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AROUND YOUR ROMSEY HOME No.18

Pests & Problems - Birds & Nuts. One of the most common problems in many country and some outer suburban gardens is the loss or damage to nut crops by parrots and cockatoos. While the writer's solution to the problem may not suit those who are determined to grow almonds and walnuts, it will certainly appeal to those who are prepared to grow another kind of nut - macadamia nuts! Given a well-drained position, sheltered from frosts and cold south winds - a situation where citrus can be grown - there is no reason to expect failure although it may take seven years or more to produce a reasonable crop.

Bearing about 150 nuts in 1991, after about seven years in ground, the writer's tree, obtained from Queensland in 1984, alleged to be a grafted tree of a large-fruited variety - which is doubtful - is producing a larger crop each year, and as the nuts are borne inside the branches of a dense, bushy tree, not readily visible to birds, and would probably be too hard to open, we expect no problems. A special nut cracker copied from a Queensland design has been made to cope with this problem ourselves.

-Syd Wheller.

FAMILY TWILIGHT WALK - MONDAY, 15TH FEBRUARY

Leaving Old Post Office at 7.00p.m. Sharp. Suitable for children and bikes. 1-1½ Hours. Everyone at their own pace!



MONITORING CO-ORDINATOR: Kerrie Reardon
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Michael Lane, Neil Rowley,
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Approval for a Mortgage Relief Loan depends on your capacity to resume normal loan repayments once the assistance ends.

If you would like to know more about Mortgage Relief Grants contact:

Lisa Delaney - Cobaw Emergency Accommodation Service, ROMSEY

Cobaw Community Health Centre,
97 Main Road,

Ph: 29 6011.

The next Parenting Skills Program - Living with Children - is scheduled for March. Interested participants can enquire by ringing Kerrie Reardon on 295 201 or our Family Counsellor at Cobaw Community Health Service on 296 011.

On 9th February, the Lancefield Community House will be holding a 'Sunsmart Awareness Day' including a light luncheon. Topics for discussion will include:
How to recognise skin cancer;
What precautions can one take?
What treatment is available?

Bookings are essential.
Phone 291 294 for more information.

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ROMSEY?

Contact
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WALSH,
Community
Health
Nurse,

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296 011

Wed.
or
Fri.





ROMSEY COUNCIL NEWS

ROMSEY RIDING

Welcome to 1993!

On behalf of all residents, the Riding Councillors extend their congratulations to Mrs. Jean Tom, who was awarded an Officer in the General Division Award (AO) in the Australia Day Honours, in recognition of service to the welfare of women through the Country Women's Association.

While on the subject of Australia Day, a very pleasant evening was spent at Riddells Creek on 26th January to celebrate Australia Day.

Planning Scheme Amendment L20 was approved by the Minister and gazetted on 14th January, 1993, and now forms the Planning Scheme for the Shire. Future planning decisions will be made under its guidelines.

Construction of Rogers Street and Pohlman Street have been commenced. These, together with Murphy Street, should soon be sealed. The wet weather has caused long delays in these works. The 400 metre section of Glenfern Road off Woodend Road has been sealed, and the turning lane at Old Farm Way is also under construction.

The buildings on the site of the new school continue to take shape, and the extensions to the Recreation Centre are well under way.

Permits have been issued for a "granny flat" in Whelans Place, for a sign on Romsey Hotel to indicate the drive-in bottle-shop, and for the "Muddy Rock '93" motor sports and music event to be held on 20th and 21st March, 1993. Council and its officers have put in many extra hours to assist the promoters of this event, and to try to ensure that any adverse effect on residents will be minimised. It is hoped that the weekend will be a great success for the participants and for Romsey.

GEOFF NEIL
295 523

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295 027

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Romsey & Lancefield Districts Historical Society Inc.

Warmest congratulations to Dorothy Viney, on being awarded the honour of 'Romsey Shire Citizen of the Year'.

Members of the Historical Society could not be more pleased, for somebody who has done so much for the history of the district, to be honored in this way.

Dorothy is the classic "quiet achiever", carrying one of the biggest jobs for the Historical Society for many years, (Archivist) whilst also working on the History Book from start to finish for over five years.

These tasks are only a part of Dorothy's life, as she is also a busy wife, mother and grandmother, and involved with other community activities as well.

So we feel your award is richly deserved, Dorothy, and extend congratulations and best wishes.

It was also very pleasing to see Jean Tom's award; Jean was a foundation member of the Historical Society and her husband Bill was the inaugural President of the Society. Congratulations and best wishes to Jean.

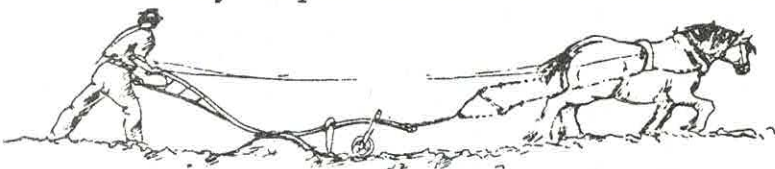
Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 23rd February at 8pm at the Seymour Cottage, Palmer St., Romsey. We will warmly welcome visitors to this Meeting, and if you feel like joining, the annual subscription is only \$5.

The Meetings are held on fourth Tuesday each month, 8pm, alternately Lancefield and Romsey, so March 23 will be at Lancefield Court House. However, a special Casserole Tea and guest speaker Meeting will be held April 27, at the Lancefield Mechanics Institute, so May 25 in Romsey.

Our guest speaker on April 27 will be well-known Melbourne Antiquarian Book-dealer, Kenneth Hince, and he has agreed to offer advice on book values, so you may care to make a note of that date.

Any enquiries on the activities of the Historical Society to:-

Jean Clement
Hon. Secretary
295 417.



ROMSEY ART SHOW 1993

Romsey's Annual Art Show is fast approaching. It's our 13th exhibition and its popularity continues to climb. The artists, all local, work throughout the year to produce around 100 paintings of a very high standard, each having their own distinctive style.

On 27th February the Romsey Fire Brigade and the Auxiliary host the exhibition with a lavish supper and wine evening. The paintings are also able to be viewed on the Sunday between 10am and 4pm.

It is not very often one can say of an event that everyone is a winner, but this is true of the Romsey Art Show. The artists are justly proud of the admiration shown of their work, and the Fire Brigade receive a boost to funds from the door takings, also a percentage from the paintings sold, and the public have a delightful social evening.

Everyone is most welcome to attend Saturday & Sunday. Saturday 7.30pm Romsey Mechanics Hall, \$18 pre-paid or \$20 on the night. Sunday \$2. Paintings are for sale on both days. RSVP 19th Feb. to H.Watts 295 250 or L.Armistead 295 499.

1st Romsey Scout Group - Lending a Helping hand

Scouting like all community voluntary organisations relies heavily upon the good will and assistance of its supporters. 1st Romsey Scout Group is no exception, however as we look around at our community groups, many of the same faces and names are seen year after year providing the essential support to keep such service groups alive.

Surely we should all be encouraging one another to play some small part to benefit our Caring Country Community.

Take the effort to speak to new people and introduce them to the activities that you have found beneficial. If our constantly growing township wants to remain a caring community let us all encourage one another to take an active role.

The fantastic support provided for the CFA's Art Show, and the involvement of community groups and individuals in the Tidy Towns project - especially just prior to the judging - are indicators of caring and sharing by large numbers of people. Your assistance is also required on a continuing basis. Keeping our Town Tidy every day, offering assistance for rostered voluntary work at the Op Shop, School, Scouting, Guiding, Church or any of our many and varied sporting club activities, can not only improve the effectiveness of the groups but also weld us together as a community of like minded individuals. How often are AGM's very poorly attended?

How often are there suddenly a lack of volunteers for working bees?

How often are the same faces seen representing numerous community groups?

The quiet effective work of the local Lions Club, Meals on Wheels, Red Cross, CFA auxiliary and Church groups is greatly appreciated by those receiving the assistance and very satisfying to those who provide it. Why not offer your time and effort? Make a commitment this year to become involved in some way to support Your Caring Country Community! We need you, as a casual helper, committee member, Romsey Rag volunteer, Safety House participant or to fill in a rostered position! Your contribution will be greatly appreciated and you will personally gain in many ways. -

Trevor Turnham Group Leader 1st Romsey 295 413 AH

Remember Scouting is fully underway for 1993.

Joey Section Wednesday 6.30 - 7pm Margret Lynch J.S.L 295 512

Cub Section: Boys 8 - 11yrs

Wallaby Pack - Tuesday 6.30-8pm Stuart Horyna C.S.L 295 986

Pack A Wednesday Evening 7pm - 9pm

Michael Bernaldo C.S.L 291 959 Anne Bernaldo A.C.S.L

Scout section Friday Evening 7pm - 9pm:

For Boys 11 - 14yrs Ian Ralph S.L 295 197

Venturer section Friday Evening 8pm - 10pm 14 - 18 yr olds

Les Wilgucki V.L Phone: 295 004

Why not plan to join the whole Scouting District as they celebrate the birthday of our Founders at Mc Gregors Picnic Ground Mt Macedon? BYO BBQ 6pm - 7.15pm **Founders Day Service February 22nd 7.15 - 7.45pm** You will be very welcome to join the Scouts and Guides & their families.

1st Romsey Scout Group AGM 7.30pm Thursday February 25th

V LINE BUS SERVICE

The V Line Bus Service has been operating on a revised timetable from 2nd November, 1992. The revised Lancefield/Romsey/Monegeetta Service now extends all trips to Sunbury.

The early morning and late afternoon services, provide workers and students with a service to Sunbury, which has improved connections to Melbourne and locations in between.

A service also operates on Wednesday and Fridays departing Lancefield at 10.00 a.m. and returning at 2.10 p.m. providing opportunities for shoppers or those attending appointments.

For further information on the bus service phone Kyneton Bus Lines on (054) 221 634.

For information on train services from Sunbury phone the PTC's Transport Information Centre on (03) 617 0900.

TIMETABLE

(Train times current at date of publication.)

STOPPING LOCATIONS	MONDAY TO FRIDAY		Wednesdays and Fridays Only
	Bus	Bus	Bus
Lancefield	6.45am	5.30pm	10.00am
Romsey	6.55am	5.40pm	10.10am
Monegeetta	7.00am	5.45pm	10.15am
Sunbury Arr	7.20am	6.05pm	10.40am
	Train	Train	Train
Dep	7.35am*	6.21pm*	11.05am*
Melbourne	8.20am	7.02pm	11.47am
	Train	Train	Train
Melbourne	6.31am*	5.19pm*	12.45pm*
Sunbury Arr	7.14am	6.07pm	1.29pm
	Bus	Bus	Bus
Dep	7.20am	6.10pm	1.35pm
Monegeetta	7.40am	6.30pm	1.55pm
Romsey	7.45am	6.35pm	2.00pm
Lancefield	7.55am	6.45pm	2.10pm

STOPPING LOCATIONS

- Lancefield**
1. Post Office
 2. Cnr High St and Romsey Rd
- Romsey**
1. Cnr Lancefield Rd and Palmer St
 2. The Old Post Office
 3. Shell Service Station
- Monegeetta**
1. EDG Proving Ground
 2. Cnr Riddells Creek Rd and Melbourne Rd
- Sunbury**
1. Railway Station

Lancefield to Sunbury Bus Service

CUSTOMERS PLEASE NOTE:

- * Train services operate between Sunbury and Melbourne with bus connections at Sunbury for Monegeetta, Romsey and Lancefield destinations.

No service on Weekends or Public Holidays

(via Romsey and Monegeetta)

This service is on trial for a six month period. Customer usage of the service for the month of November was low. The service is available now. If the service is to continue beyond the 6 month period it must be used by the residents.

GOING AWAY?

Reliable, experienced pet carer available.
Phone Jean on 295 417.



FRIDAY EVENING 26th FEBRUARY.
ST. PAUL'S ROMSEY COMMENCING 4.00pm

EVENING OF ENTERTAINMENT AND FUN
FOR ALL THE FAMILY, AND ALL AGES.

GAMES AND RIDES FAIRY FLOSS
BIG B.B.Q. DRINKS AND REFRESHMENTS
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SILENT AUCTION DEVONSHIRE TEAS
LUCKY BOTTLES WHITE ELEPHANT STALL
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Vicar:
The Revd. Jeff O'Hare B.Th.
Christ Church Vicarage
33 Chauncey Street,
Lancefield, Vic. 3435
Telephone: (054) 29 1380

'A FAMILY TO BELONG TO'

SERVICES FOR THIS MONTH.

SUNDAY: 8.00am HOLY COMMUNION (except the 1st Sunday-
in the month
CHRIST CHURCH LANCEFIELD
9.00am PARISH EUCHARIST & SUNDAY SCHOOL
ST. PAUL'S ROMSEY
10.30am PARISH EUCHARIST & SUNDAY SCHOOL
CHRIST CHURCH LANCEFIELD.

1st SUNDAY IN THE MONTH 9.30am FAMILY SERVICE.
NEXT FAMILY SERVICE 7th MARCH AT LANCEFIELD.

WEEKDAYS:

TUESDAY: 7.30pm HOLY COMMUNION
ST. PAUL'S ROMSEY
WEDNESDAY: 10.00am HOLY COMMUNION
CHRIST CHURCH LANCEFIELD.

THIS MONTH IN THE PARISH.

26th of FEBRUARY 'TWILIGHT FAIR'

AT ST. PAUL'S ROMSEY. COMMENCING 4.00pm
COME ALONG AND BRING THE FAMILY AND YOUR FRIENDS.

GAMES AND RIDES FOR THE CHILDREN. B.B.Q. DRINKS.
STALLS. JAMS. CAKES. PRODUCE. CLOTHING. FIREWOOD
RAFFLE. SILENT AUCTION. WHITE ELEPHANT STALL. PLANTS
BOOKS AND TOYS. LUCKY BOTTLES. DEVONSHIRE TEAS.
FLOWER STALL. FAIRY FLOSS. FACE PAINTING.

IF YOU HAVE ITEMS FOR ANY OF THESE, BRING THEM ALONG
OR LET FR. JEFF KNOW ON 291 380.

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YOUTH ONLY
SAUSAGE SIZZLE

VENUE: Romsey Central Shopping Centre Car Park

DATE: Friday 12th February

TIME: Twilight (7.00pm - 9.00pm)

COME ALONG AND TELL US
WHAT YOU THINK WE NEED

FOR YOUTH

IN THE
ROMSEY/LANCEFIELD AREA

For more information contact Jeff O'Hare
on 291-380 or
Kerrie Reardon on 295 201

Australia Day Celebrations at Romsey Primary School were a feature of the children's first assembly and first day at school for 1993.

Grade six children provided the following presentation to assembled parents and pupils.

"January 26th is the day Governor Arthur Phillip landed in Australia after a very long sea voyage with the First Fleet. The re-enactment has been seen many times but rarely is it clear just how hard life had been, especially for the hundreds of convicts aboard the fleet. Professor Manning Clarke describes this day as the one on which civilization began in Australia. It was also the day which marked a start to dramatic changes in the lives of the Aboriginal people. These Koori people had been wandering around, hunting, gathering, caring for the land and educating their children in an incredibly rich culture. They were suddenly introduced to new diseases and a strange life style by these new English invaders.

This Year of 1993 is the International Year of the Indigenous Peoples. That is, we recognise this year the rights and heritage of the People who were here first, our Koori People.

We at Romsey have been encouraged to Respect the rights of All People, and we look forward to Learning and Growing in our understanding and appreciation of our Heritage.

Australia's history reflects the input to our society of immigrants from all over the world, who have arrived here since January 26th 1788. We are one nation and proudly recognise the contribution we all make to our Nation.

Certificates of Appreciation were presented to citizens, nominated by the school families.

"This certificate is presented to a lady we have come to know through her long term involvement with this school.

Mrs Helen Clement is not only our longest serving teacher of Religious Education but founded the Junior Red Cross Group at the school and by so doing has maintained her contacts with Romsey Primary, the school she served through Mothers' Club involvement when her sons came here.

Mrs Clement continues to be an active Community worker. She is a foundation member of the Shire's Community Services Committee and Tidy Towns Committee.

She is involved in the Meals on Wheels Program, our local Uniting Church and its outreach programs, the Historical Society and through her extended involvement with Red Cross has held official positions both at the local and Regional Level.

Mrs Clement's contribution to our Community was also recognised by the Shire when she was honoured as the first person awarded as Citizen of the Year on Australia Day 1984.

Dr Lindsay Francis came to Romsey in 1952 and since that time has not only practised medicine to its highest ideals but also he has deeply involved himself in local affairs, for which alone he is a worthy recipient of this honor.

He has served as a much respected member and executive member of the Lancefield Bush Nursing Hospital for over 36 years, until its closure in February 1992. He has been a member of many local committees and for many years served as a member of the Romsey Mechanics Committee and the Romsey Progress Association Committee.

He is the faithful organist at St Paul's Romsey, Church Treasurer, and Vestry member for over 35 years.

He has served on the "Back to Romsey" Committees and has been a loyal and faithful supporter of all local affairs in the district.

So many people in the district can testify to his wonderful demeanour as he practises the profession he loves, as one of the true caring family doctors.

He is a very worthy recipient of our esteem that is indicated by this certificate.

We all know **Mr Ron Cole** as our reliable Post Master and as Captain of the Romsey Fire Brigade. Mr Cole joined the CFA when he was 17 years old, with the Dunolly Fire Brigade and transferred to Bayswater in 1975 and later to Romsey. In 1981 he was elected as 2nd Lieutenant and then in 1983 was elected Captain. His dedication to the Brigade has some times seen him leave his family on the side of the road. Not long after moving to Romsey Mr. Cole and family were out for a Sunday drive when a fire truck was heard approaching. He pulled over and waved the truck down and left the family to find their own way home. Thank goodness Mrs. Cole can drive!

Mr. Cole joined the Romsey Youth Club committee and took the position of secretary in 1987 and has continued his position since. He often drives the bus for youth group outings and always dresses up on fancy dress nights much to the amusement of the children.

Mr. Cole enjoys sport and played football for Romsey as well as being the President for three years.

He also played cricket for Romsey before taking up golf. He became President of the Golf Club in 1990 and is still in this position. Mr. Cole has been known to hear the fire siren while playing golf and leave his clubs and run to his ute, only to realise his keys were in his golf bag and then he has had to continue running to the fire station. Needless to say missing the first truck!

Thankyou Mr Cole for your contribution to our Caring Country Community."

ROMSEY UNITING CHURCH, Pohlman Street

Sunday Services: Romsey 9.00am
 Lancefield 10.30am

Sunday, 7th Feb. Holy Communion at both Churches.
Sunday 14th, 21st, 28th Feb. Family Service at both Churches.
Sunday School Classes at both Churches co-incide with worship services.
Friday 5th Feb. Youth Group Indoor Bowling at Essendon.
Friday 19th-21st Feb. Youth Group Beach Camp.

Wed. 24th Feb. 1.30pm in the Sunday School Hall: Uniting Church Fellowship and Guild Meeting - "Getting to Know Each Other" with favourite hymns, favourite scripture texts to share and Mr. Cliff Shaw to share his experiences of a life-time in Romsey and his Christian pilgrimage, including over fifty years as a local lay preacher. New members and all local residents will be very welcome to attend this meeting.

Our ladies happily cater for local social functions and requests can be made to Mrs. Helen Clement (295 317) or Mrs. Roma Clement (295 225). Our minister, Rev. Adrian Pegler, is available at the Manse, 25 William Street, Romsey, for general counselling, or to officiate at Weddings, Baptisms or Funerals, and other assistance with pastoral concerns. He can be contacted personally by phoning 295 351.

We all congratulate Mrs. Jean Tom on being awarded The Order of Australia on Australia Day, and also Mrs. Dorothy Viney the Romsey Shire Citizen of the Year 1992 - both very well-deserved awards. We thank God for the contribution they have made to our local community and pray they will be blessed with good health and strength to continue their caring concern and service in a practical manner.

THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE - this year will be held on Fri. 5th March at Christ Church, Lancefield (Anglican Church) with the theme of:- "God's People - A Time For Healing". There will be a planned Bible study in conjunction with the Service, with Bible study from 9-10am, Morning Tea from 10-10.30am, then the Service from 10.30-11.30am. All local Christians, both male and female, are extended a cordial invitation to attend this morning of fellowship and prayer. If transport is required, please contact either Rev. Jeff O'Hare (291 380) or Helen Clement (295 317). Rev. Douglas Robertson from Scotland and Assistant Minister at Scots Church, Melbourne, is to be guest speaker.

ROMSEY ECUMENICAL BIBLE STUDIES - A 10-week series of Know Your Bible studies on "Prayers of the Bible" will commence on Monday, 8th Feb. 1.30pm in the Romsey Uniting Church Sunday School Meeting Room. The only cost is \$4 for the K.Y.B. booklet and a commitment to meet each Monday afternoon to share our daily studies, for 1½ hours each week. All who are interested are very welcome to join us. For further information please contact Mrs. Helen Clement (295 317).

ROMSEY DISTRICT GUIDING

Guiding is a worldwide organisation open to girls and women of all faiths races and nationalities.



Another year of guiding in Romsey. Again we are looking for leaders and always seem to be seeking help.

Remember that guiding is for the girls and the girls must always come first. The organisation cannot function without the support of parents and friends. If you are in a position to help please contact Helena Thompson 295325.

Brownie Guides meet between 4.30 and 6pm
Guides " " " " 7.00 and 9pm
On Monday's at the Scout Hall in Romsey Park.



Romsey & Lancefield Christian Fellowship



We invite you to attend our weekly Sunday morning service in the Romsey Mechanics Hall at 10.00am.

The preaching of the gospel and the teaching of God's word are an important part of our gathering, while we sing a large range of the latest choruses and contemporary Christian songs.

The Bible itself gives us an incentive to conduct a comprehensive children's ministry as part of the main service. Scripture teaches us "to train a child in the way they should go, so that when they grow older they will not depart from it." Youngsters love to attend kids' ministry, which is full of fun and activity.

We provide hospitality, counselling and a wide range of Christian based services through our home groups and "One way Club" youth activities. If we can assist you, we welcome your enquiry through Geoff Holland (minister) 295 673 or Graham Mau 291 488.



Pressed Flowers Day

Actively for Women

Lancefield Mechanics Hall
Friday 26th February 9-30 a.m.

Learn how to press flowers from your garden and turn them into wonderful gifts and morning tea. As a community service an opportunity to invite friends to be held at Supper Room of Mechanics Hall. Childminding facilities available.

No Charge

A community service sponsored by Romsey & Lancefield
Christian Fellowship.

Guitar Tuition at Romsey Primary

A Guitar program is taught on Wednesday afternoons at Romsey Primary School, with lessons starting at 3.45pm.

This program is open to any person in the community. Any person who is interested in participating please contact Christine Rowlands at Romsey Primary School, on 295 099.

ROMSEY RAG - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.....

Request for Names of persons willing to be rang on the first Friday of the month to help collate the Romsey Rag on the Monday morning at 9.00a.m. at the School.

Help is also needed to deliver Romsey Rags in Acacia, Banksia, Citrinus Courts, Kathryn Street, Susanne Court and Ewing Drive. We like Rags to be delivered Monday afternoons or Tuesdays, if possible.

If able to help please phone Beryl Cole on 295 411.

ROMSEY FISHING CLUB

PO Box 103
Romsey 3434
Tel: (054) 296 139

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at the
LANCEFIELD MECHANICS HALL
FRIDAY, MARCH 5th, 1993.

PATRONS MUST BE SEATED BY 11.45am.

LUNCHEON SERVED 12.00pm.

PARADE COMMENCES 1.15pm.

No food served during parade

\$10.00 per ticket.

Enquiries: Treasurer (054) 291549

" LUCKY DOOR PRIZE "

DEPARTS: LIONS PARK, ROMSEY
TIME: 9.00AM
DATE: 14TH FEBRUARY '93 (SUNDAY)
DESTINATION: LAURISTON RESERVOIR
BYO: LUNCH AND FISHING GEAR

NB: FISHING LICENCE AVAILABLE FROM: ROMSEY SPORTS STORE
MEMBERSHIP FEES MAY ALSO BE PAID AT ROMSEY SPORTS STORE

**ROMSEY
RED CROSS UNIT**

Romsey Red Cross members will meet for their first 1993 Meeting on Friday, 26th Feb. at 10am, when plans will be made for our Red Cross Calling Collection in March.

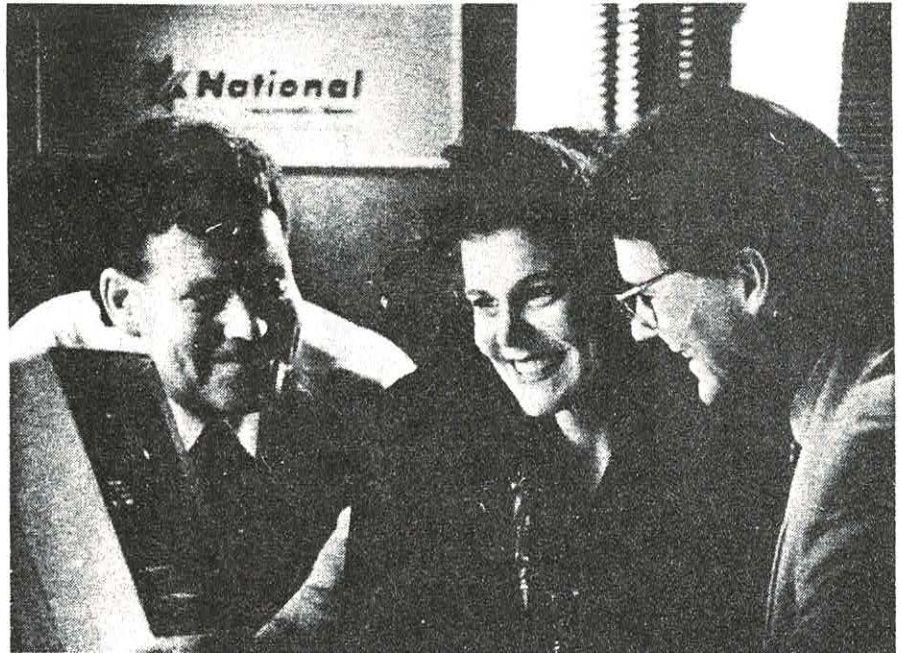
The Meeting is to be held in Romsey Mechanics Institute Hall Meeting Room and new members will be very welcome to come and join us.

We plan to implement and extend our Tele-cross Programme where we contact housebound elderly people each day by phone as a regular check that they are not feeling isolated or in need of any assistance. If you know anyone who is in need who could benefit from this cost-free service, please contact Trish Corner(270494) or Helen Clement (295317).

We would also be pleased to hear from anyone able to help with our catering or registration teams in times of fire, flood or other emergencies.

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A "GET-TOGETHER" REUNION FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS WHO ASSISTED WITH WELFARE, RELIEF AND COUNSELLING AFTER THE ASH WEDNESDAY FIRES (1983) WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, 16th FEBRUARY AT GISBORNE ANGLICAN CHURCH HALL FROM 11am - 2pm. B.Y.O. LUNCH. CUPPA PROVIDED. THIS REUNION IS BEING ORGANIZED BY REGION 14 OF RED CROSS.

A MEMORIAL CHURCH SERVICE IS TO BE HELD AT THE CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION, NACEDON, ON SUNDAY, 14th FEBRUARY at 11am to which ALL WHO ARE INTERESTED WILL BE MADE WELCOME.

Romsey Kindergarten

CIALA Market Night

Fri 12th February 7pm to 10pm

Odd Coin Entry. Raffle and Supper Available

This night will feature Display and Sales of:
Adult and Child Clothing, Pottery, Books toys
Make up, Plants etc etc -

~ Browsers Welcome. ~

If you know of anyone else interested
in holding a stall Please contact Cillian on
295448 ASAP

ROMSEY PLAYGROUP

Are you interested in attending a playgroup with your child?
If so, you and your child are welcome to attend Romsey's Playgroup.
Playgroup is held on Wednesdays and Thursdays starting at 10a.m. and
going until noon.
Different activities are organised for the children to do or they
can just play with the toys or their new friends.
To find out more information please ring either:-
Clare (Secretary) on 295 184 - Sue (Treasurer) on 296 272 or
Leanne (Vice Treasurer) on 295 185.

ROMSEY & DISTRICT ROSTERED PLAYGROUP

Does your child turn 3 before April 30th, 1993??
Are you interested in a Rostered Playgroup?
A Rostered Playgroup offers your child an opportunity to socialise with
children their own age and take part in a variety of interesting
activities. It is a lead-up to kindergarten. The Playgroup is held
once a week on Tuesday's for two hours. Parents are rostered on duty
to help with activities, usually 3 or 4 times a term.
The morning session has already been filled!
The afternoon group has only one position available, so, if you are
interested, please book in now!
To secure a position for your child, please ring Margaret Redmond,
Secretary, on 295 773.

CHILDCARE

Mother willing to look after children in her own home, safe friendly atmosphere. Reference available. Reliable - have been doing it for 5 years. Reasonable Rates.

Phone: Judy on 295 692

FOR SALE:

Simmons Queen Size Bed Base \$80 o.n.o.

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1 White Cane Basinet and mattress - \$20.

1 Jolly Jumper Baby Sling - hardly used - \$20.

Phone: 295 743

FOR SALE:

1 Brown and Cream Wooden Single Bed Base with 2 Cupboards underneath - Excellent Condition - \$50.

1 Brown Wooden Bed Head (Storage Chest) to match Bed Base - \$50.

Phone J. Morley on 295 368 (A/H)

THE ROMSEY LEISURE GROUP -

recommences their 1993 year on Thursday, 4th February, at 10.00a.m. in the Uniting Church Hall. New members welcome.

This week we farewelled one of our greatly valued members, when our friend, Rose Thiesz died suddenly. Rose radiated vitality and we enjoyed her bright personality and sense of humour. She joined enthusiastically in our outings and excursions and although in her 80's always walked down the hill to our meetings, but was pleased to accept a lift home afterwards!

She was a fine needle-woman and had created many embroideries, and was always generous with her advice and help to anyone in difficulties with their handwork.

She will be greatly missed by all of us.

CAROL'S JAZZ BALLET

Booking can be made on 295 590. All classes held in the Romsey Mechanics Hall.

Kinders - Monday 3.45pm to 4.30pm

Preps - Monday 4.30pm to 5.15pm

Seniors - Monday 5.15pm to 6.15pm (Grade 6 and Over)

Juniors - Tuesday 4.00pm to 5.00pm (Grade 4 and 2)

Intermediates - Tuesday 5.00pm to 6.00pm (Grade 3, 4 and 5)

TUITION IN READING AND ALL LANGUAGE AREAS AND MATHS AVAILABLE

I am a registered Primary School Teacher with Special Education Qualifications and teaching experience of approx. 12 years. I have taught in a Special Assistance Unit - teaching primary school children who experience problems in all language areas including reading, spelling, story writing, oral communication, handwriting and speech difficulties. If you think your child requires individual, intensive assistance, no matter what level your child is at, contact R. Seymour for further information regarding private, individual tuition. References available.

(Assistance can also be given to non-primary school students and adults).

PHONE: 295 914.

ATTENTION - GARDENERS!!!

"This Month Specials" - Native Plants at Wholesale Prices direct to the Public - 6" Pot Natives from \$1 to \$3 each
6" to 8" pot Ornamentals from \$3.50 to \$5.50 each. Discount for Quantity.
PLUS Hanging Baskets - \$5 each.
10" Pot Ornamentals 6 to 10 Ft. from \$10.50 each. Ground Covers, Ferns, Rockery, Roses, Plus many more all at \$\$ Saving Prices at -

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ROMSEY/WOODEND ROAD

PHONE : 270 440

NEW WEIGHT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM!!!!

Would you like to lose weight and keep it off????
Well now you can! No special meals to buy. Just a program to follow that makes sense. Interested?? Why not give Leanne a ring on 295 185 and find out more details.

ROMSEY BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM:

During 1993 the Before and After Care will continue to run in the Art Room at the Romsey Primary School.

In the mornings we have quiet activities, breakfast is supplied (if required). At After Care we supply a healthy afternoon tea, which includes drinks, fruit, (sometimes special treats.)

The program has use of the playground and the Art Room, so we are able to do many activities indoors and out. We are a happy group and enjoy many fun games and activities. We hope to see some new faces joining us soon.

We start at 7.15am, earlier (6.30am) by appointment only. Re-opening at 3.30pm till 6.30pm. (No later).

On Friday afternoon's we are in the library. The year has started off very well, but we would like to see more children use the program.

For more information please call Kim or Nat at the program 295978 or the Shire Offices 295201.

Visible Progress on the New Romsey School Site:

After earth moving equipment busily working for a week in Station St, preparing for the development of the main access route and parking areas of the school, one can feel that we will actually meet the mid year completion date for construction.

Roofing of the 10 unit classroom block should be completed this week and then then work will commence roofing the Administration and the Gym/Music/Art Block.

After the obvious hold ups with rain and the vandalism experienced during the Christmas holidays, work is proceeding well and the lost days very slowly being made up. Brick work which has commenced will reflect the traditional colours and banding of the old building on our current site. As progress continues you will be able to see how the planning committee and the architect have worked together in order to include a number of traditional architectural features, in the new buildings.

Negotiations are underway regarding the future of the current site and in particular the old school building. I met in discussions with Riding Councillors last week, outlining the wishes expressed of School Council and local residents that the rezoning of the Crown Land south of Palmer St., include some protection for the old building and its possible acquisition for Community purposes. If you have an opinion on this issue, please speak to our supportive Councillors or myself, in the near future.

- Trevor Turnham - Principal

LANCEFIELD COMMUNITY HOUSE

78 High Street Lancefield

(054) 291 214

V.C.E. PSYCHOLOGY

CRAFT

What a happy creative bunch they are. Hatboxes, cushions, stuffed toys are some of the items planned. Leatherwork can be arranged if you are interested. Thursday mornings. 10 - 12. Cost \$2.00

BASIC MATHS FOR ADULTS

Would you like to be able to help the kids with their homework, or just brush up on your own maths? These classes are free.

STRESS MANAGEMENT

If you would like to learn how to handle the stress of everyday living, this is for you.

Contact the House if interested.

SKIN CANCER AWARENESS

Tuesday 9th February.

Guest speaker from the Anti Cancer Council and lunch. Bookings essential. Child care available.

YOGA

Wednesday evenings.

BUS TRIPS

Trips are run once a month to popular shopping centres, e.g. Victoria Market.. Cost \$4.50.

POWER WALKING

Get fit the easy way.
Tuesday mornings. 10.00 a.m. Cost only \$2.00.

CERAMICS

Wednesdays 1-3.15pm \$5.50 per class \$10 fee for paints

WOMEN ON FARM SKILLS COURSE

Suggested topics are fencing, building a hen house. Starting in February. For more details, watch your local newspaper. \$15.00 a day.

WOODWORK CLASS

Make a toilet roll holder, bread tray, gum boot holder, small wooden shelf. 2 x 1 workshops. Cost \$10.00 includes material. Starts March.
Robyn Brown: Davrob Woodcraft.

FOLKART WORKSHOP

2 x 1/2 day workshops. To be extended to regular classes if requested. \$10.00 and \$17.00 for materials. Tuesday February, 1993.
16th + 23rd

For bookings for any classes ring
291 214,

Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Child minding available.

REMEMBER:

"A STRANGER IS ONLY A FRIEND YOU HAVE NOT MET YET".

For any other information, please contact

Cheryl Cotton,
Co-ordinator.

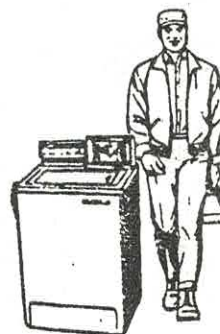
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ROMSEY BOWLING CLUB NEWS



A "Happy New Year" to all the "Romsey Pag" readers and may we start the year by inviting anyone who would like to try this great game of bowls to our weekly Friday Night Roll-Up. Dress is smart/casual but we have to ask that you wear flat-soled shoes to protect the green. Names in to the match organiser by 5.45p.m. to

start at 6.00p.m. This is organised by the Social Committee in order to bring the ladies and the men members together and to encourage new bowlers to our club. For more information give me a ring on 295 724 or just turn up on Friday night at the clubrooms. You will be made most welcome! Our season is getting into top gear now after the Christmas break with both pennant re-commencing and all the clubs in our District (Kyneton Golf/Kyneton / Bacchus Marsh/Gisborne/Kilmore/Lancefield/Macedon Ranges/Melton/Sunbury/Trentham/Wallan/Whittlesea and Woodend) hosting their individual tournaments. Our members are doing very well too with the Wallan Tournament being won by Becky Milley(S)/Margret Boldiston/Kath Ireland and Wanda Scanlon. The men's team of Norm Thompson(S)/Dave Cropley/Brian Cushen and Martin French were runners-up in the Kyneton Golf Tournament.

The Romsey-Lancefield RSL Tournament was hosted by our club on Sunday, 17th January with two full fills. The winning team in the first fill was Geoff Marchant(S)/Tom Seymour/Andrew Laing/Fred Bell with the Sunbury team skipped by Lloyd Wood runners-Up. The second fill was won by the Gisborne team of Alan Pollard(S)/Tony Savelli/Roy Cogger/Alan Elliot with the Wallan team skipped by Dicky Breen the runners-up. A great day's bowling, good country hospitality and all for a great cause.

Two of our players who normally play in the RSL tournament were unable to attend as they were lucky enough to be invited to play in the very prestigious "Victorian Masters Singles Tournament" hosted by Richmond Union Bowling Club. Norm Thompson was drawn in the first round against top professional Ian Schuback! Norm enjoyed the total experience of the match going down 25-7 but wouldn't most of us have loved to have been in his shoes! Sam Howatson drew R. Ralph from Ferntree Gully Club in the first round and won 25-10 to advance to the second round which was played at 5p.m. on the Tuesday. Sam then had to play J. Brown from Daylesford (who had beaten P. Richards from South Australia in his first round) but after a marathon 34 ends Sam managed to hang in there with a score of 25-23 - very exciting bowls! Then Sam had to front up the very next morning to play at 9.45 against B. Richards from Melbourne Bowling Club and after a very good fight went down and out 25-16. Richards went on to play again in the afternoon and had a nightmare of a game - typical - and Schuback went on to the semi-final to be beaten by Darren Yates (Moonee Ponds) who finished runner-up to Rex Johnston from Belrose (his second successive Victorian Master Singles title.)

Our club games are well under way with Wanda Scanlon winning the 100-UP from Jean Cropley and in the pairs Marj Davis and Rena Moore are the winners this year with Becky Milley and Fay Sanders the runners-up.

Sunday, 24th January, our Men's team of Sam Howatson(S)/Dave Cropley/Brian Cushen/Chris Johnston played in the finals of the CHBA 4's, winning the quarter final by two shots over Clive Philp's team from Kyneton. They went on to play the semi-final against Ross Oliver's team, also Kyneton, to be beaten by 5 shots - a great effort.

Our own Romsey Ladies Tournament was held on Thursday, 4th February, sponsored by U-Care Services Pty. Ltd. who supplied beautiful trophies for both the fills. A great day all around!

Saturday, 6th February, our men re-commence pennant and a BBQ and Games night was hosted by the Social Committee afterwards.

Friday, 12th February/....

ROMSEY BOWLING CLUB NEWS - CONTINUED

Friday, 12th February, is our annual challenge match with the Romsey Golf Club. Names in by 5.30 please and please state whether you are playing as a bowler or a golfer! A sausage sizzle will be held afterwards - all welcome!

We have a huge week-end of bowling coming on on the Labour Day Week-End. Sunday, 7th March, is the Mixed 4's Tournament sponsored by the National Bank, Romsey and Balgee Oils Pty. Ltd. (Tony Griffin). Great prizes - names to Norm Thompson on 295 421 please as soon as possible.

Monday, 8th we are staging the Men's 4's with the highest prizemoney ever offered by our club thanks to the total sponsorship by T.J. Scott (Funeral Directors) - First prize will be \$400 (\$100 each) and runners-up will receive \$200 (\$50 each.) Places are filling rapidly, our members can also enter individual teams, so names please to Norm.

Please take note that Presentation Night will be on 2nd April with Judy Hill from Perfect Grounds Cafe catering and David Allen keeping us entertained - tickets will be available soon.

Our very respected Foundation Members Keith Fraser and Ivy Amess passed away recently and our condolences go to both their families. Hec Reid is fit and well again and great to see you bowling again Hec. Massa Cardillo hasn't been too well but on the improve.

Mrs. Mary McIntyre, a Foundation Member, is now in Castlemaine Hospital for some rehabilitation. Her daughter Jill tells me she is in a wheelchair and speeding around the corridors - keep well Mrs. McIntyre - we all send our best wishes.

Bob Shaw is coming along just fine and has now been transferred to Karinya Homes for the Aged in Lancefield. Hope you are keeping up to date with all the bowling news Bob and we all miss you out there! I have to pass on a big hello from Judy and Jim Loy now well entrenched in their role as hosts at the Quambatook Hotel. They would love to see any of the bowlers - its a lovely drive and the meals are just great and accommodation is available.

Norm Thompson and Bruce Robb teamed up to enter the recent Auburn Heights Pairs Classic and did extremely well to get through to the final but going down to Rodney Keith and Noel Williamson of Burden Park. And last, but not least, our Men's Championship was played-off last Thursday evening between Norm Thompson and Ken Newnham. The spectators appreciated a very good game of bowls with Ken coming out the victor. Well done Ken - his first championship for six years - when he won four in a row - so look out he may be on a run! Great bowling Ken and commiserations to Norm.

Good Bowling! Margaret Howatson, Press Officer.

ROMSEY LADIES GOLF

3-2-93 : Canadian - 3 pairs played in the heat. Winners - Beryl Cole and Carol Daniels. Next week having a "Friend Day" - 12 Holes and Lunch. Wed. 17th Feb.: 9am Assembly to learn about our new handicap system - come, even if you are not playing.

Friday 12th Feb.: Bowls -v- Golfers Challenge. Names in by 5.30 for 6.00p.m. start. \$2 each. Sausage Sizzle.

Wed. 24th Feb.: At 1 o'clock we will have a guest speaker (Sarah Knight from the Melbourne Menopause Clinic) to discuss Menopause and P.M.T. All ladies welcome.

Shirley Shelton.
