

# The Romsey Rag

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# THE PUB IS NOT ON THE MARKET, COMMUNITY MEETING TOLD

A public meeting to report the outcomes of a Romsey Hotel Working Group consultation with hotel site owner, Mr Jim Hogan, was held on Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at the Romsey Mechanics Institute.

Jenny Stillman, spokesperson for RRBATA, firstly told the meeting that the Romsey Hotel site and its façade would be part of the "southern gateway", and thus a crucial component of the Romsey Streetscape Project, which essentially covered Main Street between Barry Street and Palmer Street.

Working Group spokesperson, John Boukouras, told the meeting that a conference with the site owner, Jim Hogan, sought to answer the following questions:

- Is the property on the market?
- Could the community purchase the pub?
- What ideas have there been for future use of the site?

The fact is that the Romsey Hotel property is not on the market, so there is no sense at present in suggesting that the community could be involved in any way in a purchase. However, if the property came on the market, then the community could be part of an offer.

John said that the owner had recently rejected an offer of \$3 million for the site.

A spokesman for Macedon Ranges Shire Council reported that Council has a current application for a caravan park on the hotel site. However, due to insufficient information, this application is not presently being advanced.

The hotel building carries a heritage overlay, and the façade must be

retained in any future re-development.

The meeting was interested in other possibilities in Romsey for hotel, or similar developments. There were several applications for liquor licences current for Romsey, and the 5 Kings Café is expanding the scope of its business, and applying to modify its liquor licence.



Put your thinking caps on everybody, as it makes you think we need to support the businesses we do have in town.

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and out in the field.

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## This month in The Romsey Rag.....

We focus on more local businesses ( including the florist, Rue D’Fleur; Body Tunes Remedial Massage, and Shou Mai Asian Adventure).

We are challenged to join in the Great Global Greyhound Walk, get a glimpse of developments transforming our old Primary school site into an Ecotherapy Park, and community health and welfare centre, and meet the first male winner of the prestigious Central Highlands Champion of Champions event to hail from Romsey Bowling Club.

During these years that celebrate the centenaries of Great War times, we consider also the particular sacrifices of Romsey and district, in a review of Michael Garnett’s book, *Romsey’s Tribute 1914-1919*.

We have an overview of Shire school holiday activities, and an invitation to join in Shire’s Community Funding Scheme, being officially launched on March 29<sup>th</sup> during grant writing workshops at Woodend.

We re-live the exciting conclusion of Romsey Recreation Centre’s inaugural women’s basketball grand final in February, and hear of a free “come and try” sports day at the Centre on Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, during the school holidays.

The Interim Committee of The Romsey Rag again thanks all who have helped with our first three 2018 revival issues. The Committee also needs to ask all contributors – present and future – to make available

articles, reports, profiles, advertisements – all copy – strictly by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.

With our new format, community organisation, and volunteer-only production process, this cut-off date is more important than it ever was. In fact, we’d like to ask contributors to start acting on their report or message around the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month, and each time to aim to beat the 15<sup>th</sup> cut-off date by a day or two.

Please get your copy in early, to help The Romsey Rag to be always findable, around town, in the earlier days of each month.

Thank you.

### ROMSEY & LANCEFIELD SOCIAL CLUB

***Inviting men and women 55 to 105 who are retired, who wish to make new friends and are helpful.***

We meet Every Monday in the back rooms of the Romsey Mechanics Hall from 11am to 3pm for lunch and afternoon tea.

Hot soup, rolls, nibbles and biscuits and cake.

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Some groups play cards, others sit and chat and now we have Bingo.

For those who don’t drive, we have a council bus that will pick you up and drop you off in the afternoon. Once a month we have professional cooks who come in and give us a 2 course lunch. This meal is \$10.

We also have a Bus Trip to some very interesting places on the first Wednesday of the month with a 2 course meal and morning tea. Trips are \$40 which includes your lunch.

**For more information please contact:**

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## LOVE IS ALL AROUND (Fall in Love with a Greyhound)

Greyhounds across the world are getting ready to share their love and invite everyone to join them for the annual Great Global Greyhound Walk (GGGW).

The date for your diaries is Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018. As part of this global event there will be a walk held at Lancefield Park, commencing at 10 am, and followed by morning tea.

This event has come a long way since its origins twelve years ago when just six greyhounds walked together in Essex. Indeed this is the fifth year that it has been globally recognised. Last year, total numbers surpassed all expectations, and was the most successful GGGW yet – with nearly 100 walks organised across the UK (topped by York with 216 sighthounds!), and 79 walks globally (Dublin, Ireland and Auckland, New Zealand had the most attendees – 165 and 125 hounds respectively). The total number of hounds registered to walk in 2017 was 5,702. Hopes are high that this figure can be surpassed this year.

This year’s theme is “Love is All Around,” and everyone, both hounds and humans are invited to dress up, and share their passion for greyhounds. These much under-rated dogs make fabulous pets. Often referred to as 40 mph couch potatoes, greyhounds have very gentle natures, can curl up surprisingly small (but if given the chance can also spread out across the

whole of your three- seater sofa!) and can adapt to many people’s lifestyles. They are an amazingly versatile breed.

So whether you are already a greyhound lover, would like to know more about the breed, or you own one or more of these stunning dogs, save the date, and join us for the annual event of the *sighthound* calendar. Dogs other than greyhounds are welcome to join us on the Walk.

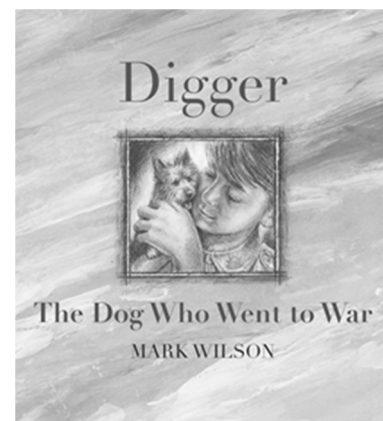
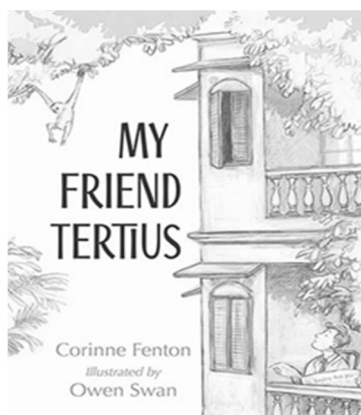
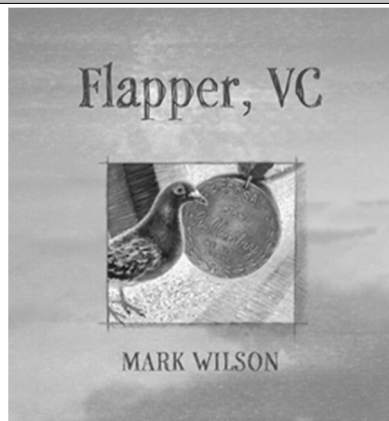
Further details can be found on the website – [www.greatglobalgreyhoundwalk.co.uk](http://www.greatglobalgreyhoundwalk.co.uk), or find the Lancefield Walk on Facebook.

You can also email us at [lancefieldgggw@gmail.com](mailto:lancefieldgggw@gmail.com).





## Talking Animals & ANZAC



## ANIMALS IN WAR

**Every April** we remember the sacrifices made by our ANZAC troops in Gallipoli, and soldiers who have fought in other battles, but do we know much about the animals who went to war to help them?

Australian author and illustrator Mark Wilson has written a number of well-researched picture storybooks for primary aged children, many of which are about animals. Some are devoted to animal conservation, and others tell the stories of some very remarkable animals whose contributions saved countless lives during WW1 and WW2.

'Digger: The Dog Who Went to War' was inspired by the true story of a brave little terrier called Driver who was smuggled onto an Australian troop ship during WW1. Mark's story reconstructs the kinds of experiences typical of soldiers who had managed to take their pets with them as mascots, messengers, and sometimes as sentinels whose superior senses enabled them to warn troops of approaching aircraft or the presence of poisonous gases.

Driver travelled to France in March 1916. He was an expert ratter, and his master claimed that he could tell the difference between the sounds made by German and Allied aircraft, choosing only to hide when he heard German aircraft approaching.

Strict quarantine laws meant that, sadly, most of the animals taken overseas were unable to return to Australia for fear that they might be carrying diseases; however owing to ingenuity, subterfuge, and the ability of a very clever little dog to remain silent during countless onboard searches, Driver was successfully smuggled back to Australia after the war to live out the remainder of his life in Sydney.

Another of Mark's books, 'Flapper VC', is the true story of a carrier pigeon whose bravery saved the lives of an entire patrol when it was surrounded by enemy troops in the jungles of Papua New Guinea, and had no other way of communicating with the main battalion. He flew through hails of bullets, thick smoke, rain and strong winds to carry his message. For his efforts he was awarded the Dickin medal, the animal

equivalent to the Victoria Cross. His medal can be viewed at the War Memorial in Canberra, (Dickin Medal: Pigeon Q879).

Another Australian author, Corinne Fenton, also researches true stories about animals. Her picture storybook, 'My Friend Tertius', tells the true story of a British intelligence officer, living and working in Hong Kong at the beginning of WW2. One day when walking through a market he saw a baby gibbon, so he decided to buy him and take him home, and the two became inseparable.

Soon afterwards orders arrived and Tertius and his best friend moved to Singapore, and when Singapore was no longer safe, they moved again, heading for Australia. Once again, strict Australian quarantine regulations meant that there were complications. I won't spoil the story by telling you what happened.

If you are interested in purchasing these books **contact Dromkeen, Riddells Creek, (03) 5428 6799**. Books by Mark Wilson and Corinne Fenton may be borrowed from branches of the Goldfields Library.

I hope that you'll enjoy them as much as I do.

M. Farnell.



## I Went to See the Soldiers

I went to see the soldier's row on row, on row,  
and wondered about each so still, there badges all on show.  
What brought them here, what life before  
Was like for each of them?  
What made them angry, laugh or cry.  
These soldiers, boys and men.

Some so young, some older still, a bond more close than brothers  
These men have earned and shared a love  
that's not like any other  
They trained as one, they fought as one,  
They shared their last together  
That bond endures, that love is true  
And will be now and ever.

I could not know, how could I guess what choice each has made,  
Of how they came to soldiering, what part each one had played.  
But here they are and here they'll stay,  
Each one silent and in place.  
Their headstones line up row on row  
They guard this hallowed place.



**33rd annual art show**  
at the  
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RSVP by 15th April to the Treasurer, email: [jane.alder@gmail.com](mailto:jane.alder@gmail.com)  
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The exhibition will remain open for general viewing on  
Saturday 5th May and Sunday 6th May  
10 am to 4 pm: entry is free.

***Romsey's Tribute 1914 - 1919***

Michael P Garnett, OAM

Historical Publications, Romsey 2018

Paperback: 55 pages

Reviewer: Lt. Colonel Neville Taylor, March 2018

This monograph is a companion to Michael's Kyneton Mounted Rifle Corps and Militia Units of Maryborough 1860-1901 that were published in 2013 and 2017 respectively.

When approaching some Australian towns by car, one may drive through an Avenue of Honour – trees planted to honour those who fought in the First World War. The people in the (then) Romsey Shire opted to recognise all who served in WWI by striking the Romsey Tribute Medal. It is this Medal that provided the catalyst for the writing of *Romsey's Tribute 1914 - 1919*.

By 1914 Romsey had become an independent town that was served by a railway line providing access to Melbourne and seaside resort towns for day-trippers. Mills and factories provided employment for those not on the land, and numerous trades, three hotels, and two papers made it a self-sufficient and important local hub.

A brief history of the volunteer units and rifle clubs that existed prior to Federation (and that subsequently became militia and cadet units) explains how, in 1914, Australia was in a sound position to raise a sizeable force to send overseas. In September 1914, the local Red Cross Society moved that the Shire put aside money for a Patriotic Fund. There was no lack of local patriotism as the Shire moved that 'the meeting of residents of Romsey re-affirm its determination to assist in every possible way in the prosecution of the war in which the British Empire and her Allies are now engaged.' This level of patriotism was to persist for the duration of hostilities. Extracts from *The Romsey Examiner* indicate the pressure exerted on the local citizens to enlist or support the war. The Examiner regularly published a Roll of Honour listing those who had volunteered. The problem of recruiting diminishing the farm labour pool certainly had a local impact.

In 1916 Romsey and Lancefield had a military visitor seeking suitable horses for mounted and artillery regiments of the Australian Imperial Force. There were huge demands for horses for Light Horse and Mounted Regiments both in Europe and the Middle East.

At Mia Mia, 45 kilometres north of Romsey, John Duigan flew Australia's first homemade aeroplane in 1910. Duigan enlisted and flew with No. 3 Squadron, Australian Flying Corps, winning the Military Cross for action in May 1918. He returned to pioneer aviation and helped to transform communications and travel in Australia.

At home, at the 1882-built mansion, Mintaro, Madame Charlotte Crivelli, the vice-president of the French Red Cross in Victoria hosted a Grand Fete to raise funds for the women and children in France. Over 500 people attended, with a special train assisting district locals who wished to attend the April 1916 event.

The Shires of Romsey, Lancefield and Springfield amalgamated to form the Shire of Romsey in June 1916. The amalgamated shires continued with the recommendation to honour citizens with a commemorative medal as a tribute for their service. The September 1916 *Gisborne Gazette* noted: 'The public of Romsey will give a bronze medal (cost 5/-) to each of the men from the district going to the front (sic).' The Tribute Medal had a Shire

Crest surrounded by 'Romsey and District, Victoria,' and the obverse with a margin, 'Honour to whom Honour is due,' and a central inscription, 'Presented to \_\_\_\_\_ who nobly responded to the Empire's call in the Great European War 1914-15,' indicating that it was issued subsequent to the Gallipoli campaign. It came with its own ribbon and was the same size as bravery and campaign medals.

There were numerous well-attended public occasions when departing enlistees received their Medal as well as those who had been wounded and returned. Former residents who had moved and enlisted at other locations also received the Tribute Medal.

Other aspects of the First World War are also mentioned: the large memorial medallion that was issued to the next of kin to every soldier of the British Empire who died (to become known as 'the dead man's penny'), and the Lancefield connection to Lieutenant Harry (Breaker) Morant.

This 2018 production contains a large number of pertinent photographs of places, events and people, portraits and facsimiles as well as a map of Romsey and the surrounding towns. This is an extremely appropriate and timely work that reflects Garnett's love of his local history.

Romsey's Tribute is available from the author, Michael Garnett OAM, PO Box 187, ROMSEY VIC 3434, or at [garnettm@bigpond.net.au](mailto:garnettm@bigpond.net.au).

### ROMSEY'S TRIBUTE 1914-1919



Michael P. Garnett





## Anzac Day Commemorative Service, 2018

The Romsey-Lancefield RSL Sub-Branch wishes to advise that the 2018 Anzac Day Commemorative Service will be conducted at the Lancefield cenotaph,

**Romsey-Lancefield  
RSL Sub-branch**

On **Wednesday 25 April, commencing at 08:30 am.**

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**A smaller wreath laying service will be held at the Romsey Cenotaph commencing at 07:30 am.**

Marchers are requested to assemble in front of the Bakery, in High street Lancefield at 08:20 am and march to the Cenotaph, for the service to commence at 8:30 am.

All families, individuals and in particular our school children, are welcome to attend this most important day in Australia's history.

### Vale Ernest James Joseph French

**4/12/1940 - 7/02/2018**

Ernest James Joseph (Ernie) French passed away aged 77 years on the 7<sup>th</sup> of February, 2018, after a long illness. Ernie thoroughly enjoyed his working life, having served in a variety of roles in both the Army and the Air Force before moving to work in Customs. In his own words, he never worked - he was serving his country. He was also a proud member of the RSL for thirty years.

Prior to becoming ill, Ernie was very conscious of his fitness, riding both motorcycles and pushbikes at every available opportunity. He also loved his pets, and at one stage had a cockatiel that he taught to sing the *Colonel Bogey March* and *God Save the Queen*.

An avid reader, Ernie was a wealth of information, always happy to make himself available to help and support others. He is sadly missed.

Ernie's wife Eileen has been overwhelmed by the number of people who have responded with love and sympathy on the passing of her husband, and also wishes to thank those who continue to give her love and support.



### ROUTINE CLEAN FOR ROMSEY REGION WATER MAINS

Western Water is gearing up for its regular spring clean of water mains – taking in more than 60 km of pipeline in Romsey.

"For us this is just routine maintenance, and carried out every few years," Western Water's General Manager, Customer and Community Relations, Graham Holt, says.

"But it is a huge job to clean more than 60k m of water mains, taking around 240 working hours over April and May."

Mr. Holt says the maintenance job will ensure Western Water can continue to supply safe, high-quality drinking water.

"People may notice more Western Water

vehicles and staff in their neighbourhood, or water running from a hydrant at times," he says.

"Our teams will progressively work their way across Romsey, starting after Easter." Cleaning the water mains will involve flushing out each main with water.

"We will not need to switch customers' water off, and they should not notice any change in water pressure," Mr. Holt says.

"Some people may notice a change in the taste or colour of their water, but this is temporary. All our water will continue to meet the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines for health and safety."



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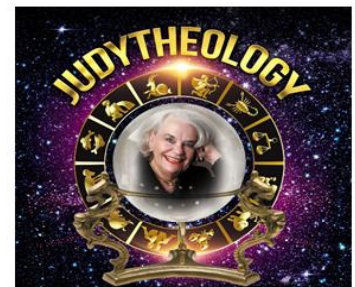
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**Venue: Romsey Mechanics Institute, 122 Main street, Romsey**

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## RUE D'FLEUR – A Jewel in Romsey's Crown

Rue D'Fleur is like Aladdin's cave. Everywhere you look there are shelves of beautiful home and giftwares to explore. That, combined with the scent of fresh flowers, makes it a pleasure to enter this new establishment, which was opened in August 2017.



While it may be the first venture into retail for owner/manager Lorin Maslen, she brings a wealth of experience and knowledge. Having started her career as a corporate florist and interior decorator, Lorin also taught floristry at Northern Melbourne Institute of TAFE (NMIT), and is now using all those skills to produce stunning floral arrangements as well as source unique homeware and gifts for the store. Lorin specialises in wedding flowers, and even has a special area in the shop where she can sit and consult with brides to provide the perfect flowers for their big day.

Rue D'Fleur stocks both fresh and artificial flowers, and giftware for everybody from the tiniest newborn to the proudest homemaker. Homewares range from stunning artworks, kitchen goods and decorator items, to pieces of furniture. There is truly something for everyone. Lorin is continually replacing stock, and often has 'one-off' or limited edition items for sale.

Some of the other services provided includes: gift certificates, gift wrapping (with gold coin

donations going directly to Romsey CFA), made to order floral arrangements, interior decorating, and event styling consultations. In any quiet times, Lorin is also happy to help with advice on plants and gardening.

There are plans to continue to grow the business, including adding another florist to the staff very soon. Due to the high level of interest and inquiries, in the cooler months Lorin plans to combine high tea, champagne and floristry classes -- from my perspective, a perfect combination! Looking back over the first six months of running Rue D'Fleur, Lorin reflects that they have experienced laughter, tears and lots of fun -- especially on their first Valentine's Day, when all available friends and family were mustered to assist with a rush of orders.

Lorin and her family moved to Romsey about three years ago, looking for a 'tree change,' and feel they have found just what they were looking for in Romsey. They are very keen to give back to the community -- this is the driving force in many of the things they do. They enthusiastically support local community organizations, and the Romsey Rag is proud to have Rue D'Fleur as a business contributor.

*by Jenni Miller*



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## Romsey Five Mile Creek – West Walk

### Brochures out now! April 2018.

Five Mile Creek flows west to east through Romsey.

Romsey was settled in 1850, around the creek. You can see bluestone churches, a swimming pool, an old well, a school courthouse and colonial houses. Walk the creek to see the history.

Find the old swimming pool, the old well, and see the different plantings in 1985 and 2005.

Anyone new to Romsey, or visitors, can follow one of two walks.

A simple walk 2km up and back, or a longer trek up to see views over hills and farmland, and past historic houses.

The guide came out of the work of the Romsey Five Mile Creek group.

The guide will also be on [romsey.org.au](http://romsey.org.au).

*Check out the Five Mile Creek walk flyer Now available from local coffee shops, the Post Office, and The Hub.*



# Cooking With Peter Russell-Clarke

## ANCHOVY PASTE

Anchovy paste is used as a spread or to flavour mayonnaise, vinaigrettes, marinades etc.

150g anchovy fillets;  
2 cloves garlic;  
4 tablespoons olive oil;  
1 tablespoon lemon juice;  
freshly ground black pepper.

3 tablespoons anchovy paste;  
1/4 cup finely chopped parsley;  
1 cup ground almonds;  
2 egg whites;  
4 small lamb racks, trimmed;  
salt;  
freshly ground black pepper

Put the anchovy fillets and peeled garlic into a food processor and puree until they form a paste. (Or use a mortar and pestle - but the food processor is easier.). Blend in the olive oil and lemon juice and season with freshly ground black pepper.

## ANCHOVY FLAVOURED, CRUSTY LAMB.

The crust is a great contrast to the sweetness of the lamb.

Mix together the parsley, ground almonds, anchovy paste and lightly beaten egg whites. Press this mixture onto the outside of the racks. Put the racks into a roasting pan and season with salt and freshly ground black pepper. Put the roasting pan into the oven, preheated to 190 deg. C for 20 minutes if you like your lamb medium rare as I do. Leave it a little longer if you like it a little more cooked. One baby lamb rack serves one person.



## Looking Back in Time

### The Wurundjeri People

Prior to white settlement, the area of the Romsey Shire was inhabited by aborigines from the Wurundjeri tribe. Because they were nomadic, they camped in different parts of their territory, where they hunted wild life and fished the local streams. Their camps were near creeks and springs, one of which was the Lancefield Park Spring. Another spring was north of Brock's Monument. Near these camps were camp fires, which burned continuously while the tribe was hunting in the area. Over time, the burnt logs left large mounds of ashes, called camp ovens. Two of these camp ovens were located east of Lancefield, between the town and the Deep Creek. It is now estimated aboriginal occupation goes back some 50,000 years. With the arrival of the Europeans, many aboriginals succumbed to white man's diseases. William Thomas, Protector of Aborigines, estimated that within a few years of settlement, up to 90% of Victorian aborigines had died from European diseases. Before settlement of Victoria, the aboriginal people had a structured and complex society. There were two major

groups, one covered the central region and was called the Kulun nation, the other covered Gippsland and was called the Kurnai. Within these nations were language groups- in our region, the Wurundjeri. The Wurundjeri language was Woiworung. Their groups were further divided into five clans, which included the Gunung-Willam-Bullak, and Wurundjeri-Willam clans. The Gunung-Willam-Bullak land extended from the Werribee river in the west, and Kyneton and Lancefield in the north. The Wurundjeri-Willam group extended from the Yarra River near Kew and the Maribyrnong River, north to near Mount William. The word Wurundjeri translates as "People of the white gums" a reference to the Manna gums that grew so profusely in the region. The Willam part of the name referred to the bark shelters that they built from the stringy bark and peppermint gums. The Bullak part refers to the number of people. Howitt in "The Native Tribes of South-East Australia" explains that the right to hunt in any particular tract of country, belonged to the people born there and could not be infringed upon by others without permission.



A 19th century engraving of an indigenous Australian encampment, representing the indigenous mode of life in the cooler parts of Australia

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## ROMSEY MECHANICS INSTITUTE EVENTS

### The 3<sup>rd</sup> Romsey Antiques Fair was held on Saturday March 17<sup>th</sup>.

The organising committee was very pleased with the number of stalls, there was so much interest that an extra line of stalls was placed down the centre of the hall. There was a healthy crowd of locals and out of town visitors with many people finding something that they had been looking for. The Romsey CWA again did an excellent job providing economic and very tasty afternoon teas. Our thanks to the Lancefield & Romsey branch of the Bendigo Bank for their support of this event.

The Supper Room fireplace upgrades have now been completed, the black cast iron inserts and the burgundy tiles fit in very well with the restored and polished wooden fireplace surrounds and mantelpieces. Please take the opportunity to come and have a look at this project -- it has really made a huge difference to that room of the RMI. Lucky CWA who use this room every fortnight! Our thanks to Max Fry for all his work to get this project finished to such a high standard.

On Wednesday March 14<sup>th</sup> the RMI hosted a public meeting that reported back to the community on progress relating to the possible re-opening of the **Romsey Hotel**.

The meeting heard from representatives of the "Save Our Pub" committee as well as a representative of the Shire. There was a wide range of questions from the floor. A more detailed report is in this edition of the Romsey Rag.

We would like to thank the RSL for lending us their PA system. It certainly made it easier for our speakers, and for those asking questions from the floor.

We would like to congratulate all connected with the 2018 Lancefield/Macedon Ranges Relay for Life. It looks as if this year's event has easily raised the RFL's target of \$80,000.00 for cancer research. This is another example of the community working together for a very worthwhile cause.

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](mailto:rmibookings@gmail.com). We are very happy to discuss your function, show you through the hall or supper room, and explain the hire process.

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## 1<sup>st</sup> ROMSEY/LANCEFIELD SCOUT GROUP

### Did you know that the Scouting movement can help with your child's education grades?

As part of the scouting adventure, your child can earn badges and awards along the way. The highest award is the Queen's Scout Award in Venturers.

Badges and Awards are presented to Cub Scouts as recognition of their hard work towards a certain aspect of the Cub Scout program. They are based around a wide variety of achievements and activities, and generally include one to three levels of achievement. Once received, the badges can be proudly displayed on uniforms. Some of the areas include craft, history, first aid, environment, community, and bush craft.

The highest awards given for cubs is the Grey Wolf; in scouts, the Australian Scout Medallion, and for Venturers, the Queen's Scout Award.

This award has been recognised by the Education Department for the amount of work and learning involved, so that the student can gain credit towards their final year of secondary school. A few Victorian universities also award credits toward degree studies.

To the side is a picture of the winner of the raffle held in conjunction with our sausage sizzle recently held outside Romsey Supa IGA. Many thanks to local businesses that supported this, including both Romsey and Lancefield hardwares, O'Deas Auto Spares, Romsey Post Office, The Saddlery, Amcal pharmacy, Burnbrook Fields, and Farm Fresh On Main.

The Cub Group is looking for an Assistant Cub Leader. If your adult self would like to reconnect with your earlier Scout experience, then please let us know.

Further inquiries from  
[1stromsey@gmail.com](mailto:1stromsey@gmail.com) or check out our fb page, 1<sup>st</sup> Romsey/Lancefield scout group.





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### COMBINED PROBUS CLUB of ROMSEY and LANCEFIELD Inc. A0042634P

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## JOIN PROBUS FOR FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

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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 60-90+ years.

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

Always plenty of chat and laughter whenever we are together.

Now you are retired or close to retiring from

work come and join the friendly folk in the Romsey & Lancefield Probus Club and learn more about what Probus can offer to assist you in staying active.

Or phone the numbers to the side.

#### Monthly meetings

**10am, on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month in St.Mary's Church Hall, Main Street, Romsey.**

#### Our next outing

**Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>**, when we will enjoy something a little different: an evening meal at Five Kings Café.

#### Our next meeting

**Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Guest Speaker:** Bob Tompkins - speaking about Historical Railways.

Our group enjoy fortnightly coffee mornings and the alternate week Ten Pin Bowling at AMF Bowling, Watergardens.

**April Coffee morning dates- 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, 10am** at the Five Kings Café in Romsey.

Check out our website for information about the Romsey & Lancefield Probus Club:

[rlprobus.org.au](http://rlprobus.org.au)

## ROMSEY BRANCH OF C.W.A. INC

#### 2018 STATE THEMES:

**Theme:** Celebrating 90 Years of Diversity

**Product/Resource:** Lamb and Wool

**Country of Study:** Peru

**Social Issues Focus:** Elder Abuse

**State Project:** Umina B & B

**Thanksgiving Fund:** National Centre for Farmer Health

*CWA is not just for older women; it is for women of any age wanting to be involved in their local community*, and also be connected to a world-wide organisation of friendship and community care. We have a lot of fun and laughs while being creative and raising funds for community projects. CWA is a volunteer organisation.

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

Our fun craft days occur on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month from 10.00 am to approx. 2.00 pm; both meetings are held in the supper room (side entrance) of the Romsey Mechanics Institute, Main Road, Romsey. Examples of crafts we do are:

knitting, sewing, crochet, cooking, beading, paper craft.

Creative Arts encompasses handcrafts, sewing, cooking and baking, preserving, and photography. There is also opportunity in some branches to be involved in the performing arts. Creativity is as diverse as the individual members. There are also regional exhibitions throughout Victoria periodically.

In August each year, there is the Victorian State Creative Arts Exhibition. In 2018, it will be held on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> & Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> August.

Around May/June each year, in a different location around the state, our Members attend and enjoy the annual CWA State Conference, which is held over 3 days. Information from the many speakers and presentations is in turn shared within our Branch. There are many initiatives that the CWA are involved in, from State to International level.

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

### Equine Insight Inc ANNUAL BUSH DANCE SATURDAY APRIL 21ST, 7pm-10.30pm KERRIE HALL

**Equine Insight Inc.** is a charitable, not for profit organization.

Venue - the Kerrie Hall, is located on the Kerrie Valley Road.

**Cost is \$15/person, \$40/family.**

We shall also be having a sausage sizzle and a raffle.

A great night of fun and laughter.

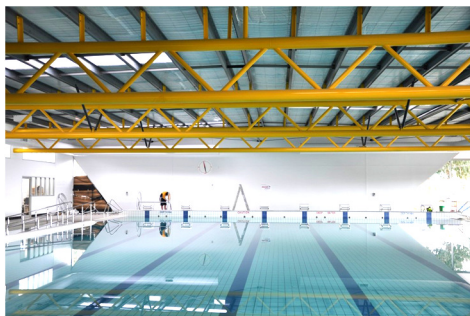
Funds raised will go toward our 'youth at risk' programs in the Macedon Ranges, contact 0400224174.



# SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES IN THE SHIRE

**Craft? Check. Sports? Check. Games? Check.**  
**We've got something to amuse everyone over the**  
**Easter school break.**

Activities and games at Kyneton Toyota Sports & Aquatic Centre(KTSAC)



**A school holiday activity day will be held at KTSAC for**  
**Primary school aged children from 10am-3pm**  
**on Thursday 5 April and Tuesday 10 April.**

The days will consist of:

**10am-12pm:** stadium activities including craft, sporting and games activities

**12pm-1pm: lunch** (to be provided by participant)

**1pm-3pm:** pool activities including inflatable and games.

Bring clothes suitable for stadium activities, bathers and a towel, lunch and snacks, and a drink bottle.

**Cost: first child \$38.50, second child \$36 and third child \$33.50** (discounted rate for siblings only).

**Bookings are essential by calling the centre on**  
**5421 1477.**

## **Pool inflatable fun in Gisborne and Kyneton** **Gisborne Aquatic Centre**

### **When:**

Tuesday 3 April to Friday 13 April (excludes weekends)

**Time:** 1pm-3pm

**Cost:** \$5 per child (pool entry)

Kyneton Toyota Sports & Aquatic Centre

**When:** **Wednesday 4 and Friday 6 April, and Monday 9, Wednesday 11 and Friday 13 April.**

**Time:** 12.30pm-2.30pm

**Cost:** \$5 per child (pool entry)

## **Intensive Learn to Swim** **program**

Give your child the chance to improve their confidence in the water and build on their swimming skills during the school holidays by enrolling in an intensive Learn to Swim program in Kyneton and Gisborne.

These 30 minute classes are held consecutive weekdays from 9am-12pm and are suitable for children aged three years and over.

**The 2 day intensive is being offered in the afternoon for**  
**an hour on**

**Tuesday 3 and Thursday 5 April, and**

**Tuesday 10 and Thursday 12 April.**

**Cost: \$62 (2 days).**

**To book or for further information call Kyneton**  
**Toyota Sports & Aquatic Centre on 5421 1477.**

### **Gisborne Aquatic Centre**

Classes will be held **Monday 9 to Friday 13 April** (5 days).

**Cost: \$77.50**

**To book or for further information call Gisborne Aquatic**  
**Centre on 5421 1452.**

## Community News



### **Free Come & Try** **Sports Day** **Romsey Recreation** **Centre**

Romsey Recreation Centre is hosting a free come and try sports day on **Thursday 5 April, from 10am-4.30pm.**

The day will feature a range of sports including jazz dance, indoor cricket, karate, tennis and an appearance from Women's National Basketball League (WNBL) players Nadeen Payne and Indiana Faithful will be on-hand during the morning, sharing their skills and wisdom with children 5-15 year olds.

**There will also be free face painting and animal balloons for the kids, along with complimentary fruit, and a sausage sizzle**

**(fundraiser for Romsey Tennis Club).**

**For more information or to book your place, contact the**  
**Centre on 5429 5637 or [rrc@mrsc.vic.gov.au](mailto:rrc@mrsc.vic.gov.au)**

### **Lancefield Mega-Scoot Fest**

**Music in the Sticks (MITS)** is hosting a **Free Scooter** event on **Saturday 7 April from 10am to 2pm at Lancefield Skate Park.**

The event is aimed at all ages and abilities, and will feature workshops from globally renowned riders Dylan Morrison and Angus Varney (**please note: workshops cost \$5**).

A free community bus will pick up participants from Kyneton, Gisborne and Woodend and drop-them off at the end of the day, **however bookings for this service are essential.**

### **Cultural activities at Kyneton Museum**

#### **TaiChi**

Try the ancient Chinese practice of Tai Chi in a class suitable for all ages and abilities.

A fully qualified and experienced instructor from Lilac Moon Tai Chi will help you learn some basic movements and explain the philosophy behind this ancient practice for mind, body and spirit.

The one-hour class costs \$15 and includes entry to the museum's latest exhibition Chinese Fortunes, which explores personal stories of the first Chinese Australians in Victoria.

**Classes will be held on Saturday 14 April from 3pm-4pm**  
**and Sunday 15 April from 2pm-3pm.**

#### **Paper cutting**

You can also try the ancient art of paper cutting at the museum on **Saturday 14 April from 10am-11am.**

Join Anita Jack from Golden Dragon Museum Bendigo to create your own Chinese paper decoration.

**Cost of \$12** includes Chinese Fortunes exhibition entry.

#### **Calligraphy**

Chinese calligraphy is a highly valued visual art form which occupies a prominent position in Chinese art and culture. Anita Jack from Golden Dragon Museum Bendigo will provide an overview of the techniques, styles, rules and artistic characters of Chinese calligraphy in this one-hour workshop, and assist you in creating your own piece of calligraphy art.

Suitable for teenagers and adults, the workshop will be held on **Saturday 14 April from 1pm-2pm and the cost of \$15** includes Chinese Fortunes exhibition entry





For more information on the exhibition and all these activities, see [mrsc.vic.gov.au/museum](http://mrsc.vic.gov.au/museum)

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES IN THE SHIRE

### **Camp Out under the stars at Hanging Rock Saturday 7 April**

Pack your tent, sleeping bag and pillow and head out to Hanging Rock for a camping experience like no other.

For one night only a limited number of campers can pitch their tents, enjoy a night under the stars and experience the mystery and magic of Hanging Rock from a whole new perspective—by moonlight!

Campers have the option to join the free guided night walk that commences at 7:30pm, relax by the camp fire (subject to weather and CFA permit) or just sit back with family and friends to soak up the atmosphere. The local SES will also provide a barbecue dinner on Saturday night and breakfast Sunday morning for a small fee.

**Bookings are essential and can be made online at [mrsc.vic.gov.au/CampOut](http://mrsc.vic.gov.au/CampOut) or for more information, call 5421 1468.**

**Camping fees are \$22.50 per adult, \$13 per child and \$58 per family.**

School and organised groups are also welcome to attend. Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

### **Icypedia: A Dictionary of Disgusting New Words**

Join Australia's favourite kid's comedians The Listies as they bring their bestselling book,

**Icypedia: A Dictionary of Disgusting New Words to the stage on Wednesday 4 April, 11am and 1pm.**

With a mix of clowning, slapstick and improvised chaos, this seriously silly show is fun for the whole family.

**For more information or to book tickets to shows at Kyneton Town Hall, call 1300 888 802 or visit [mrsc.vic.gov.au/buytickets](http://mrsc.vic.gov.au/buytickets)**

### **Activities at your local library**

From reading clubs and science, to robotics and Minecraft—there's a range of free holiday activities on at libraries across the shire.

To find out more, visit [ncgrl.vic.gov.au/holiday-program](http://ncgrl.vic.gov.au/holiday-program) or contact your local library:

**Gisborne Library, telephone 5428 3962**

**Kyneton Library, telephone 5422 1365**

**Romsey Library, telephone 5429 3086**

**Woodend Library, telephone 5427 2074.**

**Media enquiries:**

**Communications unit, 03 5422 0310 or email [comms@mrsc.vic.gov.au](mailto:comms@mrsc.vic.gov.au)**

## 2018 FUNDING PROGRAM OPENING SOON

Community groups and organisations with a great idea for a project are invited to apply for financial assistance via Council's Community Funding Scheme.

The scheme, which opened on Friday 30 March, is Council's annual grants program for not-for-profit community groups and organisations of all sizes, and offers financial assistance towards a variety of projects and activities such as equipment purchase and/or community building improvements. Groups can apply for up to \$6,000.

Community groups are invited to submit an application which aims to do one (or more) of:

**Meet local needs**

**Strengthen community relationships**

**Aligns with the scheme priorities of:**

**Accessibility, diversity and fairness**

**Economic benefit to local towns**

**Environmental sustainability and conservation**

**Health and wellbeing.**

**Complement strategic Council directions and plans.**

Applications must relate to projects/activities starting from **1 July 2018 and ending by 30 June 2019.**

Community Funding Scheme launch and grant writing workshop

### **Grant Writing Workshop**

A grant writing workshop to assist community groups and organisations in preparing their application will be held on **Thursday 29 March, from 6pm (workshop from 7pm) at the Woodend Community Centre, corner High and Forest**

**streets (next to Woodend Library).**

This will be the official launch of the Community Funding Scheme, with Council officers available to provide an overview of the grant application process, answer questions, offer grant writing tips and distribute grant guidelines and application forms.

**Applications for the program close on Monday 30 April.**

For more information on the Community Funding Scheme, or to RSVP to attend the workshop, call Emilie on 5422 0206

or email [grants@mrsc.vic.gov.au](mailto:grants@mrsc.vic.gov.au)

Community Funding Scheme guidelines and application forms will be at

[mrsc.vic.gov.au/Community-Funding-Scheme](http://mrsc.vic.gov.au/Community-Funding-Scheme) or at Council service centres in Gisborne, Kyneton, Romsey and Woodend closer to the launch.



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## Shire Sport News



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To register for  
basketball, visit  
[mrsc.vic.gov.au/thestadium](http://mrsc.vic.gov.au/thestadium) or  
call 5428 1619.



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5429 5637  
Or Register online  
now at

[rrc@mrsc.vic.gov.au](http://rrc@mrsc.vic.gov.au)

## What's on at Romsey Recreation Centre in Term 2

### Junior Programs

#### Basketball and indoor soccer—Shooting Hoops and Goal Kick

Give your child the chance to learn the skills before progressing into our junior competitions.

Shooting Hoops and Goal Kick are development skills program for children aged 5 to 10 years.

Shooting Hoops sessions are held on Mondays, 4pm-4.45pm and Goal Kick sessions are held on Fridays, 4pm-4.45pm. Places are still available.

#### Soccer—Under 12s and Under 16s

Under 12 games are played from 4.50pm and Under 16 games are played from 6.30pm on Fridays.

Register now for winter competition starts 16 April.

#### Basketball—Under 11s and Under 13s

Under 11 games are held from 4pm on Thursdays. Under 13 games are held from 4.50pm on Mondays. Winter season starts 16 April.

### Senior Programs

#### Indoor men's basketball

Players must be over 15 years old. Team and individual registrations accepted.

Men's basketball games are played on Tuesdays from 7.30pm. Winter season starts 17 April.

Staying strong circuit classes

#### High intensity, group circuit classes for the mature adult.

Increase muscle and cardiovascular strength. Classes are held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 10.30am-11.30am. Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9.30-10.30am.

#### Ti-ga Karate Self Defence:

Classes are designed to develop: confidence, focus, respect, fitness, strength and discipline.

For more detail on class time contact Sensei Ivan Kucera on 0451 118 707 or email [tigakarate@yahoo.com.au](mailto:tigakarate@yahoo.com.au)

#### Romsey District Netball Association:

Competitions for juniors and seniors played locally indoor at our sports facility Romsey Recreation Centre. For more detail on class time contact Christine Dickinson email [romseydistrictnetball@hotmail.com](mailto:romseydistrictnetball@hotmail.com)

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For more detail please call Rebecca Wilson 0409 407 696

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**Macedon Ranges Squash club** runs senior mixed competition held Tuesday nights at the Romsey Recreation Centre.

All programs and competitions are dependent on interest and sufficient registration numbers. We welcome feedback and suggestions for new programs you would like to see offered.



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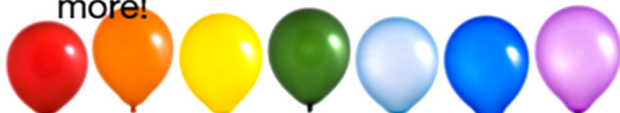
## Free Come & Try Day

at Romsey Recreation Centre

Thursday 5 April, 10am-4.30pm

Activities include:

- Indoor cricket, handball, karate
- Lovaball, bubble soccer, tennis
- Dance classes
- Basketball activities with WNBL players Nadeen Payne and Indiana Faithful
- Sausage sizzle, face painting and more!



Contact 5429 5637 or visit  
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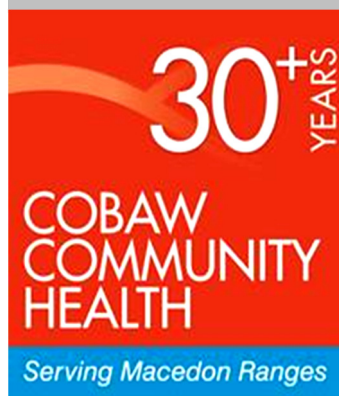
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## JOIN COBAW IN GETTING ACTIVE THIS APRIL

Cobaw Community Health is encouraging schools within the Macedon Ranges Shire to join them in signing up to the Premier's Active April this year. Premier's Active April encourages all Victorians to do 30 minutes of physical activity a day during April. It's free, fun and part of the Victorian Government's commitment to get more people active and healthy.

According to the 2015 Victorian Population Health Survey, only 34.7 per cent of Macedon Ranges Shire residents participated in physical activity on four or more days of the week, compared with the Victorian average of 41.3 per cent. Engaging in regular physical activity has important benefits for both mental and physical health. Physical activity reduces the risk of many health problems, such as cardiovascular disease, type 2 diabetes, anxiety, depression, musculoskeletal problems, some cancers and unhealthy weight gain.

Participation in Premier's Active April has been made easy for schools with the free downloadable mobile app which tracks activity. To participate as a school, a teacher can sign up to Premier's Active April via the website [www.activeapril.vic.gov.au](http://www.activeapril.vic.gov.au) or mobile app and register their school and students. Alternatively students can sign up themselves and join the school team. By signing up to the month long challenge, the school and students automatically receive a range of prizes and go in the draw to win even more.

Developing a regular pattern of physical activity for children and adolescents can help establish lifelong enjoyment and an appreciation of the benefits of physical activity.

"Supporting schools within the Shire to sign up and participate in Premier's Active April is one strategy we are implementing to help improve the health and wellbeing of our local community," said Margaret McDonald, Cobaw CEO. "Cobaw participated as a workplace last year and are signed up again, encouraging our own staff to take the time to be active."

## The influenza season is coming – Think about a flu vaccination!

**GET THE FLU SHOT  
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Last year's flu season was one of the most severe we've experienced in some time. There were 250,000 cases of flu across Australia, with nearly 4,000 children affected, and 745 deaths. Many of the people badly affected by flu were over 65 years of age. This year, new, stronger and more effective vaccines will be provided for this group.

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The government will fund vaccination for the following groups who are at a higher risk of complications of flu:

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**People with long term illness – please ask your GP if you Qualify**, Pregnant women

**Most Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders**

Flu vaccination will be available for Romsey and Lancefield Medical Centres in May at no cost to the groups listed above, and at \$20 for all other patients.

Flu vaccinations offer the best protection in the first 3 months after the injection, and the flu season peaks in August most years. You will get the best protection if you have your vaccination in May or June rather than earlier in the year.

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### CALLING ALL INTREPID WOMEN OF THE MACEDON RANGES!

Council is hosting a unique evening of story, song and scrumptious food that celebrates courageous and adventurous women.

The free Intrepid Women's event will be held on Thursday 26 April at Kyneton Town Hall and will feature acclaimed author Robyn Davidson, who is well-known for her book – and now film – *Tracks*, which chronicles her epic 2,835 km camel trek across the Australian desert in the 1970s.

The event will also feature a performance from singer-songwriter and ARIA award-winner Kavisha Mazzella and a community group's expo highlighting leadership opportunities for women in the Macedon Ranges.

Free child minding is available and car-pooling is available through the six neighborhood houses across the shire. Community buses from a number of locations may also be available.

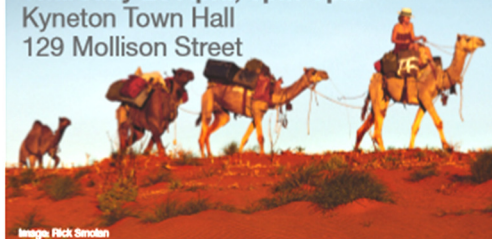
To book tickets or for more information, visit [mrsc.vic.gov.au/intrepid](http://mrsc.vic.gov.au/intrepid) or call 5422 0333.



### Calling intrepid women of the Macedon Ranges!

Join adventurer and author Robyn Davidson and award-winning musician Kavisha Mazzella for a free event with stories, songs and scrumptious food.

Thursday 26 April, 6pm-9pm  
Kyneton Town Hall  
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Phn: 5429 3086

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Tuesday	9.30am-5pm
Wednesday	9.30am-5pm

## Library Events

Our Autumn Program is out now! Grab a copy from the library or check out our events online at: [www.ncgrl.vic.gov.au](http://www.ncgrl.vic.gov.au) Romsey Library  
Bookings required via the website: [www.ncgrl.vic.gov.au](http://www.ncgrl.vic.gov.au) or by phoning

**AUTHOR TALK** at Romsey Library with Michelle Scott-Tucker, author of

### Elizabeth MacArthur: A Life at the Edge of the World Wednesday 18 April: 2 - 3pm

A stunning achievement of storytelling and scholarship, and a ground-breaking portrait of an ordinary English country woman, who went on to become one of Australia's most significant historical figures. We invite you to join author Michelle Scott-Tucker as she discusses this truly compelling work of biographical writing, based on a woman of great energy, humour and practical intelligence. Book sales and signings.



**Free session**



### FUN NIGHT IN Trivia Night

Friday 25 May: 7 - 9pm.

Romsey Library is putting the fun back into fundraising with their quirky trivia night. Raffles, prizes and lots of laughs guaranteed with all funds raised going to the Cancer Council.

BYO refreshments. Tickets \$10 each or

Tables of 8: \$80 Please note payment is required at the time of booking.

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## Library catalogue is now available as an app!

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# BOOK REVIEWS

Reviews by Library Manager, Trish Gauci

## New Release DVD My Mother and Other Strangers

This BBC period production was a 2016 television drama series set during WWII in Ireland.

When a huge contingent of military personnel

from the United States Army Air Force lands in the middle of this small village community, the townspeople must adapt and learn to assimilate with these new people, and the disruption to their everyday lives.

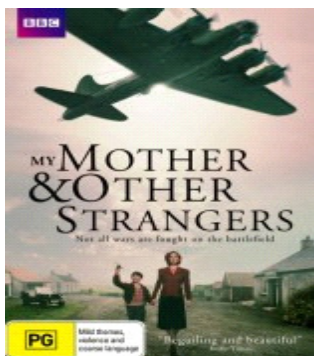
At the centre of the story is the Coyne family, married couple Rose and Michael and their three children Emma, Francis and Kate. Set in the fictitious town of Moybeg, Northern Ireland, the story focuses on the relationship between Rose and an American soldier stationed in the town. The story is narrated by her son Francis, reflecting on his childhood.

I really enjoyed this series; the scenery is breathtaking and it's well acted. This would appeal to fans of period dramas.

For other period wartime dramas, Goldfields Libraries also has copies of these series on DVD: The Bletchley Circle, series 1 & 2

Home Fires, series 1 & 2

The Crimson Field



## New Release Book Caroline: Little House Revisited, by Sarah Miller

For grown-up fans of the Little House on the Prairie books, or for anyone that enjoys historical fiction about the setting of the American frontier in the 1800s, this book is

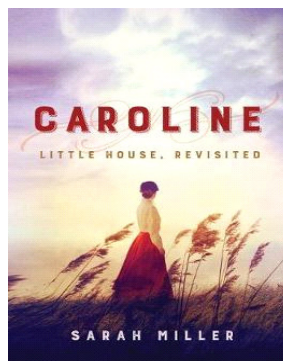
a delightful portrayal of Caroline Ingalls, "Ma". Laura Ingalls Wilder's mother was an inspiring and tenacious pioneer woman, whose determination, courage and grit saw her survive and thrive through the harsh prairie landscape. Her devotion to her husband and children was paramount.

Full of lyrical descriptions of the wild beauty of the Kansas countryside, Caroline is a thought-provoking look at the innermost life of one of America's most famous frontier women.

Highly recommended.

To reserve a copy of these titles or any others, please visit our website:

[www.ncgrl.vic.gov.au](http://www.ncgrl.vic.gov.au), pop into our library or give us a call on 54492 726.



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## LIBRARY HOLIDAY PROGRAM

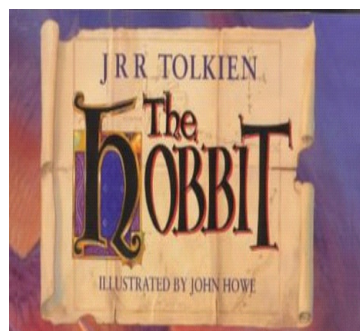
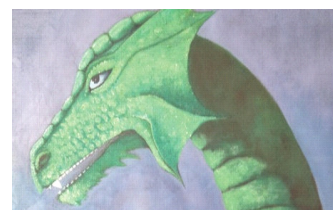
Our school holiday program is packed with lots of fun things to do at Romsey Library, and other Macedon Ranges branches. Full details are available on our website or in print format in each of our branches.

Here's a taste of what's on at Romsey Library during the school holidays...

### EXPERIENCE THE DRAGON PHOTO BOOTH

Tue 3 April - Fri 13 April during normal library opening hours

Our library dragon is way cool and way scary! Be photographed creating your own story using our special props. All ages.



### POP-UP FUN : THE HOBBIT

**Tuesday 3 April: 2pm - 3pm**

Pop Up books tell a story in 3D! Enjoy The Hobbit in pop-up form then create a pop- up card of your own featuring a mystical creature. Ages 8-12 years.

### MANGA ART WORKSHOP

**Friday 13 April: 10am - 11am**

Join the awesome artists from Drawing With Us and learn how to draw manga style. Ages 8-12 years.

Bookings required via Eventbrite on the GLC website or by phoning the Library on 5449 2726



### EASTER COLOURING COMPETITION

Colour in an Easter design and go into the draw to win some fun prizes! Colouring-in sheets available at the Library desk.



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## Community News



To register for netball, contact Buffalo Sports Centre on 5427 3411 or email [buffalo@mrsc.vic.gov.au](mailto:buffalo@mrsc.vic.gov.au).

To register for basketball, visit [mrsc.vic.gov.au/thestadium](http://mrsc.vic.gov.au/thestadium) or call 5428 1619.

**To register your interest at Romsey Recreation Centre for any of the sporting programs call us on 5429 5637 or Register online now at [rrc@mrsc.vic.gov.au](mailto:rrc@mrsc.vic.gov.au)**

### RIDDELLS CREEK PUBLIC TOILET UPGRADE

Council is upgrading three public toilets in the shire over the next few months, which will result in their temporary closure.

The public toilet at the Riddells Creek Recreation Reserve will be closed during April for improvements, which include painting and upgrades to flooring and internal fixtures. The works will significantly improve the amenity of these buildings for the general public. Signage will be placed at each site during works notifying patrons of alternative public toilet locations.

The nearest public toilet in the area is located at Lions Park, Gisborne-Kilmore Road, Riddells Creek.

For more information on Council works and projects, visit [mrsc.vic.gov.au/works](http://mrsc.vic.gov.au/works)

### BE SPOILT FOR CHOICE AT OUR COME AND TRY SPORTS DAY!

Romsey Recreation Centre is hosting a free come and try sports day on

**Thursday 5 April during the school holidays.**

This fun, interactive and inclusive sports day will run from **10am to 4.30pm**, and feature a range of sports and programs suitable for all ages and abilities.

Women's National Basketball League (WNBL) players Nadeen Payne and Indiana Faithful will be on-hand during the morning, sharing their skills and wisdom with children 5-15 year old's, with activities also including:

- Indoor cricket
- Handball
- Lovaball (suitable for ages 2-5 years)
- Bubble soccer (suitable for ages 7 years and above)
- Kindy ballet
- Jazz dance
- Junior and senior Acro classes
- Circuit class (adults)
- Karate
- Tennis

There will also be free face painting and animal balloons for the kids, along with complimentary fruit, and a sausage sizzle (fundraiser for Romsey Tennis Club).

### TEAM KATHERINE WINS BY A POINT AT THE ROMSEY RECREATION CENTRE'S WOMEN'S BASKETBALL GRAND FINAL

Romsey Recreation Centre's inaugural season of women's basketball finished up with a nail-biting end on Thursday 21 February.

Team Wong and Team Katherine competed in the grand final, with Team Katherine holding a handy 9 point lead at halftime, before a late comeback by Team Wong.

In an incredible finish, Team Katherine took the win by a single point, with the final score 31-30. Congratulations to all the teams in this year's competition!

## Champ of Champs to Romsey bowler



Lee Wesley is pictured with Kyneton's Desma Budd, who took out the women's Champion of Champions title.

Romsey Bowling Club is proud to have finally produced a male winner in the prestigious Central Highlands Champion of Champions event.

Lee Wesley, a 27-year-old who began his bowls career with Woodend at the age of 11, took out the Central Highlands Bowling Division's Champ of Champs title with a 25-22 victory in the final against five times C of C winner, Peter Linehan of Lancefield.

Wesley is a member of the Victorian "armed" bowls side. His mother, Brenda, was the winner of the Romsey club's women's singles championship this season.

As a follow-up to becoming the first Romsey player to ever win the Central Highlands title, Wesley turned in an astonishing performance to win the regional Champion of Champions played at Maryborough Highlands. The 27-year-old was virtually down and out in his semi-final against classy Sebastopol player Robbie Baker. Wesley trailed 16-1 at one stage, and then 24-10 with Baker needing just one shot for victory. Wesley rallied superbly with fine draw shots and an occasional drive, and won the last 10 ends to defeat Baker 25-24 in a high class contest.

In the final, Wesley continued his fine form to defeat Bill Burnett (Newstead) 25-16 to advance to the state championships.

Wesley and Kyneton's Desma Budd will be the only Central Highlands bowlers in the state finals at Bendigo.

Romsey's Brenda Wesley and Danny Fortune were eliminated in their regional semi-final of the mixed pairs. President of Romsey Bowling Club, John Beaumont, said everyone at the club is extremely proud of Lee Wesley's performances this season, and wish him well at the state titles.

Wesley and Danny Fortune combined to win the CHBD men's pairs final, beating Kyneton's Richard Buckley and Mark Smoljo 15-14 in the final, but they were beaten at regional level.

-- BillWest.



## AN AMAZING AUTUMN OF ART!

*Clear the calendar and prepare for an action-packed season of events at Kyneton Town Hall you won't want to miss.*

### For the grown-ups

Two of Australia's most revered comedians, The Umbilical Brothers present their live action show, Speedmouse on Thursday 5 April at 8pm.

Don't miss Dave and Shane as they create the impossible with a microphone - performing a series of comedy sketches, punctuated by transitions triggered by a remote control, which is operated by an audience member. Expect a wild, fast-paced and spontaneous ride.

Then it's all about elegance, romance and glamour on Friday 20 April as one of Hollywood's most iconic partnerships of Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers is celebrated in the performance, Cheek to Cheek. Featuring classic songs including the Academy Award winning Night and Day, Let's Call the Whole Thing Off, Top Hat and more, this is a rare chance to see the flair of these silver screen legends recreated by two of Australia's brightest young music theatre performers.

**Something for the little ones:** Join Australia's favourite kid's comedians The Listies as they bring their bestselling book, Ickypedia: A Dictionary of Disgusting New Words to the stage on Wednesday 4 April, 11am and 1pm. With a mix of clowning, slapstick and improvised chaos, this seriously silly show is fun for the whole family.

## WANT TO TRY SOME TAI CHI AND OTHER CHINESE ARTS?

Come along to the Kyneton Museum gardens to try the ancient Chinese practice of Tai Chi in a class suitable for all ages and abilities this month. A fully qualified and experienced instructor from Lilac Moon Tai Chi will help you learn some basic movements and explain the philosophy behind this ancient practice for mind, body and spirit.

## ROMSEY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

Romsey Primary School is proud to release the new school logo. Last year the community decided to update the current school logo with some small changes and here it is. The new logo will slowly be phased in on our school uniform and will appear on all new correspondence. The new logo has a more modern font and circular design as selected by the junior school council, staff and school council."

Romsey Primary School would like to introduce it's school captains for 2018: Lucas Cavigan and

Grace Phillips and Vice-captains Nicholas Steven and Abbey Atkins. They are



The one-hour class costs \$15 and includes entry to the museum's latest exhibition Chinese Fortunes, which explores personal stories of the first Chinese Australians in Victoria. Classes will be held on Saturday 14 April from 3pm-4pm and Sunday 15 April from 2pm-3pm.

### Paper cutting

You can also try the ancient art of paper cutting at the museum on Saturday 14 April from 10am-11am. Join Anita Jack from Golden Dragon Museum Bendigo to create your own Chinese paper decoration. Cost of \$12 includes Chinese Fortunes exhibition entry.

### Calligraphy

Chinese calligraphy is a highly valued visual art form which occupies a prominent position in Chinese art and culture. Anita Jack from Golden Dragon Museum Bendigo will provide an overview of the techniques, styles, rules and artistic characters of Chinese calligraphy in this one-hour workshop, and assist you in creating your own piece of calligraphy art.

Suitable for teenagers and adults, the workshop will be held on Saturday 14 April from 1pm-2pm and the cost of \$15 includes Chinese Fortunes exhibition entry. For more information on the exhibition and all these activities, see [mrsc.vic.gov.au/museum](http://mrsc.vic.gov.au/museum)

Developed in conjunction with The Museum of Australian Democracy at Eureka (M.A.D.E) in Ballarat, and The Golden Dragon Museum in Bendigo, Chinese Fortunes uncovers the remarkable contributions made by Chinese migrants from 1851 to 1901, and highlights their resilience and cultural pride.

Chinese Fortunes is part of Council's Cultural Diversity Week program for 2018 and will run until 24 June. Kyneton Museum is at 67 Piper Street and is open Friday to Sunday from 11am to 4pm. Entry fees apply.

pictured here with Mrs Loren Peavey (Principal) and Mrs Kimberley Nicholls (Assistant Principal). The students are also pictured with the school's Bendigo Bank You Can Do It Keys that underpin the wellbeing program for the school.

The students participated in a selection process that included a job application and interview. Well done to our new school captains. The captains have already stepped up to running the whole school assembly on a Monday afternoon. In Term 2 they will commence training junior school council leaders as assembly leaders. The captains will also represent the school in many out of school events and they will lead the junior school council for Romsey Primary.

Thank you to Shantelle Grant for her photos.



## Community News & Events



For more information or to book tickets to shows at Kyneton Town Hall, call 1300 888 802 or visit [mrsc.vic.gov.au/buytickets](http://mrsc.vic.gov.au/buytickets)



## Community News



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

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## RRBATA Update

### Annual General Meeting has been set for Wednesday 29th August 2018.

As reported in last month's Rag, the 2017 Committee of Management members agreed to accept nomination to the 2018 Committee in order to oversee the Romsey Streetscape implementation and acquittal of grant funds (including the Plaques Project). For the sake of Association renewal as well as current committee members' wellbeing (!), RRBATA seeks new members willing to continue RRBATA's good work in advocating business and tourism for the Romsey region. The next Annual General Meeting has been set for Wednesday 29th August 2018.

It is vitally important to keep RRBATA fresh, strong and able to effectively continue its contribution to the region's business and local community.

Therefore, it is hoped to transition to a new committee membership at this meeting. Otherwise, RRBATA's future will be uncertain.

Anyone wishing to discuss this further, should contact

**Jenny Stillman on 0412 349 849 or  
[jennystillman@optusnet.com.au](mailto:jennystillman@optusnet.com.au).**

## Clean Up Romsey Day 2018

**Clean Up Romsey Day 2018 began on Friday 16th March with the involvement of the entire Romsey Primary School student body (plus teachers and parents). After assembling in class groups on the basketball courts, they ventured into the nearby streets and their school yard to collect rubbish before returning to inspect their collection**

The clean up continued on Sunday 18th March when the official "Clean Up Romsey Day 2018" was convened at the Romsey Lions' Reserve (skate park). It was disappointing to see broken glass and rubbish having accumulated in the day since the Romsey Primary School students had cleaned up there.

However, 25 volunteers braved windy and rainy conditions to enthusiastically cover Lions' Reserve (Skate Park), White Avenue, Park Lane, Main Street north and south, Barry Street east and west, and Lions' Park (at Five Mile Creek).

The volunteer group included a Romsey Red Cross contingent!



A free sausage sizzle rewarded hungry participants.

Whilst a significant amount of rubbish was collected (much of it plastic bottles and aluminium cans), it was less in volume than that found in the first year of the event, which is encouraging.

This is the 3rd Annual Clean Up Romsey Day which is an initiative of RRBATA's Town Pride Working Group (an offshoot of the Romsey Streetscape Project).

RRBATA wishes to acknowledge the involvement of the following – Romsey Primary School (special thanks to Mrs. Peavey and staff for organising 286 students' participation); Trish, Andrew and Orla Baddeley; Zoe Ravenscroft; Emily and Amy Macpherson; Robyn Stephens, Karen Hermann and Trish Dunn from Red Cross; Amanda, Tom, Max and Evie Furber; Paul, Kate and Beth Sargeant; John Evans; Jean Lescure; Hannah, Imogen and Trinity Sutton; Jeff Robinson; Craig and Mandy Jones; and Jenny Stillman.





## RRBATA Clean up Day Cont



### RRBATA Membership Package

RRBATA Membership is open to all businesses, organisations, 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.

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**Entry is \$30 cash or cheque payable on the evening, and this includes refreshments (served from 6.30-7.30pm), in addition to the lecture (7.30-8.30pm).**

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The Romsey Uniting Church will host a performance by the Singularity Choir, in the Church Hall, on Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup> at 1.30 pm, followed by Afternoon Tea. The performance will be Gilbert & Sullivan's 'Iolanthe.' More information next month.

### Reflection: Streams of Living Water

'Those who trust in the Lord... shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious.' Jeremiah 17: 7-8 (NRSV)

A family, whose Grandfather bought a lake cabin on a winding dirt road in the country, just love staying and walking there. The road is paved now, but it still feels secluded - close to nature and to God. The road follows a clear stream that bubbles up from underground. Even on a hot day, this area is refreshingly shady and cool because of the huge trees that line the stream banks. The trees are old, and unusually large, due to the steady supply of water. The roots of these majestic trees reach toward the stream like outstretched hands.

When we read the verses above, we can picture those trees lining the stream bank, tall and green. The scripture reminds us that spiritual growth results from a consistent supply of living water from God's word and presence.

Jesus said, "Whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst" (John 4:14, NIV)

Spending time with the Lord refreshes our souls. When we reach out to God - through scripture study and prayer - we receive that living water. Immersing ourselves in God's word each day brings us a vibrant spiritual life, and keeps our lives joyful and strong, even in times of drought.

'Dear Lord, refresh us with streams of living water so we may grow strong and bear fruit, even during our struggles. In Jesus' name. Amen'

(Paraphrased from the Devotional Guide, 'The Upper Room')

### Romsey Church Services & Activities during April 2018

1st 9am	Worship Service. Easter Day	15th 9am	Congregational Service & AGM
4th 6pm	Church Council at Stracks.	16th 2pm	'Cuppa at Cookies'
8th 9am	Worship Service & Holy Communion conducted by Peter Cannon	22nd 9am	Worship Service conducted by Annette Buckley
9th 2pm	'Cuppa at Cookies'	23rd 2pm	'Cuppa at Cookies'
11th 1.30	UCAF group will visit Willowmeade at Kilmore	29th 10.30	Joint Macedon Ranges Partnership Service at - TBA

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## Christ is risen He is risen indeed ( The Death to Death )

Christians have just celebrated EASTER Day - that great day when JESUS rose triumphant from the dead through the mighty power of God. Three days earlier He had died on the Cross for the sins of mankind - us - and through His death and rising again, he has opened the way to everlasting life to all who put their faith and trust in Him as Saviour and Lord. Repentance - knowing our sinful state and seeking forgiveness, and accepting Jesus - our Saviour into our hearts - the gift of eternal life is ours, as we walk in His ways and incline to His will.

Recently when I was at the hairdresser's, I read an article in one of the magazines there on "DEATH DOULAS." I had not heard of them before. They are women trained in counselling skills, who aim to bring comfort and help to those ill, dying, or in other ways troubled. I do not think faith in God comes into their counselling.

Atheists and unbelievers believe there is no life beyond the grave - when you are dead, you are dead! "Not so", says Jesus. He answered the thief, "I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in Paradise." (Luke 23:42/3). This repentant thief had asked Jesus to remember him when He, Jesus, came into His Kingdom.

For me, death is passing from life into Life and joining those blessed spirits in Paradise awaiting Christ's return in glory.

Christ's return is followed by the Judgment when we will all stand before His judgement seat. Finally, we are given our new spiritual bodies to live for evermore throughout eternity in the glory and wonder of heaven

"Jesus lives! Thy terrors now can, O death no more appal us;  
Jesus lives! By this we know, Thou, O Grave cannot enthrall us.. Alleluia !  
Jesus Lives! Henceforth is death, But the gate to life immortal;  
This shall calm our trembling breath, when we pass it's gloomy portal.  
F.E. Cox. (Tr)

Last month at the World Day of Prayer

Combined Service we learnt much of the little known country of Suriname and we praised and thanked God for all the beauty of His creation and His provision for our sustenance. We also celebrated "Mothering Sunday", the Church's "Mothers Day" with Simnel Cake - thank you, Glenice!! At our "Harvest Thanksgiving" service we once again praised and thanked God for all his bounty and a generous supply of food was taken to Anglicare for Melbourne's needy.

### APRIL 2018 DIARY

**Sun 1st 9am -**

**EASTER DAY.** Holy Communion.

St.Paul's Romsey.. 10.30am.

Christ Church Lancefield

**Sun 8th 10am -** Combined Service at Christ Church Lancefield.

**BISHOP PHILIP HUGGINS attending.**

**Tues 17th 10.30am -** Our Bible Study Of Genesis resumes. Unit 8. At Christ Church Lancefield. A Warm Welcome to anyone interested.

**Wed 18th 7.30pm -** Parish Council meets at Lancefield.

**Tues 24th 10.30am -** Bible Study Book of Genesis Unit 9. This concludes our studies in Genesis, which have been most rewarding.

For those eager for more Bible study, Term 2 will cover St.Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians (part of Greece).

**Sun 29th -** Usual Services but **REV. JEANNIE'S LAST SERVICE.**

Not goodbye, as Jeannie will remain as a parishioner. The Rev. Heather will be filling in until Rev. Judi Pollard takes over as our Interim Intentional Minister in July.

**CHRIST IS RISEN ..... ALLELUIA**  
**Church Services:**  
Holy Communion - 9am St Paul's Romsey

## Church News



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## Receive heavenly citizenship



Today, many oppressed people risk their lives, braving open seas or paying a fortune to flee their tyrannical country of birth. They will risk everything for the chance of becoming citizens in another nation rich with opportunity, freedom and prosperity.

The greatest nation of all time is the Kingdom of Heaven - sadly, none of us are born citizens. Mankind, through bad choice (sin), sought independence from God, and is now imprisoned in the tyranny of a corrupt and fallen world. Because of those choices, there is now a barrier (called judgement) between mankind and God. This barrier separates us from ever being citizens in the Heavenly Kingdom. We can't do anything ourselves to gain citizenship - we can't bribe a church or do any number of good deeds to become an acceptable candidate. The truth is that only God can pay the necessary price on our behalf - and the astounding news is the price for our citizenship has been completely paid.

**God so loved the world that He gave His uniquely born Son (Jesus Christ) that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish but have everlasting life (John 3:16).**

Through the willing sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross, a way was made through the barrier. Heaven awaits any who accept Christ's gift (sacrifice) on their behalf. God never intended this corrupt planet to be our eternal home. He desires all to be citizens of His Heavenly Kingdom and gain the magnificent eternal privileges and prosperity that it offers. Right now the border is open, the walls are knocked down, and all we need do is accept Jesus Christ's gift to become citizens of the most splendid Kingdom ever to exist. The choice is ours. If you haven't crossed the border (by believing in Christ) - do it now. Citizenship will not be offered after life on Earth - do not miss the greatest opportunity of eternity. (Romans 5:8. Ephesians 2:8 -9)

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If you would like to know more about faith in Jesus please contact us. We would be happy to help you find true peace and joy in life.

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## St Mary's Parish Lancefield and Romsey Update

### MASS TIMES

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month:  
8:00am Lancefield and 10:00 am Romsey  
2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month:  
8:00am Romsey and 10:00am Lancefield

### COMMUNION SERVICES

Tuesday  
9:00am Romsey Church  
Saturday  
10:00am Romsey Church

### ROSARY

Saturdays 9:45am Romsey

### RECONCILIATION

By arrangement

### BAPTISMS

2018 - Romsey Church - July 1<sup>st</sup>, September 2<sup>nd</sup> & November 4<sup>th</sup>.  
2018 - Lancefield Church - June 10<sup>th</sup>, August 12<sup>th</sup>, October 14<sup>th</sup> & December 9<sup>th</sup>.  
For more information, please phone 5429 2130.

### SACRAMENTS

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## THE HISTORY OF THE ROMSEY BOWLING CLUB

In 1962, the Senior Police Constable stationed at Romsey, Snr. Leon Aarons and the Manager of the National Bank Mr. H.G. Mitchell, felt that Romsey should have a Bowling Club. A Sub-Committee was formed to gauge the feeling of the Romsey community.

The Sub-Committee scoured the district for promises of support through the purchase of debentures. At a public meeting held on 18 February 1963 it was reported that sixty nine people were prepared to purchase £25 debentures and a total of £1725 was raised. Mr. Aarons reported that he made an enquiry to the Royal Victorian Bowls Association and that the cost of a green by contract was £2250. Voluntary help from the community would be needed to realise the construction of a green, within budget.

The inaugural General Meeting of the Romsey Bowling Club immediately followed the public meeting and the following community members formed the first committee - President: Cr. L.J. Cook, Senior Vice President: W. Tom, Junior Vice President: H.G. Mitchell, Hon. Secretary: L. Aarons, Hon. Treasurer: Cr. L.A. McIntyre. Thanks to the generosity of sixty nine people, the Romsey Bowling Club was formed and all efforts were turned to the preparation of the green.

It was reported at the Committee Meeting of 8<sup>th</sup> March 1963 that committee members met with Mr. W.J. Lowe of the RVBA and they inspected the proposed green site in Romsey Park. They decided that the position was ideal and no difficulty was anticipated in the laying down of the green. It was then moved, "That application be made immediately to the Romsey Park Committee, to put down a bowling green and to remove all trees necessary to this end."

Also at this meeting, arrangements were made to purchase precast concrete slabs for the ditches, agricultural pipes for drainage and fowl manure to promote growth. They discussed excavation work, working bees and decided to advertise for volunteers. The transfer of an electric light pole and the digging of a fresh hole were organised. Sand samples for the base were arranged as was the felling and removal of the trees. The use of machinery and equipment for the working bee was arranged and donated.

"The best working bee ever to be held in Romsey" soon followed. Some men were working at shovelling cinders from the old railway line, some were shovelling sand. There were trucks of all shapes and sizes, some were tip trucks but many were farm tray trucks on which the sand or cinders had to be shovelled on and off. Then there were those who were spreading the material as it was dumped. What a mammoth task! Prior to spreading the sand, a grader levelled the site, a vibration roller was used to consolidate the area, a ditch digger dug the drains and the agricultural

pipes were laid. Then followed the cinders, screenings, sand levelling, topsoil, more levelling with wires and hundreds of pieces of wood. The green was on the way.

As the Club became financial, a draw of "Holders" took place. Gradually debentures were repaid. Again the generosity of the holders was shown, for some would not accept the return of their money, leaving it in the hands of the Club Treasurer as a donation.

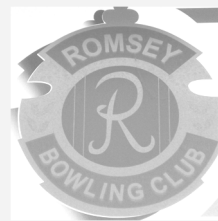
At the Annual Meeting held on 21 November 1969, it was decided to convene a meeting of ladies, regarding the formation of an Associates section of the Club. The inaugural meeting of the Romsey Bowling Club Associates was held 9 December 1963. The elected committee consisted of - President: Mrs. H. Tointon, Senior Vice President: Mrs. K. Fraser, Junior Vice President: Mrs. J. Reynolds, Secretary: Mrs. N. Anderson, Treasurer: Mrs. W. Thomas, Auditor: Mr. C. Fricker. Initially, there were forty four Associate Foundation Members.

Immediately, the ladies made their mark at both Club and District level. They excelled at fund raising and catering and showed that they would soon be a force to be reckoned with on the green.

Today, with the unification of bowls, the Club operates with a single Board of Management. We have continued to function successfully from these early beginnings. Our membership figures now hover in the mid thirties and we are always seeking new members. Despite the limited numbers, as a Club we have experienced our successes with several premierships in both Saturday Pennant Division 2 and Midweek Pennant Division 1. In 2014 our Midweek Pennant team became the Champions of State Pennant at Barham in NSW. This was a great achievement for a small club, competing against much larger clubs. Over the years we have produced a number of State and Divisional Champions in all facets of the game - singles, pair, triples and fours.

As a matter of interest, the cost of a new green today would be greatly in excess of \$200,000, a far cry from the humble beginnings of the Romsey Bowling Club green of 1963.

In conclusion, I must give credit for much of this information to the late Mr. Norm Thompson, a club stalwart of many years. Norm put together an invaluable history "Booklet" of the Club's first twenty five years. Our bowling green is named in his honour, due to the countless hours that he contributed to the Club.



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### The 2018 Romsey Challenge Bowl

will be played on Thurs April 5<sup>th</sup>. This is a team's Stableford event with teams of three players representing their club. Teams are expected from many Dalhousie District clubs as well as from Gisborne, Goonawarra, Northern, Tullamarine and Medway.

## ROMSEY GOLF CLUB – MEN'S AND WOMEN'S REPORTS

### Friday March 9th – Deep hollow-tyne verti-draining

Members spent most of Friday, March 9th coring, topdressing, seeding and fertilising the greens. At 6.30 pm, they returned to spray nematodes on to each green. The nematodes will attack and kill all curl and white grubs. The corellas love these grubs, and tear up any area where the grubs may be. Let's hope the nematodes take, and that the birds do far less damage in the future. As a result of these works, there was no golf at Romsey on Sat 10th. Many members went to Lancefield for their Open 4BBB, or to Heathcote for a round.

Thank you for a big day's work to Bob McLennan, John Freestone, Ron Walker, Bruce Robb, Elaine Scanlon, Kev Dunn, Mick Nicholls Snr, Hugh Drummond, Pam Drummond, Mal Mottram, Scott Williams, Wendy Gosden & Peter Scanlon.

### Friday March 9th – Ruby McKenzie Salver – Woodend G. C.

The Ruby McKenzie Salver was contested at Woodend Golf Club. Ruby was one of Victoria's greatest country golfers, and former VLGU and Australian Golf Council member and played her early golf at the Woodend club. The Woodend G. C. website states, ".... our course is not long but presents a great many challenges for golfers of all abilities. And that proved to be the case! The hilly nature of the course requires careful placement on the fairways, and a deft touch around the tricky greens. The course was in fantastic condition, though scoring well proved to be quite difficult. The signature par 3, 11th hole, which has the tee situated very high above the green, is a wonderful hole, and today, Wendy Gosden managed to earn the Nearest the Pin award on that hole. Romsey's representatives were Lorraine Robb and Darlene Baker. All three players, along with the rest of the field, enjoyed the perfect weather, delighted in the challenge of the course, and had a lovely lunch after the game.

Woodend member Maureen Warrener had 38 pts with the next best score being 32.

Congratulations to the Woodend team, who combined well to win the Ruby McKenzie Salver.

### Wednesday March 7th – Handicap Matchplay

With the women's pennant golf season rapidly approaching, the golfers played a round of handicap match play. The matches were played under still, clear skies; virtually perfect weather conditions. The hard fairways again saw everyone get excellent value from their drives, but approach shots had to be accurate, as the green surrounds quickly pulled up any shots not on target.

Always competitive, Leila Beasley won her nine hole match against Jan Harver.

Pam Drummond played very well to defeat club captain Lorraine Robb.

Having to give nine strokes to Jenny Hartley, Darlene Baker played valiantly, only for Jenny to play superb

golf, parring six holes on her way to a three hole victory.

The men played Stableford over 18 holes, with Bruce Robb the winner with 36 Stableford points, closely followed by Hugh Williams 32 points.

### Saturday March 3rd – Qualifying Round Algie Mitchell Shield – Stableford – Top Eight

There was a steady westerly wind blowing as players headed to the tee for the Algie Mitchell Shield. The dry fairways saw everyone get excellent value for well struck drives. However, the odd crack saw a few balls bounce in very unpredictable directions. Some repairs and rolling saw the greens quite fast and very true, and at long last it seems as if the Corellas might be thinking of moving on. Towards the end of the round, the wind moved around to the south bringing the internal "Out Of Bounds" on the 18th into play, and giving some players more than a little cause for concern as they finished off their round. Despite the odd bad bounce and the effect of the wind, a number of players handed in excellent cards. On a hot, windy day, the results were;

Winner; Jim Patton (22) – 43 pts from Mick Squires (9) – 38 pts, and Mick Nicholls Jnr (16) – 36 pts  
Womens Winner; Pam Drummond (34) – 41 pts  
NTPs; 16th – Scott Williams.

The Quarter Finals of the Algie Mitchell Shield will be;  
Jim Patton (12) Vs Shannon Wright (0)  
Mick Squires (0) Vs Mick Nicholls Snr (13)  
Mick Nicholls Jnr (2) Vs John Moody (0)  
Rob Rea (6) Vs Bob McLennan (0)

### Thursday March 1st – Lancefield Women's Open

The first day of March brought with it strong winds and bothersome rain, as players assembled at the Lancefield Golf Club for the Lancefield Women's Open Tournament. Thankfully the rain abated, but the gusty winds persisted for the duration of the 18 holes, making club selection a little tricky even on the shorter par three holes. Grass cover on the fairways was good with relief allowed from the occasional bare patch. The greens were very good, or rather tricky, depending on who you spoke to. Cheryl Anderson (Kilmore G. C.) was the tournament winner with a wonderful score of 80 gross -- an excellent day's golf.

Beryl Cole was runner up in B Grade.

Wendy Gosden was the C Grade winner; 100/32/68. Wendy also won the day's veteran's event, and was nearest the pin on the 16<sup>th</sup>. Not a bad day's work.



## ROMSEY GOLF CLUB – MEN'S AND WOMEN'S REPORTS

## Sport News

### Wednesday February 28th- 2018 Flatstick Summer Cup Rd 4B – Monthly Medal – Stroke Putts

The day's extremely windy conditions made scoring a challenge. Players who were able to keep their ball on the fairway found a lot of summer run, in the rough, however, the ball pulled up very quickly. The parts of the greens that are undamaged were in excellent condition. Congratulations to Jenny Hartley, winner of this month's Monthly Medal, scoring a very good 70 net.

Winner and February Medalist; Jenny Hartley – 97/27/70 from Wendy Gosden – 108/33/75, Beryl Cole – 103/25/78, Darlene Baker – 96/17/79 CB from Pam Drummond – 113/34/79. Nine-Hole Winner; Leila Beasley Least Putts; Beryl Cole – 28 putts

### Saturday February 24th – 2018 Flatstick Summer Cup Rd 4A – February Medal – Stroke & Putts

The February Medal field teed off under cloudy skies with a steady north-westerly wind. The early holes saw a number of golfers playing very erratic golf, but everyone soon settled down and took advantage of the tail wind on some holes, and the extra run on the hard fairways. During the round, the wind moved to the west, and then the south-west, meaning that approach shots often blew up and landed well short of their intended target. The lush surrounds around the green made for excellent chip shots assisting numerous players to save par on many holes. As the holes began to run out, three players looked to have a chance for the February Medal, however, the day belonged to only one. He played wonderfully consistently golf, carding the best round of his golfing life to easily "walk away with the chocolates". On a windy, sultry day the results were;

Winner & February Medalist; Mick Nicholls Jnr – 77/17/60 from Hugh Drummond – 93/22/71 & John Freestone – 93/22/71

NTPs; 1st – John Freestone, 15th & 16th – Mick Nicholls Jnr

Least Putts; Jim Patton – 28

### Friday February 23rd – Titan of Twilight

The final round saw Shannon Wright again play some tremendous golf to come home with 20 points from Jenny Hartley on a C/B from Toby Clements – 18pts. John Freestone picked up the only NTP – 8th.

The 2017/18 "Titan of Twilight" is John Freestone with 18 Titan Pts from Bruce Robb – 14 Titan pts and Mick Nicholls Jnr on a C/B from Scott Williams – 12 Titan pts.

Congratulations on a great effort to organiser, club secretary Elaine Scanlon, all those who assisted behind the table, on the bar or in the kitchen, and all the golfers who took part in the competition.

The official 2017/18 Twilight Golf program finished. However, due to public demand, the twilight golf will continued for an additional two weeks.

### Thursday February 22nd – Alexandra Women's Bowl

Beryl Cole and Wendy Gosden travelled to Alexandra for their annual tournament. Weather was perfect, with no wind and a little cloud cover. The course was dry with a lot of run. The greens were receptive to well played approach shots.

Winner of the Open Scratch was Gail Leigh (Marysville G. C.) after a playoff with Cheryl Anderson (Kilmore G. C.)

Elizabeth Goss (Alexandra G. C.) was the C Grade winner, and aged 90 years!

Wendy who was runner up in C grade 105/36/69 on a count back from Beryl 96/27/69. Beryl was very excited after a wonderful drive on the Par 3, 5th hole for a birdie, but was knocked off for the NTP. Both Romsey women received Dalhousie Player Of The Year points; Wendy 5 and Beryl 4.

### Wednesday February 21st – 2018 Flatstick Roofing Summer Cup – Rd 3B - Stableford

Both a 9 hole and 18 hole comp were played in the Stableford format. The weather was near perfect after the strong wind abated quickly and became a gentle breeze. Cloud cover kept the hot sun away, and players enjoyed a pleasant round. There continued to be preferred lies on the fairway being played because of bare patches, but often the lie was good. There were three flocks of Corellas on the course and sadly they continue to damage the greens by digging large, deep holes on the putting surface.

After the round, players enjoyed a shared lunch, with a glass of champagne, to celebrate the recent Hidden Valley Bowl win by Pam Drummond, Jenny Hartley and Darlene Baker. We were joined in this celebration by two of our Life Members, Helene Newnham and Leila Beasley. All present reminisced about previous Bowl wins and toasted this most recent one.

Results for the day ;

18 Hole Comp Winner; Pam Drummond (36) – 41 points from Jenny Hartley (27) – 33 pts and Wendy Gosden (34) – 32 pts,

9 Hole Comp Winner; Jan Harver (45) – 19 pts from Leila Beasley (40) – 16 pts

While the RGC Relay For Life Charity Golf Day (Feb 17<sup>th</sup>) was quite a success, the actual Relay, held at Lancefield Park on Mar 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>, was a stunning success with over \$85,000.00 raised. Additional funds will be accepted until the end of March.

For the first time in a number of years RGC will have both men's and women's pennant golf teams. We wish pennant captains Beryl Cole and Rob Rea and their teams all the best for the 2018 Pennant Golf season



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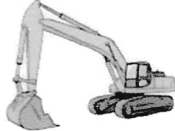
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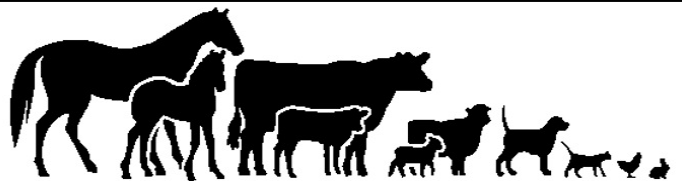
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