Romsey Golf Club

Women's Report

As the weather has supposedly improved so has our golf calendar and we are again busy travelling around the district.

Wednesday 15th September we played Par. It is a game that must have been invented by a man who was playing well. Some of our women boycott par days and I may join them. Elaine won the day with -5. And we were just in before the temperature dropped and the rain started. Denise represented Romsey at the Kyneton par three day and had a really good fun day. All holes had NTP's on them and Denise won the one on the 14th hole, plus a \$60.00 voucher from Drummonds. So a really good day.

Thursday 18th was the Euroa bowl and Kath played well and was runner-up in C Grade. As usual their course was in good nick and with wide fairways scores were mostly good.

Wednesday 24th was a cool day and with the course in great condition scores should have been good, but Kath was the only one to play to her handicap and win the monthly medal for September.

Thursday 25th Kath, Lorraine Wendy and I played in the Lancefield Tournament. With plenty of running water in the 6 creek crossings, decisions had to be made about laying up or going for it. Scores were not good, but we enjoyed the company and lunch. Wednesday 1st October we skipped golf and held our Rose Scanlon count and finalised all competitions for the year. The Rose Scanlon shield was won by Elaine with 37pts. Kath won the Eclectic with 60 on a count back from me and the putting was won by Lorraine with an average of 32 putts.

Romsey & Lancefield

After all this we shared lunch and celebrated Jan's big "O" birthday. Thursday 2nd Wendy, Lorraine and I played Yea's tournament. The course was good and weather perfect. Lorraine and I discovered we could really play golf occasionally and both had a

nett 71. Friday 3rd October Denise played East Geelong with 2 lovely, lovely ladies, one from Queenscliff, other from Queen's Park. The course in very good condition. Biggest problem for day. BUNKERS, BUNKERS & more BUNKERS! The course is nine holes nestled in the Botanical gardens, with great seascape views on some holes. Take away the cursed BUNKERS and it's a very enjoyable course.

Saturday 4th October Denise won her first Monthly Medal at her home club of Bacchus Marsh West. She had a 72 nett and reduced her handicap by 2 strokes.

Monday 6th October Denise played in the Melton Pro Am. She wasn't doing too badly, until last 6 holes when her cart broke down! holes. Meaning, it is no longer working! The Pro shop was kind enough to send out one of their carts, so she was able to finish her round.

Wednesday 8th we played match play and there were some close games, with all players reaching the 16th before there was a result. Elaine was missing as her and Peter had just become grandparents for the first time. Thursday 9th Wendy Kath and I travelled to Strathbogie for their tournament. This was Wendy's third trip to Strathbogie to play and her first round. Weather was perfect no wind and warm sunshine. I saw billy buttons, day lilies and buttercups (in the rough again) Kath found water and Wendy had a day out (except for one disastrous hole) and finished with a nett 69,

to win C Grade handicap, the veterans and 5 Dalhousie points. Her score was the best nett for the day. She also reduced her handicap by 2 strokes. Wednesday 15 October Who said the weather was warming!! The cold was not welcome but the threatening black cloud passed over and some sun did show. The mowers are doing a brilliant job of keeping the course playable. It's like the Sydney Harbour Bridge, as soon as they finish they have to start again. Kath (28) won the Stableford event with 34pts.

Recipe for this month

Caramel Coconut Slice.

½ cup SR Flour ½ cup coconut ½ cup castor sugar

100gm melted butter.

Caramel filling

½ cup plain flour

400gm can condensed milk 2tablespoons golden syrup 1/4 cup brown sugar 60gm melted butter Coconut topping 2egggs lightly beaten 1/3 cup castor sugar 2 cups coconut Line slice tin with glad bake Sift flours into bowl stir in coconut, sugar and butter. Press evenly over base of prepared tin bake in moderate

browned. Spread filling evenly over base, sprinkle with topping Bake in moderate oven for about a further 25 mins or until topping is lightly browned; cool in

oven for about 12 mins or until lightly

Caramel filling Combine all ingredients in bowl and mix well Coconut topping Combine all ingredients in bowl and mix well Beryl Cole 54295411

P.O. Box 101

The volunteers at the Courthouse are working on a project for Anzac Day 2015. We would like to find photos of the WWI soldiers to add to the project. We are not asking for the photos to be donated, we would like to copy the photo and you can take your photo home with you. We would also appreciate any information that could be added to our collection.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held at the Courthouse on 25th November at 7.30. New members are always welcome.

We recently had a family visit the Seymour Cottage. They were most interested in the history of the cottage. The garden at the Cottage is looking guite good at the moment, many of the plants are in flower.

Further information please contact Shirley on 0402 248540 or Robyn on 0418 172

LANCEFIELD 3435

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THE ROMSEY RAG

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THE NOVEMBER EDITION OF THE ROMSEY RAG IS PROUDLY BROUGHT TO YOU BY

- The Romsey Rag Committee Supporting Red Cross and Macedon Ranges Christmas Toy Shop -

Australian Red Cross – Romsey Branch COME JOIN US

If you would like to be part of the largest humanitarian organisation in the world, be an advocate in your community, meet like minded people then join the Romsey Red Cross Branch.

By becoming a member of Red Cross, you can be involved in fund raising. The monies raised locally are administered by Red Cross Australia, and provide funds to support the charitable and humanitarian activities of Red Cross globally and locally. Locally Red Cross provides many programs for the community such as Good Start Breakfast in Schools, patient transport, preparedness programs where vulnerable people are prepared in case of natural disasters such as bushfire. Globally Red Cross are working to evacuate people in flooded areas of South Asia as well as distribute food and emergency items, supporting the injured and displaced in the GAZA conflict, and in Northern Iraq.

You only need \$5 and to commit to 2 to 3 activities a year. We have monthly meetings if you are able to attend but this is not a requirement.

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Coming Events

Saturday 25th October – 'Coffee & Cake' in Neighbourhood house at Play Extravaganza and Open Day. Sunday 9th November – afternoon tea at Antique Show in the Mechanics Institute. CHRISTMAS RAFFLE - tickets \$2 on sale from early November.

Macedon Ranges Christmas Toy Shop In past years the Combined Churches of

Call:

the Macedon Ranges have organised a Christmas "Toy Shop" for families living in the shire who might struggle to afford a Christmas gift for their child. Each year we assist over 100 local families, or over 250 children. As with each year, we anticipate the need to be even greater. The Tov Shop relies completely on the generosity of our community, to donate gifts to stock the shop. Families are referred to us by local support and welfare agencies and are given a personal invite to attend the shop and pick out toys for their children. As we rely on donated goods, there is no cost to the families for these gifts. We also offer gift wrapping and a cafe style space to enjoy free tea and coffee and home baked goodies. For families who are facing challenging times, Christmas can become an incredibly stressful, lonely and sad season. Unable to participate in many of the traditions that our culture has come to know as "normal" these families can feel even more isolated and marginalised. The Toy Shop gives struggling families the

opportunity to enjoy what most people

take for granted – to choose something special for their child and be able to give it to them on Christmas morning. Many of these families would otherwise be unable to give their child a gift on Christmas morning, and many of these children would miss out on the joy of opening a gift that is just for them.

For our community, the Toy Shop is a fantastic opportunity for local people to embrace the true Christmas spirit, and reach out in generosity and love to those in their own community who are facing a tough time. Whether you are an individual or a business, you can get into the Christmas spirit and give some joy to local people who really need it.

The toy shop relies 100% on the goodwill and generosity of our community. We need your donations to make this important initiative possible. We require donations of toys for boys and girls aged 0 -18. Gifts need to be new and valued around \$20. We also welcome donations of books, plush toys and smaller items that would be suitable as stocking fillers. We particularly fall short in gifts, books and stocking fillers for older children each year.

How to Donate:

- The Uniting Church and Target Woodend are again running "Operation Santa" and have kindly agreed to donate all gifts to the Toy Shop. Members of the public can donate by leaving a gift at the tree located in Target Country Woodend.
- Donations will also be received at the offices of Cobaw Community Health in Kyneton and Woodend
- Contact Georgina Harvey (0404442891) directly to arrange pick up of donations

Donations of both gifts and money will be gratefully received. All financial donations will only be used to purchase toys to stock the shop. Gifts need to be received by Monday 15th December to allow time for sorting and setting up of the tov shop. All Enquiries: Georgina Harvey (0404442891).

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MP HAS THE LAST WORD

Dear Friends.

As you know, I am retiring in November

It has been an honour and a privilege to represent the people of the Macedon Ranges. This is a community of wonderful people, active and full of energy, innovation and belief.

Thank you for your support and co-operation. There have been many memorable moments and wonderful people that have provided me with insight and help over the past years (on both sides of the political divide). Without your help I couldn't have made it to

Together we have accomplished a lot since 1999 and there have been many people who have assisted in making changes for the better in our electorate. We rebuilt the Kyneton hospital, returned the Wombat Forest to sustainable logging, delivered natural gas to seven towns and built new CFA, SES and Police stations and schools.

We rebuilt country rail and introduced new rolling stock specially designed to be accessible for all people. Just a few our achievements and too many to list here.

None of this would have been possible were it not for the commitment of so many community groups and volunteers. Please don't think any of your work has gone unnoticed.

Even though there will be much I will miss, I am looking forward to starting a new phase of my life which hopefully will be a bit more relaxed, with time to catch up with friends and family and perhaps to pursue some new challenges down the track.

Good bye and good luck Warm regards Joanne Duncan

Letter to the Editor,

The Romsey Golf Club established over 90 years, plays and maintains a golf course on 60 acres at Romsey Park which is crown land. All work done by members is voluntary. Western Water has excess re-cycled water and will partially finance the reticulation to irrigate the course.

Golf club members have contributed to this substantial cost.

Many rate payers, walkers and dog walkers enjoy the beauty and facility of the course. Riding councillors seem to be disinterested and ignorant of this facility, and developers/ subdividers, of which there are many, are painfully quiet.

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Romsey Golf Club – Men's Report http://romseygolfclub.net

2014 Results

Saturday October 11th - Stroke

Another stunning spring day; warm, clear skies with nary a breath of wind. The course was again in top nick however vigerous spring growth saw heavy clippings on some fairways so players were allowed to mark their ball, lift, clear the area then replace. It was great to welcome Brad Klaasen back to the club. After an almost two year lay-off Brad did an excellent job to play close to his handicap of 9. The top conditions saw everyone in with a chance however as the round progressed only one player was able to take hold of the course and record a good score; this with at least four putts that just failed to drop. On a great afternoon to be out in the park the dav's results were:

Winner; Pat Chisholm - 83/14/69 from Anthony Lakey

95/21/74 and Rob Rea - 91/17/74

NTPs; 15th - Bob Dwyer and 16th - Mick Nicholls

Saturday October 4th - Stableford

It was a wonderful spring day, the sky was clear and the air was warm however there was a strengthening northerly wind blowing so not everything was in the players' favour. It was also the first round of pennant bowls so the rooms were quite full both before and after the round. The warmer air saw many players driving through the corners on some holes and facing difficult shots over the ever taller trees to make par, this proved too challenging for some. Despite the fairways having been mown earlier in the week the spring weather saw rapid growth across the whole course, even the greens (mown late Friday night) were a little fluffy. In the end it was up to the two youngest golfers in the field to show the way home. Michael McCarten, who won the Laurie Thomson shield in the recent club championships had an excellent round but the day belonged to Daniel Wright who shot 71 off the stick. This from a golfer who has played perhaps six rounds in the last 12 months. The day's results were;

Winner: Daniel Wright (8) 46 pts from Michael McCarten (36) 41 pts and Dave Richardson (24) 34 pts

NTPs; 15th - Mal Mottram & 16 - Daniel Wright.

Saturday September 20th - Round 3 - 2014 Club Championships & September Medal.

The final round of the 2014 Club Championships began with cold, gusting north-westerly winds bringing the out-of-bounds on the first right into play. Once through the 1st the wind blew almost straight towards the dam on the right of the 2nd, many players found themselves well over par as they hit off on the 3rd. The fairways had firmed considerably from last week and the greens had responded well to a recent fertilising program so players who were able to keep their ball on the fairways were able to post a good score. As the round progressed the sun came out but the wind did not let up. The day began with Les Gaunt holding a five shot lead over Mitchell Clement. Les was able to steady over the final nine to record a seven shot win. In B Grade John Freestone held a one shot lead over Ron Walker, very steady golf saw this become a nine shot win. The day's results were;

Winner & September Medalist; Jim Patton - 91/21/70 from Andrew Clement - 83/11/72

NTPs; 15th - Mitchell Clement Least Putts; Andrew Clement - 25

2014 Romsey Golf Club Championships Results

Club Champion; Les Gaunt 245 from Mitchell Clement - 252 B Grade Champion; John Freestone - 278 from Ron Walker

Laurie Thompson Shield Winner; Michael McCarten 361/253 (Best nett result by a junior) John Jeffrey Shield Winner; John Freestone

278/215 (Best nett result)

Peter Scanlon Shield Winner; John Freestone

278/215 (Best nett result by a player 55 yrs & over)



B Grade Champion, John Jeffrey Shield & Peter Scanlon Shield Winner John Freestone with RGC Captain Tony Freeman



2014 Club Champion Les Gaunt with RGC Captain Tony Freeman

Saturday September 13th - Round 2 - 2104 Club Champi-

For the second week running conditions for golf were excellent, a clear sunny day with nary a breath of wind. The extremely heavy rain of Tuesday, and follow-up rains on Thursday, had left pools of casual water on some fairways and had softened the whole course so "Preferred Lies" (To a handspan) through the green was granted. Again the course and the whole of Romsey Park was in top nick, a credit to the members who ride the mowers and care for the park's gardens. On such a great day good results were expected but the golf course again punished loose shots and made the low handicappers work very hard for a creditable score. After the 2nd round of the Club Championships both A Grade and B Grade have two players well out from the field. On a beautiful day the results were;

Winner; Dave Muller - 86/14/72 from Mick Nicholls -96/22/74, Mitchell Clement - 86/12/74 & Les Gaunt - 80/6/74. NTPs; 1st - Mick Nicholls, 15th - Mal Mottram & 16th - Tony Freeman.

A Grade Scratch; Les Gaunt (6) 160 from Mitchell Clement (12) - 165

B Grade Scratch; John Freestone (21) 184 from Ron Walker (21) - 185

We are very happy to announce that works to expand the existing irrigation system will begin over the next few weeks. This expansion will see all greens & surrounds irrigated and each fairway irrigated from at least the 150m marker to the green. Re-cycled water will also be available for the many newly planted indigenous native trees and bushes and existing and new garden beds. Our thanks to Kate Berg (Western Water) and Graeme Treadwell and Michelle Nolte (Macedon Ranges Shire) for their efforts to assist the club to begin these vital upgrade. We hope that these works will greatly improve both the golf course and Romsey Park and see it become a haven for native insects, birds and small mammals



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Lancefield & Romsey Community Banks \$40,000 GRANT A HALLMARK OF BANK'S COMMUNITY FO-**CUS**

A long-held dream to redevelop and refurbish Lancefield's iconic Mechanics Institute Hall is set to become a reality, with the Lancefield and Romsey Community Bank branches showing their community heart.

The Bank Chair, Tim McCarthy today announced a major \$40,000 grant to help the hall committee realise key components of its master plan.

Mr McCarthy also announced \$14,000 for the Romsey Region CFA to buy a thermal imaging camera, to provide local firefighters with better information about the seat of a blaze by seeing areas of heat through smoke, darkness and barriers.

The Lancefield Mechanics Institute and Romsey Region CFA are just two of the 54 clubs, community groups and a range of other organisations around the district which are sharing in \$142.755 in grants and sponsorships from the Lancefield and Romsey Community Bank branches.

Announcing and presenting the grants and sponsorships at a Community Investment Program function at the Lancefield Hall, Mr McCarthy said the community-owned Bank has now put more than \$730,000 directly into the community over the past 13 years. "With another \$170,000 already allocated for future community projects through a 'futures fund', our Bank has now earmarked more than \$900,000 for projects of community benefit since we opened our doors," he said.

"This distribution of money demonstrates exactly what our Community Bank is all about.

"Our Romsey and Lancefield community-owned branches of Bendigo Bank were established to serve our towns, both by ensuring we always had local banking services and by our pledge to share the profits and proceeds generated with our communities.

THIS YEAR'S COMMUNITY BANK SPONSORSHIPS & GRANTS

Community Investment grants

Lancefield Mechanics Institute - Major boost to Master Plan, upgrade entrance of hall, total kitchen refurbishment, redevelopment of annex area \$40,000

Lancefield Tennis & Netball Clubs - Pavilion upgrade Stage 1 of plan \$10,000

Romsey Lancefield RSL Sub Branch - Centenary plaques \$4500 Lancefield Men's Shed - tradesmen trailer to transport tools to schools \$4000

Lancefield Golf Club - updating clubhouse facilities \$2500

Christ Church Anglican Church - upgrade and refurbishment \$2000

Romsey Golf Club - safety and security upgrade \$1600

Romsey Mechanics Institute - replace stage \$1500

Romsey Play Connect-Autism Light It Up Blue Project - creating aware-

ness of autism \$1500

Lancefield Motorcycle Run & Lancefield Neighborhood House - mainte-

nance on BBQ \$1400

Macedon Ranges Lodge 97 - marguee purchase \$1000

St. Mary's Catholic Church Lancefield-Romsey - Instantaneous hot water

system \$750 Romsey Playgroup Inc. - membership support for group Lancefield Country Women's Association - hall fees

\$650 Romsey CWA - chef aprons and hats, sheets, table cloths for Romsey

Kinder and trauma teddies \$500 Australian Red Cross-Lancefield Branch - Centenary lunch \$250

Emergency Services grants

Romsey Region CFA - Thermal Imaging camera \$14,000

Lancefield CFA \$1000 Romsey CFA \$1000 Springfield CFA \$1000 Nulla Vale CFA \$1000 Bolinda/Monegeetta CFA \$1000 Clarkefield CFA \$1000 Benloch CFA \$1000

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School Program \$9000 across three schools Romsey Primary School

St Mary's Primary School Lancefield Primary School

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"This latest allocation demonstrates that we have upheld our pledge, and the banking business generated by local residents and companies is also making a direct contribution to funding worthwhile projects and groups.

"By supporting their Bank, they are also proudly supporting the groups receiving these grants and sponsorships.'

Mr McCarthy said the grants recognise the hard work done by local volunteers.

"Our funds are making a real difference to our community, by supporting the hard-working and dedicated volunteers such as the members of the hall committee and our local fire brigades," he

"Our local brigades did an awesome job in protecting our communities during the summer fires that burnt through thousands of hectares, and the thermal imaging camera will make it easier for them to locate and tackle the seat of any fire.

"The Lancefield Mechanics Institute Hall is an icon of Lancefield and our grant will help update and refurbish the annexe and the kitchen, which the committee identified were crucial projects in improving the building and making it more of a hub for the community.

"We applaud the work that members and volunteers of our local groups do to make our community a better place to live.

Mr McCarthy said the Lancefield and Romsey Community Bank branches of Bendigo Bank were operated on behalf of around 500 local residents and businesses, who put up their own money to become shareholders.

"The banking service alone is a landmark contribution to the prosperity of our district, yet it is the extra step we take that sets our Bank apart," he said.

"Unlike any other business, our Bank disperses its profits in a truly remarkable way to enhance our lives here in Romsey and

Romsey Lancefield Girl Guides Lancefield & District Pony Club Lancefield Macedon Ranges Relay for Life event St Mary's Primary School - Movie Night Lancefield Golf Club Romsey Sporting Association Lancefield Cricket Club Romsey Kennel Club Romsey Bowling Club Lancefield Football Netball Club Lancefield Romsey Little Athletics

Romsey Community Hub & Play Connect - Mental Health Expo Romsey Cricket Club

Lancefield Equestrian Group

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Romsey Football Netball Club

GRAAP - Grand Community Picnic

Romsey Golf Club

Lancefield Kennel Club

RRBATA - Annual Business Breakfast

Lancefield Agricultural Society - Lancefield Show

Macedon Ranges Vignerons Ass. – Wine dinner Romsey Play Connect – Light it Up Blue event

Lancefield Neighbourhood House - Christmas Carols Evening in the Park

Lancefield Junior Football Netball Club

Romsey Junior Netball Club

TOTAL: \$142,755



ROMSEY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS



Investments in Future Developments

The school is thrilled to continue its strong link TOGETHER WE LEARN AND GROW With Lancefield and Romsey Community Bank and at the recent grants evening it was an-

nounced that we will receive \$3,000 to further strengthen the successful implementation of the You Can Do It program. This is a social and emotional learning program teaching the skills of Getting Along, Confidence, Organisation. Persistence and Resilience. These important life skills not only support students at school but are important to everyone as adults.

The second investment is an announcement of a Planned Maintenance Grant of \$131.896 from the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development. This money is allocated to the Art Gymnasium area and is an excellent boost to maintenance funding which will make significant improvements to the quality of this part of the school.

National Aerobics Champions

Congratulations to our amazing team of Grace Sharp, Emily Muir and Jessica Summers who won gold medals at the national titles in Brisbane. The other two teams who competed performed to a high level with Kayleigh Horan, Annalyce Alexander, Sarah Galea and Georgia Moloney being awarded a bronze medal and the duo of Tayla Christian and Maddie Wilson coming fourth.



Lenny visits Romsey PS

Year 5ND were treated to a visit from prize winning Suffolk sheep. Students gained a greater understanding of farm animals and were educated about where their food comes from and what is involved in getting it to their tables.



University of NSW International Awards

Congratulations to our talented students who achieved distinctions, credits and merits in the recent UNSW English and Mathematic Competitions. They are proudly displaying their certificates which were presented at a whole school assembly.



Mathematics



English

Kids in Sheds

A new liaison has been formed with the Lancefield Men's Shed. All year 5 students travel to Lancefield in small groups to work in partnership with the men, to individually build a nest box and pencil case. Students benefit from this project by learning practical skills and build their confidence and form positive relationships with older male role models. Special thanks to John McCathy for sponsoring the free transport.



Enrolments for 2015 are welcome; please phone the office on 5429 5099 for a tour of the school.



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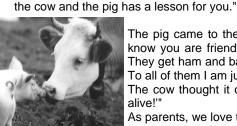
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A rich man complained to his friend: "People don't like me. They say I'm selfish and stingy. And yet in my last

will and testament I have donated all that I own to charitable cause." His friend said: "Well, maybe the story of



The pig came to the cow and complained: 'People always talk about your friendliness. I know you are friendly, you do give them milk. But they get much, much more from me. They get ham and bacon and lard and they even cook my feet. And yet - no one likes me. To all of them I am just a pig, a hog. Why is that?'

The cow thought it over a bit and then said: 'Perhaps it's because I give while I am still

As parents, we love to give gifts to our children. Seeing the joy on their faces is our gift. No one has to teach them how to enjoy gifts they love and desire. And no one has to teach us

how to give to them. We love our families - so we give.

God our heavenly Father also loves to give gifts to all those He loves. Not just when we go to heaven but here and now. Have you ever asked Him?

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Open Garden Days – Stunning heritage garden open to the public on selected days during a prime month of Spring, when this tribute to Duneira's colonial past is in full bloom, 10am -4pm on 1, 2, 9, 16 & 23 November. \$8 including map, kids

Regular classes and tours through the month include **Guided Garden Tours** – Thursdays and Saturdays 12.15pm

Guided House Tours - Thursdays at 10.45am and Satur-

Language lessons in Italian and Chinese (Mandarin) are with a native speaker, and are mainly beginners levels. Private lessons can also be accommodated.

Meditation sessions Tuesdays at 4.30pm with Robyn Minski, who has been practicing, researching and lecturing in Complementary Healthcare for over 30 years, specializing in mind-body medicine.

Transport from the Macedon Railway Station to Duneira can be pre-arranged at no additional cost. For more information & bookings: 03 5426 1490 (Monday - Thursday) or www.duneira.com.au. Stay in touch with Duneira on facebook - www.facebook.com/Duneira

ROMSEY BRANCH OF C.W.A. INC

Homecrafts Stall on Saturday 22nd November, in front of Romsey IGA from 9.00 am.

Come along and enjoy the home made baking and crafts items for sale, many gift ideas for Christmas.

Our monthly meeting is on the 1st Thursday of the month from 10.00 am to approx. 12.00 noon and our craft days are on the 3rd Thursday of the month from 10.00 am to approx. 2.00 pm, both usually held at the Romsey Mechanics Institute. We sometimes hold our meetings at a member's home, so please phone one of the numbers below before coming along, as we may not be at the Hall.

Our Romsey Branch participates in many little, medium and larger activities in our Community, and we welcome people with all sorts of interests. We do hope you can join us, please call and chat to:

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Shirley Jones Pat Muddyman 5428 4518 Susy Jarman 5429 6008 Melva Beer 5429 3763



Women from all Walks **Gathering in Friendship**

Our group aspires to connect women in our rural communities in a warm & welcoming environment. It's a great way to meet new people in the area & have some laughs.

Enquiries: -

WHERE: Sicilian Vespers,

Email: info@rrwn.com.au

119 Main Street, Romsey WHEN: Thursday 20th November

Tracey (President) 0416 497 623 Natasha (Secretary) 0421 289 137 Hannah (Treasurer) 0401 085 125

Find us on Facebook

TIME: 7.00pm We meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month to give women

an opportunity to take some time out from their busy lives of an evening and stay connected.

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Remember!

November is the month of remembranc-

On November 11th, Remembrance Day, we remember all those men, women and children who suffered and died that we might live in peace and security. A peace and security which is being severely tested today. We are called to support in prayer, materials and other means those who are suffering persecution and death because of their Christian Faith or ethnicity.

Remember, remembered and remembrance is quoted over 300 times in the Bible. Ecclesiastes, the Preacher warns us,

"Remember your Creator in the days of your youth" - why wait until we are old and grey before getting in touch with the One who made us, loves us and laid down His life that we might have fellowship with Him? Remember the thief on the Cross, who at the eleventh hour said, "Jesus, remember

me when you come into your kingdom." Luke 23:42.

One of the last commands of Jesus was to remember Him and His saving death on the Cross for mankind's sin was in the institution of the Lord's Supper. Jesus took bread and said, "This is my body which is given for you, do this in remembrance of Me," then He took the cup saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it in remembrance of Me." Paul writes whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. 1 Corinthians 12..25-26. We do well to remember that one day that will take place.

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in,

When on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died

to take away my sin. Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee, How great Thou art.

OCTOBER IN RETROSPECT

This month we were pleased to welcome the Rev. Len Greenhall as our locum vicar until the end of December. He was previously

vicar of Holy Trinity Bacchus Marsh and Arch deacon of Essendon.

AMS enjoyed another snooker night at Mrs. F Carter's home and their sales of snowballs went well for their Welfare Fund.

The Guild held its Annual Meeting and Mrs Betty Dansey was elected President and Mrs Glenice Mitchell, secretary/treasurer once again. The Guild looks forward to another year of fellowship and activity in the Lord's service.

Thank you all who supported the Guild's afternoon highlighting the ministry of Anglicare and the Tillow Fashions afternoon for the Christ Church Restoration Appeal. Very worthwhile! \$464 was forwarded to the Bush Church Aid Society from boxholders to support this bush ministry.

NOVEMBER DIARY

Thurs.13th Nov..8pm. AMS meets at Christ Church Lancefield Hall..ANNUAL MEETING.. Max. 5429-1597.

AMS DIARIES 2015 are on sale now at \$6. Handy little diaries with lots of information. Tom 5429-6060 & Max Sunday 9th .. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Thurs.20th Nov.1.30pm..The Guild meets Christ Church Hall Lancefield.. Glenice..5429-6418.

Sunday 16th.. 10am..Combined service at Christ Church Lancefield.. MorningTea.. Followed by the

CHURCH ANNUAL MEETING.. Attendance by members essential..

Sunday 16th..7pm. HEALING SERVICE ..Christ Church Lancefield .. Rev.David Farlie DECEMBER 2014

Sat.6th Dec. Parish Christmas STREET STALL..Outside I.G.A. ROMSEY 9am. Cakes.Preserves.Gifts etc.

Minister: Rev. Len Greenhall .. MOB 0437 072 124 Office No. 5429-1380 Correspondent.. Mrs. Doreen Morgan

Relay Captains Cuppa

The Lancefield/Macedon Ranges Relay For Life committee is hosting an afternoon tea for team captains and prospective new teams.

Captains, or team representatives, are invited to the Lancefield Corner Store at 2pm on Sunday, November 16.

The new Relay For Life website will be explored and teams will be shown how to best use it to help raise funds for the Cancer Council Victoria. Registrations will also be taken on the day.

Any team with a representative at the meeting will go into a draw for a marquee donated by Riddells Creek Party Hire to be set up (and packed up) on the weekend of the Relay. As a further incentive, teams will be given one chance at winning for every team member they have registered.

The 2015 Lancefield/Macedon Ranges Relay For Life is on the weekend of February 28-March 1. Register as an individual or a team online at www.relayforlife.org.au and search for Lancefield, or ring 1300 65 65 85.





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Composed on his deathbed, Mozart's Requiem for choir, soloists and orchestra is one of the most moving of Mozart's sacred works. The program will also include the sublime Laudate Dominum, the beautiful Agnus Dei by Samuel Barber plus Psalm 100 by

Performances will be ably supported by the following professional soloists:-

Soprano---Christina Russo, Alto---Kristen Leich (Kyneton) Tenor---Tomas Dalton Bass---Manfred Pohlenz Performances will be also supported by a full professional orchestra ------'and conducted by Stephen Brockman'. Actual performances will be on Sunday 16th November at St Ambrose Parish Hall, cnr Templeton and Anslow Sts, Woodend Also on Sunday 23rd November at Church of Christ, Saunders Rd, New Gisborne. Both performances will commence at 3 p.m. BOOKINGS--- Go to our web-site—wwwgisbornesingers.org.au or telephone Robert on 5428 7033. Bookings are open NOW. Prices---General \$35, concession \$30, Students \$20, Under 12 free.

Tickets also available at the door, although due to the popularity of this work, it would be safer to book first.

WAG Annual Exhibition

Woodend Art Group is preparing for it's Annual exhibition on the Melbourne Cup weekend,

1st and 2nd November, and also the following weekend, the 8th and 9th when Mick Jagger comes to Hanging Rock. Many of the group's members are professional artists and demonstrations will be held throughout the exhibition.

It will be held in the art rooms at the

Woodend Railway station and framed and unframed works will be available to view and to purchase.

Gold coin donation will be collected at the door and a free raffle ticket will be given for the daily draw of a painting.

Woodend Art Group is part of your community, providing classes and workshops all year round as well as childrens' classes 4 nights per week. Information will be on hand about our activities and members available to chat to.





DRIVE IN MOVIE & FIREWORKS

Venue - Lancefield Park

Saturday 15th Nov. from 6pm

Pre-pay by 7th Nov. \$50 per car

BOOKINGS - 0433 146 333 (Late bookings / on-night entry \$60 per car)

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Fun November in the Macedon Ranges

Instead of that crazy idea of catching up with family and friends in December, try doing this in November this year. You will have fun Macedon Ranges and be so much more relaxed.



Let the party begin at the Kyneton Cup on November 5th, enjoy watching these beautiful creatures, while you and the horses compete for fabulous prize money. This is the most picturesque and accessible race course with an entrance fee of \$25, either dine in a marquee under the maiestic trees, or picnic on the sunny lawns. Dress to impress and enter "fashions on the field", or just watch this to make your own judgement on the winning outfit. Enjoy a truly wonderful day out with trains and buses servicing the course, providing carefree access for patrons. kdrc@countryracing.com.au or www.countryracing.com.au

THE BIG PARTY, November 8th, the Rolling Stones concert at Hanging Rock with local produce, wines and a fabulous day and night of music. www.ticketmaster.com.au/ Hanging-Rock-Reserve-tickets

Budburst Wine and Food Festival is on November 15th and 16th with 20 wineries participating at 14 different locations so you can enjoy the variety of wines produced here in the Macedon Ranges, and these are accompanied with food and music. There are special dinners and deals on offer. Tickets are \$15 which buys you that special tasting glass to be used at all the venues. www.macedonrangeswine.com.au/budb

Explore and discover the creative artists of this region over the first three weekends in November with 30 artists opening their studios. Begin this experience at St Paul's Church Hall, entered through St Paul's Park in Piper Street, Kyneton. Pick up the catalogue to direct you to all those wonderful artists' studios or take the bus tours that leave twice daily. www.dmropenstudios.com.au

For information on all these events and more: www.visitmacedonranges.com.au



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Fire safety on the farm Key advice for farmer

Fire is an all year round risk management activity

Farmers have legislative responsibilities during the Fire Danger

Effective preparation and response means better recovery and return to business

Limit or cease farm machinery activity on Severe, Extreme or Code Red days.

Farmers need to consider the needs of family, staff and contractors on their farm.

Essential steps before the fire season Vehicles, equipment and hay

Double check that spark arrestors on machinery are working and efficient. Make sure chainsaws are free from faults.

Have water fire extinguishers or knapsack spray pumps (minimum 9 litres) available that can be carried by any person using farm equipment or machinery.

Have a safety strategy in place for storing and monitoring hay, purchase a moisture metre if necessary.

Make sure hay is fully cured before bailing.

If you have private firefighting equipment, conduct a 'refresher' session with family and employees to make sure everyone can

Make sure that there are no gaps between the cladding and the ground or slab of your sheds to prevent embers getting inside.

Fuel loads and stock

Reduce fuel loads around assets (house blocks, sheds and fences) and create strategic fuel breaks.

Apply to the relevant authority if you need to remove native vegetation or manage fuel on roadsides.

Create a heavily grazed area where stock can be moved during a bushfire situation.

Conduct a stocktake of feed, animals and fencing before the fire season and keep a copy of records off your property.

Permits and laws

Make a list of legal restrictions (Fire Danger Period and Total Fire Ban) relevant to your property. Display it or keep it handy so everyone on your property can refer to it often and easily.

Check with your council if local laws are in place for lighting fires, burning off or using incinerators.

Apply for a Schedule 13 permit from your local council if you intend to burn off weeds, stubble or vegetation during the FDP, or a schedule 14 permit if you intend to use fire for other purposes (e.g. machinery).

Access for firefighters

Make sure your property name or number is clearly visible so emergency services can identify it easily when approaching the entrance.

Check access tracks around your property. Consider if access for fire trucks can be improved by clearing vegetation, signposting dead ends or creating turning circles.

Make sure water supplies around your property are clearly marked in case emergency services need to access them.

Have a routine in place for fire risk days (moving stock and limiting or postponing machinery use, switching off electric fences). Make sure everyone on your property is aware of it.

Know your trigger to leave early on fire risk days or the trigger for family members, employees or contractors to leave. Plan for contingencies such as children at school.

If you plan to stay and defend a building during a bushfire, take steps to establish a water supply of at least 10,000 litres (independent of the mains supply)

Have contact details for your local council as a first port of call for recovery assistance after a fire.

Hesket Primary School is Totally Spectacular – again!

The children from Hesket Primary School took part in two separate but equally significant events in the past few days.

The Hesket skippers were a part of the State Schools Spectacular for the second vear. The Spectacular was held on Saturday 13th September at Hisense Arena in Melbourne with an audience of 10,000. The children performed their routine twice and also in the fover before their main performances, as well as at two intervals. The State Schools Spectacular highlights the talents of the students who attend Victoria's state schools, with some 3000 performers. They entertained the crowd with singing, dancing, juggling, skating, skipping and providing the music. Spectacular will be broadcast by Channel 7 later in the year.

The school also featured on an episode of the Channel 11 program, Totally Wild that aired on Monday 15th September. The crew from the show visited the school on the second day of term 3 and filmed every child in the school. The skippers were

interviewed and taught the presenter, Natalie Hunter, a few of their signature skipping skills. The link to the show is:

http://tenplay.com.au/channel-eleven/totally-wild/season-22/episode-64





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Sunday October 19th - 2014 Macedon Ranges Spring Cup

A good field assembled for the inaugural Macedon Ranges Spring Cup; this new event, sponsored by Drummond Golf, Niddrie will rotate between Romsey and Mount Macedon Golf Clubs. Clubs represented were Romsey, Mount Macedon, Goonawarra, Kyneton and Giborne. The Cup was played over Romsey's 12 hole par 45 "Old Course". The morning round saw players battling another strong northerly wind. The Romsey players were well used to this however visitors found it more than challenging. The rounds of the morning were from Mount Macedon pair Jim Hynes - 44/2/42 and Marcus Ward -52/8/44. Not to be outdone Romsey pair Beryl Cole - 60/16/44 and Lorraine Robb - 67/22/45 flew the home flag. By 12.30 pm everyone was in and enjoying a good talk with other players and a wonderful lunch. The wind died down considerably during the afternoon round and scores showed the more benign conditions. The round of the afternoon came from Romsey's Les Gaunt who carded an excellent one over the card 46/4.6/41.3. Romsey's Sharif Abdul-Sayed had played steady golf in the morning but his afternoon round was just that little bit better. Jim Hynes and Marcus Ward also maintained their quality golf. Romsey captain Lorraine Robb came home with "a wet sail" and was able to take the women's trophy by five shots. On a very varied day the 24 hole results were;

Men; 1st - Sharif Abdul-Sayed - 113/24/89. 2nd - Marcus Ward - 106/16/90 on a C/B from 3rd- Jim Hynes - 94/4/90 Women; 1st - Lorraine Robb - 133/44/89. 2nd - Beryl Cole -126/32/94.

NTPs; 1st - Jonathan Langmaid (MMGC), 8th - Mick Nicholls (RGC), 9th - Jim Patton (RGC) & 10th - Les Gaunt (RGC) Straightest Drive; - John Peart (Goonawarra) Team's Event; MMGC Vs RGC - top 14 handicap scores; Rom-

Romsey President, Anthony Lakey and Chris Milverton (Drummond Golf, Niddrie) thanked all those who put so much

work into organising the tournament, the volunteers who prepared the course, the kitchen and bar staff and all the members of Romsey and Mt Macedon who supported the day. Visitors from the other clubs were also thanked. This, the 1st Macedon Ranges Spring Cup was a great success and it is hoped that next year and into the future it will grow and develop into a wonderful event on the Macedon Ranges golfing calendar.

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Persons interested in this club and wish to have more information please contact the President or Secretary at the above

Next meeting Thursday 27th November at 10am.

Guest Speaker: Anne & Graeme Simsion - speaking about their recent walking tour.

The planned outing for Wednesday, November 19th, is a Bus Trip to the Flemington Racecourse Rose Garden and lunch at the Restaurant..

Are you interested in Membership??

We meet once a month and we deal with the normal matters of a

club, like correspondence, treasury, and discuss the last outing we had enjoyed, and most important, where we are going to next month, a short tour, a long tour, a lunch somewhere. Our monthly meeting always finishes with morning tea, which is followed by a guest speaker with an interesting topic.



A few of our members enjoy

'Ten Pin Bowling' each fortnight at Watergardens (definitely non-serious) followed by lunch at a nearby



We also enjoy a monthly musical/film afternoon at a members home and Friday coffee mornings at a local

If you are retired, or close to retiring, come along and join us and learn more about what Probus can offer you to assist you in stay-

All we want to achieve is a day of enjoyment and friendship. Please come and have a look at what we do and who we are.

Please check out our website for information about the Romsey & Lancefield Probus Club

rlprobus.org.au



Romsey Primary School Celebrating 150 years in 2015

(October 24th and 25th) A Blast from the Past!

From the Minutes of the Mother's Club meeting of June 8th, 1952 (contained in a minutes book recording their activities from 1951 to 1965):

"In attendance: Mesdames Bell, Alford, Boyd, Anderson, Campbell, Woolacott, Hall, Spring, Muir, Knox, Allanson, C.Newnham and Clark.

Apologies from: Mesdames R. Shaw, Dawborn and R. Newnham.

Under General Business:

Football: Mrs Newnham was to ask Mr Campbell [headmaster] if there was <u>a football</u> at the school. If not, the Club decided to buy one."

From the minutes of the Mother's Club Annual General Meeting on June 12, 1952:

"On behalf of the School Committee [equivalent to school council] Mr Clark asked the Mother's Club for financial assistance to pay for <u>firewood and wire netting</u> for the school."

The Mother's Club was a very active and large group who raised funds for various school and outside projects while having a very busy social life at the same time. The minutes record euchre and whist afternoons, American teas and other afternoon tea functions and other activities. The Mother's Club also organised and ran an annual end of year break-up party for all the students of the school, and at one time made cocoa for the students on a daily basis.

The minutes make fascinating reading and will be on view at our 150th Anniversary. Maybe you are descended from one of these wonderful women who supported the school then as our fabulous Parent Club does now!

We need to build on our knowledge of all things associated with the school from the early years.

If you have photos, memorabilia, stories and recollections

please contact us on 5429 5099 or email romseyps.150celebrations@romseyps.vic.edu.au

A huge thank you to those who have helped us out so far!

Gallop into Council's next business networking night

Former Victoria Racing Club Deputy Chief Executive, Sue Lloyd-Williams AO, will share her extraordinary achievements in the racing industry and beyond at a Council-organised business networking evening at Cope Williams Winery on 17 November, from 6.30pm to 9.30pm.

Among Sue's many achievements is being responsible for the development of an international strategy which has turned the Melbourne Cup Carnival into a global event.

Sue was also instrumental in the growth of Fashions on the Field, which had an enormous impact on Oaks Day crowds. Sue recognised that women were an untapped market so utilised fashion to lure them to the track. Sue is currently involved in a range of international engagement initiatives with the Victorian Government, and has recently led equine trade missions to Hong Kong, Middle East and Turkey.

Through Macedon Ranges Shire Council's relationship with Sue and the Victorian Government, some local businesses have already attended trade missions in the Middle East and Hong Kong.

Sue will speak to businesses about her achievements with a focus on her international experiences, marketing business overseas and the importance of forming relationships—including networking, the key to success. Tickets to the networking night are \$30. For more information about the workshop or to book, contact Council's Economic Development and Tourism Department on (03) 5421 9616 or email ecodevadmin@mrsc.vic.gov.au.



Highlights:

- Special guest speaker: Sue Lloyd-Williams
 AO, former Victoria Racing Club Deputy Chief
 Executive recognised for distinguished service
 to the racing industry and the promotion of
 women.
- Find out how Council is working with business and what's on offer for 2015.

Bookings: ecodevadmin@mrsc.vic.gov.au or phone (03) 5421 9616 mrsc.vic.gov.au/business-events



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Assertive Parenting Workshop

With Anna Moriarty - Mental Health Nurse Counsellor

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An opportunity to learn about different parenting styles and explore what works for you and your family.



Venue: Cobaw Community Health Conference Room, 47 High St. Kyneton VIC 3444

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CARLSRUHE FIRE BRIGADE OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT 2014

Saturday 22nd November

The Carlsruhe Fire Brigade invites you to our Outdoor Movie Night featuring "Disney's Planes Fire & Rescue. A great movie experience for the whole family to be held at the Carlsruhe Annex of Woodend Primary School, Nicholson Street, Carlsruhe 3442.

"A new comedy-adventure about second chances, featuring a dynamic crew of elite firefighting aircraft devoted to protecting historic Piston Peak National Park from raging wildfire. When world famous air racer Dusty learns that his engine is damaged and he may never race again, he must shift gears and is launched into the world of aerial firefighting. Dusty joins forces with veteran fire and rescue helicopter Blade Ranger and his courageous team, including spirited super scooper Dipper, heavy-lift helicopter Windlifter, ex-military transport Cabbie and a lively bunch of brave all-terrain vehicles known as The Smokejumpers. Together, the fearless team battles a massive wildfire and Dusty learns what it takes to become a true hero."

Gates open at 7pm with a pre-movie presentation and the feature movie to start at last light approx. 8.45pm.

Pre-movie entertainment includes paper plane throwing com-

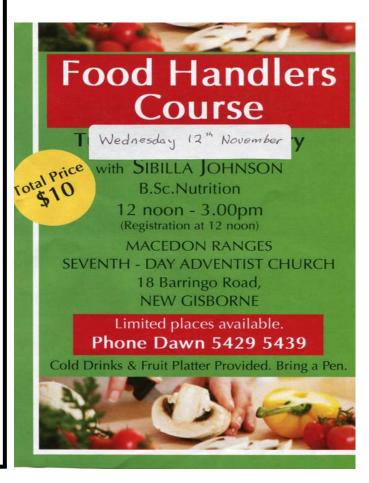
Pre-movie entertainment includes paper plane throwing competition and face painting, BBQ, soft drinks, fairy floss, popcorn, coffee, tea and cakes.

Bring blankets and chairs for your comfort.

In case of bad weather the event will convert into a Drive In Cinema where you can watch and listen to the movie from the comfort of your own car.

This is a major fundraiser for the Carlsruhe Fire Brigade. The brigade relies on the support of the local community to provide items to enhance our ability to serve and protect the community. All money raised will go towards the purchase and maintenance of equipment and general operation of the Brigade. Tickets can be purchased online at

www.trybooking.com/105112. Limited tickets available or purchased at the gate if not sold out prior.





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Chairperson: Mr. Noel Shaw 5429 5509

Samaritans Purse Christmas Shoe Boxes

We would take this opportunity to say thank you to Just in Time Transport - donation towards freight. Romsey CWA - sewing pencil cases & chalk bags.

Masters Sunbury - donation of MDF and blackboard paint. And a special thank you to all the people in Romsey and Lancefield who packed boxes and have helped in any way to make this

mission project such a success. Some people from the Uniting Church and Walking Group will be taking the Christmas Shoe Boxes to the Warehouse in Mitcham on 4th November.

Further information - Mrs. Jay Brooks 5429 6163 or Mrs. Jenifer Clampit 5429 5480.

Matthew 6: 25-27

"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life?"

Reflection from Eddie Askew.

It was cold, down at the nature reserve. The sky was steel grey, clouds torn by an almost gale-force wind.

It ripped through the trees, scattering the last leaves. The water was grey and ruffled.

A great armada of Canada geese was in the water, together with dozens of other waterbirds.

They all floated there, facing into the storm.

Their environment had suddenly become hostile, threatening. They didn't protest, or run for cover.

They didn't use up precious energy flying into it, or fighting it. They faced into the wind, paddling quietly.

They paddled just enough to keep their direction and position in

Maybe we can learn from the birds. Jesus thought so.

They tell us of God's concern, he said, and remind us that we achieve little by worrying. When the going gets tough, the tough gets going, says the Cli-

ché. I'm not sure that's always the best way. We're not all as aggressive as that suggests. Another way is

just to face the storm, and keep position.

Not scream and shout, not protest and ask what have

I done to deserve this, but just hold on to faith and wait for the wind to blow itself out. It will, because the creator of the winds is stronger than the wind.

It may take time, but it works, and I don't remember ever seeing a Canada goose with acute depression

Look at the birds. That's what you said, Lord. And there they are, just getting on with the business of living. Being birds. Facing the storm. That's part of my problem, I reckon. Not content to be me, wanting something different. Creating my own tensions. Piling up the building blocks of discontent. Secretary: Mrs. Jenifer Clampit 5429 5480

Making my own high-rise apartments of unhappiness.

Isolating myself in anxiety.

Made worse when the hand of reality gives it all a push, and I sit,

a child in the ruins, howling. Help me understand, Lord,

that wherever I'm at, you're there.

That you have something for me.

That you care.

As a hen gathers her chicks under her wings,

you said. Nice picture, that.

Safe from the world, warm, secure.

But chicks grow up, and so must I

Get out into the cold wind of the world out there.

But knowing that your wings are stronger than the storm I think I can live with that.

> Used with permission - The Leprosy Mission International Eddie Askew 'Facing the Storm".

Services during November, 2014

2nd 9am Worship Service led by the Worship Team 9th 9am. Worship & Holy Communion Service led by Rev. Adrian Pegler

16th 9am Worship Service TBA

23rd 9am Worship Service led by Alistair Drysdale

30th 10.30am 5th Sunday Combined Worship at Lance-

field.

Other activities during November

5th 7.30pm Pastoral Care Committee

12th 1.30pm UCAF Annual General Meeting

18th 7.30pm. Worship Team meeting at Romsey

Wanted!!!!

Volunteer car driver to drive small council bus on Monday mornings and afternoon from Lancefield to Romsey to bring Elderly citizens to their club. Please contact E. Parks 54291314

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Meet each Monday.

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> For details, please ring Rae Hooke on 54291602.



Community Christmas Fun Day

Saturday 6th December 2014 12.00 - 4.30 pm at the

Macedon Ranges Masonic Lodge 73 Main Road, Romsey

On the day:

Santa Kids Games & Races Handball **Reindeer Shoe Throwing Hot Rods Bouncing Castle** And lots more **ALL AGES WELCOME FREE ADMISSION**

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Various kitchen roles available!

Volunteers will need to be available from between 9:30am to 2:30pm on the Wednesday depending on the role.

Community Food Donations

Do you have surplus vegetables and fruit you wish to donate to the Kyneton Community Lunch?

Please email the Community Lunch Co-ordinator to arrange drop off on kynetoncommunitylunch@gmail.com or phone Kyneton Community & Learning Centre on 5422 3433 to leave a message





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Once again the Bendigo Bank has provided valuable support to the RMI. Their grant of \$1,500.00 will be used to modify and improve the hall's stage. A very big THANK-YOU for this and all the other support the bank provides to the communities of Romsey and Lancefield.

On Sunday November 9th we will be holding our 1st "Collectibles Day". This is being run in conjunction with the Romsey Neighbourhood House.

Collections on display will include;

- Antique bottles,
- Shearing equipment,
- Miniature sewing machines,
- Furniture,
- China ware
- Model trains and
- A some of children's collections.

An appraiser will be on site to value your precious items, a photo of larger items is acceptable. The cost will be \$5.00 for one item or \$12.00 for three items. Please No coins, Jewellery or Stamps.

The appraiser will be at the RMI from 10.00 am to 12.00 pm and again from 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm.

During the day there will also be demonstrations of;

- Chalk Painting
- Spinning and
- Jewellery making.

Morning Tea (CWA) and Afternoon Tea (Red Cross) will be available. There will also be a Sausage Sizzle (Hesket P. S.) for

Doors will open at 9.00 am, entry will be a "Gold Coin" donation. Parking will be available at the rear of the RMI, off William Street. The event will conclude at 4.00 pm.

We invite you to attend this event.

If you have a function coming up please consider the RMI. Bookings and inquiries can be made at; rmibookings@gmail.com





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Youth Spaces are in full swing!

Macedon Ranges Shire Council's Youth Spaces are for young people aged 12–18 years who live, study, work, play or have a significant connection to the Macedon Ranges.

All our Youth Spaces run during the school terms and are fully supervised. Weekly activities at our include Master Chef challenges, circus skills, fitmess sessions at the gym, games, Mexican fiestas, creative workshops and much, much more!

For more information or to find the nearest space to you, email Mim in Council's Youth Development unit via mgrun-dy@mrsc.vic.gov.au, or call (03) 5422 0296. Alternatively you can head to our Facebook page, facebook.com/MacedonRangesYouth or visit Council's website, mrsc.vic.gov.au/youth.

Keep an eye out for fun NEW skill building workshops and activities for young people coming up in 2015!



Helping the Macedon Ranges to LivActive

When you are an elite mountain bike racer and a former Australian champion orienteer, it makes sense that you would become passionate about reaching optimal health and wellness.

Liv Active Chiropractic in Woodend was recently opened by Dr Hayden Lebbink, a local Macedon Ranges resident who is motivated to help others reach their full potential through Chiropractic care, nutrition, exercise and lifestyle advice.

"I have always been passionate about health and wellness," said Hayden. "I believe that we have all been designed to live an extraordinary life; pain free, free of illness and full of energy."

Through LivActive Chiropractic Hayden hopes to bring his passion and knowledge to the local area, by providing one-on-one consultations and group workshops on topics such as nutrition, spinal care, strength exercises and correct bike posture.

Hayden first moved to the area 10 years ago after meeting his partner Lisa Colban.

"I love the Macedon Ranges and the many opportunities the local area provides to be active and healthy," said Hayden.

"Having a newborn son has only increased my motivation to share my passion and knowledge for health and wellness, and I look forward to welcoming anyone interested in achieving their full potential into my clinic."

LivActive Chiropractic is now open

37c Anslow St Woodend.

Office Hours:

Tuesday & Thursday - 8am-11am and 3pm-7pm

Saturday 8am - 11am

To make a booking please call 03 5427 4928.

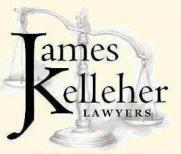
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Macedon Ranges Running Club

And the winner is... Macedon Ranges Running Club!! That's right, the MRRC has won a prestigious award, 2014 Outdoor Active Recreation Initiative, presented by Ian Cover and Damian Drum MLC, Minister for Sport and Recreation. Our president Lindsey Sharpe accepted the award with a fantastic speech in which

he explained what our club has achieved over the past year as well how our club is structured. Well done for that. The keynote speaker was Steve Moneghetti AM. I think he really enjoyed the fact that a running club won the award!

Besides the award the MRRC also received a check for \$3000 which will be put to good use to fit out our new trailer and various other items that are needed. I would like to thank all our members and the MRRC committee and anybody involved with our club for all the great work over the past few years, well done.

For anybody interested in joining the MRRC and to find out why we are so popular please visit our website,

www.macedonrangesrunningclub.com, all the info is available here. The Start Running Group has kicked off really well with record numbers joining. Being visible is still very important so please wear bright clothing on your runs.

Quote for this week: The feeling you get from a good run is far better than the feeling you get from sitting around wishing you were running!

Supporting Our Community

Community groups and organisations are reminded that the Romsey Rag is happy to publicise your activities and events. As long as you are a not-for-profit group there is no charge. It is a shame that there are times when an event is held in our community and people are not aware it is happening for want of adequate advertising. We all lead busy lives, but all it takes is a little planning to get your copy to us leading up to your event. The deadline for copy is always the 15th of the month unless we notify you otherwise. We look forward to hearing from you!

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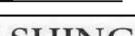
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A FASHIONABLE FILM SOCIETY

At the usual October meeting of the Macedon Ranges Film Society, the audience was treated to a film capturing the fashions of New York as seen through the lens of New York Times photographer Bill Cunningham.

The documentary chronicles the obsessive interest of this 80year-old and provides viewers with a range of truly historical fashion footage.

On October 22nd, the film society will be showing the film The Umbrellas of Cherbourg which was cancelled in August due to weather damage at the Centre

In November, laughter is bound to be the order of the evening as we watch a couple trying to adjust to living in a seaside town. Bienvenue chez les Ch'Tis (Welcome to the Sticks) is a 2008 French film from the director Dany Boon. This film will be the last of the year to be screened and members can look forward to an equally interesting year of films in 2015.

The Society meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Woodend Community Centre. Film notes and supper, provided by members, are also supplied. Enquiries must be made initially by phoning Lorraine on 5427 0921 or Christine on 5429 5452.

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Protecting our beautiful Elm trees

Macedon Ranges Shire Council is in the midst of its annual treatment program to protect the shire's 2,700 elm trees from a serial pest known as the Elm Leaf Beetle. These beautiful European trees have all but disappeared in Europe due to Dutch elm disease. They are still flourishing in Australia, but are prone to attack by the Elm Leaf Beetle, which defoliates and weakens mature trees. Trees that have been attacked present a distinctive round hole in their leaves. While it is impossible to eradicate the



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beetle, Council has developed management program to protect significant stands of elms, predominantly in parks and avenues. Treatment generally occurs from September to November and methods include spraying, and injecting the soil around the root zone of the tree with low toxicity insecticide. This safe and effective method of treating large trees tends to protect them for more than one season. Council is a corporate member of Friends of the Elms Inc (FOTE), which maintains a state-wide elm register and helps local government and other bodies to manage threats to elm trees. Residents with elm trees on their properties are strongly encouraged to register their trees by contacting FOTE via foteinc@hotmail.com or 0409 870 860. For more information about elm trees in the shire or about Council's Elm Leaf Beetle management program, call (03) 5421 0811.

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Welcome back to Term 4. Hope everyone enjoyed their holidays. We've started Term 4 off with a very busy and exciting October including some wonderful incur-

For the children starting school next year their transition sessions will also begin this Term.

We had a very successful Term 3 with some great fundraisers. Thankyou to all the parents who support the kinder through different fundraising activities.

Wear Your Favourite Colour Day

On Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th November we are having a "Wear Your Favourite Colour Day" for a gold coin donation to Kind-

Second Hand Uniforms

We will be starting a Second Hand Uniform box if anyone has any Kinder T-shirts or Windcheaters they no longer need and would like to donate back to Kinder.

All second hand items will be available for sale for \$1.

Please see Jo Moore for any enquiries.

Our Kinder Raffle was drawn at the Trivia Night. Congratulations to our winners!

1st Prize – Rocking Horse: Jodie Davies 2nd Prize – Doll House : Kim Harris 3rd Prize - Toy Box: Rhonda Davies

Thank you to everyone for your support selling tickets. We would also like to thank the Lancefield Men's Shed for their generous support of the Kinder in making these lovely prizes for us.

Trivia Night

Our Annual Trivia Night was held on Saturday 18th October. We had a fantastic turnout and everyone had a great night raising over \$2000 for Kinder! Thank you to everyone for your support of this

We would particularly like to thank the following local businesses for their generous support of the Trivia Night and helping make it the

McColl Property, Romsey Mowers, Butchers @ Romsey, Positive Footwear Wholesalers, Sunbury, Sportsco Sunbury, Integra Pizza, My House of Beauty, Main Street Fish n Chips, Blissful Photography, Melbourne Museum, The Good Guys, Watergardens, Body Tunes Remedial Massage, Luna Park, Big 4 Holiday Parks, Chris Whitney - Avon, The Pancake Parlour, Harvey Norman, Watergardens, La Porchetta Sunbury, Readings Cinemas Sunbury, Hogs Breath Café, Watergardens, AMF Bowling Watergardens Hoyts Watergardens, Romsey Pharmacy, Boosey Creek Cheese, Scrapbooking with Marg, Charlotte Burns – Close to My Heart, O'Deas Auto Spares, Curly Flat Winery, Romsey IGA, Romsey Uniting Church, Michael Francis, Soltan Pepper, Karen Francis –

Wear Your Favourite Colour Day 11th and 12th November

AGM 26th November

Zumba, On Eagles Wings, Romsey Chinese Takeaway, Bunnings Sunbury, Masters Sunbury, Repco Sunbury, Melanie Powell - Intimo, Bendigo Bank, Romsey, Mitre 10 Romsey, Hawthorn Football Club, Geelong Football Club, Essendon Football Club, Mt View Olive Oil, The Beauty Room Sunbury.

Enrolments

There are still some vacancies for 4-year old kinder for next year (2015). If you know anyone who would like to enrol their child at Romsey Kinder please let them know. Enrolments forms need to be submitted as soon as possible and are available in the Kinder Foyer or contact Carmen Wattis at Council on 5422 0239.

Incursions

We have had some wonderful incursions during the past month at

Animal Farm Incursion

During the last week of Term 3 we had an animal farm visit the Jacaranda, Wattle and Acacia classes. The children had the opportunity to hold and pat baby animals including rab-

bits, goats, ducks, pigs and more.

Road Safety Education Victoria - Starting Out Safely Program

On the 7th and 8th of October we had a visit from Professor Eric and ThingleToodle to teach the Wattle and Acacia classes about road safety.



<u> Melbourne Museum</u> Incursion

We had some very

large visitors at Kinder on 13th and 17th October from the Melbourne Museum!

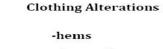


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MASS TIMES

Saturday:

6.00 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

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 9.45am Romsey & 5.45pm Lancefield.

BAPTISMS

February, April, June, August, October, December. For more information, please phone 5429 2130.

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.

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS 2014

Advent Reconciliation: 9th Dec 7pm Romsey Advent Reflection Day: 10th Dec 9.30am-3.00pm at

Lancefield Presbytery

Parish Mass of Anointing:11th Dec 2pm Lancefield Ecumenical Christmas Carols: 14th Dec 7pm

at St. Marv's School Hall

Christmas Eve: 24th Dec 6pm Lancefield Midnight Romsey

Christmas Day: 25th Dec 9am Romsey The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph:

27th Dec 6pm Lancefield

28th Dec 8am Romsey 10am Lancefield New Years Day: 1st Jan 7pm Romsey

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At St Mary's Parish Hall, 85 Main Rd, Romsey

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St Mary's Primary School News

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Prep: Readers Theatre

Presbytery:

St. Mary's Primary:

The Prep students had the opportunity to showcase their reading skills to the community as they performed numerous fairytales including The Three Little Pigs and other popular tales. They are to be congratulated for the level of reading they have developed thanks to the work at home and school.

The Fairy Park

This term the Preps have been learning about Fairytales. To celebrate our unit we went to the Fairy Park and explored the world of Fairvtales.





Sam Haslett St Mary's Annual Art Show & Music Concert

Well done again to the students for an entertaining night. It was great to see the students create their own performances. Thanks to the staff ,especially Mrs Vecchio and Mrs Dwyer. Thank you for the positive feedback from parents and the community.....

" just a quick email to thank you all for such a fabulous concert last night. I think it was the best one so far. The children's enthusiasm was just amazing. Sometimes the senior students are very half hearted about it and a bit too 'cool for school 'but last night they were all so involved and really got into the spirit of the night. The audience could really sense the joy the children felt performing......"



You Can Do It Program

Focus for this term is Getting Along

Acknowledge getting along behaviour such as, "You are a good listener" or "You are a helpful person".

On the November 6th we will be hosting a 'You Can Do It' information evening which will be open to the public including local clubs. (7pm-8:30pm).

Attention Romsey Rag Advertisers

We will soon be sending our reminders about renewing your Trade Directory advertising for 2015. Please let us know if you wish to continue advertising next year. If we have not received your renewal by the second (March) edition we will assume that you do not require your ad to be included. If you wish to change your ad please provide your new business card or the design of your ad at the time of renewal.

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COMING EVENTS ART EXHIBITION – "IMAGES FROM TWO WORLDS"

by Shou Mei



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Entertainment will include music by local musicians, a variety of local Macedon Ranges wines and Tai Chi demonstrations. All paintings will be available for purchase.

www.wulinretreat.com

Romsey Playgroup

Join now and play in November, December and January 2015 for one low price!

Romsey Playgroup membership now includes access to playgroup sessions during school holidays! Join now and you'll be able to attend playgroup unto 3 times a week from now until 31 January 2015!

(excludes Christmas close-down from 19 Dec to 6 Jan)

Party at our place

Kids aged 6 or under? Why not have their birthday party at Romsey Playgroup. You can hire the room for \$80 for 2.5 hour party, plus \$15 insurance. Contact us for more details.

Junior playgroup

Your kids under 18 months? We're trying to start junior playgroup sessions on Monday mornings and Thursday afternoons. Contact us if your interested.

Three days to play

Remember we have open sessions running on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings 9.30am - 11.30am, for kids birth to pre kindergarden. Your first two visits are free, so come and say hi!

Contact us

romseyplaygroup@gmail.com



Lancefield Neighbourhood House Men's Shed

The Shed has had a busy few months since our last article in this great local newspaper!

The best news was the grant from the Bendigo Community Bank to continue with our 'Kids in Sheds' program. To date we have had extended visits from Lancefield Primary School and St Mary's Primary School and we have now commenced working with Year 5 students from Romsey Primary school. The feedback from the students and the community has been very supportive and encouraging and to be able to continue as a result of this grant is fantastic! We will invest in a trailer and tools to take 'the Shed' to the kids as well as to continue with the local programs. A BIG thankyou to the bank! Thank you, also, to the men who support this program and provide great role models to the students who participate. Then on October 10th we were very pleased to accept a grant from the State Government to extend our shed to include a welding and metal work section. This is a most welcome addition to the activities of the men at the shed and will enable us to learn still more from our talented members.

All this is as a result of the hard work of our Secretary, Mario, who prepared the applications for these grants – no small task, and for this we all thank him!!

By the time you read this, we will have been at the Lancefield Show where we will once again demonstrate our folding table and bench seats combo, which is the major prize in our end of year raffle. Tickets are still available.

We continue to meet each Wednesday for our social lunch and chat and to carry out the quieter tasks such as painting and sand-

ing but the real 'works' happen on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10am until 4pm. Please feel free to join us to find out about the work of the shed – all new members are welcome. Call Graham on 5429 1051 or just call in!



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Staying safe this fire season

Grass fires in the shire in January and February this year reminded us that fires are a natural part of our environment. Last season, firefighters from across the state responded to more than 4,600 bush and grass fires over a five month period.

Preventing bush and grassfires

However, an estimated 82% of fires are deliberately lit or caused by recklessness, and could have been prevented. This fire season, Police will have dedicated marked vehicles patrolling high fire danger areas on high risk days. To make sure you aren't engaging in activity that could accidentally start a fire, refer to the CFA's "Can I Can't I brochure" by visiting www.cfa.vic.gov.au. Preventing bush and grass fires is everyone's responsibility.

Sharing information with neighbours, family and friends

Now is the time to start preparing yourself and your property for the fire reason. Start by talking to your family and neighbours about your plans. What are you going to do if a fire comes? Will you stay or leave? How can you help each other to be prepared? Do what you can to support older or vulnerable neighbours, and help each other clean up your properties.

Preparing your Bushfire Survival Plan

Understanding your level of risk is the first step in developing your Bushfire Survival Plan. Research shows that when threat-

ened by a fire, many people living in high risk areas will leave it too late to make critical decisions, leaving them with very few safe options. In high-risk areas, leaving early is your safest option—particularly on Code Red, Extreme and Severe days.

Like the "Macedon Ranges Emergency Alerts" Facebook page

Don't forget to "like" and "share" Council's Emergency Alerts Facebook page at facebook.com/

MacedonRangesEmergencyAlerts to keep up with important local information regarding emergencies in our shire.

This page kept thousands of people up-to-date during the February fires. We have more than 3,000 "likes" but would like to see this grow so that we can keep an even greater number of people informed and help them prepare for, respond to and recover from all types of emergencies.

Feeling anxious?

We know that many people will be feeling uneasy in the lead up to this fire season, particularly those who were affected by the fires last summer. Fire-affected residents are still eligible to access free counselling services by calling our Recovery Officer on (03) 5422 0333. If you have concerns about someone else, you can make a confidential referral and we will organise a friendly visit from someone who is trained and experienced in assisting people who are recovering from traumatic events.



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Term 4 Program What's on Offer! This Term?

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Let's Get Fit!



Gentle Exercise: (Mondays 10am-11am) \$5 per

class. It's fun and tailored to meet the abilities of each participant! May assist with mobility, balance, bladder control and joint pain. Chair based exercises available. Enquires: Jan on 5428 1223 or 0412 219 900. Join us after class for a cuppa!

Yoga: (Mondays 7pm-8:30pm) \$15 per class when paid in full at the commencement of the term.\$20 casual rate. Enquires: Leisa Kirk on 0408

Tai Chi: (Tuesdays 1pm-2pm) \$10 per class. Come along and enjoy the energising benefits of Tai Chi. Enquires: Jan on 5428 1223 or 0412 219

Yoga: (Thursdays 7pm-8:30pm) \$15 per class when term is paid before end of week 1. \$18 casual rate. Enquires: Lisa Moore on 0448 345 338.

Beginners Pilates: (Fridays 10.30am-11.30am, Wednesday

Let's Get Informed!

Broadband for Seniors of all Ages:

Available during house opening hours. Book now at the House for this mentor assisted self paced program in computers.

Italian lessons: (Thursday 10:30am to 11:30am) \$160 for 8 week course plus \$43 for the book. Learn Italian with a tutor passionate about all things Italian. Contact Anita on 54270262 or 0447249709. Recommencing early Nov.

Budget. Save. Spend: (Starts Saturday 25th October 10am-12pm over 3 sessions) Booking essential 5429 6724.

A FREE course providing useful strategies and helpful hints in budgeting and helping you to manage your money more effectively.

Learner Driver and Parent Info Session: NEW!

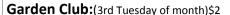
Be prepared, teach your learner driver only the best driving habits not your own bad habits Informative session for both parent and learner driver. Early Dec. 5429 6724.

Follow Basic Food Safety Practices -

HLTFS207CNEW! Cost: \$125 Con: \$110. This short course covers the basics of safe food handling and is a must for anyone involved in handling food in the workplace. Nationally Recognised Certificate issued on successful completion of the course. Early December.

Let's Get Together!

Morning Tea Group: Come along on Friday 21st November. Tea, coffee, morning tea and great company provided. Come and meet with others in your community. All welcome!



per meeting. This vibrant club visits gardens and nurseries, shares gardening knowledge, swaps cuttings, and assists members with gardening dilemmas! Enquires: Allan on 5429 5427 or John on 5429 5990 for exciting excursions coming up....

Let's Get Creative!

Contact: Tanya on 0400 053 829.

Art Classes for Children: (Mondays and Tuesdays 3:45pm-4:45pm)\$80 for a ten week term. Weekly classes for children. Bring your own materials. Booking essential.

Art Group: (Mondays 7pm–9pm) \$ Gold coin. Do you love Art? Then whatever your medium is bring it along to this social group and create!.... And talk art of course. Enquires: Dot on 0419 547 064.

Craft Group: (Tuesdays 12pm-3:30pm)\$ Gold Coin. Bring along your latest project and craft away in the company of others and maybe pick up a new skill or two! Contact 5429 6724

Learn to Crochet for Beginners: (Wednesdays 10.30am –

12pm) Commencing Wed. 22nd Oct.\$20 per session or 5 sessions \$100 or concession \$95. Beginners pack includes all that you need to get started. Learn the timeless art of crocheting beautiful pieces. First project: neck warmer or collar. Bookings essential: 5429 6724.

Learn to Spin: (Starts Wednesday 22nd Oct.1pm-2pm) 2 sessions \$40 Concession \$35. Try your hand at the age old skill of spinning wool. Bring your own wheel or wheels available to try on. Bookings essential: 5429 6724

Life Drawing Classes: (Thursdays 7pm-9pm) 9th Oct. \$10 per session. Weekly classes with live models from the Life Drawing Guild, Melb. Beginners welcome. Bookings:5429 6724 Enquiries: Di

What Courses Would You Like?

Divine Low Budget Italian Cooking, Cooking for One, Scrapbooking & Card Making, Tatting (traditional lace making)

Knitting Group: Register your expression of interest now so that we can definitely run these new, exciting programs!

What's New to Romsey

FOOD BANK TRIAL Food parcels will now be available to collect from Romsey Neighbourhood House on a weekly basis every Wed from 10am—1pm. Discrete and confidential service. Register your interest now. Bookings essential via Kyneton Caring Community on 0405 809 565.

CHILDREN'S SPEECH THERAPIST— Tuesday fortnightly 3pm—5pm . For bookings contact Naomi McCraw on 0438 834 125.

Let's Get Connected!



To find out what's happening at your other Neighbourhood Houses in Macedon Ranges

Go to macedonranges.neighbourhoodhouses.org or pop in and grab

If you are new (or old) to Romsey and don't know where to start in finding out how to be more involved in your local community drop in and we'll do our best to get you connected!....

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Exciting Events Coming Up!

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Upcoming Events!

ROMSEY GARDEN CLUB - Dates For Diary

November 18th - Visit to Eden Park.

This property on the edge of Romsey is a must see! 10am at the Neighbourhood House and \$2 each Do not miss this

Christmas function - The date in early December will be confirmed.

Enquires for Garden Club: Allan on 5429 5427 or John on 5429 5990.



ANTIQUES AND COLLECTABLES DISPLAY Sunday 9th November - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. At the Romsey Mechanics Institute

An exciting array of antiques and collectables on display. The day includes:

Appraiser on site from 10am—12pm & 1pm—3pm via ticketing system. \$5 per item or 3 for \$12. No jewellery, stamps or coins. Bring a photo of larger items.

Childrens' Collectables displays.

Demonstrations on the day include:

- **Chalk Drawing**
- Antique Jewellery Making

Morning tea provided by CWA, Afternoon Tea provided by the Red Cross and lunch provided by Hesket Primary School. This is a joint initiative of the Romsey Mechanics Institute and the Romsey Neighbourhood House.

Contact the House on 5429 6724 for all enquiries.

Public Admission – gold coin donation.

Let's Hear From You!

Hi my name is Michelle Balthazar and I am the new Coordinator of Romsey Neighbourhood House. We have just received an increase in government funding in Coordinator hours so that

means that we can better cater to the needs of this community. Romsey Neighbourhood House is YOUR Neighbourhood House so we'd love to hear from you! Your ideas are important...Let us know what courses, programs, activities you'd like to see happening at Romsey and we'll do our best to provide them for you.

If you have a skill that you can teach we'd also love to hear from you!

Got a spare Hour? And would like something to do? Why not become a volunteer? Make new friends, share your skills, learn new ones... Romsey Neighbourhood House would love to have you on board the team!

Rooms for Hire!

Romsey Neighbourhood House is a great venue which has a number of multi-purpose rooms available for hire at very reasonable rates starting from \$5hr. Community Groups also receive discounted rates so why not have you next meeting here!

Located within the newly refurbished Romsey Community Hub and Library, we are centrally located in the main street in Romsey for easy access. Whether for functions, meetings, therapeutic, creative or business purposes we a room for you!

Western Water warns

ter pressure may also drop."

supply and plan ahead.

and defend their home this fire season.

It's Your Neighbourhood House...Be Part of It!

Coffee Shop Conversations

The weather is certainly there to remind us that life can be amazing when we see all the little things around us and maintain our attitude of gratitude. But to keep motivated can really be a challenge, and this can be a big challenge because at the

end of the day, week, month etc, we may not have achieved what we expected to achieve in that time.

Whatever results you have showing up in your life at the moment are a direct result of the questions you may ask yourself, the stories you tell and the values you hold deep inside. You may be sad and want to be happy. You may have a specific goal but you are nowhere near achieving it, you may need to deal with a specific situation but feel you can't.

So what are you telling yourself now to get the results you are getting? How could you do it better?

The Power of Intention

tact Gillian On 0409801082.

So here is a little tip that may help you along the way.

- 1. Set your intention, what you want to achieve in the next day or week or month etc. Write it down. A good time is before you sleep at night or first thing
- 2. Now ask yourself a question that will create an action .each day journal it or create an intention card. ie How many ways can I continue to cre-..today? What can I do today that will get me one step closer to what I want?

This process will show you the power of intent can really help you along your way and you will begin to achieve what you want. Just try it!!! Signing off for now Gillian From Life Circle Solutions for more information conMr Brennan says Romsey residents can also help the community to be prepared for fire season by 'adopting' a fire hydrant.

with backup generators ready and water storage

tanks at high capacity to cope if we have a fire," he

Don't rely on mains water during fires,

Western Water is warning Romsey residents to have

an independent water supply ready if they plan to stay

"If electricity is cut or our infrastructure is affected by

fire, our pumps may fail, cutting the mains water sup-

ply," Western Water's Managing Director, Neil Bren-

water from customers and the CFA during a fire, wa-

Mr Brennan says residents should consult their local CFA about their options for an independent water

"We are also doing all we can to prepare for summer,

nan, says. "If we have extremely high demand for

"You can help by keeping fire hydrants near your home free of debris and vegetation, and calling us if you think a hydrant needs maintenance."

To find out more, visit Western Water's stall at the Bushfire and Emergency Services Expo in Riddells Creek on November 30.

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