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Le newly formed Romsey Region Business Association met on Monday May 29th to establish a definite focus for our business community. This meeting was well attended by representatives from seventeen local businesses, who enthusiastically met with Councillor Geoff Neil to form an action plan.

These goals are to include:

- To establish a streetscape plan to unify and make our shopping area more attractive
- To organise a marketing and promotional strategy to include as many businesses as possible
- To put pressure on the Macedon Ranges Shire to support the connection of natural gas to our area
- To address the speed limit through Romsey with the view that it should be reduced to 60km

For further information contact: Secretary - Ron Cole 54 29 5411 (AH)

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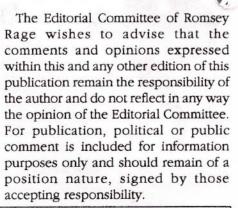
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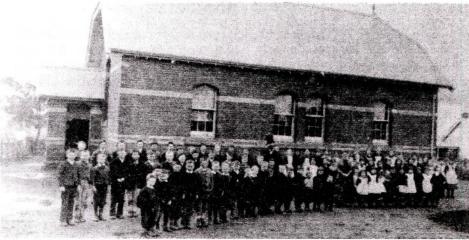
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Primary School News

What's happened to them

Romsey Primary School with its modern buildings, state of the art technology, and extensive grounds is a far cry from the facilities offered to students of previous generations. Some things, however, are consistent over the years. No matter what the size of the school, great effort has always been put into developing our students to reach their full potential, and working with families to engender a special relationship possible only in a community like ours.

As a school we are keen to track down many of our past students and find out about their successes in later life that be with these children's education at many School. While some Romsey residents attended our school and have grown up to settle in the community of their childhood, many



have also moved on.

We would be keen to track down our ex-students in both groups. If you attended Romsey Primary and have any special memories we would love to hear from you. If you know of classmates or other past students who have achieved success in their chosen field of endeavour, we would like this information passed on to us too.

Old photos and other memorabilia of bygone school days can be copied and returned so a more complete record of Romsey Primary School's past can be built up.

Romsey Primary School is keen to contact anyone who could help with this project.



Peer Mediation: Resolving Conflict Peacefully

nts who are empowered to problem solve issues is a major focus for Romsey Primary School. As part of our ongoing commitment to student welfare 29 students from Grades 5 and 6 took part in a Peer Mediation Training Program on 1st June. The training program was conducted by Heather

Steele who is a qualified Social Worker. Becoming involved in the Peer Mediation Program came about because the school recognized that conflict can often arise when students are out in the playground. The Peer Mediation Program teaches children new and effective ways of dealing with potentially volatile situations.

Peer Mediation is a process that children engage in to help resolve conflicts. When children are having problems in the schoolyard they can seek out a trained Peer Mediator to help identify the issues creating the problem, develop options, consider alternatives and come to a mutually agreed upon resolution that meets both children's needs. This type of mediation is an effect way to emphasize that children are responsible for their own behaviour

and for the decisions that affect their lives.

Peer Mediators are bound by confidentiality and are essentially the student peacemakers for the school. They listen to and respect all points of view, understand their own reasons for conflicts and know how to handle them, and are able to assist other children to resolve their disputes.

The program will commence early in Term 3 and pairs of Mediators will be timetabled in the school yard to provide easy access to any children who need their help. All of the Mediators are committed to making a difference to the safety and security of

children in the playground and believe that their services will benefit the entire Romsey Primary School community.

Romsey Primary School: Building Educational Bridges

Home-made chocolate cake and Freddo Frogs were all the rage when the Romsey Primary School Junior School Council paid a social visit to the Romsey Kindergarten on Friday 2nd Junior Stories were read, skyscrapers with constructed, and wonderous Lego creations were made, as the school children eagerly participated in fun-filled activities with the littlies from the

kindergarten. 'Making social contact with our future Prep children is important to help them get ready for school and our Junior School Councillors have done a fabulous job in promoting Romsey Primary as a caring and supportive place to learn', said the Assistant Principal, Tracy Hammill. Such a great time was had by everyone that another kindergartenschool social function will be planned in the near future.



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READER'S WRITE

WHY LITTER!!!

Why is there litter on the ground everywhere you go? What is it telling us? People don't care? People are unhappy? People hold a grudge against authority? Is it working? Are they getting their message across?

Or is it slovenly laziness?

The older generation probably never drop one piece of litter in 60 - 80 years. They were brought up not to, and it is common sense anyway. It just costs a lot of money to clean up after after dirty slobs. It is a shock to see the Primary School grounds littered. What hope have we for the future if Primary School children are not taught that you DO NOT drop litter. What a waste of somebody's time, have to pick up litter at school!

Please, Romsey, take pride in the place and don't let us turn into a depressing wasteland.

Sincerely, A Nony Mouse (Name & Address supplied)

ED: The Primary School, we are sure A Nony Mouse knows, teaches and sets rules on littering and strongly encourages students to take pride in their school. Maybe personal standards of care or laziness are taught before children start school or certain low standards are sadly being accepted by current generations or in society as a whole. Romsey Residents be Proud and Pick up.

BOOK CLUB

Does any one know of or a member of a book or reading club? If I don't get a response to that question I would ask if any one is interested in starting/joining a book club, of say six to ten people, could you please contact Kym Raverty on 54 29 5901.

NEVER LIE TO YOUR MOTHER

John invited his mother over for dinner. During the meal his mother couldn't help noticing how beautiful Johns' room mate Julie was. She had long been suspicious of a relationship between John and his room mate, and this only made her curious.

Over the course of the evening, while watching the two interact she started to wonder if there was more between John and his room mate that met the eye.

Reading his Mum's thoughts, John volunteered. "I know what you are thinking, but I assure you Julie and I are just room mates." About a week later, Julie came to John and said, "Ever since your mother came to dinner I can't find the beautiful silver gravy ladle. You don't suppose she took it do you?" John said, "Well I doubt it but I'll write to her just to be sure." So he sat down and wrote.

Dear Mother, I'm not say you 'did' take the gravy ladle and I'm not saying you 'did not' take the ladle, but the fact remains it has been missing since you were here for dinner. Love John. Several days later John received a letter from his mother which read... Dear John, I'm not say you 'do' sleep with Julie, and I'm not saying you not' sleep with Julie, but the fact remains that if Julie was sleeping in her own bed and she would have found the gravy ladle by now!! Love Mum.

HAPPY CAMPERS

Sherlock Holmes and Dr Watson went on a camping trip. As they lay down for the night Holmes said "Watson, look up in the sky and tell me what you see." Watson replied, "I see millions of stars." Holmes asked, "And what does that tell you?" Watson replied, "Astronomically, it tells me there are millions of galaxies and potentially billions of planets. Theologically, it tells me that God is and we are Meteorologically, it tells me that we have a beautiful day tomorrow. W. does it tell you?" Holmes replied, "Watson you numbskull, somebody has stolen our tent!!"

THANK YOU

To the people of Romsey who have supported and expressed their condolences to us in these difficult times, after the tragic death of my husband, Keith Jenkins. Please accept this as my personal Thank you.

Jeanette, Erin and Blair Jenkins.



HANDY HINTS FOR JULY

Get the Kikkoman bottle out of the kitchen and into the shed

For those little topping up of liquid jobs in the shed eg topping up batteries with distilled water, a 150 ml Kikkoman Soy Sauce bottle gives excellent control and less spillage than rubber spouted supplies from the motor trade. Try one next time you are dispensing liquids.

Your home is your Business

Personalised cards or address cards with your name, family members, address details, phone numbers can be a useful tool like business cards are to the business world. The card can be used when arranging purchases, making appointments, attending auctions or meeting new friends etc. The addition of a map of your locality on the back will help in locating your property and reduce the possibility of wrong information. Word processing programs provide for this idea easily.

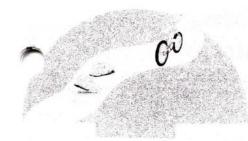
Sticky Problem

Something sticky (ie: chewing gum etc) on clothing or cloth furnishings? Try spraying with hair spray. Leave to set hard then peel off. Please first try on a piece of cloth not showing to check it does not discolour.

Hand rearing

When hand rearing orphaned animals (eg pet lambs) use long life milk instead of fresh milk as they tolerate it much better.

ED: Ring a vet first to check.



ROMSEY-LANCEFIE CENTENNIAL TRACK Inc.

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Celebrating the Centenary of Federation.

In 2001 we will celebrate the Centenary of Federation - the unification of six Australian colonies to for a single nation, with a federal system of government. In 1901 the six colonies joined together to form the Commonwealth of Australia. The separate colonies became the six Australian States which, together with the Australian Territories make up the Australia we know today. This is the reason that the large Federal star on the Australian flag has seven points. This anniversary provides us all with an exciting opportunity to take an active part of this historic event.

As the result of three well advertised and attended public meetings, local citizens agreed to under take a huge task to commemorate the centenary with the construction of a track between Romsey and Lancefield, symbolically and practically linking the two townships. The successful application for Federal funding and the support of the Macedon Ranges Shire, still left the committee of 29 residents short of the required funds. In addition from a number of successful and enjoyable fundraising events, the committee undertook a direct approach to every rate payer in the Romsey - Lancefield area and gained the financial assistance of hundreds of friends. This request indicated that if each citizen was to purchase just one metre of track for \$20, the committee would have raised the funds required to enable a sealed, 2m wide, all weather track, to be constructed and opened to celebrate the centenary of Federation.

Not only will this project provide a safe bicycle track between the two townships, but it will be a great place for walkers, skate boarders and families to use and develop a greater appreciation of our beautiful countryside. If you have any questions please free to ring any of the committee members whose phone numbers are listed above.

Residents would have already noticed the large signs erected by Connallys Real estate, at each end of the proposed track. The committee are also indebted to Connalley's for their financial support and the sponsorship of a sausage sizzle to be held in the carpark of the Romsey Shopping centre on Saturday

You are also invited to another future unusual fundraising event in the form of 3 one act plays which will be performed by a touring group of actors in the Romsey Mechanics Hall on 26th August. information in next month's Romsey Rag. This event will be hosted by Anne Phelan who, together with David Allen, entertained 104 locals at the Romsey Hotel to assist the construction of our local track.

The Committee wishes to acknowledge generous financial assistance already provided by hundreds of our local citizens and remind others that donations will be gratefully received. If you have not yet supported this ambitious community project, we invite you to complete the donation form below and leave it at the Romsey Post Office or Lancefield Home Produce or come to our next committee meeting which will be held on July 3rd at the Romsey Service Centre of Macedon Ranges Shire - 7.30pm.

Family Name:

Address:

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Receipt required: Yes/No

Signed:





Romsey Uniting Church

25 Pohlman Street

Minister: Rev Alan Williams

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5429 5351

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What's News

Why do I bother to write this stuff each month? After all, unless you are already involved in the life of the church, you are (a) unlikely to read it all, and (b) unlikely to suddenly become involved in the church as a result of reading it.

Quite simply, I bother to write this because Australians are an interesting group of people, especially when it comes to religion and religious beliefs. Over 80% of Australians believe in some sort of God. We are, therefore, a very spiritual people. However, less than 20% of the population is involved in the life of the church.

Some simple conclusions from these figures would be that either Australians don't believe in the Christian God, or that Australians don't generally find God in the church. Either way, this is both an indictment on what the church has been doing for the last 40 years, and a challenge to find appropriate ways to talk about God in a society that has rejected the traditional 'package'.

Some may arque that this overstatement, and that the evidence of Australia's proud Christian heritage is enshrined in law. To a certain extent that is true. Christian values are well reflected in the laws of the land. However, it was many years ago that the United Nations removed Australia from it's register of Christian nations.

I've obviously got a vested interest in this whole discussion. After all, my livelihood is derived from people believing in Christ, who ioin with others who are like-minded to form the church. But it is more than just my income that is at stake.

An important part of my role is to help people put into words what they believe and to deepen their conviction about what they believe. I can do that within the church, since I have a virtually captive audience.

But part of what I believe is that we, the church, need to move beyond our four, comfortable walls and dialogue with the spiritual people of Australia about the conviction of our beliefs and of theirs. Together we can grapple with the age-old question, 'What is truth?'

What are YOU looking for, and how can we help?

Rev Alan Williams

What's On

- 2 July 9:00am worship, including Holy Communion.
- 9 July 9:00am worship.
- 12 July UCAF (Ladies Guild) meet at the home of Doss Keating at 1:30pm to trim stamps.
- 15 July The Ninth National Assembly of the Uniting Church begins meeting in Adelaide (continues until 22 July).
- 16 July 9:00am worship & Sunday School.
- 21 July KUCA meets from 5:00-6:30pm at the church, for Primary School Age & Year 7 children.
- 23 July 9:00am worship & Sunday School.
- 28 July KUCA meets from 5:00-6:30pm at the church, for Primary School Age & Year 7 children.
- 30 July 9:00am worship & Sunday School.
- 4 Aug. KUCA meets from 5:00-6:30pm at the church, for Primary School Age & Year 7 children.
- including Holy 6 Aug. 9:00am worship. Communion.
- 13 Aug. Maroondah Singers afternoon concert at the Mechanics' Institute.

Everyone is most welcome to join us for any of the activities listed above. If you have any questions about the Christian faith or the church, please feel free to ask Rev Alan.

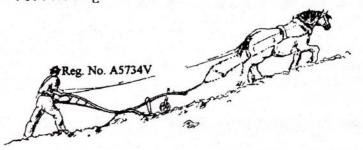
FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

Group meets monthly to discuss and pray for needs and concern of school children and families. The group is nondenominational, open to anyone. Eg. Parents, grandparents, teachers, R.E. teachers, community group leaders etc.

For enquiries, ideas, prayer requests or specific needs please phone: Sue 54 29 6479 - Julie 54 29 5442

Historically Speaking

Romsey & Lancefield Districts Historical Society Inc.



P.O. Box 11, ROMSEY, 3434.

SEYMOUR COTTAGE'S CALL FOR HELP ANSWERED

The Secretary of the Romsey & Lancefield Districts Historical Society, Jean Clement, rang an editorial assistant of the Rag to ensure that a special thank you be expressed publicly to two members of the Romsey-Lancefield Lions Club, Russell Neyland and Doug Mills, for their assistance with roof and floor repairs to Romsey's oldest cottage. As the Historical Society reported last month termites and possums are trying their best to destroy Romsey's Historical Cottage. The Cottage's monthly working bee regulars fight the constant

battle of aging and elements that slowly work against the structures integrity, but the fight against the possums needed an extra workload and the termites still require specialist pest control assistance. If, upon reading this article, you know of someone or something that can assist us in our war against the termites please ring 54 29 5417.

GOLD RUSH VISITS LANCEFIELD MECHANICS

Forty ladies lunched and listened while looking through the windows over Lancefield's luscious Burke and Wills track scenery. They were enjoying a Literary Lunch presented by the Historical Society who had invited author Robyn Annear to evoke passages from her book "Nothing but Gold". The Society hopes to make lunches an annual event so if you missed this lunch in late May keep an eye out next year. The next event to mark in your diary or mark on your calendar is a Coffee & Conversation Morning at the Cotta featuring Dawn Phillips of Polpera-Dolls with a demonstration on reproduction doll making on Wednesday July 26th at 10.30am. The next Society meeting is Tuesday July 25TH at 8.00pm at Seymour Cottage. All Welcome.

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"I'm known as King of all the Beasts - because I advertise".

A rabbit overhead him and he ran home like a streak,
He thought, "I'll take the lion's advice" - but his roar was just a squeak!
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ROMSEY FOOTBALL CLUB INC.

matches left in the season, the Seniors and Reserves are entrenched in the top six. The injury count is starting to climb and it has been good to see some of the younger players step up to the

senior ranks and acquit themselves well.

Congratulations to Rob Plant who played his 50th senior game recently and to Darren Jury who will achieve this milestone in coming weeks. Congratulations also to Michael O'Brien who made his AFL debut with the West Coast Eagles in their match against Essendon. Michael was a very talented junior footballer and cricketer at Romsey and was the club's boundary umpire for the Reserves matches for a couple of the Park.

Reg. No. A0010325W

The club is holding a Golf Day at Romsey on July 9th with an 8.00am tee off and barbeque to follow. The following Sunday July 16th will be our "Last Man Standing" function with two draws of \$500.00. Tickets are available from committee members and include meal and drinks in the cost of a ticket into the draw. Supporters are welcome to join us for the 6.30pm to 7.30pm. "Happy Hour" on Thursday nights at the clubrooms until the end of the season.

The Romsey Football Club has registered for the GST which will apply to all areas of the clubs day to day running including gate entry, membership, sponsorship, catering and raffles.

In this month's edition of the Romsey Rag, we would like to acknowledge two of our long time sponsors in O'Deas Auto Spares and Accessories and Bill Badger Motors. O'Deas have sponsored our training tops for many years now and Bill Badger Motors were one of our very first sponsors to put a sign on the oval fence. We thank them for their many years of loyal support.

Cheryl Wright (Secretary)

FORTHCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

JULY - Saturday 1st - Sunday 18th and 25th

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Saturday at 8.15p.m. Sunday at 5.00p.m.

Bookings 9744 3567 - Sunserve Booking Service.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13 at 2.30 p.m. - Concert by The renowned Melbourne Choir - The Maroondah Singers (50 voices) will be performing in the Romsey Mechanics Hall. This is a return visit by popular request, and tickets will remain at 1998 prices of \$10 for Adults and \$5 for children! Don't miss out! Put the date in your diary now and look forward to a wonderful afternoon of varied, popular music and entertainment.

Queries to Jean Clement 54295 417 - for the Uniting Church



SOCIAL NETBALL

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COUNCIL NEWS - MT WILLIAM WARD



Last week I drove around Mt William ward with Lydia Wilson, our new CEO. This first tour was a great opportunity to talk about a wide range of subjects prompted by the passing land and streetscapes of this beautiful and diverse area.

It was a great honour to open the Lancefield Primary School art show and to see the talent and creativity of the children expressed in their art. By their commitment to this event, the school community showed their awareness of the importance of creative expression for the development of the next generation. It was a wonderful occasion!

The application for 'Better Pools' funding has been withdrawn and further work will be done before re-submitting in the next round. By the time you read this, an Aquatic Facility Working Group will have been formed to undertake this work, which will include one or more representatives of the aquatic interests of the eastern part of the shire. This group will be looking at strategies for developing our aquatic facilities across the shire.

The proposal to upgrade the Kyneton Mechanics Institute in a joint project with the Kyneton Bowling Club has stimulated a lively debate, mainly around the issue of gaming. The shire now has more say about gaming under the current State Government and we need to develop our position as a community. I would urge you to attend the community shire Gaming Forum which will be advertised soon.

The Environment Forum on June the was very well attended and Mike Read's presentation of the framework of the Macedon Ranges environment strategy was well received. There will be many opportunities for community input to this at all stages. Please contact me to express your interest.

My understanding of the roads situation is growing all the time. Certainly I am happier now about the approach that is being taken to maintaining and upgrading our roads. Very good systematic work has been undertaken to assess the condition of our road system and develop a scheme

to address the situation. We are now in place to at least prevent the wholesale decline of our road system. There is systematic, preventative work being constantly undertaken, as well as works in response to need after rains etc. The situation is a lot more complex than it appears. At a Vicroads forum a few weeks ago I learnt for instance that 'doing a thorough job once' on a road is not always the cheapest option in the long term. There has been a great deal of research and sometimes what is found is not what 'common-sense' tells us! I am now aware that our officers are using an intelligent approach to maintaining the best road system we can with the limited funds available. However I would like to see much better communication about what is being done and why.

Why are funds so limited? Many people think the shire should just look after roads and rubbish and then all would be well. It appears there was enough money before, why not now? The answer is of course a complex one. Firstly, we as a community expect a lot more than roads and rubbish now. The shire provides a huge range of services which grows every year. Even just 'taking care of rubbish' has changed enormously. For instance, our tips are full or nearly full and since they were started the rules have totally changed. We now have the EPA (Environment Protection Authority) increasing the standards all the time particularly in relation to the protection of our ground water. This is good, I think we would all agree. But the impact on Council budgets is considerable when the cost of closing one tip to EPA standards, by covering it with clay and topsoil, runs into six figures !!!

On the question of rates, I have learned that Victorian local government as a whole is running on significantly lower rates than the rest of the country, while delivering comparable services.

The performance of Victorian municipalities is actually outstanding in national terms. I'm telling you all this because it is what I have been discovering and it is making me revise my expectations to some extent. I'm not suggesting that there is no room for

improvement! But I would like to see the whole community working together to achieve the best possible outcomes for the most people, with a clear understanding of the available resources and a huge amount of voluntary community work being done by many people. I want to see a culture of appreciation of all the contributions that are made and of real teamwork towards our common goals.

I become more and more aware of the importance of strategic planning. When we have a strategy in place, we are able to make clear, rational, fair decisions about priorities. Many strategic plans are in place and worked to all the time. Others need developing or reviewing, and how good they are will depend a lot on how much community input there is. So all of you who regularly think about better ways things could be done around the shire, please get involved in these planning processes. I am closely involved with the development of the Environment Strategy, the Cultural Recreation Strategy, the Swimming Pools Strategy and the Roadsides Management Strategy as well as the Corporate Plan.

I am looking forward to meeting more of you during the next month. Please feel free to contact me to just talk, not only about a problem! I would like to schedule some visits to 'commu groups' each month, so please ring to arrange a time. A community group could be simply a group of neighbours or friends.

I hope you are enjoying the winter! Hasn't the rain been great. Till next time. Alice Aird

ROMSEY-LANCEFIELD DISTRICT AMBULANCE AUXILIARY

President: Cr. Geoff Neil Vice President: Mr Peter Leake



Secretary: Mrs Margaret Howatson Treasurer: Mrs. Beryl Cole

Our Annual General Meeting was held on Tuesday, 13th June, at the Romsey Hotel. The executive committee remains unchanged with Cr. Geoff Neil in the chair and Peter Leake the Vice President, Margaret Howatson as Secretary and Beryl Cole as Treasurer. Committee members are - Trish Gleeson, Val Mustow, David Strack, Geoff Skinner, Pat Sullivan, Bev Gaunt, Liz Leake, Don Gray, John Moss, David and Dennette

Long, Merril O'Rourke, David Quarrell, Russell Nyland, Des John and Jean Wright.

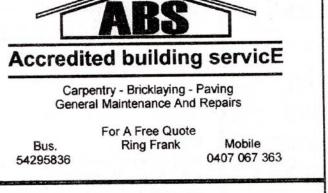
The meeting was very positive having recently had the news that as an auxiliary we will now have an ambulance! The next year will be very exciting with the plans being put down by Ambulance Victoria to const4ruct our station here in Romsey. We will be

working very closely with them to make this happen and as soon as we hear any details we will let you all know!

Thanks again to all the residents of the district for your continuing support in our quest!

Margaret Howatson, Secretary









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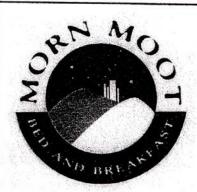
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At the beginning of the next meeting, the club will holds its annual general meeting. At this meeting, all members are invited to attend to review the clubs standing. Election of office bearers will be held for the following positions:

- President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- ♦ General Committee * 4

Members interested in nominating for any of the above positions should contact the secretary to register their intention. Nominations will also be accepted on the day.

Club News

The Sunday Herald-Sun had a promotion allowing anyone to register an Internet domain name for free for the first year. The club has registered www.mrcc.au.com. We'll keep you informed about its availability (see side note - New Web Presence).

FUTURE MEETINGS

Third Sunday of each month 16 Jul, 20 Aug, 17 Sep

2:00 p.m. at BUNGAWITTA (old primary school) in ROMSEY Cnr. Palmer and Main Rds.

Bring a plate for afternoon tea

Got a problem?

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The Macedon Ranges Computer Club has recently changed Internet service providers. We now have a new association with Hotkey Internet Services of Sunbury. As a result, our web pages have been totally revamped along with our new e-mail address as noted below. Come check out our web site and let us know what you think.

Club Contacts

President: Stuart McMinn - 5429 5563; stuartm@intermet.net.au Secretary: Trish Watson - 5428 1562; t_watson@primus.com.au Web page: www.hotkey.net.au mrcc

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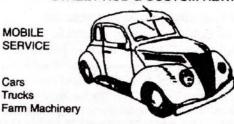
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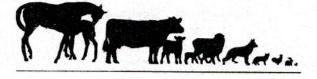
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Recently we have had a few staff changes and I am pleased to announce that we have a new Childcare Coordinator. Nicole Mustey and we congratulate her on getting the position. We would also like to take the opportunity to welcome aboard a new childcare assistant, Rachel Greenwood. We hope that she will have a long and happy working relationship with the House. The children now seem settled with all the changes and we thank them for their patience.

New Tutors are required so if you have any special skills then please write and let us know:

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