

## ROMSEY GOLF CLUB INC.

Golf/Bowls Clubhouse  
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President, Robert Preece Ph. 97444585  
Membership Fees: Adults \$230  
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Competitions held on Saturdays at 12.00pm.

**\*\*NEW TUESDAY COMPETITION\*\*** – COMMENCING TUESDAY, 5<sup>TH</sup> JUNE. ALL WELCOME. 9.30 TEE OFF - \$5.00 ALL INCL. (Tea, Coffee & Biscuits provided)

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

### Results

14 Apr **Stroke**  
K McNamara (30) 57  
21 Apr **Stableford**  
Play abandoned due to rain  
25 Apr **Stableford**  
J Molloy (24) 46  
29 Apr **Monthly Medal**  
M Hayes (11) 61  
5 May **4B Par Knockout Rnd 1**  
G Watts (11) C Gaunt (+2) +9  
12 May **4B Par Knockout Rnd 2**  
R Rea (15) Jim Freestone (27) +11

Well done to the Romsey Pennant teams this year, especially to the scratch side which made the final against Kilmore. Unfortunately it wasn't our day on the day, but we are all proud of their efforts.



*This is a photo of the Romsey Golf Clubs 1973 winning Pennant side celebrating in an inner city location. Can you guess who these local talented identities are?*

The whole of Victoria has welcomed the recent rain, including the club which now has green fairways once again and our greens have just been vertidraind so they will be in great shape in the weeks to come. Since the purchase of our new greens mower, we have raised the eyebrows of other visiting clubs for the marked improvement in the greens. Special thanks to Beau Warrener & Woodend Golf Club for the loan of equipment for work on the greens and all our volunteers who work very hard to keep the course in good shape.

*Hopefully the course will be enjoyed by all during the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Tournament, June 2 & 3*

**June 2 Relative Pairs / Mixed / Men's 4 BBB Stableford**  
12.00 noon shotgun start  
\$20 per pair (incl. afternoon tea)

**June 3 Mens Scratch, Mens Handicap 24 holes**  
9.30am shotgun start  
\$25 per player (incl. lunch & afternoon tea)

### Romsey Golf Club - Ladies Report

#### Results for the month

Congratulations to Hilda who over the month has reduced her handicap from 40 to 34.

May 2 Hilda Caly (9-hole winner)  
May 9 RWH 4BBB M. Fraser & N Sparke 41 pts  
May 16 Stableford B. Cole 31pts

May 8 Hilda & myself played at Goonawarra in the Captains & Presidents Day.  
May 10 Lorraine & myself played in the 4 BBBB at Melton Valley. We really enjoyed the course, the bird life and the old gums were very impressive.  
May 17 Hilda, Lorraine and myself drove to Yea in fine weather to play in their bowl and on arrival, down the rain pelted. After a delayed start due to the greens being under water, we waded out and played mainly in fine conditions until the last four holes and the skies opened up again to test our wet weather gear. Needless to say the scores on the day were weather affected and it was good to finish.

The ladies would like to thank the men for all the work carried out on the course.

Earlier this month we were saddened to lose one of our valued members. Jean Hamilton joined us when Caloola Golf club closed. She had been captain there for many years so was an asset to our club with her knowledge. Later when Jean no longer played she continued to be a member and often (with Olive) would come up to Romsey for lunch. This lunch was always sandwiches. But no ordinary gladwrap was used the sandwiches were always wrapped in an embroidered white linen cloth. So not only have we lost Jean's expertise but some class as well.

#### Recipe for the month

##### Steak, Tomato and Corn Casserole

1 sliced onion	1 small tin corn
½ kilo stewing steak diced	2 sliced potatoes
1 tin tomato soup	¼ cup peas
2 tablespoons plain flour	1 sliced carrot
¼ cup sliced celery	

Combine flour with soup in casserole  
Add all ingredients and cook in moderate oven for 2 hours.

Beryl Cole

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As winter approaches our thoughts turn to cosy nights in front of the fire, but winter can also mean higher energy bills. If you are a pensioner or health care card holder there are a range of payments from the State Government to assist you meet these bills.

These grants include:

- a 17.5% electricity and gas rebate on bills issued from May to November
- an LPG rebate
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- assistance to domestic customers who are unable to pay their utility bills (mains gas, mains electricity and water), due to a short-term financial crisis (within last 12 months)
- concession on the domestic firewood licence charge. Concession rate charge will vary according to the type of firewood purchased

Please don't hesitate to contact my office for further information on these grants.

Kind regards

Joanne Duncan

PS There is also assistance for pensioners, health care card holders and Department of Veterans Affairs Gold Card holders on tank water to help with the cost of purchasing non-mains domestic water.

## The Town Hall - Kyneton

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"I urge all agricultural groups, Indigenous groups, sporting clubs, schools, service clubs, local government, and other community organisations in our Macedon Ranges region to apply for a Community Water Grant to save and protect our water," Fran said.

"Funding of up to \$50,000 will be provided for water saving, recycling and treatment projects that demonstrate community involvement and a clear public benefit. Applicants and projects that meet special eligibility criteria can also apply for a larger grant of between \$100,000 and \$250,000.

"The programme encourages better water use and improvements in water health and quality through practical on-the-ground projects, such as reducing pollutants reaching our streams, and water recycling and efficiency initiatives.

"It promotes wise water use and community engagement and awareness about water efficiency and conservation, water re-use and recycling and water health and so far, almost \$2 million in funding has been secured by groups in our electorate of McEwen, for projects which save more than 673 million litres of water each year.

"As our Macedon Ranges region suffers from the severe effects of water shortages, groups like Riddells Creek Primary School, Macedon Ranges Shire Council, Mount Macedon Golf Club and Lancefield Football Club are to be congratulated for taking the initiative and applying for funding to carry out water saving projects.

"I encourage all of our local schools, sporting clubs and community organisations to follow in their footsteps, and apply for funding through this great initiative."

The Community Water Grants programme is the community component of the \$2 billion Australian Government Water Fund. In the previous two rounds, community groups from our electorate have been very successful and Fran said she would be pleased to support further community applications.

Application forms, guidelines and information session details are available from [www.australia.gov.au/communitywatergrants](http://www.australia.gov.au/communitywatergrants) or by phoning **1800 780 730**. Applications close on **4 July 2007**.



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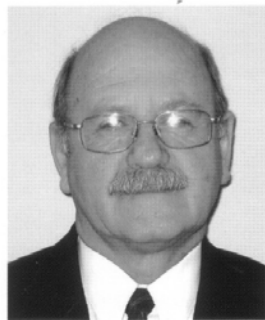
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## Romsey Lancefield Guides

The Romsey Lancefield Guides have recently been camping, in tents, down on a Guide property in Lara. It was a fantastic weekend, brilliant warm weather, and the girls had such fun doing the different activities. The first activity was to put up the tents in the dark on Friday night. It took a little while but eventually they were all up. The girls had Milo for supper, then went to bed.

Next morning daylight revealed the tents were remarkably straight and everyone had had a great sleep in their sleeping bags. After breakfast the girls with their Leaders walked to the station and caught the train to Geelong. There they walked along Eastern Beach looking at the painted bollards that tell some of the history of Geelong. The beautifully restored carousel caught their attention, as did the old music machine that performs for 10 minutes each hour. The girls had fish and chips for lunch on the foreshore, then gradually wandered back to the station, checking on a few bollards they had missed, and marking them on their map.

Back in camp the girls cooked dinner on the BBQ, then lit a camp fire and we sang some silly songs and some action songs around the fire.

Next day the highlight was lighting small cooking fires in patrols and cooking their own lunch. The girls had to cook sausages, damper on a stick, and baked apples in foil with chocolate in the middle. Yum!

For many of the girls it was their first ever Guide camp, and the first time they had slept in tents. And they all really enjoyed it. The girls have to share in all the chores at camp - cooking, washing dishes, checking the toilets have paper and are clean, etc. When on Mess patrol the girls had to create a table decoration for the meal and choose a grace to be sung before the meal. This was a favourite task as they have lots of fun graces to choose from, some of them with actions.

Putting up a flag pole and flying the flag each day was another little ceremony the girls took part in each morning and evening.

Would you like to come and share in some of our fun? We meet at the Lancefield Park on Monday evenings. For further information please ring Rita on 5429 1996.



## Romsey And District Netball Association Inc Monday Night Ladies Registration Winter Season 2007

We are looking for new teams to join our Monday night ladies comp.

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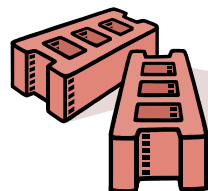
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## From Cr Henry Bleeck

### Council, school are on track

Our proposed joint-use sporting facilities at the Romsey Primary School are progressing, and I'm keen that the community is kept up to date on where we're at. A detailed plan is available for viewing at the Council's Romsey service centre, and I urge everyone to take the time to have a look. Comments have been sought from all user groups, and we welcome their views on what will make for a facility that will best suit our community.

The proposal has in-principle support from both the Macedon Ranges Shire and the Romsey Primary School Council, and I'm committed to ensuring it progresses smoothly from plan to reality. It will provide us with a 180 metre-long sports field incorporating a soccer pitch, a grass athletics track and a pavilion.

I'm pleased to be able to report that Council has factored the project into its future capital works program. However, the project group is also waiting on the next round of Sports & Recreation Victoria grants to apply for funding. Hopefully the State Government will also be in a position to make a significant contribution to this worthwhile project. I'm sure the children and sports people of Romsey will appreciate it if they do. Our local Little Aths association will love the track when it's built, and get great use out of it for years to come.

### Ward meeting this month

A Macedon Ranges Shire ward meeting will be held at the Lancefield Mechanics Institute at 7pm on Wednesday, June 20. It will be an opportunity for Romsey residents to have their say on things pertaining to our East Ward. The meeting is about what you want to tell me and the Council – rather than just us giving you a range of information. We are keen to hear what your views are on current sports facilities in Romsey, and other services and needs for our young people.

People wanting to list topics or items for discussion should email Stephen Mahon at [Stephen@macedon-ranges.vic.gov.au](mailto:Stephen@macedon-ranges.vic.gov.au) or phone him on 5422 0352 at least a week beforehand. If it's issues to do with roads, garbage, local facilities or anything else of concern, come along and let us know.

### Efficient homes

A meeting is being held at the Riddells Creek Living & Learning Centre at 57 Main Rd at 7.30pm on Tuesday, June 5 to tell us how we can increase the energy efficiency of our homes. Maurice and Lyn Beinart from local business EcoMaster will talk about energy ratings and products, and offer advice on how we can all play our part. For more details phone Lyn Hovey on 5428 6940.

**Henry Bleeck.—Your Local Macedon Ranges Shire Councillor.**

**Phone 5422 7027**

## Annual Newham Primary School Market and Fair Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2007

We invite you to hold a stall at our  
Annual Market and Fair.

Our school is set in breathtakingly scenic surrounds next to Hanging Rock and is a favourite area for tourists and wine lovers to visit.

Based on our successful market day last year, we envisage a range of stall holders offering gourmet food, local produce, art and craft, plants and books, as well as entertainment for children and adults.

Stall holders will need to be self-powered and provide their own sun-shade, table and chairs.

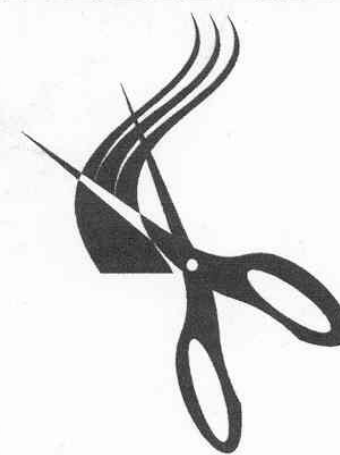
The cost of holding the stall is from \$15.

The market will be open to the public from 9.30 am to 3.00pm, with access to the school grounds for set-up from 8.00am.

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## Romsey Primary School News



### Classroom Atrium Upgrade

The relocatable classroom atrium upgrade commenced during the last holidays has now been completed. The re-roofing with sky lights made this area a much lighter and inviting place. Now with the addition of lights for night time use and the laying of carpet throughout students and teachers alike are finding this area a wonderful addition to the available learning space for these classes. With the onset of winter this area is also warmer as well as much quieter. An official opening will be held shortly to celebrate the completion of this project which has been made possible through the school successfully applying for funds through the Investing in Our Schools program.



## Education Week at Romsey Primary School

Education Week provides us with the opportunity to celebrate with the school community our highly successful learning and social programs, and to have some special events to showcase our talented students. Two major events held during this week were our Family Maths Night and the Senior Unit in-school Tournament of the Minds competition.

### Family Maths Night

The Family Maths Night was one of the most successful we have held in recent years with over seventy parents and children attending to tackle maths tasks and problems in all strands of this aspect of the curriculum. Teachers had prepared activities to suit children and adults of all ages and mathematical abilities so it was not surprising that everyone involved were constantly engaged and challenged by these throughout the evening. Prizes were provided for special problems set on the night, and a maths competition was held for all families in the weeks preceding the Maths Night. This was a great opportunity for parents to gain an appreciation for the breadth of the maths program and to reinforce for everyone that maths can be fun.



### Tournament of the Minds



On the morning of the Tournament of the Minds competition all the students in the Senior (Years 5 & 6) Unit were buzzing with excitement as final preparations were made for the groups' presentations. All students had been placed in small groups with the task of tackling a problem in the category of Language/ Literature, Maths/ Engineering or Social Science. Students are coached in reading and understanding the competition criteria but need to work out for themselves a creative solution to the problem set. Ingenuity, creativity and the involvement of all group members are highly regarded in this activity. The students' presentations were very impressive and the judges had a very tough task in finding a winner in each category. This was a great activity for the students and highly appreciated by the parent visitors.

## Excursions & Special Visitors

Recently the Junior (Years 1 & 2) Unit had a special visitor to talk to students about tools. Ron Skinner, besides being Seth and James grandfather, showed the students about the uses of a variety of everyday tools and machines. Ron kept the children entertained as well as informed. Our Senior Unit had an excursion to Melbourne at the start of the month, visiting the Shrine of Remembrance and the Queen Victoria market. The Shrine visit was very meaningful to the students coming shortly after class work on ANZAC Day. The market visit linked to the students' work on countries around the world- many interesting and unusual foods not found in Romsey were bought and tasted. Both of these experiences were very meaningful and appreciated by students.

## Walking to School

Our Walking School Bus is going from strength to strength with an additional route about to be added covering the Ewing Drive, White Avenue area. With the numbers of students increasing on all our "busses" the introduction of this program has been a great success. Our volunteers are to be commended for their dedication to our students. On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May we had a "Walk to School Day." Many more students took the opportunity to walk some or all of the way to school- a habit that is to be encouraged for the rest of the year. We even had one staff member walk to school from Monageeta on this day. Well done Mrs Petran!

Barney Healy  
Principal

## Lancefield & Romsey Community Banks YOU CAN BANK ON US!

With the Federal Government's changes to superannuation laws, entitlements and tax breaks coming into effect next month, it's timely for everyone to have a review of their super. Bendigo Bank is ideally suited to help people work their way through the superannuation minefield, says Rod Browning, Senior Manager of our Romsey and Lancefield Community Bank branches.

"Bendigo Bank has experienced consultants who can help our customers – or indeed anyone in the community – review their superannuation and look at the scheme and the contributions that best meet their future needs. Anyone wanting to have their super reviewed should talk to one of our Customer Services Officers or phone Romsey or Lancefield branch, and they can arrange for an appointment with a Bendigo Bank consultant."

Mr Browning said the Saturday morning banking at both our branches was continuing to be a big bonus for the local community. "Bendigo Bank has been a leader in the introduction of Saturday morning banking for the convenience of our customers, particularly in our branches in country towns such as Romsey and Lancefield," he said. "People have the convenience of being able to combine their Saturday morning shopping with their banking. They can also make an appointment with either myself or with our Lancefield branch manager, Natalie Cullinger to discuss their banking needs."

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## Lancefield Romsey Lions Club Lions Children of Courage Awards 2007

The Lions Children of Courage Awards began with the presentation of awards to five young people in Western Australia in 1983. These awards have continued since then and now there are around 80 recipients of these awards each year. Last year our District 201v4 started its own Children of Courage Awards, with the inaugural 2006 awards being presented in Melton to five recipients. Lancefield Romsey Lions sponsored one child last year, Harley Bombardier from Lancefield.

To be eligible for an award children need to be between the ages of five and fifteen. Children of Courage Awards are awarded in three categories:

- Children with special needs who have shown courage in the face of adversity. This includes disabled children, or those who have undergone long periods of medical treatment, surgery or hospitalisation, causing pain or trauma.
- Children who, without regard for personal safety, have been instrumental in the preservation of life and/or property, or who have rendered assistance in an accident, or whose concern for others is worthy of recognition.
- Children who have overcome personal hardship and/or disadvantage to achieve a high degree of sporting prowess, either individually or as a team member.

This awards day is held so that the achievements of each individual child can be recognised with an inscribed plaque and trophy, with the aim of fostering their self belief and self-esteem for the future.

This year the Lions International District 201v4 Children of Courage Awards 2007 were held at the Romsey mechanics Hall on May 6th. The awards were presented by the District Chairperson P.D.G. Lion John Thorpe, assisted by one of last year's recipients, Loren Di Bernado of Sunbury. Also present were District Governor Margaret Sheriff and her husband Lion Philip Sheriff, the District Chairperson for the Australian Lions Children's Mobility Foundation, representatives from many Lions Clubs and over 100 family members and friends of award recipients.



This year's recipients were all special needs children. They are:  
Robert Chiaban from Chintin, sponsored by the Lancefield Romsey lions Club.  
Ben Mair from Broadford, sponsored by the Lancefield Romsey Lions Club.  
Rhys Lewis-Howlett from Riddells Creek, Sponsored by the Riddells Creek Lions Club.

Cody Huckstepp from Melton, sponsored by the Melton Lions Club.  
Sheree Clampit from Lancefield, sponsored by the Lancefield Romsey Lions Club.

Mitchell Harrower from Werribee, sponsored by the Werribee Lions

Club.

Each one of these children has a unique story of courage and optimism in the face of disability, and each one is a truly worthy recipient of recognition.

The Lions Children of Courage Awards is now an important and worthwhile annual project for the Lancefield Romsey Lions Club. If you have someone in mind that you would like to nominate for these awards, or if you would like to know more about other Lions projects, we meet every second Monday evening (Business) and every fourth Monday evening (Dinner). Please don't hesitate to call me on my mobile 0411 643 407 or at home 5429 1990.

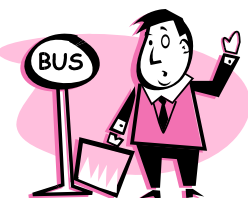
Lion Julie Starec

## Walk For An Aussie Kid

Prior to the presentation of the Children of Courage Awards, Lion Julie Starec and her dog Jess were presented with an award for their generous support of "Walk For and Aussie Kid". Lion Ian Dempsy, District Chairperson of the Australian Lions Children's Mobility Foundation, presented Julie with a large framed collage of photos taken at the Walk for An Aussie Kid Picnic Day, which was held on April 1st. Thank you to everyone who supported this event, without you we couldn't have raised the total of \$2,300.

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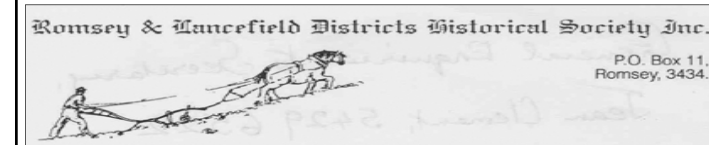
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## Romsey and Lancefield District Historical Society Inc.

### Winter Lunch & Speaker—Tuesday June 26th

Our popular Winter Lunch will be held once again at the Anglican Church Hall, Lancefield, from 12 noon on Tuesday June 26th.

This year's guest speaker will be Mr Robert Paroissien, historian re the railways, including those that ran to Lancefield, which should be most interesting.

The cost of our 3 course lunch and speaker is just \$10, and visitors are most welcome. If possible, please R.S.V.P. to 5429 6522 by Friday June 22nd, or just come along.

### Local or family history enquiries:

Contact our Archivist, Mrs Robyn Miller, on 0418 172 659, or Research Officer Mrs Wendy McDonald, on 5429 3287.

### Historic Seymour cottage (1855)

Group visits can be arranged—school children, clubs etc.—by contacting Secretary Jean Clement on 5429 6522.

## Kinder Enrolments 2008



Enrolment for both Pre-Kinder and Kinder programs for 2008 will be taken at the kinder at Main Rd Romsey on

**Tuesday 5th June 2007 at 12.30pm to 2.00pm**

**Thursday 7th June 2007 at 12.30pm - 3.00pm**

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## Ripper Reads for June 2007

Greetings all,

Now that the days are getting shorter and the nights longer and colder it's time to curl up in front of the warm fire with a good book and a glass of red. Enjoy!

*Death in the Truffle Wood* – Pierre Magnan

Another delightful discovery of a 'foreign' sleuth that has been translated into English. Commissaire Laviolette's home patch is in the stunningly beautiful Haute Provence area of France. A place where superstitions still influence lives and farms have been owned by the same family for generations. Gallic humour actually comes through the translation process and, being French, love and sex are always intertwined. Likewise, the bodies in this suspense-filled novel of passion and intrigue. Bon!

*Never have your dog stuffed* – Alan Alda

During the 1970s and 1980s if anyone rang my mother up between 7.00 and 7.30pm they were abruptly told, "Ring back after M\*A\*S\*H has finished!" and sent packing. This was one T.V. show that found its way into many lounge rooms around the world and its star, Alan Alda aka Hawkeye Pierce, has just published an engrossing biography. From his extremely unconventional childhood, touring with his parents in burlesque shows, to his early attempts at acting and then the success of M\*A\*S\*H this is a delightfully humorous romp with a touch of poignancy. Fans of the series will find this insight into one of its stars a great little read.

*Lonesome Howl* – Steven Herrick

Steven Herrick is the undisputed master of the verse novel and with *Lonesome Howl* he has yet again managed to convey a dramatic sense of time, place and feeling. Jake's father is adamant he saw a wolf years ago in the local bush. Lucy's father is abusive and destructive. The teenagers head off into the bush together – Jake to find his father's obsession and Lucy to escape her father. What they discover is so much more.

### MEMORIAL PLAQUE AND PLANTATION FOR THE LATE ROBERT CLEMENT

Well known local identity, Robert Clement was remembered in a small but moving ceremony on Saturday May 5, at "Eden Park", Romsey. Wife Roma and brother John unveiled a plaque at the head of a new plantation of indigenous trees. The trees and plaque were donated by Deep Creek Landcare Group, of which Robert was a founding and active member. Represented at the unveiling were members of the Clement family, Springfield CFA and Deep Creek Landcare Group. Robert is remembered as a strong supporter of the natural environment and a keen local participant in the local community.



*Pictured at the unveiling of the plaque at Eden Park is John Blamey (President Deep Creek Landcare Group), John Clement and Roma Clement, with the plantation in the background. Also Robert's Granddaughter, Sequoia helps with the planting.*

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The market is in recess for the months of June  
and July.

## Council Ward Meetings Local Councillors, Local Issues, Local Input

Macedon Ranges Shire Council's monthly Council Ward Meeting will be held at the Lancefield Mechanics Institute on Wednesday 20 June 2007. This is an opportunity for residents and other interested people to discuss activities within their local area and for Councillors to seek resident views and input on particular issues.

### Conduct of Meetings

All Council Ward Meetings will have the following structure and agenda

1. The meetings will be chaired by the relevant Ward Councillors
2. All meetings will commence at 7pm and aim to finish at 9pm
3. Members of the public may list items for discussion as part of General Business\* by contacting Stephen Mahon on 5422 0352 or [stephen@macedon-ranges.vic.gov.au](mailto:stephen@macedon-ranges.vic.gov.au) at least 7 days prior to the meeting.
4. Generally the agenda will be
  - 1.1 Local Projects Underway
  - 1.2 Local Planning Applications in the system
  - 1.3 Strategic Work Underway
  - 1.4 Special Items of Interest raised by Councillors
  - 1.5 General Business\*.
5. Service Request forms will be available to allow minor and routine requests to be documented and dealt with by the relevant unit.
6. Meetings will be held at halls and other suitable venues in townships across the Shire.

\* Members of the public raising items of General Business are welcome to address the meeting on their issue.



*Gillmay* Arts

*Supporting Romsey Neighbourhood house  
Art Classes*

Children's art Classes (School Holidays)  
 Time: Morning 10-12am Afternoon 2-4pm  
 Dates: Monday and Tuesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> July and Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> July Activities will include Drawing (making marks on paper) and Printmaking.  
 Venue: Romsey Primary school Art Room  
 Costs: \$20 per session. All materials Supplied plus light refreshment  
 Please Contact Gillian for more information on 54295448

Weekend Art Classes

Class 2  
 Date: Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup> June  
 Time: 9 to 4pm  
 Venue: Romsey Primary school Art room  
 Sign up for a day of fun and expand your skills.  
 Learn to create strong and dynamic drawings with rich and expressive marks. Gain confidence and expand the way you see.

*Attention!!!! Local Artists and Craft people.*

*My is Gillian and I want to establish a local Arts and Craft market in Romsey through the Neighbourhood house.*

*I am looking for expressions of interest from those who wish to exhibit and / or participate in the establishment of the market from the grass roots.*

*Please don't hesitate to contact me with your ideas, philosophies and energy to get this project off the ground.*

*All enquiries will be greatly appreciated.*

*You can contact me on 54295448 / 0411579906*

*Thankyou!*

### Probus Club Romsey – Lancefield

Meetings of the Romsey – Lancefield Probus Club are held on the 4th Thursday of each month at St Mary's Church Hall, corner Main and Barry Streets, Romsey, at 10.00am.

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

#### Contact

Mrs Pat Shannon (President) on 5429 6194 or

Mrs Jeni Clampit (Secretary) on 5429 5480





## Romsey Uniting Church

Pohlman Street, Romsey. 3434

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

Church Council Chairperson: Noel Shaw - 5429 5509  
Secretary: Jeni Clampit - 5429 5480



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

\*\*Romsey Uniting Church UCAF is holding its Winter Luncheon on June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2007 in the Sunday School Hall commencing at 11.30am. There will be a well stocked trading table, a delightful lunch and music to follow during the afternoon. Everyone is welcome to come along Cost: \$10.00

\*\*Riddells Creek Uniting Church is celebrating their 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on June 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. On Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2007, at 11am the 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service will be held at Riddells Creek Uniting Church. The Guest Speak will be the Rev. Jason Koia, Moderator of the Uniting Church of Victoria & Tasmania. From 12.30 – 3.00pm there will be a light luncheon and a display in the Senior Citizens' Centre. Historical records and other memorabilia of the church will be on display.

*“Love is a Wild Bird”. (Thoughts for the day!)*  
**‘Psalm 13:5-6. But I trust in your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord, for he has been good to me.’**

I went through the nature reserve the other day. It was cold and the trees seemed to huddle together for warmth. As I walked I heard a snatch of bird song. Then a flicker of movement in a bush grabbed my attention. I stood still and waited. Another movement and a flash of red. Just a robin!

He watched me, head tilted, alert, ready to fly. Slowly, I felt for a piece of bread crust in my pocket. Then, even more slowly, with no sudden movement, I stretched my arm out with the bread in my open hand. And waited. The robin hopped onto a nearer branch and watched. I waited some more. We both, the robin and I, concentrated on the bread. He hopped nearer, just out of reach.

Then he committed himself. With a flurry of feathers he landed on my hand, almost weightless, took the bread and was off again. He didn't wait to say thankyou – or did he? I felt privileged. That moment of trust was thanks enough.

And that was it. Our encounter was over. The robin flew away with his piece of bread. I went away with a smile on my face, my day brightened by a flash of red, a snatch of bird song, and a moment of trust.

Trust takes time to build. The confidence to trust someone doesn't happen in a flash. It's an act of faith. In trust we surrender something of ourselves to another person. It can be risky, but it enriches life.

*“Lord, help me to trust today;  
to take the bread of life your hand holds out to me.”*

(Written by Eddie Askew.)

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### Church Services conducted during June 2007:

June 3rd: 9.00 am Worship Service and Sunday School  
Conducted by Jay Brooks

June 10th: 9.00 am Communion Service and Sunday School  
Service conducted by Avril Hannah-Jones

June 17th: 11.00 am Riddells Creek Uniting Church 140th Anniversary  
Guest speaker Rev. Jason Koia, Moderator of the Uniting Church of Victoria and Tasmania.

June 24th: 9.00 am Worship Service and Sunday School  
Service conducted by Avril Hanah-Jones

### Holiday in Tasmania.

I was very fortunate to have a 3 week holiday in Tasmania from 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2007. Ten of us (from the Romsey Walking Group) went on the Spirit of Tasmania, took 3 cars and had a wonderful holiday. We landed at Devonport where we spent the first night. Then we travelled to Cradle Mountain and walked Dove Lake on a beautiful sunny day before the rain and mist came down. We went to Launceston and on to St. Helen's, down the east coast with many stops and overnight stays at Coles Bay and Triabunna on the way to Port Arthur, then to Richmond and Hobart. We then travelled to Lake St.Clair, on to Strahan and then Stanley (climbed the 'Nut') and finally back to Devonport on 5<sup>th</sup> May to board the ship for the night trip back to Melbourne.

The weather was really great. We stayed in a lot of different places (Youth Hostels or Cabins) and saw a lot of beautiful country. Mountains, Rivers, Rain Forests, Rugged coast lines, rough seas and beautiful beaches etc. Tasmania is a lovely place – wherever you go there is a mountain. A truly fantastic experience.

This is only a very brief summary of our trip.

Jeni Clampit

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The *Woodend Winter Arts Festival* is a unique celebration of the arts held in the picturesque Victorian township of Woodend over the Queen's Birthday Weekend in June. This year the festival showcases music, literature and the visual arts in intimate historical venues over three pleasurable days.

Jazz maestro Don Burrows joins pianist Kevin Hunt for the opening night concert at the Macedon Spa. From 8.00 pm on Friday, June 8 they will improvise on a mixed bag of tunes, some by Don and some by the jazz greats of yesteryear. Don is 79-years-old and still wowing audiences when he performs. This will be a night for jazz fans of all ages and is proudly presented with the assistance of Musica Viva.

On Saturday, June 9 and repeated on Sunday, June 10 there are six concerts that will offer musical delights for all tastes. The historic St Ambrose Church and St Ambrose Church Hall are the perfect venues for these concerts.

Guitarist **Gareth Koch** will present his own transcriptions of Carl Orff's *Carmina Burana* and songs of the Trouvères. This concert is presented with the assistance of Musica Viva. Soprano **Helen Gagliano** joins the festival's own **John O'Donnell** for the Lieder Recital. Their program features Robert Schumann's well-loved *Frauenliebe und Leben* and a variety of songs by Johannes Brahms.

The vocal and instrumental ensembles **Ensemble Gombert** and **Accademia Arcadia** join forces to present, in association with Musica Viva, a tercentennial performance of Handel's youthful and energetic masterpiece *Dixit Dominus* and Domenico Scarlatti's moving *Stabat Mater*.

Internationally acclaimed Melbourne-born pianist and composer **Ian Munro** will perform works by Mozart, Chopin and Schubert, as well as his own *Blue Rags*. Ian Munro is presented with the assistance of Musica Viva.

Accademia Arcadia, including the festival's **Jacqueline Ogeil** on organ and harpsichord, will perform Vivaldi's *La Follia* variations, trio sonatas by Corelli and sonatas by Scarlatti. Accademia Arcadia is presented with the assistance of Musica Viva.

And one of Schubert's best-loved chamber works is performed by **Rochelle Bryson** on violin, **Christian Read** on viola, **Josephine Vains** on cello, **Stuart Riley** on double bass and **John O'Donnell** on piano.

To close the musical component of the *Woodend Winter Arts Festival* on Monday, June 11 will be the **Australian String Quartet** with a program of Schubert, Haydn and Mendelssohn.

And on the final day there will be a piano marathon where the 153 pieces that make up Bartók's *Mikrokosmos* performed by piano students of all ages. Entry to this event at the Macedon Spa Convention Centre is free.

But there is much more than just music at the Woodend Winter Arts Festival. On Saturday, June 9 at 10.30 am at

Holgate's Leadlight Room the pub philosopher **Professor Roger Swarder** will discourse on 'festivals and dispassion'.

The botanical artists of the Macedon Ranges will exhibit works inspired by the local garden environment and the beauty of indigenous forests and surrounding countryside. Exhibiting are **Margaret Castle**, **Jenny Phillips** and **Steph Goss**. **Dr. Peter Wells** offers a different perspective with an X-ray image of a 1475 Hans Memling painting from the NGV. Many of the local artists will open their studios during the festival. And the Gallery of Mt Macedon will hold an exhibition of 40 local artists who have each decorated an artist's palette at Café Colenso.

Campaspe House will host a special exhibition of exquisite silver from **Flynn Brothers of Kyneton**, the makers of the Melbourne Cup.

Lovers of the written word can enjoy workshops and discussions on memoirs and biography over the three days. On Saturday, June 9 the 8 to 12 year olds will be able to meet **Michael Wagner**, the author of the hilarious *The Undys* and *Let the Games Begin*. Readers will be able to take part in a live book group discussion with **Alice Pung**, the author of the memoir *Unpolished Gem* that has been a hit since its release last year. Novelist and teacher **Carmel Bird** will hold a workshop to help would-be writers.

Writer **Alice Pung**, editor **Bryony Cosgrove**, playwright **Michael Gurr** and biographer **Brenda Niall** will discuss the art of biography and memoir and Jocelyn Terry will be in conversation with writer, broadcaster and former Labor parliamentarian **Barry Jones**.

And if you are feeling stressed and need something a little different in your life, don't miss the special event on Saturday, June 9 – African drumming and dance for kids of all ages. At 10.00, 11.30, 2.00 and 3.30 **Guinea Faré** featuring **Aliou Sylla**, the master drummer from Guinea, West Africa will present a dynamic and colourful performance of traditional West African rhythms, using a range of traditional instruments. There will be up to 50 drums available for each workshop. Come along and feel the rhythm.

The Woodend Winter Arts Festival is an intimate arts festival and will be held at St Ambrose Church and Hall and various venues around the town over the Queen's Birthday Weekend from June 8 to 11. Local restaurants will celebrate the festival with special menus. Patrons will be able to enjoy a sumptuous meal before or after a concert. Tickets for all events are now available and can be ordered by visiting [www.woodendwinterartsfestival.org.au](http://www.woodendwinterartsfestival.org.au)

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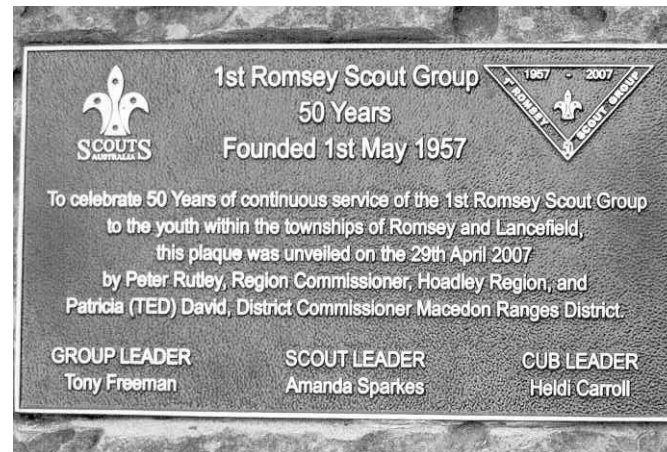
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## 50 Years of Scouting recognised at Romsey



1st Romsey Scout group was recently recognised for 50 years of continuous service in the Romsey district with the unveiling of a commemorative plaque. Pictured above, the Scout group participated in the ANZAC Day ceremony at Romsey as one of many community groups contributing to this moving occasion. Scouts offer our young people many opportunities to be involved in community and other activities, as well as learning new skills and developing new friendships. Maybe a young person in your family might like to become involved.

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## KINDER CORNER ROMSEY KINDERGARTEN NEWS

One of the joys of being involved with a committee is being a part of the development, both tangible and intangible, of the facility or service one is involved in. The satisfaction of working with a group of people all motivated toward the same end-stage goal is, for me, immense. The opportunity to be involved with the ongoing management and growth of a pre-school facility is an absolute privilege, as we attempt to ensure a memorable experience for the young children of Romsey and its surrounding area.

This month has been an exciting one at the Romsey Kindergarten as it undergoes many changes, both physical and less tangible. The new Committee of Management is hitting its stride, with many plans ahead for the year. The teaching staff have been busy with their programs, and are currently planning their professional development initiatives for the year.

### Kinder/MCH Gets a Makeover

As many passers by would have noticed, the Kindergarten/Maternal and Child Health building is looking VERY different. Thanks to funding made available by the Shire of Macedon Ranges Council, painting of the exterior is well under way. The building will receive a bright, fresh appearance in keeping with its purpose as a facility for young children.

### Mother's Day Morning Tea



Mother's Day was celebrated in the Blue and Yellow groups with a morning tea for the mums, grandmas and other special people who attended on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May. The teachers had organised a wonderful performance from the children, whilst Committee members served a sumptuous morning tea. The attendance was overwhelming, ensuring a great experience for all concerned.

### Readiness for School Thank-You

A big thank-you is extended from the Kindergarten Community to the Romsey Primary School for conducting a Readiness For School presentation evening at the Kindergarten recently. Following an introduction from the School Principal (Barney Healy), the Prep Unit teachers (Karen Baker and Jo Emond) helped to inform kindergarten parents of the indicators and strategies employed to assess and assist school readiness.

### Bunnies Visit Kindergarten

All of the Kindergarten children have enjoyed the recent 3-week visit from Cinnamon and her four baby bunnies.

The children have observed the growth of the babies from very tiny kittens to hopping little rabbits. It has been an educational experience for all involved as the very relaxed Cinnamon and her family watched us as much as we watched them!!



### Kilmore International School Gets Kinder On-Line

The Kindergarten Web Site is currently being constructed by two Year 12 students from the Kilmore International School as part of their Community Service work. They have been a delight to work with and have impressed us with their professional approach to this task. We look forward to having the Web Site up and running over the next 8 weeks. It will be an avenue for both current kinder community members and interested others to access information pertaining to the Kindergarten.

### Kindergarten Has A Vision

Committee of Management recently approved having a development plan constructed by a landscape design firm specialising in children's playground facilities. The teaching staff will be providing input to the components of the plans. This would result in a template for future development of the outdoors area, which could be done in "stand-alone" stages, as funds/grants were available. This would give a vision for future development at the Kindergarten to ensure that an overall quality product maximising the kinder experience was achieved in the playground areas. Having such a vision is aimed at maximising the chance of success from funding applications.

### Enrolment Days

Just a reminder that Enrolment Days for the 2008 classes in 3 year old and 4 year old Kindergarten will be held at the Kindergarten on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June between 12.30pm and 2.00pm, and Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June between 12.30pm and 3.00pm. Please direct any enrolment enquiries to the Enrolment Officer (Tracey Newnham 54 296269).

### Anyone For A Sausage?

Just a brief note to anyone visiting the Sunbury Bunnings store on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June that the Kindergarten will be hosting the Sausage Sizzle, so don't forget to buy a sausage on the way out to support us!

Jenny Stillman  
Committee of Management



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Participants receive a comprehensive set of notes summarising the workshop. We offer free technical advice for you when you come to build your oven.

Classes are held at the rear of Café Colenso, 42 Anslow Street, Woodend.

Workshops are available on the first Saturday of the following months:

June (2nd), July (7th), August (4th), September (1st), October (6th) and November (3rd).

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## Greetings from the Romsey Toy Library!

You'll no doubt see and hear a lot about the library in coming weeks as the Federal Government grant of \$2717 has stirred up lots of interest in the local media. Toy library parents and children have been photographed with some of our toys and new costumes so look out for our faces in the various local papers!

For those who missed out on the news, the toy library has benefited from the Federal Government's Volunteer Small Equipment Grants (FACSIA) program, which helps the work of volunteers within community organisations. The money will be spent on portable containers and units for the library's existing toys, which will help the committee to catalogue and store them much more easily. It will also fund a laptop computer to help with administration work, and a digital camera to help with cataloguing and promotional activities. Also, a portable first aid kit will be purchased.

In other toy library news, we have gained a few new members in the first quarter of the year, so a big welcome to them! We very much appreciate your interest and support, and hope you are enjoying borrowing from our range.

This month, the toy library committee will be applying for a Shire of Macedon Ranges grant to help improve and extend our range of toys. If successful, the toy library is likely to begin a 'party pack' which will be able to be hired by members and people in the wider community. Details are still to be finalised, but it's likely the party pack will comprise lightweight, child-sized tables and chairs and a range of toys people will be able to use when hosting a party at home. Items such as our nylon collapsible tunnel and games which children can play i.e. sacks for a sack race, will take the burden off parents having a party at home. The party pack hire fee will enable the toy library to gain some much-needed income and reduce our reliance on grant money to improve and expand our service.

Our only income apart from grants is our subscription money from members, and this is almost entirely spent on insurance, rent and other running costs so, as you can see, without a generous grant from the council and fundraising, the toy library cannot prosper and grow. We have been lucky enough to have received strong support from the council in the past in the shape of an annual grant, so we hope very much they will help the toy library again this year. We believe we offer a valuable service to the town, especially to low-income families, and deliberately keep our fees very affordable so our toy library is very accessible.

In other news, our new 'pretend play' range will be available for borrowing next month.

These is a range of dress-ups or costumes – very handy if you have a fancy dress party coming up! Most fit children aged between 3-7 years. The costumes are – nurse, doctor, chef, Indian boy/girl, pirate, Arabian belly dancer, wizard, witch, and there are two colourful clown costumes of varying sizes. The dress-ups are bound to be popular – after all, what child does not like dressing up?

As well we have purchased a giant collapsible circus tent which looks fantastic, is easy to erect and makes a fantastic temporary cubby. I am sure parents and children will want to borrow this tent with one or two of the clown costumes!



Accompanying this column are some photos which show some of the fabulous new costumes.

If your child has a costume birthday or has to go to one, you don't have to make or buy a costume, simply borrow one from the toy library!

As always, we need new members! Memberships are still \$15 for 6 months or \$25 for one year, regardless of the number of children in your family.

We have lots of 'big toys' – scooters, Cozy Coupe cars for toddlers, jeep ride-ones, trikes, see-saws and the like – which are great to borrow as they are expensive to buy.

Come along one Saturday morning and check out our range! We have hundreds of puzzles, games, large and small toys, ride-ons, LeapPads, Leapsters and educational CD-ROMs for you to borrow for children aged from birth to 12 years.

Or just give Leanne Manton a call on 5429 6583 and we'll sign you up.

The library opens in St Mary's Hall (behind the Catholic Church) on Saturday mornings from 10am until 11.30am.

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

Yours sincerely  
**LEANNE MANTON,**  
President,





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

27 Chauncey Street, Lancefield  
Cnr. Main Street & Barry Road, Romsey

Parish Priest: Fr. George O'Connor  
Pastoral Associate: Mrs. Joanne Reuther  
School Principal: Mr. Anthony Falls

Presbytery: 5429 2130  
Convent: 5429 1582  
School: 5429 1359

Parish Website: [www.users.bigpond.com/stmlancefield](http://www.users.bigpond.com/stmlancefield)

### MASS TIMES

**Saturday:** 7.00 p.m. Lancefield

**1<sup>st</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month:**

8.00 a.m. Lancefield and 10.00 a.m. Romsey

**2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month:**

8.00 a.m. Romsey and 10.00 a.m. Lancefield

### RECONCILIATION

After weekday Mass or by arrangement.

### BAPTISMS

February, April, June, August, October, December.

For more information, please phone 5429 2130.

### REGULAR EVENTS

**SVDP Drop-in:** First Thursday of each month,  
10.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m., St. Mary's Church Hall, Romsey.

All welcome to come for a game of  
cards/chat and free lunch.

**Spiritual Guidance:** Last Wednesday of each month

at the Presbytery, 27 Chauncey Street, Lancefield.

John Stuart, Councillor and Guide. Tel: 5429 2130

for more information.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### RCIA Enquiry Night:

Have you ever wanted to be baptised? Wanted to  
explore your faith journey? Wanted to be a Catholic?

Wondered what Catholics really believe? If so, we  
invite you to an enquiry evening at St. Mary's on

**Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30 p.m.** in the Presbytery.

For further information, please contact Fr. George  
on 5429 2130 or Joanne Reuther on 5429 1582.

#### Mother's Day Raffle Winners:

Congratulations to the winners of our Mother's Day Raffle:

1<sup>st</sup> prize Kath Ireland;

2<sup>nd</sup> prize Pat Power,

3<sup>rd</sup> Marie Hoban.

### ST. MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS



#### STARRY STARRY NIGHT

#### St. Mary's School Dinner Dance

Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2007

Lancefield Mechanics Hall

Live Band "DESOUND"

Come dressed as your favourite  
rock star, movie star, pop star.

\$30 per head. Spit Roast Dinner.

Drinks at bar prices. Strictly no BYO.

Tickets sold individually or in tables of 10.

For more information or to book tickets,  
please contact the school on 5429 1359  
between 10.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. on weekdays.

### BINGO!!

#### Every Thursday evening

#### St Mary's Church Hall at Romsey DOORS OPEN EYES DOWN

7.00 pm 7.30 pm

30 games (2 sessions of 15 games)

Finishing around 9.45 pm

\$3 per 15 game book Canteen Facilities

No entry fee Free tea and coffee



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Romsey Community House Inc.  
A Learning and Activity Centre  
P.O.Box 418  
Romsey, Vic 3434

## HOUSE NEWS

### Programs for Term 2:

#### Art Classes:

#### Children's and Adult Art Classes

Learn how to draw, and expand your skills. Contact Gillian on 5429 5448 / 0411 579 906 for further details.

### Art & Craft Market for Romsey

Expressions of interest are sought from local arts and  
crafts people to start a regular art and craft market in  
Romsey

For information phone Gillian on 5429 5448 /  
0411579906

Some of our old favourites include:

#### Drop In Craft Morning

Every Thursday 10.30 am—12.30 pm at CFA Headquar-  
ters, Stawell Street, Romsey. Bring along those unfin-  
ished craft projects., enjoy some company and a cuppa,  
and meet new people. (Venue may change at short no-  
tice with the fire season on). Gold coin donation.

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

Cost: \$12 per session or \$100 per 10 week term.

For further information or bookings contact Kym Oliver on  
54292134.

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

**Writer's Group with Dee White**—new members wel-  
come. Please contact 0412 275 152 if you are interested  
in joining. Meets once per month on the first Monday  
night at 7.00pm at Romsey Primary School.

**Crop till you drop:** Each third Saturday of the month  
beginning April 15th. for all you Memory Makers and  
Scrapbookers. Starts at 5.00pm, cost is \$15 per session  
and includes pizza or fish'n'chips for dinner. For further  
information contact Belinda Williams 54291693/ 0407  
203 826 or Lesley Ashley 54295259 / 0409 419 119.  
Venue - Romsey Primary School.

### Coming Up:

We hope to be offering a certificate course in Re-  
sponsible Serving of Alcohol. Please contact Robyn  
on 0412 275 152 if you would be interested in this  
course.

We are also investigating the possibility of running  
classes in picture framing and science fun for kids.  
Keep watching the Rag for more information

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

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

### Hub Update:

Meetings have begun to discuss management issues and  
structures relating to the Community Hub once it is open.  
A short-list of builders has been developed and tenders  
are being called. It is hoped that building work will com-  
mence in July or August, but first the library will be tem-  
porarily relocated into a portable building on the site.

# Gillmay Arts Success Coaching

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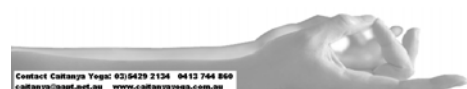
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goals, pursue your dreams ....*

**Come to one of my free seminars and start your journey NOW!!!!**

*Supper provided*  
**Dates:** 25<sup>th</sup> May 15<sup>th</sup> June  
**Times:** 7.30 to 9.30pm  
**Venue :** Romsey primary school  
**For more information Contact Gillian on 54295448 / 0411579906**





## YOGA AND PHILOSOPHY CLASSES

It is essential in our busy lives to make time for rest & relaxation. Kym and Andrew Oliver offer yoga and philosophy classes throughout the Macedon Ranges group of Neighbourhood Houses and Learning Centers. Such classes assist you make a daily return to inner peace. Our aim is for community members to experience increased physical health, emotional maturity, clarity of thought and spiritual unfoldment.

Our services include:

- **Hatha yoga classes:** to strengthen & tone the body, with an emphasis on mental relaxation.
- **Vedanta philosophy classes:** a practice-based knowledge that teaches dynamic living with mental peace in a group discussion format.
- **Yoga retreats and workshops:** single day & weekend programs offer participants an opportunity for deeper study on many aspects of yoga in beautiful surroundings.
- **Guided tour to India:** (October 2007). The aim of the 16 day tour is to introduce practitioners to the four traditional yoga paths, by visiting facilities that highlight each path.

Please contact us to make a booking for term 3, 2007.

**Hatha yoga class times:** (DURATION all classes run for 1hour, 15minutes &

COSTS \$12 per class, \$100 per 10 week term).

WHAT TO BRING Small blanket, yoga mat if you have one.

### RIDDELLS CREEK MONDAY (with Kym Oliver)

10am – Riddells Creek Living and Learning Centre  
59 Main Road, Riddells Creek

### WOODEND TUESDAY (with Kym)

7.00pm – Woodend Community Centre  
47 Forrest Street, Woodend

### THURSDAY (with Andrew Oliver)

7.00pm – Woodend Community Centre  
47 Forrest Street, Woodend

### ROMSEY WEDNESDAY (with Kym Oliver)

7.00pm – Romsey Primary School  
Station Street, Romsey

### LANCEFIELD SATURDAY (with Kym and Andrew)

10.00am – Lancefield Primary School  
High Street, Lancefield

### Vedanta philosophy class times:

There are currently two classes on Vedanta philosophy:  
**Woodend MONDAY (with Kym Oliver)**  
12.00pm – 1.30pm  
Woodend Neighbourhood House

**47 Forest St, Woodend**  
**TUESDAY (with Andrew Oliver)**  
6.30pm – 8pm Bundaleer Healing Centre  
201 Gisborne – Melton Hwy, Gisborne



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10:00am @ 7 Mitchell Court Romsey  
&  
10:00am Woodend Community Centre  
(1st Sunday of each month)  
6:00pm @ Woodend Community Centre,  
High St. Woodend - Every Sunday evening (No evening service 1st Sunday of the month)  
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"Super Summer Sale" Clothes 20—25% off!  
Thursday 21st June 1.00—3.00 pm  
4 Bowkett Close, Romsey

## FRAN WELCOMES END TO NUISANCE CALLERS

Local Federal Member Fran Bailey has welcomed the launch of the Government's national Do Not Call Register.

"Our residents and small businesses in our Macedon region will be protected from nuisance telemarketing phone calls with the launch of this register, which will begin at the end of this month," Fran said.

"Not all of us are interested in purchasing items or contributing to surveys via telemarketers and calls from these groups often come at extremely inconvenient times – when you're preparing dinner, sitting down to dinner with your family, or up to your elbows in potting mix in the garden.

"This register aims to put an end to that inconvenience.

"Even if the call is being made from a foreign country, if the call is made on behalf of an Australian company, it will be illegal.

"While a very limited amount of calls will be allowed, including those from charities and market research companies, evidence shows the Register will greatly reduce the number of unsolicited calls.

"Based on overseas experience, there is expected to be a high level of demand for the register - as many as one million registrations expected in the first week."

Fran said the number of unsolicited calls in Australia has grown significantly in recent years, and has led to rising community concerns about the inconvenience and intrusiveness of telemarketing.

"From today, our residents can register their personal home and mobile numbers, making it illegal for telemarketers to call these numbers after 31 May," Fran said.

Registration is free and can easily be done by completing a short form online at [www.donotcall.gov.au](http://www.donotcall.gov.au), while telephone-based registrations will be available later this month.

Forms will also be available through Australia Post Offices from mid-May.

"Registrations are valid for three years, and people can withdraw their registration at any time," Fran said.

Registrations start today and the scheme becomes fully operational on 31 May.

If consumers receive telemarketing calls more than a month after registering on the Do Not Call Register, they can lodge a complaint online at [www.donotcall.gov.au](http://www.donotcall.gov.au) or through the Do Not Call complaints line, on 1300 792 958.

Telemarketers will be required to 'wash' their telephone contact lists via the Do Not Call Register from 25 May 2007 and from 31 May 2007 will be bound by the legislation and new rules for telemarketing calls.

### ROMSEY-LANCEFIELD AMBULANCE AUXILIARY

The Romsey-Lancefield Ambulance Auxiliary invites new members to its  
Annual General Meeting  
on Tuesday July 17th at 7.30 pm.  
This meeting will be held  
at the Ambulance Station in Romsey.  
ENTRY IS AT THE REAR OF THE BUILDING.  
Enquiries—phone Don on 5429 3532.  
Come along and support  
this important community service.

### Take a walk along Five Mile Creek

A week or so ago I walked along the walking track beside Five Mile Creek—the first time I have done so in many, many months.  
The Five Mile Creek group and its many volunteers, and the Macedon Ranges Shire Council are to be congratulated for all the effort that has gone into the improvement of this area. The walking track is well set out and a very easy walk (flat all the way), and the various crossings have all been significantly upgraded. There has been a huge amount of work done in clearing old timbers and debris, planting new growth areas and cutting back trees along the path. It is a very pleasant experience to have a wander or a picnic in this peaceful and attractive environment right in the middle of our town. It is a real asset!

### Volunteer Thank You Evening

Last week the Macedon Ranges Shire Council hosted an evening in recognition of the effort volunteers put in to a huge number and variety of organisations in the region. It was held at the Kyneton Town Hall and attended by about 100 people representing a large range of groups from kindergartens to the CFA, church groups to local hall committees, neighbourhood houses to play groups and more. A light meal was served, and this time was a great opportunity to network and share experiences with volunteers from the many different groups. It was interesting to hear of their particular projects and affiliations, as well as their successes and frustrations in achieving the goals of their particular organisations.

The formal part of the evening consisted of addresses by representatives from the council, the Department for Victorian Communities (DVC) outlining the availability of grant from local government and state government sources, and quite often projects are funded from several different local and state grants.

This was followed by a series of talks by individuals who have been successful in applying for funding for some very significant grants to undertake major community projects.

The message from both government speakers and community volunteers was very much that funding is available for a range of major and small projects, for groups that wish to put the effort into applying, but there is also a lot of competition for grants. The application process is often quite a complex one, and requires a fair degree of commitment and effort. Applications need to be well presented and researched, with a lot of supporting evidence for the request. However daunting this may seem, there is help and advice available from the DVC when putting together an application.  
Thank you to the council for organising this event.











