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We look forward to YOUR SUPPORT and take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. From Connie Garner.

ROMSEY & LANCEFIELD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

November is a busy month, with our final MENS BREAKFAST (SAT NOV 10th) AND LADIES LUNCHEON (FRI NOV 30th) for 1990. Both events will be held at the Monegeeta Tea Rooms.

Of particular interest to local women in the Ladies Luncheon, which will feature Elaine Pattinson from the Mornington Peninsula as guest speaker. Elaine comes on a non-denominational basis, and with vast experience in ministering to womens groups. Bookings can be made through Lorraine Holland.

Romsey and Lancefield Christian Fellowship is a locally based church with a commitment to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ within the local community. We welcome you to attend our Sunday morning services, held in the Romsey Mechanics Hall at 10.00am. Comprehensive childrens ministry is provided in conjunction with the main service.

On WEDNESDAY EVENING NOV 7th, Geoff Holland will speak on his recent preaching tour of India and Pakistan. A full report on the power of the gospel to deliver broken and poverty stricken lives, and details of the current turbulent situation in both countries.

Enquiries welcomed by Geoff Holland.

ROMSEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

- * The new Primary School buildings have already been put on hold for an indefinite time.
- * The Secondary Component of the new school to which most of our children would naturally have progressed, has been put back still further.
- * Our present buildings are old and in need of regular maintenance. there will be no new school for some time and we at Romsey have had to "make do" for long enough with a hotch-potch building arrangement and unsatisfactory facilities. All the planning time and architect's fees appear to have been wasted. Really, Romsey has already done its bit for the Budget Cuts without all the other cutbacks we face.
- * The increasing population in the Romsey area means an increasing school population. This means our school site will be placed under increased strain. The School Support Services which we at present utilise to assist us with problems often outside our expertise, are to be cut back and this will exacerbate our difficulties.
- * Such support has come in the form of specially trained personnel working with children who may have disabilities such as hearing and speech impairments or slow intellectural development, and we do enjoy such assistance at present at Romsey.
- * School Support Services assess children with a wide variety of problems and work with them and their teachers to best overcome these. The loss of such a service to our local educational settings would be of great consequence.
- * School Support Services advise teachers on new Curriculum and new approaches to educating children. These people are experts in their fields and are involved in the planning and conduct of our Curriculum Days, and eften assist in after hours meetings. they really live up to their names and support our local schools in a wide variety of ways. Many parents from our school have utilised these services and could speak highly of the assistance provided.
- * If your child has no need of the Support Services for intellectual, emotional or physical impairment at present please consider how you would feel if your child were involved in an accident or trauma, and required special assistance to remain in a normal school setting. These are the Supports that are to be cut back.
- * This year Romsey Primary has had a Reading Recovery teaching in training. The provision for such teachers is threatened with the Budget Cuts. The Reading Recovery program has proved to be very successful in helping young children to become literate after they have faced failure.
- * The eventual rise in the pupil teacher ratio is inevitable if teachers are not to be replaced. This will happen at Romsey too and will be more disturbing because of our inadequate buildings. There will be less individual attention available for your children. Specialist teachers such as Art, Library, P.E., and Music may have to return to regular classroom duties causing substantial loss to the wide educational opportunities now available.
- * School Cleaning positions also face reductions
- * To support our campaign against Budget Cuts, Union Members will continue to take Stopwork Action.

Bob Sherren F.T.U.V. ROMSEY BRANCH PRESIDENT.

THE SHIRE OF ROMSEY HISTORY BOOK COMMITTEE give notice of a Public Meeting to be held at the Shire Office on 19th November, 1990, at 8pm. The Annual Meeting is open to all who wish to attend.

D. Viney - Hon. Secretary.

PARENTS GUIDE TO VICTORIA'S NEIGHBOURHOOD PRIMARY SCHOOLS AND DISTRICT SECONDARY COLLEGES:

The Ministry of Educaton has produced this up to date information booklet for parents of children about to commence primary school and for parents considering secondary schooling options for their children. major features of the school system and answers to questions that are most commonly asked about Victorian state schools. All young people in this state have access to a high quality education at their local neighbourhood primary school and district secondary college. Parents can expect that Victoria's state schools will teach their children so that they have the skills necessary to go on to further education, training or employment. Parents have a vital role to play in the education of their chidren. You provide the basic grounding for your children before they enter school. Once your child is at school you can, in co-operation with the teachers, actively help him/her to progress. This booklet contains some useful hints on how to do this. Copies of this booklet are available at the Romsey Primary School Office for any interested parents.

IN YOUR ROMSEY GARDEN NO. 57

GARDEN PEST CONTROL PT.5.: As a resident of Romsey for the last 12 years with a .3 hectare block containing fruit trees, vegetable garden and much of the remaining land planted with trees, vegetable and ground covers, it has been depressing to note the steady increase in pests and diseases occurring over the last few years. Although major weeds have been practically eliminated since the initial clearing of the entire block by grader during the building excavations, the populations of snails, cabbage butterflies, aphids, pear & cherry slugs, scale insects and pest birds in the orchard and vegetable garden have got beyond the control of our natural predators such as praying mantis, ladybirds, spiders, small lizards (skinks), and the small numbers of insectivorous birds which have so far escaped their own predators, and which, in any case, appear to prefer to confine themselves to the crnamental garden which is therefore almost pest free.

To overcome this problem which has probably been exacerbated by the increasing number of new plantings in the area, many of which contain vegetables, fruit trees, roses and other plants demanding a higher degree of maintenance than their owners are able or willing to give, it has been necessary to increase our spraying regime, which of course, unless carried out with due regard to the welfare of beneficial insects, can only defeat its own purpose by reducing the efficiency of any biological controls which exist, as well as reducing the bee population that is already inadequate for the pollination of many fruit trees in early spring.

For those interested, help in pest control is available from the Department of Agriculture and Rural Affairs, some newspapers and magazines as well as from the writer at convenient times.

Syd Wheller.

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DATE: Saturday - 17th November, 1990

TIME : 9.00am - 4.00pm.

PLACE: 7 Gott Court, Romsey.

EVERYBODY WELCOME : CHANTILLEY FASHIONS PLUS : DONNA LIDDICOAT 295956
TONI MASON 295802

PLEASE NOTE: The next edition of the "Romsey Rag" is the final for 1990. February 1991 Romsey Rag is the 1st for the new year. Articles for the February edition will need to be submitted by the 1st February. If anyone has a spare Monday morning or afternoon, please consider helping with collating or distributing the Romsey Rag we urgently need more volunteers to provide this valuable service to the community.

Council have agreed to an application for the erection of two houses on one block at Lot 112 Metcalfe Drive. This will be a corner block (extension of Desmond Cres., to intersect with Metcalfe Drive) (when the Romsey Park Estate is eventually completed).

Permission has also been given to allow B.Y.O. at the proposed restaurant 86 Main St., next to O'Deas Motor Spares. Due to an inconsistency between the title details and plans, the owners of the proposed restaurant in Main St., have been directed by Council to pay the car parking levy for 3 of the 15 spaces which were originally shown but are now unable to be provided.

Permission has also been given for the development of two block

sub-division application at 101-103 Main St.

Little debate was necessary at the Estimates Meeting held in early October as money is in short supply, as we are sure your household budget will confirm. Council finally opted for an 8% increase in rates. Cutbacks in community services, deletion of the Shire Newsletter and reduced times at the book mobile, assisted in keeping the increase to a minimum.

The Shire Office will close for the Christmas holiday break from 3pm 21.12.90 and re-open 8.12.90. Refer local papers for confirmation. Council recently resolved to provide a disposal pit for unwanted sheep. The cost of providing this facility for some 4-5000 sheep is likely to be some \$5000. The Department of Agriculture & Rural Affairs have given guidelines as to the requirements of the pit and have also suggested farmers be made aware of arrangements currently utilised by Castle Bacon, Castlemaine. company is prepared to pick-up unwanted sheep of minimum numbers of 500 at no cost to the farmer if the farmer shoots the sheep. They are using these sheep for fertiliser products. The Council could provide the loading facility. Discussions are being held with the company at the same time as preparation for the necessary work involved in providing a pit occurs. One drawback of the Castle Bacon offer is that it is limited to recently shorn sheep as woollen sheep are not suitable to render down for blood and bone.

The R.C.F. & F.S. (Romsey Canine Fraternal & Friendly Society) wish to advise their members of the sudden demise of brother 'Bozo' who was detected dining out in a local chook pen. They again warn that chicken bones are bad for your health. As the Shire Ranger is back from leave, please mind your P's and Q's when out and take along your minder and membership tag.

Finally, Council have given permission for the Wilderness Society to conduct a badge appeal in the Shire on November 16th and 17th.

Till next time.

Sue Officer 295 130 Doug Newnham 295 287 Geoff Neil 295 523.

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT EDITION OF THE ROMSEY RAG SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO THE ROMSEY POST OFFICE BY 1PM ON FRIDAY 7TH DECEMBER.

EDITORIAL COMMITTEE: Beryl Cole, Sybil Francis & Trevor Turnham.

TYPING: Carol Bradley & Jenifer Clampit. - Maureen Kalph.

DUPLICATING & COLLATION: Elsie Paterson, Kerry Lemin, Leonie Armistead, Laurie Armistead, Lynn Finn. Helen Walls

the Romsey Reg Committee wish & Elsie Paterson to We miss you Elsie

ROMSEY RED CROSS NEWS

The next and final meeting of the Romsey Red Cross unit for the year will be held at Trish Corners place on the 23rd NOVEMBER, at 11am. All members are asked to bring a plate to share for lunch afterwards. For enquiries re directions ring 054/270494. Red Cross will be selling Christmas Cards and gifts each Friday afternoon in the kiosk between 1.30 and 4pm. Your patronage would be appreciated. Red Cross thanks the community and the Romsey Rag for its support during the year.

Yours sincerely,

Patricia Corner, RMB 1530, Romsey.

LEGAL NOTES : "HAVE YOU MADE A WILL?"

One thing you should do before Christmas and holiday period is to make a will.

Everyone over the age of 18 years can and should have a will. This will ensure that your property is distributed in the way you want after your death.

Give careful consideration to the appointment of an executor. This person attends to the job of ensuring that your directions are carried out. A relative or friend may be a good person to appoint as executor. You should speak to them first to let them know you want them to be executor and to make sure that it is allright with them. A person who has been left something in a will may be also named executor.

Once your will has been made, it should be kept in a safe place such as a bank or a solicitors office.

If you already have a will, it may need updating. The following events may require changes to your will:-

- 1. There is a substantial change in your financial situation.
- 2. The death of an intended beneficiary.
- 3. New arrival in the family.
- 4. Your separation or divorce.
- You remarry.
- 6. Changes in legislation, such as death duties.

Many people don't bother to make a will because they don't expect to die, but as we all know, accidents can and do happen. So make a firm resolve to make a will.

These notes were prepared by Maureen Wiltshire, Solicitor of 75 Main Street, Romsey. Telephone (054) 295292.

THE ROMSEY/LANCEFIELD AND DISTRICTS HISTORICAL SOCIETY held a very successful evening on the 25th September, 1990, when about 30 p0eople enjoyed a casserole tea, followed by a very interesting talk by Dr. Lindsay Francis, on "Romsey in the 1950's". the map of the 1950's prepared by Dr. Francis was donated by him to the historical Society. the President, Elaine Lobb baked a delicious birthday cake for 3 members who had birthdays at that time.

The October meeting was a business meeting but the 24th of November, Arthur Howard of the Preston Historical Society, will be giving an address on The Rudder Grange Story. In its heyday this was a very popular Yarra River Tea Rooms and boat hiring centre, for young people. All will enjoy this illustrated story.

On Sunday, 14th October about 28 people enjoyed a bus trip to Castlemaine where we were given a guided tour of the Botanical Gardens, around the streets and then to see three beautifully restored homes. Our thanks to John Green for the use of his bus.

Romsey and Lancefield Districts' Historical Society Inc.

WEIGHT WATCHERS: Join our friendly group of men and ladies. Slim down for summery while still eating three meals a day and snacks. Thursday, 7pm. Uniting Church Hall, Pohlman Street, Romsey. Lecturer - Gayle Ryan.

ATTENTION TO ALL INTERESTED JUNIOR SQUASH PLAYERS
Beginners or experienced, all are welcome to aattend a few weeks squash
practice sessions at the Romsey Recreation Centre. School children agen ten
and up. Practices will commence on Saturday 20th October. Names will also be
taken for the junior pennant teams. All teams will be supervised by the
Romsey Squash Club.

Cost is \$4.00 each. Players will play from 9am till 12 noon. Further enquiries contact Ron Anderson on 295 532.

ROMSEY GOLF CLUB

Twilight golf (the "Chicken Run") will commence on Thursday Nov 8th at 5pm. Everyone welcome to come along and join in. Cost will be \$2 to cover the prizes. Bring along your BBQ meat and salad and stay and enjoy the company. Drinks available. Non members most welcome.

Beryl Cole 295 411

The Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 28th November, at 8pm in the Club Rooms. Could all members please attend this meeting as there are proposals to change the constitution and by-laws. G.Clement.

PROPOSED NEW COMMUTER BUS CO-OP:

The Bolinda bus will be available from January 2nd - 17th for commuters to melbourne to test the needs. Those interested please come to Romsey Uniting Church Sunday School Hall at 8pm on November 8th.

John Green - Phone 285347 - best time 6-7am.

ST.MARY'S SCHOOL FAMILY FAIR - Chauncy Street, Lancefield Sunday 25th November, 11am-3pm.

Woodchopping Events, Dance Displays, Big Wheel, Lots of Stalls etc. In the event of bad weather it will be held in the Mechanics Hall, Lancefield.

ROMSEY FIRE BRIGADE AUXILLARY:

Could Members please note the next meeting will be held on Monday 26th November, at 8pm at the Group Headquarters in Stawell Street. At the October meeting Beryl Cole was re-elected as President and Denise Barnes was also re-elected as Secretary. Our Treasurers position was not filled and will be filled at our November meeting.

Denise Barnes.

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ROMSEY LADIES GOLF

Congratulations to our trophy winners for 1990.

CLUB CHAMPION - Helen Newnham

36 CHAMPION - Bev Gaunt

SINGLES KNOCK OUT CHAMPION - Pauline Sloane

MEDAL OF MEDALIST - Jean Johnston

ROSE SCANLON PERPETUAL TROPHY - Pauline Sloane

ECLECTIC - Leila Beasley

ECLECTIC 36's - Mary Campbell

PUTTING - Jean Johnston

GOBBLERS - Shirley Shelton

NETT AGGREGATE OVER THE CHAMPIONSHIP - Helen Newnham. - Trophy donated by

Life Member Phyliss Mitchell.

The highlight of ouur presentation night was Jean Johnston being presented with her Life Membership as a fitting reward for her many years of service to

Winneers for the month have been 3.10.90 Jean Johnston

10.10.90 Jean Johnston

17.10.90 B grade Jean Johnston

C grade Bev Gaunt

Ladies played for two tickets to the Victorian Women's Open played at Woodlands Golf Club 30th Nov - 2nd Dec.

24.10.90 Twosomes - Jean Johnston & Sherryn

Logan.

During October some of our Ladies have had success while playing at other clubs.

On Friday 12th October S. Shelton and P. Sloaane were Runners Up at Kyneton in a 4BBB with 38pts.

On Tuesday 16th at Trentham S. Shelton & P. Sloane were winners in a 4BBB with 48 pts.

On Thursday 18th at Broadford Elaine Scanlon won C Grade with 41 Stableford pts and broke her handicap from 33 to 31. Congratulations Elaine. On Monday 22nd at Laverton Pauline Sloane won B Grade with 32 stableford

On Thursday 25th aat Woodend Shirley Shelton won B Grade Handicap with 93 nett

New office bearers elected at the A.G.M.

President

Pauline Sloane

Vice President

Leila Beasley

Secretary Beryl Cole Treasurer

Mary Campbell

Captain

Captain Shirley Shelton Ass. Captain Sharyn Logan

We thank them all for taking on these positions and hope we aall have a wonderful year playing golf.

Shirley Shelton.

ROMSEY BOWLING CLUB NEWS

Romsey Laadies commenced their pennant season on 2nd October and so far are doing really well.

Ladies who do not play pennant have formed "Bankers" with Trentham and Woodend and these weekly games are enjoyed by all. Unfortunately Ladies Opening Day was a wash out but their "100-UP" day made jup for it with Jean Johnston, Paat Clark, Marj Davies and Dorothy Thompson through to the semi-finals. Mens pennant started on Saturday 20th October with Division 1 going down to

top side Bacchus Marsh by 10 points and Division 3 winning at home to Woodend by 13 shots. Saturday 27th saw Division 1 beating Lancefield by 41 shots and Division 3 away to Trentham having aa good 60 shot win.

Mens Mid Week Bowls are held on a Wednesday afternoon. This is a social game hosted by Romsey, Lancefield and Gisborne but open to all bowlers. It was held last Wednesday at Romsey with the winning team being D. Dirrel (Gisborne), Mike Dobson (Romsey), T. Savelli (Gisborne), and R. Walton (Lancefield).

Midweek will be held this WEDNESDAY 7th AT LANCEFIELD. There will be social bowls on Cup Day - at 1.30 with a "SWEEP' of course!

Next club BBQ is on 1st December with a "50's night" just for a laugh. An open invitation to come and have a bowl, just come down or give me a ring and we'll take it from there.

> MARGARET HOWATSON 295 724.

LITTLE ATHLETICS

Well here we are - the start of another Little Aths summer season. Our venue and time is the same as last season - Saturday mornings 9 to about 11 on the oval behind the Lancefield Primary School. There is plenty of parking up the top (not jon the oval, please - it is still too wet).

The Committee organises the events but we rely on parents to stay and get involved. Parents are needed to help start, finish, time, watch, measure and especially encourage their kids. The emphasis in Little Aths is on participation and enjoyment- this applies equally to parents and competitors. The children compete in age groups (usually) at runing, discus, shotput, long jump and high jump. Later in the season if we have enough interest we will. organise coaching sessions in the various events.

Officially there is a 5-15 age limit for Little Aths but we also cater .jforthe under 5's.

A few points - hats and sumburn cream on sunny or windy days (there is not much protection on the oval).

- we supply cordial, but the children will usually be hungry by mid-morning so a fruit snack would be good.

- parents are asked to keep their children off the athletic equipment when they are not rostered to use it. There are two reasons for this - danger to the children when unsupervised and the danger of damage to high jump, tapes, etc. This doesn't apply to the sandpit which is ideal for sandcastles.

Fees for the year are \$15 for the first child, \$13 for the second and \$10 each for any more. Most of this goes to the VLAA for insurance, books, badges, etc. and the rest towards equipment, cordial, sand and so on.

If you want to become involved in Little Aths the Committee would-love to hear from you. "Many hands make light work" as the saying goes.

This years Committee: President Andy Moore 291 751

Sacretary Phil Francis 295 968 Treasurer John Weber 291 436

Registrar Margaret Macleod 295 384

Publicity Patsi Rowe 291 856

Special thanks to Ian Wilkens of Slasheze for generously mowing the oval prior to the start of the season.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

The RDFL Sports Trainers Presentation Night was held on Wednesday 17th October at the Moonee Ponds Bowling Club.

Romsey Football Club head-trainer, Peter Cay alias "PJ" was presented twoaawards, one a Service Award for 1990, the other for being a Fouundation Member dating back to the formation of the group in 1987. Congratulations to PJ on behalf of the Romsey Football Club.

Cheryl aand Flona.

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