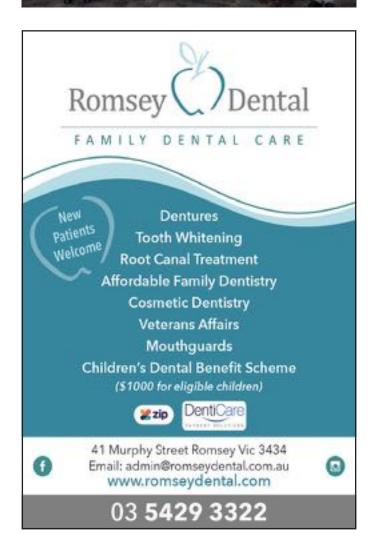
Assistance for our members and community include, but are not limited to help with utilities payments, firewood, and other needs they may require. We also run community events such as the Spirit of Anzac Award, Schools' essay competitions and Veterans events.

The Committee would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all our Volunteers who braved the elements during the period of badge sales, as well as our Appeals Co-ordinator.

The accompanying photograph of Mr. Rob Mitchell MP for McEwen, Mary-Anne Thomas MP Member for Macedon, and Veterans of the Romsey Lancefield Region.

The photograph was taken in front of the refurbished Honour Rolls at the Lancefield Mechanics Institute. The restoration of the Honour Rolls was funded by both federal and state Government Grants.

**Reinhard G. Goschiniak** (President)







#### C.W.A. 2021 STATE THEMES:

**THEME:** Engage, Support, Challenge.

#### Product/Resource:

Grasses - Not just lawn.

#### **Country of Study:**

Indigenous Australia.

**Thanksgiving Fun:** Endometriosis Research through the Jean Hailes Medical Centre for Women.

**State Project:** CWA of Vic. Inc. IT and Systems Upgrade and Maintenance

**Social Issues Focus:** 

Safe Homes for All.

### Romsey Branch of C.W.A. Inc

CWA is not just for older women; it is for women of any age wanting to be involved in their local community and also be connected to a world-wide organisation of friendship and community care.

We have a lot of fun and laughs while being creative and raising funds for community projects. CWA is a volunteer organisation.

Our friendly monthly meeting occurs on the 1st Wednesday of each month from 10.00 am to approx. 12.00 noon.

Our fun craft days are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month. Both meetings are held in the supper room (side entrance) of the Romsey Mechanics Institute, Main Rd, Romsey.

Examples of crafts we do are: knitting, sewing, crochet, cooking, beading, paper-craft.

Our Romsey Branch participates in various community activities, and we welcome new members. Come and join us! Membership is very affordable.

Thank you to all who visited our stall outside the Romsey IGA on Saturday 1st May. What a wonderful day we had with the sun shining and lots of goodies on sale.

Thankfully this year we were able to attend the CWA State Conference, held at Ballarat. It is always a great event where members are able to catch up with friends from other branches throughout the state.

At our next craft day Thursday 20th May we will be making Oodies for the underprivileged youth. Anyone is welcome to come and join us.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 2nd June in the supper room of the RMI hall. We would love to see new faces.



#### This month's recipe

#### **LEMON COCONUT SQUARES**

#### Method:

**Base:** Mix dry ingredients and add melted butter. Press into a greased 18 x 28 cm tin and bake in a moderate oven for 15 min.

**Icing:** Mix icing sugar and lemon juice to a spreading consistency. Ice when cold and cut into squares.

#### **Ingredients:**

#### Base:

- 2 Cups SR flour
- 2 cups coconut
- 185 raw sugar
- 250gm butter (melted)

#### Icing:

• 1 ½ cups icing sugar

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### Romsey - Lancefield Probus Welcome to frienship

The Romsey/Lancefield Probus Club provides an opportunity for retirees or semi retired people to relax and enjoy the welcoming company of those at the same stage of life.

Our monthly meeting (4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month) is a chance to catch-up with new and old friends and hear interesting speakers on a wide variety of topics.

The next meeting of the Romsey Lancefield Probus Club is on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2021 at 10am. S<sup>t</sup>.Mary's Catholic Church Hall, Main Street, Romsey. The Guest Speaker at this meeting, will be Faye Woodhouse, Author.

The Guest Speaker at our meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2021 will be Luke Behnke - Finances for Retirees

**Outing:** June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021 - Lunch at The Grove at Hidden Valley Resort Restaurant for 12 o'clock lunch (Food and Drink at own cost)

Car pooling: RSVP 4<sup>th</sup> June.

Call Shirley: 0425 700 693

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### Community Bank Connections

#### **Lancefield Community Bank Branch Turns 20!**

The doors opened on the Lancefield branch on Saturday May 26, 2001. Chair, Suzie Ewart, said the locally-owned and operated branch had grown from strength to strength since it was established. This growth was rewarded with the opening of the Romsey branch in 2005.

Special congratulations to staff member, Leanne Showler, who has been involved with the Lancefield branch from the beginning, celebrating her 20th year anniversary on May 14. A wonderful achievement and a reflection of the commitment and dedication of our branch teams.

Since opening it's doors, Lancefield and Romsey Community Bank has grown to boast \$240 million in banking business and 5000 customers. Over \$2 million has been returned to Lancefield and Romsey community groups and clubs in the form of grants and sponsorships. \$717,597 has been returned in dividends to our local shareholders.



# The Mount Players Say a Big Thank You to Bendigo Bank!



The Mount Players are delighted to report that they received \$4,400 from the Autumn round of grants from The Bendigo Bank Gisborne.

This money will go towards upgrading the front steps.

A huge thank you to the team at Bendigo Bank who have already committed so much to the theatre and continue to support it. Thank you so much from the committee and membership. The theatre finally opened its doors again on 14<sup>th</sup> May and welcomed in a full house of patrons for the opening of Too Many Crooks! The radio play/comedy enjoyed a wonderful season and provided the perfect escape for everyone to step back in time and enjoy a laugh. Just what we all needed after the year we've had.

Our next show, Love Song is now in rehearsal and will open in August. Lots more about that next month.

By Karen Hunt

As our profitability grows, so too does our ability to channel our profits into much-needed community infrastructure and services.

Our branches were set up by the community, for the community, so we are always looking for ways we can help strengthen and improve our ability to support and give back to the communities we are part of " Suzie said

**Celebration Planned:** Lancefield and Romsey Community Bank will celebrate its 20th birthday year in Lancefield on Friday, October 22, 2021. We invite the entire community to come and join the festivities. Stay tuned!

### University Scholarships worth \$38,000 Support Local Students

Six local students from Lancefield and Romsey have scholarships and bursaries in our 2021 Scholarship program

Four students received scholarships valued at \$3000 pa for three years. Alice Quigley Bachelor of

Arts at Deakin University; Raveena Kumaran studying Biomedicine at The University of Melbourne; Lucinda Matthews studying Agriculture Science at The University of Melbourne; and Jack Summers undertaking a degree in Outdoor Leadership through Victoria University.

Two students have received a bursary of \$1,000 each under the inaugural Rebecca Harrison Memorial Bursary – Alexandra Kalinowski studying a degree in Fashion Enterprise at RMIT; and Jessamyn Godsmark undertaking a Bachelor of Exercise Science at La Trobe University.

#### **Latest Community Investment Grants**

It is with pleasure we announce the following grants were recently awarded:

- **\$500** Romsey Golf Cub for their upcoming Women's Open Tournament
- **\$2000** Romsey Lancefield Senior Citizens to subsidise bus excursions in 2021
- \$3000 Romsey Lancefield Historical Society restoration of Shire map c1870

Our next Community Investment Program is due to open for applications on 19 July 2021. Make sure you're registered to receive program information and updates – email: cip@lrcfsl.com.au



#### **News from the Shire**



#### **Kyneton Museum - UNDONE**

An immersive re-interpretation of the Kyneton Museum collection.

UNDONE is a playful encounter with the Kyneton Museum collection, engaging with history and its gaps, as part performance, part exhibition. Created by cross disciplinary local artists and Metanoia Theatre, the work is an immersive choose-your-own journey through collective possibilities for an imagined future.

Six performers (Alexandra Harrison, Jannete Hoe, Israel Aloni, Greg Ulfan, Gorkem Acaroglu, Yogashree Thirunavukarasu, Kasey Sincpair) perform across the Kyneton Museum, in both indoor and outdoor locations. Audiences are free to roam the 90 minute performance, led only by their curiosity. Internationally acclaimed local visual artist, Desmond Lazaro re-curates the existing collection to immerse audiences in an exploration of our past, present and future.

Friday and Saturday 7pm, Sunday 5pm throughout June 2021

Kyneton Museum: 67 Piper Street, Kyneton

Bookings: 1300 888 802 or

online: mrsc.vic.gov.aularts-events

### A Taste of Ireland - The Irish Music & Dance Sensation

Experience one of the most prominent Irish dance shows in the world today.

With all new sets, costumes, tunes and effects, we promise you haven't seen anything like this year's show! With tours lined up in the USA, Canada and the UK, don't miss your chance to see A Taste of Ireland at Kyneton Town Hall.

With revamped classics like 'Danny Boy' and 'Tell Me Ma', the show's live, energetic blend of well-known tunes, jaw-dropping tap battles, world-class dancing, melodic folk music and craic galore, transports you through the story of Ireland's tumultuous history. Complimented by stunning production and lighting. Starring dancers from the West End's Lord of the Dance, Riverdance, and Gaelforce Dance alongside a treasure trove of Irish Dancing World Champions, A Taste of Ireland delivers the very best talent in the nation.

Hot off its premiere New York City run in 2020 and with over 120 shows in 2019 across Australia and New Zealand, A Taste of Ireland—The Irish Music & Dance Sensation finally returns down under.

Sunday, 13 June 2021, 07:30 PM to 09:10 PM

Kyneton Town Hall: 129 Mollison Street, Kyneton

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### Meet a local

#### **Peter Scanlon**

A 4th generation farmer from Springfield. His great grandparents Thomas and Mary Scanlon migrated from Ireland in 1884. Thomas was a stonemason, building railway bridges such as at Riddells Creek.

In 1886 they moved to 60 acres at Springfield, settlers constructing roads. Grandfather Bartholomew bought the family farm, purchased more, and diversified in livestock. Peter's father Tom farmed with his sons Peter and John – who received no wages early in their working lives "that is how family farming operated".

Peter attended Springfield school, a composite with all students in the one room. Older children teaching the younger. The teacher taught into the afternoon – but not on Fridays, so he could do his weekly Romsey shopping! Peter rode across the paddock to school.

Rabbits abounded and catching and selling was a common pastime, Peter bought his first car with the proceeds!. Peter remembers his mother using flour bags as pillow slips in the depression and family Sunday lunches at his place – with everyone away across the paddocks to Springfield tennis courts afterward.

At 13 Peter boarded at Assumption College but he was able to see the home hills from school grounds. He captained in golf and played seconds in football. Hopes to study veterinary science with a commonwealth scholarship faded; the course was far away at New England University, travel was far more challenging then than now. John and Peter worked the family farm – initially potatoes and milking cows, but later fat lambs and beef cattle. Peter's love of animals and the land showed in his many stories whilst at the golf club. He was unofficial vet eg. chasing off to check a cow that "looked as though she was about to calve". He advocated on farming and planning.

Peter was an active firefighter since schooldays. He was Springfield Foundation Secretary, has the National Medal, life membership, and is Brigade Chairperson. In the 1980s Peter was a Springfield riding councilor, and Shire President. He loves reading, tennis and golf. Peter is a Life Member of Romsey Golf Club and he is currently playing his 63rd consecutive Club Championships, an amazing effort. Peter still lives in Springfield, grazing cattle with his wife Elaine.



#### **Cooking with Peter Russell-Clarke**

You may know green soybeans are called EDAMAME. They are often used in place of chickpeas. I've also suggested, in this idea, tahine made from sesame seeds (which are a great source of manganese, copper and magnesium as well as plant compounds which are said to lower cholesterol). Cumin's good-o for your health too.

After you've made the recipe, you'll (hopefully) end up with edamame hummus, which you'll serve on the pita pieces.

It's a great way to enjoy the start of a meal.



### Edamame Hummus

#### **Ingredients:**

- 4 x 20cm pita breads
- olive oil cooking spray
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
- 2 cup fresh or frozen Edamame (shelled)
- 1/4 tahine



- 3 tablespoons lemon juice
- 2 cloves garlic
- 2 tablespoons olive oil

#### Method:

- 1. Cut the pita breads in half, lightly spray with olive oil and sprinkle with cumin.
- 2. Cut each piece into 8 wedges, put them on a baking tray and into an oven pre-heated to I80 deg.C for about 10 minutes, or until they're golden brown.
- 3. Take them out of the oven and put them on a wire rack to cool whilst you make the hummus.
- 4. Put the edamame into a saucepan and cover with water.
- 5. Bring to the boil and cook till tender (about 10 minutes).
- 6. Drain and rinse under cold water to stop them cooking further. Let them stand a minute or two to cool more then put them into a blender with 1/3 cup of water, the tahini, lemon juice and crushed garlic cloves.
- 7. Blend until smooth then, with the motor still running, slowly add the olive oil and keep blending till everything is well combined.
- 8. Serve with the pieces of pita bread.

#### Romsey/Lancefield Senior Citizens (June 2021)

#### Bendigo Bank Bus Trips

Firstly, a big THANKYOU to the Lancefield and Romsey Community Branches of the Bendigo Bank for their kind sponsorship of our monthly bus trips. Their support helps us to keep the cost down.

We had a lovely trip in May to Castlemaine, the biscuit factory was really worth the visit.

Our June trip is on Wednesday 2nd June to Westfield Shopping Centre, with lunch at Skyways and some pokies if you would like. Lunch is included in the \$40 price.

Westfield Shopping Centre has a variety of shops including Target, Kmart, Millers, Lowes, and Harris Scarfe just to name a few. You will have time for some shopping, a relaxing lunch and try your luck on the pokies.

#### **DEPART:**

**Lancefield Post Office** - 9.15am

**Romsey Mechanics Institute** - 9.30am (out the front).

For further information please contact Helen on 0409 064 303 or Rae

on 0408 338 759.

Bendigo Bank Proudly supported by Community Bank Lancefield & Romsey.



Why not join us for a relaxed lunch, chat and get together. We meet from 11am every Monday at the rear of the Romsey Mechanics' Institute.

We will be having our roast meal provided by Old Mates Café, on Monday 14th of June in our meeting room at the rear of the Romsev Mechanics Institute. Join us for this beautiful meal, roast, veggies and dessert all for \$10. If you are interested in joining us this day please contact Helen or Rae (for catering numbers).

Hope to see you soon.



### ROMSEY ECOTHERAPY PARK INC (REP)

#### **CONTACT DETAILS:**

Romsey Ecotherapy Park Inc P.O. Box 53, Romsey, VIC 3434

Jenny Stillman

Ph. 0411 700 464



### Funding Completes Romsey Ecotherapy Park

#### Romsey locals will enjoy a completed multipurpose nature park thanks to funding from the Andrews Labor Government.

Minister for Regional Development and Member for Macedon Mary-Anne Thomas announced a grant of \$615,000 from the Regional Infrastructure Fund – Stimulus Round.

The Government already invested \$718,000 for stage two (Regional Development Priorities 2019/2020 Fund) and \$200,000 through Pick My Project for stage one, a Government investment to \$1.53 million.

Stage three will add a Woodland Ramble and nature play, including a hut building frame to complement the climbing forest for older children and adults.

Stage two includes a sensory space, an arts and culture area. Construction is due to begin in June 2021 creating 12 jobs.

This boosts local economies as they recover from Covid improving tourism and local infrastructure.

It is a key in the Government's \$8 billion regional investment in the Victorian Budget 2020/21 to support communities to come back stronger than ever.

A second funding round opens from 16 June. Local councils will be invited to apply.

Information and guidelines for the Regional Jobs and Infrastructure Fund can be found at rdv.vic.gov.au.

Quote attributable to Minister for Regional Development Mary-Anne Thomas

Congratulations to the dedicated volunteers who have worked so hard to make this project a reality – it's been wonderful to be on this journey with you and witness the dream come to fruition.

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#### **Romsey Golf Club Report**

### May sees the 2021 Club Championships

Three rounds of stroke with male and female club champions and B and C Grade champions also, a number of other championship related shields. The final round will be May 15<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>

**2021 Pennant – Men:** The men's team have had a good season with wins over Trentham, Kilmore and Mt Macedon and all square with Woodend and Hidden Valley. Finishing top of the ladder the RGC team made it to the final which will be against Hidden Valley of Sunday May 23<sup>rd</sup>, venue to be announced.

**Women:** After taking out the '18 and '19 pennant shields the RGC women were the "tall poppies" of Div 2. The defence of their title got off to a good start with a win over Euroa and an all square with Lancefield.

**Centennary:** RGC turns 100 in 2022. Over the past 12 months local historian and author, Trevor Turnham and a sub-committee of the club, have been gathering information and preparing drafts of a book recording our 1st 100 years. RGC plans to provide a free copy to all local schools and libraries, the Historical Sociery, the Shire, GolfAus and DDGA. Celebrations will include a Centennial Weekend of golf in late March '22. (The final date will be decided by Dalhousie Distriuct Golf Association) Part of the Centennial Weekend celebrations will be dinner at the Romsey Mechanics' Institute to launch the book – "Romsey Golf Club – The First 100 Years" and to induct the inaugural members of the RGC Hall of Fame and Legends.

**Our latest** gardens have now been planted. The large mounds behind the 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> greens now boast a collection of indigenous and exotic flowering bushes and small trees. These plants will provide food and habitat for native insects and smaller birds and will add to the overall beauty of Romsey Park

The club has a QR code on the 1<sup>st</sup> tee, we ask all golfers to please use it.

For tee times go to; *https://www.romseygolfclub.net* "*BOOK NOW*" button or at the Green Fees box on the 1st tee.

For detailed reports on all results;

http://www.romseygolfclub.net/results/2021/

#### **UPCOMING PUBLIC HOLIDAYS & OBSERVATIONS**

Monday 14th June: — Queens Birthday

Friday 24th September: —— AFL Grand Final Parade

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November: — Melbourne Cup

Saturday 25th December: — Christmas Day

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### Romsey Primary School

#### The Romsey Primary School building project is well underway.

At the beginning of this term we opened our new Prep toilets. These toilets are modern and allow the students to access them during class time straight from their rooms. The Year 1/2 toilets will be completed shortly and will match what the Preps currently have. Our Year 3-6 students had their classrooms brightened up with new carpet, bright doors and bag lockers purposely built for each class. Storage areas were also built for the learning neighbourhood.

Our multipurpose space is coming together. Once completed we will have a state of the art STEAM space and Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden. Down the opposite end of the multipurpose space we will have a purpose built stage complete with stage lighting and AV equipment allowing not only the school but also the community to put on performances. We can't wait for it all to be completed, it will be amazing!

Enrolments for 2022 are now open for all year levels! Please contact the office or download an enrolment pack from our website if you want to come and join our amazing school! School tours are available upon request, please call or email the school to make a suitable time.

**Thank you** to all of the students, staff and families who joined in the ANZAC Day ceremony at Lancefield. The school captains did a fantastic job representing the school. I would also like to thank the RSL who came to our service on Monday's assembly. Our students did a fantastic job paying their respects.





#### **2 Ingredient Mug Brownies**

#### **Ingredients**

- 1/2 cup unprepared brownie mix
- 3 tablespoons of water
- · Ice cream or whipped cream to top

#### Method

- 1. Spray a large mug with cooking spray
- 2. Combine the brownie mix and water into the mug. Mix to combine.
- 3. Microwave 90 seconds.
- Top with whipped cream/ice cream or topping of your choice.

#### Enjoy!





**May 1-10, 2021** was International Cri du Chat Awareness Week. People with Cri du Chat Syndrome are missing a small part of Chromosome 5. It sometimes makes it tricky for them to do things, and it might take a little longer for them to learn to walk and talk.

**On May 5<sup>th</sup>**, we showed our support by wearing one long and one short sock to represent the complete and the deleted chromosome.



**On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May** our Prep students went on their very first excursion to Dream City. They were so excited to catch the bus and visit the city of Melbourne.

All the children had a great time and learnt about some possible jobs that some of them could do when they grow up.

There were some very tired little legs when they arrived back at school in the afternoon, which is always a good sign of a great excursion!









#### An update from 3/4 AG

We have started the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program this week. We cooked ANZAC biscuits with Mrs Davies and she linked EVERTHING to Maths, of course!

We had lots of fun making the biscuits, and even more fun eating them!



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#### **Pastor's Parables**

We assume it is good to be a Queen. She has power, riches and people vying for her attention. While this may be so, the Queen has those trying to steal her wealth and usurp her power. With her riches and power, she cannot buy privacy or peace of mind.

We wrongly assume that if we reach our aspirations of fame, power or riches, happiness will follow. Our problems will easily be solved, people will recognize our success and we can relax. Regrettably, this is usually the start of problems. Even in the Royal family.

The greater your impact - the greater your opposition. The greater your size – the bigger the target. Prosperity is one of life's hardest tests. So, what is life's ideal environment?

Rich or poor, famous or unknown, powerful or insignificant has its own set of problems.

Happiness is a state of the soul, found in a spiritual environment - an inner capacity that has little to do with outward circumstances. If you are not content in your circumstances you have, you may not be content if circumstances change.

We were designed to have a relationship with our Creator. When we honestly start trusting in God, knowing He is working all things together for our good, we also start relaxing and gaining that inner peace the Bible promises – no matter what our circumstances.

Paul Philippians 4:11: "Not that I speak in regard to need, for I have learned in whatever state I am, to be content."

And David states in Isaiah 26:3: "You will keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on You, because he trusts in You."

If you would like to find out more about having personal peace, you will be most welcome at our Sunday services or Fortnightly Life Groups. Please contact our Church office for more details.

We Encourage one another to be all we can be, in Life and in God.

If you would like to know more about faith in Jesus, please contact Pastor Marilyn or our Church office (P) 5429 6327

#### **ROMSEY & LANCEFIELD DISTRICTS**

## Historical Society Inc.

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Postal: P.O.Box 101 Lancefield Vic 3435



Lancefield Courthouse 55 Main Road Lancefield



Sidney Seymour Cottage property 20 Palmer St Romsey

The Romsey and Lancefield Districts Historical Society Inc. was formed in April 1979. The Society endeavours to preserve all written and photographic items relating to The Shire of Romsey.

The Old Shire was a local Government area in Victoria, Australia. The Shire covered an area of 628 square kilometres and existed from 1862-1995. Towns included: Benloch, Bolinda, Cherokee, Chintin, Clarkefield, Darrawiet Guim, Kerrie, Lancefield, Monegeetta, Mt William, Riddells Creek, Rochford, Romsey, Springfield and Tantarraboo.

The area has a very rich history starting with the Aboriginal Greenstone Axe Quarry at Mt William as well as the Archaeological Mega Fauna site in the old swamp at the Lancefield Park.

The Romsey & Lancefield Districts Historical Society has planned an informative and entertaining program of talks for the next few months commencing in June. In the first of the Talking History program for 2021, the artist Peter Sanders will present his talk 'Bourke & Wills Journey through Victoria' and hold an exhibition of his Art depicting their journey.

This event will be held at the Lancefield Mechanics' Institute Annexe on Sunday 20 June from 2 to 4pm.

Peter has travelled to all of the places Bourke & Wills stopped along the way and painted all of them.

This Fundraiser for the Society will cost \$25 per head and includes beer, wine and soft drink, as well as savoury refreshments. The money will go toward restoration costs for Seymour Cottage.

Please RSVP by 17 June to; lancefieldcourthouse@gmail.com and state your name in the email.

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#### **Sunday Services:**

Regular weekly Church Services are:

- · Romsey Church Service 9am each Sunday.
- · Lancefield Church Service 10:30am each Sunday.

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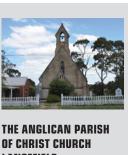
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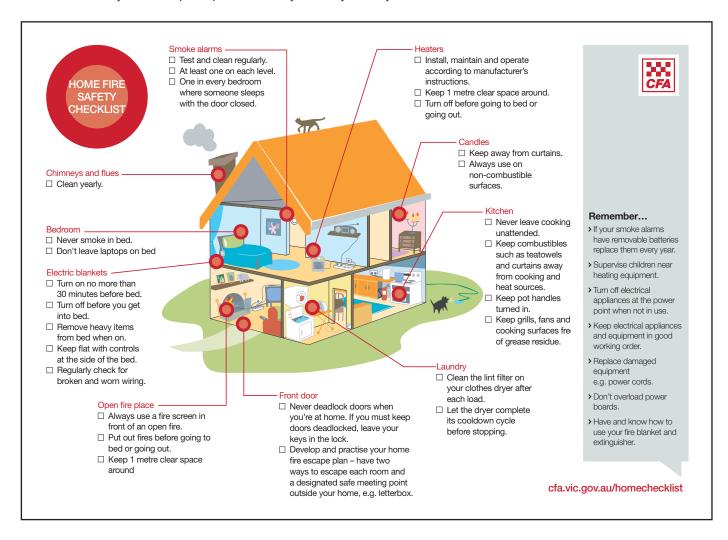
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#### **Ecclesiastes 3: 1**

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven.

A man who had worked hard all his life was asked what he would do in retirement. "For the first month," he said, "I'll sit on the porch in my rocking chair." "And then what?" "Then I'll start rocking – slowly," he answered.

Why do we find it so hard to slow down? Most of us aren't human beings anymore, we are human doings. We rush around madly from one thing to the next. Achievement is all that counts. We show each other full diaries, shake our heads and say we wish we had more spare time, but secretly we enjoy the thought that the world cannot get along without us. That if we did not do things, the earth would grind to a halt. That we are indispensable. But this constant activity leaves us little time to look at who we are or where we are going. No time to think.

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A wise writer in the Bible said that there's a time for everything under the sun – and I reckon that includes a time to release ourselves, let go and recharge our batteries.

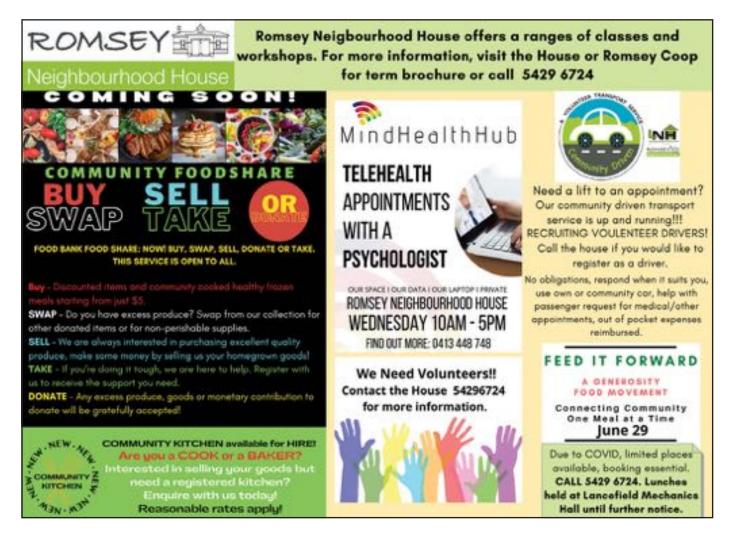
#### "Be still and know that I am God,"

the Psalmist advises. It means 'relax and know...'. The problem with our frenetic activity is that it crowds God out. We think our business is on his behalf, but really it pushes him to the edge of our lives.

Take time out today, relax and give God a chance to make himself felt.

Lord, when life is fast and I am getting breathless, help me to feel your presence in the pressures.

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



#### St. Mary's Parish - Lancefield & Romsey

#### **Current Mass Times**

#### **Sunday Mass**

Sunday Mass will be celebrated at 9am at either Lancefield or Romsey.

Romsey: 1st & 3rd Sunday

Lancefield: 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday.

**Saturday Healing Mass:** The Healing Mass will be celebrated at 10am in Romsey on the 1st Saturday of each month.

**Baptisms:** Baptisms are held at 2pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Please contact the office for the next available date.

**Sacraments:** Due to Covid restrictions, children not attending St. Mary's School cannot join the Sacrament program run through the school this year; therefore they will be celebrated privately during the Sunday Mass. Please contact the secretary to book your child into the program. Details will be finalised in the coming weeks.

Children booked in to receive a Sacrament last year will be contacted to participate this year when details are confirmed.

If you want to go to Reconciliation, please contact Fr. Martin directly at Woodend on *5427 2690* to book a time.

Mass Bookings: Attendance at Mass is by registration as Mass numbers are restricted currently. Please contact the Secretary at lancefield@cam.org.au or on 5429 2130 to reserve your place at the next available Mass. Social distancing, hygiene protocols and QR code sign-in are in place in our churches. Please do not show up at Mass without booking as you may be turned away. Thank you for your co-operation to keep our churches open.

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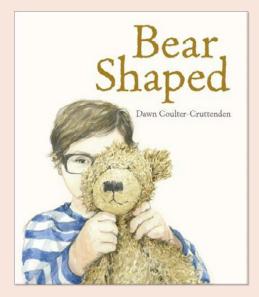
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### Goldfields Library Corporation



### **Bear Shaped by Dawn Coulter-Cruttenden.**

Published April 2020 by Oxford University Press UK

#### **Book Review by Rae**

Based on a true story, this gorgeous book is about Jack, a young boy on the autism spectrum and his teddy named Bear, who is always by his side.

Jack loves Bear because he makes him feel brave and allows him to try new things. Then one day at the park Bear disappears and Jack suddenly feels all alone with a "big Bear-shaped hole in his heart". The news quickly spreads that Bear is lost and Jack begins to receive messages and teddy bears, both old and new, from strangers all over the world. Bear remains missing, but this kindness from strangers begins to heal Jack's sadness and Jack comes to realise that there is something that he can do to help other children with bear-shaped holes. A beautiful story of love, loss, learning to cope with change and kindness that pre-school children and carers alike will enjoy.

#### What's On at Romsey Library:

April 29th - June 3rd:

■ Reconciliation Week

June 7-10th:

■ Woodend Winter Arts Festival

June 10th - 16th:

■ Men's Health Week

From May:

■ Premiers' Reading Challenge

# May/June at the Romsey Library

#### **Premiers' Reading Challenge**

Calling all readers from Kindergarten to year 10 for the Premiers' Reading Challenge!

Each May the Premier of Victoria puts out a challenge to young readers - read more books!

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This literacy initiative aims to create positive and life-long reading habits for children.

This challenge (PRC) is an individual challenge rather than a competitive event. Stories read include selected personal choice books and books from the set Premiers' Reading Challenge list. The number of books to be read to meet the challenge is age-appropriate. There are hundreds of titles, divided into appropriate year levels. The choice is enormous!

You must be registered to participate in the Premiers' Reading Challenge. You can do this at: https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/events/prc/Pages/getregistered.aspx Many Schools and Kindergartens participate in this Reading Challenge - your child may already be registered.

Libraries are important in the Premiers' Reading Challenge - we have taken part since it began in 2005. We have books clearly labelled as PRC books ready to borrow - and of course, your other favourite books and authors to read as part of the challenge.

#### **Next month**

Don't miss the Rules of Reading to Children by Stuart Winser!



# Enrol Now

2022 Prep Information Sessions & School Tour Dates

> Prep Tour of Romsey Primary School

Date: Friday 11th June 2021 Time: 10:00am Venue: Office

Information Session for Interested Families & Prep Classroom Tour

> Date: Tuesday 24th August 2021 Time: 10:00am Venue: Prep Rooms

Information Session for Families Enrolled at RPS for Prep 2022

Date: Wednesday 27th October 2021 Time: 10:00am

Venue: Multipurpose Space

Please register your interest for any of the sessions by emailing the school romsey.ps@education.vic.gov.au or phoning 5429 5099

Bookings are essential for all sessions

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# Murmuring Walk

Murmuring Walk is a free audio-guided walk at Sanatorium Lake, Mount Macedon - to immerse yourself in the lake environment, birdlife and natural rhythms. You will be invited to wear headphones which connect to your own mobile, and

contemplate with the help of a multilayered, poetic sound track.

#### **Launch of Audio**;

• May 31st

#### **Live-installation/performance**;

- 3.45pm on 22<sup>nd</sup> June
- 1pm & 3.45pm on 27th June

\*Registration for live events is essential - book on mrsc.vic.gov.au.



Sandra Fiona Long, Ria Soemardjo and Charlotte Roberts are passionate about connecting deeply with natural environments, creating heightened listening and contemplation. Sandra and Ria are experienced in immersive performances, and Charlotte is local musician and vocal artist. They draw on experience in writing, performance making, facilitation, vocal improvisation and sound design.



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