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Coffee Shop Conversations

Purpose

You know most of our lives are taken up with our journey and yes it is a journey we have our ups and downs and you know what, that's ok, the most important thing is how we think about things and the choices we make to deal with whatever pops up.

I was at a football match the other day my first experience at the MCG in Melbourne, It was the Anzac match between Essendon and Collingwood I don't religiously follow football but I do enjoy watching a good game.

You see the reason I got the experience was because my 92 year old father was invited to ride around in the motorcade to honour the returned serviceman from the war, he flew in Avro Lancaster's as a rear gunner in WW11 and was involved in Manner drop suppling food to the Dutch prior to the end of the war as well, as the repatriation of the prisoners of war from Italy.

He so enjoyed his day and barracked wholeheartedly for the winners of course. I was so proud of him. and grateful that I could spend this quality time with him.

While I was sitting there and watching I noticed how much the elusive football just slipped out of the players hands again and again yet the players did not give up, they continued to chase that ball right to the end.

A mark a roar from the crowd and if they dropped that ball a wave of boos went around the stadium. 87 thousand plus people were there.

the teams just kept going and did the best that they could at that point in time and that's all we can do in life. The purpose of the game, the goal was to succeed, achieve the best result and if you know where you are going,

YOU MAKE THE CHOICE TO KEEP GOING NO MATTER WHAT.

You could ask yourself the following questions about the game and then align them to your journey and the choices you make.

What did one team do better than the other? Was there a game plan .a system to follow? Was there commitment? What were the teams weaknesses? What could they change to make it better? What could they do better next time?

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Christmas In Romsey 2017

REMINDER: Invitation to Community Groups to decorate Main Street Christmas Trees

Following on from the successful Main Street Christmas Tree installations of Christmas in Romsey 2016, expressions of interest are invited from Community Groups (not for profit) to be involved in decorating trees for this year's Main Street Christmas Tree installation.

NUMBERS ARE LIMITED. SO DO NOT MISS OUT!

Please register your group's intended involvement by Monday 31st July 2017. **Contact:** Abbey Brown

Phone: 0409427732 Email: abbeyjenkins@hotmail.com

THE ROMSEY RAG

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June 2017

THE JUNE EDITION OF THE ROMSEY RAG IS PROUDLY BROUGHT TO YOU BY ROMSEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Romsey Rag Readership,

For the last 27 years the Romsey Rag has been set out, printed and collated at Romsey Primary School. Times, however, are changing and the readership of the Rag is changing and advertising has been dropping over the last few years.

The number of volunteers assisting with the Rag is also decreasing leaving staff at the school to support collation, printing and billing. The Rag now costs the school around \$5000 per year to enable 11 editions per year to be published and distributed. It is not viable or responsible for the school to continue to do this. As a result the School Council has decided to call one last community meeting to find a way of saving the Rag or transforming it to meet the needs of the Romsey Community.

A meeting will be held at the school on Tuesday 20th June at 5:30pm.

We ask that any community members who are interested in leading or being a part of a committee to run the Rag and set a new direction for it attend the meeting. The Rag needs a committee to love and nurture it. Currently the Rag does not have a committee or board managing the paper and this is desperately needed. If a committee is not established the Rag will need to cease in the next 2 months.

We look forward to seeing community members who want to save or transform the Rag at the community meeting on Tuesday 20th of June.

Kind regards, Romsey Primary School Council

The closing date for copy for the July 2017 edition of the Rag is June15th 2017.

We cannot guarantee inclusion of copy received after this date.

Please email your copy to the Romsey Rag email address: romseyrag@romseyps.vic.edu.au We require submissions to be in Word document format, and for graphics to be in Uped format. Please ensure that you have permission to use photographs of people depicted in your article.

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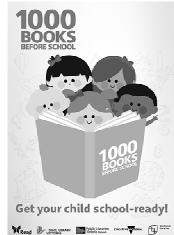
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Visit Romsey Library 98 Main Street, Romsey.

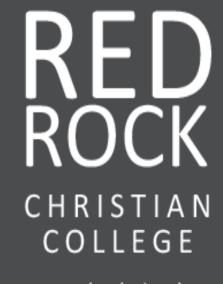
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Love reading and participating in interesting discussions with like-minded people? Starting a book club might be just the thing for you this year! Book clubs are a great way to meet new people or have fun with a group of friends. Goldfields Libraries offers a free book club program for groups, giving access to a growing list of over 270 different book titles in sets of 10, handpicked especially for their suitability for group discussions. Book club sets come in a convenient bag, and can be loaned for up to six weeks, making them perfect for monthly meetings. Groups wishing to start a book club can visit www.ncgrl.vic.gov.au/bookclubs for details on the program, along with a full list of book set titles available for loan. Plan a group with three or four friends, if you each bring one more person along you will be ready to reserve a bag of books. Romsey Library can provide advice on the reservation procedure and we can suggest local places for groups to meet.



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The members and committee of the Romsey Lancefield RSL Sub Branch would very much like to thank the communities of the Romsey - Lancefield & surrounding districts for their very generous support throughout the Anzac Day appeal this year.

The valuable assistance and participation by the many volunteers and well wishers is truly appreciated by the members and committee of the Romsey Lancefield Sub Branch. We would also like to thank the business communities for their assistance in displaying the collection boxes in their places of business.

> Wayne Smith Secretary

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*Angela and Tony are both professional actors with many television and stage credits including Packed to the Rafters, Rake, Home and Away, Mamma Mia!, Annie, Rocky Horror Show, The Sound of Music and Strictly Ballroom.



Opening night fireworks and freebies – something for everyone at the 13th annual Woodend Winter Arts Festival Queen's Birthday Long Weekend (9-12 June) 2017

The 13th annual Woodend Winter Arts Festival will kick off in traditional style with a big, colourful explosion of fireworks over Buffalo Stadium in Woodend, complete with entertainment, food vans and drinks. It's easy to tell the seasoned locals at the event - they have their layers ready to go, little kids rugged up in

fleecy pi's complete with thick socks, sturdy boots, beanies and weatherproof coats, the bigger ones armed with money to join their friends and buy food.

Pre-fireworks musical entertainment and a few words of formality before the first fireworks explode at 6.30pm. Gates open at 5.30pm. Other free events include four stunning art exhibitions – open all weekend with free entry:

- Macedon Ranges Art Group Winter Art Show, Woodend Bowling Club
- Macedon Ranges Potters, the 'Out of the box' exhibition by local artists at Woodend Community Hub
- 'The Colenso series' featuring a stunning collaboration between commercial and fine art photographer (and local), Alina Golovachenko and Kathryn Russack, chef (and local) of Col-

The extraordinary music program features leading Australian and international performances with children's tickets for the music events \$15 to enable the region's young people to see international quality performances up close.

The Words and Ideas program features panels with leading journalists, commentators and authors. (Mem Fox events are now fully booked).

Free opening night fireworks at Buffalo Stadium on Friday 9 June – entertainment from 5.30pm. Locals are kindly requested to secure pets safely as each year some much loved family pets take fright and sometimes escape. Full details of the Festival program, and ticket purchases are available at www.woodendwinterartsfestival.org.au





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by suicide?

Support After Suicide Macedon Ranges offers Peer Support for those bereaved by suicide

Our next meeting is

Monday 12th June

Newham Mechanics Institute 1292 Rochford Road, Newham 7pm-8.30pm

This month we have a guest speaker:

Louise Hemingway Credentialed Mental Health Nurse from Brooke Street Medical Centre

Everyone welcome

For any questions or to RSVP please email:

Further information is available at www.macedonrangesspag.com.au











Romsey Primary School News

Entrolments for Prep for 2018 are now being accepted at Romsey Primary School.

Please contact us on 5429 5099 for an enrolment pack and/or information about a school tour or parent information session.

May was a busy month at Romsey, especially for our mums and other special women in the lives of our students. The Preps treated their mums to a special pamper afternoon, and the Parent Committee hosted a High Tea with sumptuous treats and a special performance by the school choir. There was also a Mother's Day Stall where students could purchase a special gift.



Family Maths Night

Children, parents and grandparents joined us for our Family Maths Night to enjoy some challenges and find out how much fun Maths can be. It was great to see everyone having a go at the many activities on offer, and enjoying a sausage in bread thanks to the efforts of our Parent Committee.



5/6 Camp

Early in Term 2 our year 5 and 6 students spent 3 days on camp in the city, learning about Melbourne's history and exploring some o\its historic, cultural and sporting attractions



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Supporting local clubs and community projects.'

Our Community Investment Program for 2017-18 will be open from **Tuesday 13 June to Friday 28 July 2017**. We look forward to receiving applications for grants and sponsorships from local community organisations and clubs during this time.

We are very pleased to announce an increase in funding for 2017-18.

The Community Bank® Company Board has approved an increase in funding for our Community Investment Program in 2017-18 to 'up to' \$200,000!

As well as sharing this exciting news, our Company Board would like to reinforce some guiding points, or key criteria, to help you understand our focus for funding in 2017-18, so as to assist your applications.

Key criteria for project evaluation

This year, the Community Bank® Company Board is:

- Looking to fund projects, events and initiatives that are different, creative and new, and which support our community's values
- Seeking fresh, innovative approaches to sponsorships
- Seeking new initiatives in the area of community grants
- Very keen to support a key 'icon' project or initiative with the potential to make a big difference to our community over the longer term
- Hoping that some projects come forward where organisations are **working collaboratively** on an initiative. These will be looked upon favourably

Within an increase in funding comes a catch! Successful applications will need to be very well prepared, well researched and the benefit to the community clearly demonstrated.

For more information, please contact Sally Peeler at marketing@lancefieldromseybank.com.au or on 0414 089 311. facebook.com/LancefieldRomseyCommunityBankBranches



Check out what's on offer at your local Neighbourhood House.
We are offering nearly 90 courses and activities 6 days a week. Our Term 2 brochure giving loads of details will soon be in your letterbox.

Keep an eye out for our big Sustainability Mural which is coming soon, it will be a knockout.

You can also expand your interests by being a Volunteer at The House.

We have lots happening.

Be part of it!



Register for kindergarten today!

Give your child the best start to their learning journey at one of Council's eight kindergartens in the Macedon Ranges. Register your child for kindergarten by 30 June for the best chance of securing a place at your preferred kindergarten in 2018.

Council's Director of Community Wellbeing, Karen Stevens, said the benefits of kindergarten on a child's development were great.

"Kindergarten is a fun, play-based environment that gives children the opportunity to learn and develop positive relationships with other children", said Ms Stevens.

"Our educators are passionate about the role they play in children's lives, each aiming to support children to play, explore, solve problems, communicate, think, create and construct.

"Several of our kindergartens have recently benefited from upgrades to outdoor play spaces offering new ways for children to explore and discover nature.

"It really is a great time to experience what Council kindergartens have to offer".

Kindergarten and three year old programs registrations for 2018 must be lodged by 30 June. Council will still accept late registrations after this date but you may not secure a place at your preferred kindergarten. Register before Friday 30 June to go into the draw to win a kindergarten-ready prize pack valued at over \$150. The pack includes:

A family pass to Mr Snot Bottom's Stinky Silly Show

A Hanging Rock car pass

A Family swim voucher for us at any of Council's aquatic centres

A polo shirt, SunSmart wide-brimmed hat, drink bottle, toothbrush and toothpaste.

For more information about kindergarten programs, Early Start Kindergarten, fees and enrolments, call Council's Early Years unit on 5422 0239 or visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/children



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Barton (Seymour) Cottage c. 1855 **20 Palmer Street, ROMSEY**

FROM THE COTTAGE... 'BARTON'

May/June2017

(Palmer Street, ROMSEY – look for the blue Heritage Plague on the gatepost on the left; open on the last Sunday of the month, from 11-2. Barton (Seymour) Cottage is a heritage listed dwelling built around 1855.) THE FRIENDS OF THE COTTAGE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO WEL-COMING VISITORS AGAIN TO THE COTTAGE ON THE LAST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH THROUGHOUT 2017.

The garden is continuing t respond to the good rains and cooler weather and the donations from generous gardeners. Our request last month for Nerines met with a very speedy response from Leonie and Laurie Armistead. We.ve already divided and planted the large pot of bulbs they gave us. The west side is taking shape with Fuchsias, Cannas, (thanks

John Dettmann) and Nerines. It will look delightful all seasons of the year – and be easy to maintain. Leonie and Laurie also donated some of those wonderful Haemanthus bulbs (Elephant's Ears or Paintbrush lilies) and we plan to use them as raffle or lucky door prizes.

We lit just one fire, the first for the year, for our May opening. Firelight makes for a cosy atmosphere, but we hardly had time to sit and soak up the warmth as we had one of our busiest days ever. It was great to see several children amongst the visitors. For this young generation, a lifestyle without refrigerators, stoves, TV's, etc, is a real eye-opener. We always have an old-fashioned game for the children to try out, too. Bring your young ones along. WE HAVE SOME OF THE LOCAL HISTORICAL SOCIETY BOOKS AVAILABLE FOR SALE, (\$10 each) INCLUDING:

'Discover Romsey' and 'Discover Lancefield' - information regarding sites around Romsey and Lancefield: follow the trails and learn snippets of history about these historic towns. We also have pamhlets available.

'An Introduction to the Aboriginal Stone Quarry of Mt William, Lancefield' An easy read by authors Carol Moore and Robyn Poletti. Fascinating history about this very important indigenous commercial industry.

"...he drew his last breath and expired: obituaries taken from papers of the former Romsey Shire 1870-1879. Vol 1', by Robyn Miller. Love this wonderful glimpse into the language and customs of the past. Two short entries in 1870 remind us that farming has always been associated with risk "... The Kilmore Free Press regrets to have to record another sad and fatal accident...whilst the gentleman, who has been a very old resident of this district, in which he reared a large and respectable family was engaged with one of his sons loading a dray, he slipped off the load and fell upon his head, which came into contact with a stone. The unfortunate gentleman was picked up by his son immediately, but breathed only a few minutes after the occurrence." And "A young man...met with a fatal accident during last week by being brought into violent contact with a tree when on horseback...the unfortunate man lingered till Saturday last, when he expired from the effects thereof".

Looking forward to seeing you at 'Barton'!

Ruth (0411 812 805); jandrgreen@hotmail.com) on behalf of the Cottage Friends Barton (Seymour Cottage) is a division of Romsey-Lancefield Historic Society



Calling all local bands and songwriters: register now for Battle of the Bands

Council is encouraging young musicians to get out of the garage and onto the stage by registering to compete in the FReeZA Push Start's annual Battle of the Bands competition, to be held on Saturday 5 August from 6.30pm at Kvneton Town Hall.

Musicians aged 12–25 years of age who live, work or study in the Macedon Ranges can register as a band, duo or solo act, with participants given the chance to perform at a world-class venue in front of a large audience. Trentham five-piece This is a Prison won the Macedon Ranges heat last year, and as Dan Evans, drummer from the

outfit revealed, the experience was "absolutely brilliant". The winner receives a cash prize, and goes through to the regional finals to be held later this year.

Registrations close Tuesday 18 July. To register for the Battle of the Bands heat, email mits@mrsc.vic.gov.au, call 5422 0242 of find us on Facebook via facebook.com/MacedonRangesYouth



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Work on Stage One of the Chimneys and Heaters program is progressing very well. New fireplaces and heaters will be installed over the coming weeks making the Supper Room bot more visually attractive and much warmer during the colder months. We thank The Bendigo Bank for their grant, which was instrumental in this project being made a reality Work to repair and restore the two WW1 Honour Rolls is progressing very well and we expect these wonderful artefacts from the early 20th century to be back in the RMI during June. We will have to make some modifications the

lighting and hanging arrangements to best show these commemorative works of art.



For the last few years one of our Regular User Groups - "Cowboys & Angles Dance Academy" has performed at the World Dance Championships in Blackpool, UK and the Australian Dance Championships at Tamworth, NSW. On each occasion the group has performed well and brought home both titles and silverware. In mid-May the groups again excelled winning the Australian Cup and Best Team awards at Tamworth. Well Done everyone.

The CoM has been working with a local drafting company to draw up plans to increase the actual storage at thre RMI. These plans will have to be approved by the Heritage Advisor to the Shire and also be DELWP, the owner of the building and land. Once approved we will be applying

for grants to take the plans from paper to on the ground. The CoM has submitted two applications for funds to the MRSC "Community Funding Scheme" and "Small Grants Scheme". We are now waiting to hear how we have gone.

Work has begun to strip back the many layers of paint on the fireplace surrounds and mantle pieces in the Supper Room. This work will take quite a while to complete but everyone is very pleased with the early results. If all goes well we hope to strip back much of the timberwork throughout the whole of the RMI

If you are planning something, a birthday, an anniversary, an engagement or any other function please consider the RMI our web site gives a good idea as to what we have to offer. Bookings and all inquiries can be made at; rmibookings@gmail.com. We are very happy to discuss your function, show you through the hall or supper room and explain the hire process. Anthony Lakey - Chair - RMI - CoM



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vember 5th.

2017 - Lancefield Church - August 13th, October 8th & December 10th.

For more information, please phone 5429 2130.

SACRAMENTS

Parents with children not attending St. Mary's School who are scheduled to receive Sacraments in 2017 are requested to contact the secretary by phone: 5429 2130 or by email at lancefield@cam.org.a to register your child.

The Mount Players Happenings



Our 2nd production for 2017, *True West* by Sam Shepard opened on 26th May and will run until Saturday 10th May. If you love contemporary theatre then you will love this play. A true

black comedy can only be successful with clever, observant writing, passionate directing and of course great acting. Travis Handcock has used his directing expertise and worked brilliantly with his award winning cast to create this wonderful piece of theatre that truly portrays the good, bad and ugly side of human nature.

Our 14th annual One Act Play Festival will run from 7th – 9th July.

An assortment of short plays will be staged across the weekend, winding up on Sunday afternoon with awards presented by a guest adjudicator. A great opportunity to nestle in and enjoy a variety of theatre. Come for a session or make a weekend of it.

Our August/September production The Full Monty has now been cast and is in full rehearsal.

To book your tickets go to www.themountplayers.com or call our box office on 5426 1892.

By Karen Hunt



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Community Investment Program

Our annual call for grant and sponsorship applications for 2017-18 will commence on Tuesday 13 June 2017. Application forms will be emailed to community organisations on this date. All Lancefield and Romsey community groups and

sporting clubs are eligible to apply.

Applications close on Friday 28 July 2017.

Please contact Sally Peeler at marketing@lancefieldromseybank.com.au or on 0414 089 311 to discuss your grant or sponsorship application.

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ROAD SAFETY BOOST FOR MELBOURNE-LANCEFIELD ROAD

The Andrews Labor Government will upgrade Melbourne-Lancefield Road between Sunbury and Lancefield, to help save regional motorists lives on one of Victoria's most notorious sections of road.

Member for Macedon Mary-Anne Thomas and Member for Sunbury Josh Bull announced \$20 million to improve safety along more than 35 kilometres of the road.

The upgrade will include new overtaking lanes and up to 18 kilometres of flexible road safety barriers and rumble strips to prevent head-on collisions and run-off road crashes.

The Andrews Labor Government will also build a new roundabout at the intersection of Gisborne Kilmore Road in Monageetta to reduce the risk of collisions at this busy intersection.

The upgrade will also build up to seven overtaking lanes to enable motorists to pass one another safely, widening and sealing the road shoulder and ensuring safe local access to properties.

There have been 159 crashes on this section of Melbourne-Lancefield Road over the past five years, including five fatalities.

Work on the project is due to start later this year and will take approximately 12 months to complete.

Locals will get a chance to have their say, to make sure the upgrade meets the community's needs.

Members of the community can provide feedback on the plan to improve safety on Melbourne-Lancefield Road to engage.ssrip@roads.vic.gov.au.

Melbourne-Lancefield Road is one of 20 key roads iden-

tified in the Labor Government's *Towards Zero Road Safety Strategy and Action Plan*, which will see \$340 million invested into areas with a history of serious crashes on more than 2,500 kilometres of rural and regional roads across the state.

Quotes attributable to Member for Macedon Mary- Anne Thomas

"One death on our roads is one death too many – that's why working closely with the community to make this road safer and reduce the risk of crashes."

"The installation of wire rope barriers down Melbourne-Lancefield Road will help prevent head-on crashes and reduce the severity of the impact on the vehicle."

Quotes attributable to Member for Sunbury Josh Bull

"Melbourne-Lancefield Road is one of the state's most dangerous roads. We're going to fix it - investing \$20 million to make sure that everyone that uses it gets home safely."

"Local knowledge and feedback is an important part of planning for this project and we're listening to the community."

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What's on in June at Kyneton Town Hall

Shire Council

Pull off your slippers, throw off the blankets and step away from the heater—June's serving up a sizzling program of arts and culture at Kyneton

Town Hall, with musical performances taking centre stage.

On Friday 16 June at 11.30am, Jeff Jenkins takes audiences on a powerful journey of the 20th century as he performs the music of folk singer, rebel and rock star, Bob Dylan in *Dylanesque*.

Together with his electrifying four-piece band, Jenkins pays tribute to his extraordinary life and songs, with a spellbinding performances of more than 30 of Dylan's finest songs.

Take a trip down memory lane on Friday 23 June at 8pm, as Australian actor and musician John Waters joins forces with esteemed pianist Stewart D'Arrietta for the stage production, *Lennon Through a Glass Onion*.

Part concert and part biography, the performance is an insight into the life and times of one of the most fascinating icons of our time, John Lennon.

Hot off the heels of their popular 16 week season in New York, the show features all the classics, including *Imagine*, *Strawberry Fields Forever*, *Revolution*, *Come Together* and more.

On Saturday 24 June at 8pm, Damien Leith salutes one of his greatest musical heroes in his tribute to Roy Orbison. Expect beautiful lyrics and lush melodies straight from the Big O's repertoire, delivered with warmth and affection by Damien. Whether you are a Leith or Orbison fan, this performance is going to be memorable.

On Friday 30 June, the genre-busting guitar duo, Grigoryan Brothers return to Kyneton Town Hall to perform works from their latest release.

From 7.30pm, Slava and Leonard return to their classical roots as they present new masterful arrangements of Bach, Elgar, Dvorak, Rachmaninoff and Ponce.

Don't forget to stop by the Kyneton Museum before Sunday 9 July to revisit fashions from the time of Jane Austen, in the exhibition, *Be Persuaded: A Jane Austen Experience*.

The collection of rare fashion, accessories and ephemera from the 18th century through to the 1840s includes pieces such as an 18th century silk gown, boots, bonnets, parasols and more.

With items on show taken from the collection of Dressing Australia Museum of Costume, *Be Persuaded* is an opportunity to explore how fashion tells a story.

For more information on shows, or to book tickets, call 1300 888 802 or visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/buytickets



COMBINED PROBUS CLUB Of ROMSEY and LANCEFIELD Inc.



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President: Gerard Hanrahan 5429 5630 Secretary: Jenifer Clampit 54296480

Probus is an Association for active members of the community and for those no longer working full time to join together in clubs for a new lease of life.

Its basic purpose is to advance intellectual and cultural interests amongst adult persons; to provide regular opportunities to progress healthy minds and active bodies, through social interaction and activities, expand interests and to enjoy the fellowship of new friends.

All our members are active and aged between 58-90+ years.

We enjoy each others company and have made good friendships along the way.

Always plenty of chat and laughter whenever we are together.

Monthly meetings are at 10am, on the

4th Thursday of the month in St.Mary's Church Hall

Main Street, Romsey.

Our next meeting is 10am Thursday 22nd June, 2017

Guest Speaker: Dr. Paul Carter.

Monthly Outing on Wednesday 21st June. 'My Fair Lady, Regent Theatre. Public Transport.

Check out our website for information about the Romsey & Lancefield Probus Club rlprobus.org.au

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Romsey's new park needs a name! Can you help?

Let your creativity flow

With Stage 1 of the nature based park project at the former Romsey Primary School site set to be constructed this year, Greater Romsey All Abilities Park Inc (GRAAP) is inviting community members to assist in the development of a name for the park.

Concept details to consider

The current working title for the park project is the Greater Romsey Wellbeing Space. It will be a regionally significant destination space, featuring nature based recreation whilst incorporating artistic expression and therapeutic sensory engagement, for all ages and all abilities to enhance the wellbeing of those who visit it.

In addition to being a local community resource, this space will be a local and regional attraction and an asset for economic development and tourism as well as health and wellbeing.

The school site has historical significance and celebrated 150 years in 2016. It was important to the community that the school site be retained for community use.

There will be elements for all ages and abilities, within the

- Active nature play
- Picnic area
- Open / events space
- Therapeutic space (including sensory garden)
- Ephemeral billabong, and
- Woodland buffer

Timeframe and information

This is not a competition and there are no "prizes", as such. However, if you are you excited by the prospect of being involved in this iconic project, this is an opportunity to have your words on the front entrance, forever.



What are your ideas? What can the park be called that will draw people to it, get people talking about it and recommend others to visit it?

Please submit your name idea(s) to graapinc@gmail.com by Monday 12th June 2017.

For further queries, please contact Raelene Mottram (0428928908) or Sue Hayes (0416066347).

MRSPAG Suicide Prevention Forum

The Macedon Ranges Suicide Prevention Action Group has been working hard in suicide prevention but we need your help to make sure we are on the right track and are meeting the needs of our communities.

Everyone is welcome at a forum to be held

On

Wed 28 June 2017 from 6:30-8:30pm

Αt

the Norma Richardson Hall in Woodend (supper provided from 6:00pm).

Please RSVP by Wed 22 June, including dietary requirements, to macedonrangesspag@gmail.com



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Domes of Art have landed at Cope-Williams Winery



What lies beneath these mysterious domes on the lawn at Cope-Williams Winery and Contemporary Arts Centre? Be the first to see this exciting new exhibition 'The Art of Music', totally constructed in sand, on display for the next 5 months. These amazing structures are linked together, providing weather-proof gallery space and will create a most extraordinary experience like nothing you've ever experienced!

'The Art of Music' is the first-ever Sand Sculpture exhibition in the Macedon Ranges and is presented in a gallery format for the first time in Australia. Sand sculptors have arrived from all over the world to create their own thematic inspiration.

Come and enjoy these creative sculptures at the amazing Cope-Williams Winery and while you're there explore the

free Neil McLeod exhibition at the Cope-Williams Contemporary Arts Centre. The picturesque venue is beautiful and the relaxed setting makes it a great family experience, with kid's areas, café and food available. Children are free. The event lasts until the end of October.

Tickets are \$10 per adult and are booked through www.sandartgallery.com.au.

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Romsey Region Business and Tourism Association (RRBATA) **UPDATE**

Romsey Streetscape Project –Detailed planning underway

RRBATA and Macedon Ranges Shire Council officers met recently to discuss detailed planning based on the concept plans developed for the Romsey Streetscape Project. Bluestone curb and channelling upgrades will compliment development of the Main Street gardens. Heritage street lamp and feature building illumination will, where possible, be solar whilst aiming to highlight Romsey's historical features. Improvements in street furniture will provide more opportunities for seating. Town entry features for the north, south, east and west entry points are also in development.

New RRBATA Membership Package

RRBATA has been working on a new membership package ahead of a membership drive. In order for RRBATA effectively represent and advocate for Romsey region business and tourism, it needs a strong membership base. Membership is open to all businesses, organizations and individuals who support Romsey business and tourism. Website listing, discounts to RRBATA events, reciprocal membership rights with Business Kyneton (formerly Kyneton BATA) and Macedon Ranges Business Connect discounts will all feature in this package. RRBATA aims to provide networking opportunities as well as facilitating communication with key stakeholders for all RRBATA members. For further details, contact Jenny Stillman (ph. 0412 349849, Email jennystillman@optusnet.com.au or go to Romsey Online and RRBATA Facebook.

Romsey Historic Digital Interface Plaques Project

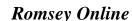
This continues to progress with the Plaques Project Team meeting fortnightly. The collation of appropriate and accurate archive material is time consuming but will ensure an abundance of information will be available on Romsey Online to compliment the "potted history" on the plaques. Plaque design is almost finalised. RRBATA acknowledges the support of the Bendigo Bank and Macedon Ranges Shire Council for this project.

Christmas In Romsey2017 – It's coming!

Preparations continue for Christmas In Romsev 2017.

Sponsorships packages will soon be distributed to businesses to facilitate an even bigger and better Christmas In Romsey than last year! The Main Street Christmas Tree Installation initiative will be expanded. However, numbers will be limited so "first in, best dressed" rules will apply! Deadline for tree applications is Monday 31st July 2017. So, Expres-

sions of Interest are invited from Community Groups wanting to decorate a Main Street Christmas tree (see details elsewhere in the Rag). Businesses are being contacted with an invitation to get on board as sponsors and/or purchase and decorate a Main Street tree. Please also note that the Romsey Community Carols event will be held on Saturday 16th December 2017.



The website upgrade is almost complete! The launch date will be Thursday 6th July 2017. Stav tuned!!

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.

Membership Enquiries:

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THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF CHRIST CHURCH, LANCEFIELD



A CIAIM A COMMAND A PROMISE We have followed the earthly life of Jesus over these last six months from His birth in Bethlehem, His public ministry of teaching, healing and miracles to His death on the Cross for the sins of Aid Society's A.G.M. And Dinner at Brimbank Anglican Church. Mankind - ours - then, His rising from the dead by the mighty Hand of God. Now we celebrate ASCENSION DAY, forty days after His Resurrection when He returned to the Glory of Heaven from whence He had come! Matthew, (28:16-20) records - how at the Griffith Cathedral NSW to work among young people and he and the other disciples went to a mountain in Galilee as Jesus adults, the BCA supported parish of Strathfieldsave is growing as had commanded and met with Him there. He CLAIMED that "all it links the Church and Community, the Rev. Stephen Weichardt authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me" - a great reported, claim indeed. Then He gave them a COMMAND - "Therefore go Condie gave a splendid overview of the Church there as he and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them into the Name of travelled over the length and breadth of the Island by car unlike the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you." This great Commission is in the hands of the Church today! But we are not on our own. His PROMISE is - "And surely I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

In ACTS 1:9, Paul writes that after speaking to them, - "He was taken up before their very eyes and a cloud hid Him from their sight. As they stood looking up, two men dressed in white, suddenly stood before them and asked them, - " Why do you stand looking up into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen Him go into heaven". So, Jesus now sits in the glory of heaven, ever praying for us until that time when He returns with Thurs..8th June..7.30pm..Anglican Men's Society..AMS.. meets power and great glory to be the Great Judge of us all. In the meantime He has not left us to go it alone but He has sent His Holy Spirit to be with us - to transform us, to teach us, encourage Sun.. 18th June..5pm..HEALING SERVICE..Christ Church and empower us so that we will be ready to meet Him on that great day.

"Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour, First begotten from the

Thou alone our strong Defender. Liftest up Thy people's head, ALLELUIA,

Jesus, True and Living Bread." G. H.Bourne

Several of us went to our Victorian Branch of the Bush Church The dinner was scrumptious as usual and the after-dinner speakers entertaining and enlightening. The BCA candidate in training at Ridley College when he finishes will return to his Parisn The Bishop of Tasmania, Bishop Richard

predecessors, 'In The Saddle'. At the local level, the AMS group had a great night of mateship and Christian fellowship as they enjoyed their snooker night at Marj.Davis' home and her warm hospitality.

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Sun..4th June..WHITSUNDAY/PENTECOST..Coming of the HO-

(Wear a touch of red or white)

Sun..11th June..TRINITY SUNDAY.. The Triune understanding of the Christian Faith.

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It's not too late to enrol your child at kindergarten

Are you considering where to enrol your child at kinder in 2018?

Vacancies currently exist at several Council kindergartens throughout the shire for our three and four-year old

Council's Director of Community Wellbeing, Karen Stevens, said the benefits of kindergarten on a child's development were great.

"Kindergarten is a fun, play-based environment that gives children the opportunity to learn and develop positive relationships with other children", said Ms Stevens.

"Our educators are passionate about the role they play in children's lives, each aiming to support children to play, explore, solve problems, communicate, think, create and construct.

"Several of our kindergartens have recently benefited from upgrades to outdoor play spaces offering new ways for children to explore and discover nature.

"It really is a great time to experience what Council kindergartens have to offer".

Kindergarten and pre-kinder enrolments for 2018 must be lodged by 30 June.

Register before Friday 30 June to go into the draw to win a kindergarten-ready prize pack valued at over \$150. The pack includes:

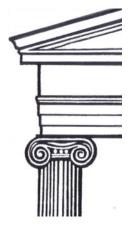
A family pass to Mr Snot Bottom's Stinky Silly Show

A Hanging Rock car pass

A Family swim voucher for us at any of Council's aquatic centres

A polo shirt, SunSmart wide-brimmed hat, drink bottle, toothbrush and toothpaste.

For more information about kindergarten programs, Early Start Kindergarten, fees and enrolments, call Council's Early Years unit on 5422 0239 or visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/children



ADFAS CENTRAL VICTORIA

Australian Decorative and Fine Arts Society

In April, about 40 members and guests were treated to a delightful luncheon performance by Juliarna Clark of The Songs of the Fabulous Baker Girl. Juliarna presented a French-themed musical program comprising songs and stories, about Josephine Baker, 1906-1975, famous for her songs as well as her colourful life. A good time was had by all.

Our Winter series commences with a burst of colour provided by Dr Sally Butler's lecture.

Thursday 8 June, Dr Sally Butler, Aboriginal & Torres Strait Island Art

Sally Butler is a popular AADFAS lecturer who is Associate Professor in Art History at the University of Queensland, specialising in contemporary Australian Indigenous art and

cross-cultural critical theory. Her illustrated talk will examine areas such as how indigenous traditions survive in the modern world of rapid change and what 'authenticates' innovation in the ongoing traditions of Australian indigenous art.



Thursday 13 July, Gerald Deslandes, Landscape into Art: Andy Goldsworthy, Richard Long and David Nash.

NADFAS lecturer, Gerald Deslandes, studied art history at Cambridge and London's CourtauldInstitute of Art, a leading centre for the study of the history and conservation of art and architecture. His lecture concerns a 1970s' group of British sculptors who, by

altering elements in the natural landscape in the name of art, had a deep effect on landscape architects and the emergence of land art.

Please note the Change of venue and time for 13 July: Mary Moloney Theatre, Sacred Heart College, 94 High Street, Kyneton at 2.30pm for

a 3pm start to the lecture. Afternoon tea at

(4.00-4.45pm) in the adjacent Arthurson Atrium, which is connected by an external driveway.

For membership enquiries, contact Norma Aplin – Chair 0419 234 012 or Greg Heath – Vice Chair 0418 561 051



Congratulations to the 2017 Bendigo Bank **Macedon Ranges Business Excellence Awards**

Macedon Ranges Shire Council congratulates all the nominees for the 2017 Bendigo Bank Macedon Ranges Business Excellence Awards.

The first stage of the business awards is now complete with over 600 nominations received. As a result, 236 businesses have been identified, some in multiple categories – a great achievement.

The awards recognise businesses that provide an outstanding service to the community and the number truly reflects the quality of our local businesses. Finalists in each category will be announced in August and this year's winners will be honoured at our Awards Gala Dinner on 20 September.

Listed below are the businesses based in Darraweit Guim, Lancefield, Riddells Creek and Romsey that were nominated. Be sure to drop in to your local businesses and congratulate them.

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To see the shire-wide list of nominees, visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/

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When we are in love, it is natural to continually think about, talk about and long to be with the person we love.

We want to do things to show our adoration. We delight in foregoing things for ourselves so we can buy gifts for them. Doing tasks on their behalf is a pleasure - not a chore. This is an

expression of our love and a natural outcome of such devo-

We should question our motives in marriage if our relationships become a chore. If we serve because we want something in return, our service will soon be a great burden. We talk about sacrificing this and that for our spouses, but when we are truly in love, everything we do should be a natural result of devotion. Sacrificial love, sacrificial giving,

sacrificial service all sound quite painful. Just ask Jesus he knows! But He willingly gave of His whole life for our benefit and is the greatest example of what 'Genuine' love is. And as we turn to Him, He makes it possible for us to genuinely love one another.

Special Mid-Week Evening Meeting Wednesday 7th June @ 7:30pm at Encourage Church

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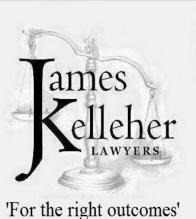
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If you would like to know more about faith in Jesus please contact Pastor Marilyn or our Church office Ph 5429 6327

We would be happy to help you find true peace and joy in life. Encourage Church: "Encouraging one another to be ALL we can be in life and in God". You are invited to join us at our regular Sunday Service: 10am at 7 Mitchell Court Romsey

or one of our fortnightly Life Groups, Fortnightly Youth events and weekly Children's Programs. We also offer Kidzone Before & After School Care | Vacation Care | 'mainly music' Program

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Macedon Ranges Uniting Church Partnership

Romsey Uniting Church



25 Pohlman Street, Romsey. 3434 (P.O Box 264)

Chairperson: Mr. Noel Shaw 5429 5509

The 22nd June, 2017 is the 40th Anniversary of the Uniting Church in Australia. (Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches coming together as one)

Above is the Uniting Church Emblem What does the emblem symbolise?

"The cross of Jesus Christ, in its light and love, stands over a darkened world redeeming it through grace and

By that cross his people in heaven and earth are bound to him and to each other.

"The Holy Spirit, symbolised by the dove with the wings of flame, empowers and guides us to be witnesses to Jesus

"The wide 'U' at the bottom of the emblem points to the fact that we are uniting.

As a semi-circle it reminds also that the renewing of both church and world are, as yet, incomplete."

(Explanatory public statement from the Joint Constitutional Council for the new church following the adoption of the emblem in November 1976.)

Church Services & Activities during June, 2017

9am. Pentecost - Worship Service. 6pm Church Council Meeting at Stracks

9am. Worship & Holy Communion Service, conducted by Pastor Annette Buckley.

18th 9am Congregation Worship Service

6pm Romsey @ 6 Service conducted by Rev. Deacon Wendy Elson

22nd 40th Anniversary of the Uniting Church 10am Worship Services conducted at

Secretary: Mrs. Jenifer Clampit 5429 5480

Romsey, Kyneton and Gisborne. Pray without ceasing ...40 days....

To celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the Uniting Church from 14th May until our Church anniversary on 22nd June The UCA President, Stuart McMillan, will lead the church in 40 days of prayer.

During this time, we are invited to pray together for renewal for ourselves, our communities, our world and our Church.

Let's also use this time to renew our focus

on prayer for our congregations, our Partnership, our communities.

During this time, let's recommit ourselves to vulnerable, listening prayer during our normal

worship time, whenever we meet together, and in our

Let us listen carefully for the voice of God, and seek a deepening awareness of the Spirit's leading as we pray during this time.

> Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

The Macedon Ranges Uniting Church Partnership

Office is at the Riddells Creek Uniting Church, 3 Sutherland Road, Riddells Creek.

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Pastor Annette Buckley

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www.macedonrangesunitingchurch.org.au



Great Global Greyhound Walk, Lancefield Park, Chauncey Street, Lancefield 10:30am - 2:30pm June 11 at Lancefield Park

The Great Global Greyhound Walk is an annual dog-walking event that brings together greyhounds, lurchers, other sighthounds and their owners to raise awareness of the breeds and show the public just what wonderful pets they make. Other dogs are welcome to join in the fun.

> *Sausage Sizzle available or bring your own Picnic lunch* *Raffle—1st prize Oilskin Dog coat kindly donated by fairdinkumdogs.com.au *GSN Promotional goods & other hound goodies available for sale * Short distance walk also to cater for senior hounds & humans Register early to receive a 2017 Lancefield GGGW commemorative badge

For more information please contact: Email: lancefieldgggw@gmail.com All proceeds will be donated to Greyhound Safety Net

Romsey Golf Club -Men's & Women's Reports http://romseygolfclub.net

Pres; 0417 088 891 Sec; 0400 768 040 Saturday May 13th - Rd 2 Men's Club Championships

The field teed off under overcast skies with merely a zephyr from the south. Soon enough the sun came out and the afternoon warmed a little making for a very pleasant round of golf. The cold air and the soft fairways saw all but the longest hitters lose distance off the tee. Again, heavy dews, soft fairways and the plentiful grass clippings saw "Mark, Lift, Clean & Replace" given. Steady golf from a number of players saw the day's competition looking like a battle between three then one player shot ahead before a disastrous 14th saw him fall back to the field. One highlight of the day saw Dean Jones play his second shot on the par 4, 365m 4th from the within the branches of a large old tree. Deano was able to hack it back onto the fairway then par the hole! On a very pleasant day the results were;

Winner: Dean Jones – 74/3/71 from Jim Patton – 93/20/93 & Ron Walker - 97/24/73

NTPs; 1st - Anthony Freeman, 15th - Michael McCarten & 16th – Jim Patton

2017 Club Championships

A Grade – Dean Jones – 148

B Grade – Jim Patton – 187, Michael McCarten – 189, Mick Nicholls Jnr - 191 & Scott Williams - 191

Wednesday May 10th - 2nd Rd 2017 Women's Club **Championships**

The field hit-off on a perfect late autumn morning, the course was covered by the night's very heavy dew but skies were clear and there was no wind. Again all players found their drives shorter than usual and the par fives proved a real challenge with the wet fairways greatly reducing run. The greens continued to putt very true but players had to really attack the cup to to get their desired result. On a great morning for golf the results were;

Winner; Jenny Hartley – 113/37/76

Least Putts; Darlene Baker – 28, C/B from Jenny Hartley 2017 Club Championships - Rd Two

Kath Jekabsons – 223 from Jenny Hartley – 228. Sunday May 7th - Pennant Rd 5 - Kilmore G. C. The final round of the 2017 pennant season and certainly one place in the final was up for grabs. Romsey took on Mt Macedon, the day began clear and warmish but by

mid afternoon the sky had clouded over and intermittent rain fell. The Kilmore course was in good nick so, with steady golf, a win was there for the taking. Our boys fought out another win to bring us within a whisker of the final with 3.5 wins (but only 17.5 matches).

Tony Freeman - W 3/2. John Freestone - W 5/4. Scott Williams - W 3/2, Andrew Laing - L 4/3, Michael McCarten - L 2/1 Rob Rea - W 3/2, Sherif Abdel-Sayed L 1 down

Romsey **D** Mt Macedon – 4/3

Lancefield **D** Hidden Valley – 5/2

Kilmore **D** Woodend - 6/1

The Final will be between Lancefield (4 wins) and Kilmore (3.5 wins 21 matches), congrats to both teams and good luck in the final on May 21st.

Saturday May 6th - Rd 1 2017 Men's Club Championships

The 2017 Club Championships began under clear skies with steady sunshine and almost no wind. This held for the first hour and a half before intermittent rain, a gusting northerly wind and dark clouds held sway. Wet weather gear came out, gloves and club grips became wet and the round became much more challenging. After the heavy dews and recent rains it was decided to allow "Mark, Lift, Clean & Replace" across the course. The fairways were soft but the ball bounced true. The greens were in good nick and those who attacked the hole got good returns. Whilst the rain and wind upset many rounds a number of players were able to handle the difficult conditions and return excellent scores. On a challenging day the results were:

Winner; Ron Rea – 88/19/69 from Dean Jones – 74/2/72, John Freestone – 94/22/72, Mick Nicholls Jnr – 94/22/72, Carl vanDerVliet - 85/12/73, Bob McLennan - 85/12/73 & Jim Patton - 94/21/73

NTPs; 16th – Hugh Drummond. A Grade Leader: Dean Jones - 74 **B Grade Leader**; Rob Rea – 88

Wednesday May 3rd - 1st Round 2017 Women's Club **Championships**

Play got underway on a chilly morning with plenty of dew on the fairways and greens. All players lost distance off the tee courtesy of the cold air and the soft fairways. The greens putted very true and, if you got there second, there were a number of clear marks to guide your putt. Throughout the morning the sun shone through then disappeared behind the clouds and most players had to get used to the heavier clothing required by the morning's chill. Many players had the opportunity to get a good start in the championships but, whether it was nerves, cold hands or just a little too casual golf, most did not capitalise on their position. The morning's results were;

Winner; Jenny Hartley – 115/38/77 **Least Putts**; Kath Jekabsons – 27

Round 1 Club Champs;

Kath Jekabsons – 112, Jenny Hartley – 115

Sunday April 30th - Rd 4 2017 Pennant - Mt Macedon

The Mount Macedon Golf Course was in top nick, the greens their usual high standard and the fairways lush and even after the late April rains. The RGC team were looking good for a 5/2 win with only a few holes to go but, a spot of wind here and a slice there, and we were down to an All Square. Our results were; Anthony Freeman L -2/1, Sherif Abdel-Sayed – **AS**, Michael McCarten **W** – 2/1, John Freestone W - 2/1, Andrew Laing W - 3/2, Chris vanDerVliet L - 7/6 & Scott Williams L - 1 down. Romsev **AS** Woodend – 3.5/3.5

Kilmore **D** Hidden Valley – 4/3

Lancefield **D** Mt Macedon – 5/2

The final round at Kilmore G. C. will be all important. Top team Lancefield (3 wins, 17 matches) seems in to be the final. The other spot is between Kilmore (2.5 wins, 17 matches), Woodend (2.5 wins, 14 matches) and rough outsider Romsey (2.5 wins, 12 matches)

RGC would like to thank Rob Rae and John Freestone (Pennant team co-captains) as well as Anthony Michael Nicholls Snr. Michael Freeman. McCarten, Andrew Laing, Chris vanDerVliet, Scott Williams and Sherif Abdel-Sayed for their time and efforts during the 2017 Pennant Golf season.

The 36th Romsey Open will be played on the Sunday June 4th. All players enjoy an egg & bacon sandwich before heading out to the course. This event, played over the 12 hole Old Course, sees golfers play 12 holes in the morning, enjoy a hot, sit down lunch then tackle the 12 hole course again. The final round is followed by afternoon tea and presentations at about 4.30 pm. Entry is \$35.00 per player.

Saturday April 29th - Monthly Medal - Stroke & Putts A strong field, men and women, teed off to contest the April Medal. The day was cool and overcast and the fairways and greens were still very soft from the recent rains. The cool air and soft fairways saw only the best drivers leave themselves with reasonable approach shots; most others faced far longer shots to the greens. The greens still showed some unevenness courtesy of the damage done but the Little Corellas but they are rapidly returning to their best. As the round progressed the clouds lifted and the sun came out making for a very pleasant back nine. A number of players were "right in it" until one or two disastrous holes saw them fall out of contention. In the end it was a battle between two former clubs champions. The day's results were; Men's Winner & April Medalist; Les Gaunt – 75/5/70

from Andrew Clement - 82/11/71 & Mick Nicholls Jnr -

Women's Winner & April Medalist; Kath Jekabsons -111/25/86

NTPs: 1st - Jim Patton, 15th - Andrew Laing

Least Putts: Andrew Clement - 24

Sunday April 23rd - Pennant Rd 3 - Romsey G. C. With around 100 mm of rain over the previous weekend followed by over 30 mm later in the week the course was in good nick however, fairways and greens were all soft. Teams hit-off at 11.00 and almost all matches were tight. Local knowledge saw RGC again pull off a good win; Sherif Abdel-Sayed L - 2 down, Scott Williams W - 3/1, Michael McCarten W – 4/3, Rob Rea W – 2 up, Anthony Freeman W - 3/1, Andrew Laing L - 2/1, Chris vanDerVliet L - 3/1

Romsey **D** Kilmore – 4/3 Lancefield **D** Woodend – 4.5/2.5 Hidden Valley **D** Mt Macedon - 4/3 Saturday April 22nd – 4B Multiplier Stableford

The day began in light drizzle, this lifted and the sun came out, making for a very humid, sticky afternoon. After another 30+mm of rain during Thurs/Fri had the course both very green and quite soft. Some of the wetter greens proved very tricky with many players under or over hitting their putts leaving difficult shots for par. The cold air and soft fairways also had players second guessing their club selection with longer than usual approach shots and surrounds that sucked the life out of a shot. The 4B Multiplier, Stableford format proved quite challenging. A number of pairs recorded 9s or 12 on a hole only to crash back to earth with a 0 or a 2 on the

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next. On an interesting afternoon the results were; 4B Multiplier Winners; Anthony Freeman (20)/Neil Monro (15) – 61 pts from Scott Williams (19)/Chris vanDerVliet (25) - 59 pts

Individual Results: Anthony Freeman (20) 35 pts from Scott Williams (19) -34 pts

NTPs; 1st - Anthony Freeman, 15th - Mal Mottram & 16th – Anthony Freeman

Wednesday April 19th - RWH 4BBB Stableford Another wonderful day for gold, gentle sunshine, virtually no wind and good cover on the fairways and greens. The Romsey women were fighting it out to represent the club at the Dalhousie District Royal Women's Hospital final at Avenel in September. The District winners will then go on to the state final in Melbourne. There was plenty of laughter and some excellent golf played. On a very enjoyable morning the results were:

Winners; Darlene Baker (23)/Jan Harver (38) - 38 pts from Kath Jekabsons (25) Elaine Scanlon (33) - 37 pts

Over the past two year the Golf Club has paid for the spreading of 60 tonne of Lime and Dolomite Lime across the fairways and greens. This was in response to the results of our soil testing. The recent rains have shown just how successful this program has been. Our thanks to club member, Mal Mottram, who organised the soil testing and then the remediation program.





With the support of the Romsey Lancefield RSL Sub Branch and RRBATA, an ANZAC Commemorative Rose Bed is planned for addition to the current rose plantings around the Romsey Cenotaph in recognition of those from the Romsey region who served in The Great War (World War 1). It is anticipated that a reproduction of the unique Romsey Tribute Medal will be cast in bronze and set amongst the red ANZAC commemorative roses. For further information please contact:

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