



# The Romsey Rag

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Yes, the new drains work.



## Romsey Golf Club

### Current Works

Our drainage, filling and levelling, irrigation system extension and improved surface project across Romsey Park is well underway and should be finished by late October. We hope these works have not too inconvenienced the many community members who regularly use Romsey Park.

Our thanks to MRSC for their support with these important improvements.

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**RGC** turns 100 in 2022, currently local historian and author, Trevor Turnham, is researching the club's past and is preparing “**RGC, The First 100 Years**”. This book will be ready well ahead of the celebrations, March 2022.

Mal and Sevi finish off the new garden behind the 18<sup>th</sup> tee



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## Welcome to the November Edition

This year is certainly flying by, although with the restrictions there have been times when it's been really slow and each day has merged into the next! Hopefully, we will get to have a relatively normal Christmas as restrictions continue to ease.

This month sees the race that stops the Nation - Melbourne Cup and Remembrance Day where we honour those who gave their lives so we can live the way we do today; Global Pandemics aside!

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## WHAT'S ON in & around Romsey

**3rd November** - Melbourne Cup

**9th November** - Romsey Ecotherapy AGM 7:30pm via Zoom.

**11th November** - Remembrance Day

**17th November** - RRBATA AGM 7:00pm via Zoom.



## Romsey Police Station

Patrols along Melbourne-Lancefield Road between Lancefield and Sunbury continue to detect speeding drivers with a number having lost their licences for months at a time since our last submission. It is also evident with several sections of the new wire barriers along that road having been struck that some drivers are simply being careless or are otherwise distracted. With the weather getting better and restrictions continuing to ease into the future, more cars will be out on the roads and it is incumbent upon us all to drive responsibly and adhere to the speed limits and other road rules. We will continue to actively monitor this and other roads in the area with a focus on speed and distraction offences.



A friendly reminder also, after a number of complaints that Station Street, Romsey in front of the primary school is a one-way street accessed only from Railway Cres off the Main St service lane.

Non-traffic related recent incidents include damage to property at Romsey Primary School, please be sure to call police and report any suspicious persons or activity in the area.

We have also received a number of reports of people causing a nuisance throughout Main St, banging on shop windows and other unsociable behaviour. Again, if witnessed we ask you to contact police so we can take necessary action.

Finally, we at Romsey police are keen to enhance our relationship with our community and it's stakeholders. Local businesses, organisations or other entities who believe they would benefit from police input, advice or attendance whether in an ongoing nature or for specific individual events please reach out to us at [romsey.uni@police.vic.gov.au](mailto:romsey.uni@police.vic.gov.au)

Take care.



## November In Your Garden - Melanie Kinsey

As spring moves onwards were you dazzled by the display from the crab-apples along the Main Rd in mid-October? I know I was! I think they are *Malus ioensis* 'Plena' in case you wanted to buy one. Such a mass of white and palest pink! *Malus floribunda* flowers a couple of weeks earlier and has smaller flowers. Plant both and have a succession of crab-apple blossoms! Also, flowering are my echiums with their tall spikes of flowers ranging in colour from ultra-violet purple, through sky blue to pale blue. The echiums have had a bit of a bad rap because of the notorious Patterson's curse *Echium plantagineum*; but the garden variety known as the pride-of-Madeira or tower-of-jewels are a tough drought tolerant plant from the Canary Islands. Tough enough for here!

In my temporary vegetable garden in polystyrene boxes, I have harvested all the cos lettuce and sown more seed for an early summer supply. A sneaky mollusc decimated the baby seedlings only days after they emerged! So, I will have to sow more seed. I have also purchased my one and only tomato – Burnley Surecrop – and have it growing on inside until after Cup Day. Anything labelled with Burnley reminds me of my student days at Burnley Horticultural College, so I am a sucker for this one! Burnley Bounty is also a good variety.

My little colony of succulents continues to grow and it is almost time to move the frost sensitive ones out into more direct light. It's going to be a bigger job this year! Inside I have potted on my *Rhaphidophora tetrasperma* which looks like a mini monstera. I read somewhere that it prefers a light mix so I added some perlite to fresh potting mix along with slow release fertiliser so hopefully it will take off!



## Romsey Mechanics Institute



We are hoping that metro Melbourne is soon at a lower level of restrictions so we can get the people from Melbourne Sound Systems up here and on with the installation of our projector and motorised screen.

Just a few MRSC permits etc to go through and, sometime in the future, we should be full steam ahead.

Our thanks to **Colin & Phaedra Bromley** who did some electrical work at the RMI recently and then donated all materials and labour costs to the institute. Very much appreciated.

Once the weather settles and warms up a little more Zumba is planning to hold sessions on Wednesday and Thursday mornings in the open area behind the RMI. This will be until we can start to have sessions inside again.

The CoM is looking into adding power points along the walls of the main hall. If we can get these put in we will be able to provide better lighting for the Antiques Fair and the Art Show

*The RMI Mechanics' Institute Vic Historical Plaque*



and also allow us hold LAN computer gaming events.

Like everyone we at the RMI are eager to hear good news from the Premier on Oct 18th. Fingers crossed all the hard work that 99% of the population have put in will see a positive result for Metro and rural Victoria.

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<b>Product/Resource :</b>	<b>Australian Indigenous Foods</b>
<b>Country of Study :</b>	<b>Botswana</b>
<b>Thanksgiving Fund :</b>	<b>Endometriosis Research through the Jean Hailes Medical Centre for Women</b>
<b>State Project :</b>	<b>CWA of Vic. Inc. IT and Systems Upgrade and Maintenance</b>
<b>Social Issues Focus :</b>	<b>Building communication skills in times of stress</b>



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

Our friendly monthly meeting is on the 1st Wednesday of each month from 10.00 am to approx. 12.00 noon. Our fun craft days occur on the 3rd Thursday of each month from 10.00 am to approx. 2.00 pm; both meetings are held in the supper room (side entrance) of the Romsey Mechanics Institute, Main Rd, Romsey. Examples of crafts we do are: knitting, sewing, crochet, cooking, beading, paper-craft.

Our Romsey Branch participates in various community activities, and we welcome new members. Come and join us! Membership is very affordable. For any further information please call:

President : Melva Beer  
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 Email: cwaromsey@gmail.com

hold our first meeting whilst having a coffee at one of the local cafes. As we are a small branch, we were able to keep our members under the required 10 people. It was great to catch up with the ladies and have a chat and see what everyone has been doing over the past months to keep themselves busy. We are hoping to be able to hold our annual meeting on Wednesday 4th November. Please contact our Secretary if you are interested in joining us.

This month's recipe is –

### SAVOURY HAM ROLLS

Make 1 qty of basic scone dough,  
 4 cups SR flour, 1tsp salt, 300 ml cream, 300 ml full milk.  
 Sift flour and salt, use cream and sufficient milk to make a soft dough.  
 Next, roll into an oblong 30cm x 20cm and spread blended mustard (1 tbsp mustard blended with 2 tbsp milk) onto the dough.  
 Prepare filling: 3 tbsp ham, chopped. 1 tbsp onion, grated. 1 tbsp parsley, chopped. Sprinkle filling ingredients on dough and roll up like a Swiss Roll. Cut into 24 slices. Arrange on oven tray in a circle with slices just touching. Glaze with milk. Bake at 220c for 15-20 min until gold brown. Serve with butter.

*Enjoy!!*

On Wednesday October 7th we were fortunate to be able to



## Construction Has Begun!

### But Where Are YOU?



## Don't Be The Missing Piece of The Puzzle



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## Romsey Region Business & Tourism Association (RRBATA)

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The benefits of the Romsey Region Business and Tourism Association. Be a part of it!

Romsey Online Remember Don't forget, ANYONE CAN BE A REPORTER! Whether it is sporting results, photos, reports on events etc, the website is waiting for your "news".

Please ensure a note of consent from people featured in any photographs accompanies your submissions. Remember, the website is only as good as the information fed to it at info@romsey.org.au.

## RRBATA Update

### Macedon Ranges Traders' Groups Roundtable Meeting with State Government

RRBATA recently participated in a "round table" meeting of Traders' Groups (Business Associations) convened by State Member for Macedon, Mary-Anne Thomas. State Government representatives included Mary-Anne Thomas, Nick Staikos (Parliamentary Secretary to Treasurer), Ben Schwab (Advisor to Nick Staikos), Jason Knight (Dept Treasury and Finance), and Anna Cronin (Commissioner for Better Regulation – "Red tape commissioner"). RRBATA had canvassed issues to be raised from local businesses prior to this meeting. Discussion points raised by RRBATA included the following:

- Regional Development Victoria (RDV) Business Grants
- State Government resourcing Local Council capability
- Footpath and street access for outdoor seating
- Potential local Infrastructure projects for local economic stimulus post COVID-19.
- The "missing middle" businesses (i.e. businesses which did not qualify for Job Keeper initially due to being insufficiently impacted at that stage but that will feel impacts longer term)
- COVID-19 Funding to businesses –

There seems to be a "disconnect" between the swathes of business funding available and it actually getting to grass roots businesses. The capacity for some businesses to engage has been lacking. Nick Staikos offered to raise this with Martin Pakula (Minister for Coordination of Jobs, Precincts and Regions – COVID-19).

- State Government grants (from \$10,000) for Chambers of Commerce and BATA's

RRBATA believes it is important engage with discussion opportunities, on behalf of its members, with every level of government when made available.



**It's Coming!** Get ready for **LOTS** of Main Street Christmas Trees, **LOTS** of Home and Business Lights and Decorations and **EXCITING** Street Sparkle! Stay tuned for more information on **RRBATA Facebook** (Romsey Lancefield Business and Living) and **Romsey Online** ([www.romsey.org.au](http://www.romsey.org.au)).

## Macedon Ranges Health

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### Challenging Masculine Stereotypes in the Macedon Ranges

We want boys and men in the Macedon Ranges to be free from unhealthy masculine stereotypes and enjoy better physical and mental health.

An exciting new research project, which includes a survey of 1,000 community members and targeted interviews and focus groups, will help us understand how the attitudes and behaviours of men and boys in Macedon Ranges aligns with traditional masculine stereotypes.

Shelly Lavery, Chair of the Macedon Ranges Suicide Prevention Trial Site said, "We know that traditional masculine stereotypes are harmful. They contribute to men's high rates of suicide, depression and anxiety, risky behaviours such as drink driving, and violence against women. Unfortunately, there is still a lot of pressure on men to live up to these unhealthy stereotypes, such as always being strong and in control".

This ground breaking research will identify the local factors that contribute to these attitudes and behaviours, and importantly what we can all do to challenge these stereotypes and improve the health of everyone in our community.

Ken Reither from Gisborne Men's Shed is a member of the Working Group overseeing this project. He told us "my hope is that this project moves the community understanding of masculinity to be more like humanity, whereby we all keep an eye out for those needing assistance, we don't walk past what we don't accept and it is ok for any of us to ask for help."

Orygen, who is leading this project, is busy working with local partners including health services, the council, sports clubs, young people and schools to develop the community survey which will be launching soon.

North Western Melbourne PHN is funding this work through the Macedon Ranges place-based Suicide Prevention Trial Site. To find out more about this project, contact [deepa.patel@mrh.org.au](mailto:deepa.patel@mrh.org.au)

If you need help now call Lifeline on 13 11 14 or text 0477 13 11 14 (6pm-midnight).





## Spring-in to Support Webinars for Volunteer Coordinators and Community Groups

Volunteer Central Vic is springing into action to help small to medium community groups and organisations get back on their feet as they re-emerge within the COVID restrictions. "We understand how challenging this year has been, and groups, clubs and organisations still have a lot of concerns around re-opening in a safe manner," says VCV Coordinator Lisa Richards. "As Spring brings better weather and easing restrictions, we will help clubs and groups get back to their activities and for volunteers to be able to do what they love and engage with the community."

Registrations for the training webinars can be made through the Volunteer Central Vic website where you can also find a huge bank of resources including templates, information guides, tips and answers to FAQs. See [www.volunteercentralvic.com.au](http://www.volunteercentralvic.com.au).

### How to be a Dynamic Committee: 15 October, 10am – 12.30pm

Is your Committee struggling to achieve lift-off? Find you are getting stuck on the same old issues? Is it hard to stay on track and meet your goals? This webinar offers tools and tips to help your Committee or Board succeed, taking you from a lifeless Agenda to energized Actions and successful Achievements.

*Presented by Bendigo Volunteer Resource*

*Centre and Volunteer Central Vic, Proudly supported by Mount Alexander Shire Council*

### Volunteers, Risk and COVID – A Q&A Forum: 29 October, 12.30 – 1.45pm

Volunteer Central Vic is here to help with some of your questions. We have assembled a vast array of resources and information from peak bodies and leading advisory services, and we would like to take you through some of the more useful pieces of information we have found. Bring your lunch and your questions to an open forum where we can share ideas and resources to help you manage volunteers safely.

*Presented by Volunteer Central Vic, facilitated by Paul Muller, an insurance and compliance expert of 50 years' experience, and Lisa Richard, VCV Coordinator.*

### Mind Full or Mindful? Avoiding Burnout for Volunteer Managers: 5 November (International Volunteer Managers Day), 2.30 – 5.00pm

As airline staff say, "Put your own oxygen mask on FIRST". If you are looking for ideas to recharge your volunteering batteries, or just need an energy boost at this busy time of year, this session is for you.

*Presented by Volunteer Central Vic and Omni Mindfulness, Proudly supported by Mount Alexander Shire Council.*

All sessions are via Zoom, you will receive the link upon registration.

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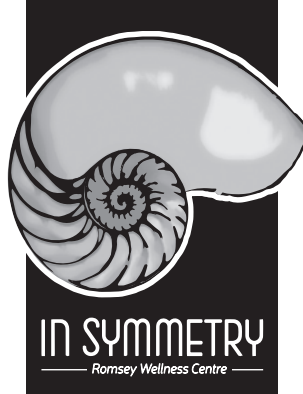
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## Romsey Lancefield Senior Citizens "Meet a Member"

We hope you are all travelling okay in this up and down times. We are still waiting to hear when we will be able to meet up again for our regular Monday sessions but hopefully soon things might get back a semi-normal situation.

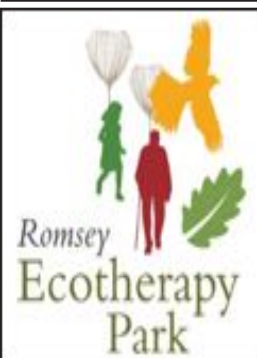
We miss our get togethers and especially miss the birthday celebrations of our members. Whilst we cannot share a cuppa and a piece of birthday cake together, we wish the following members a very **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**.



Pauline Brady is celebrating a birthday on the 10th of November,  
Ida Laboony celebrates on the 12th of November and  
Cheryl Horan has her birthday on the 24th of November.  
Happy Birthday to you all, have a lovely day.

Till next month take care of yourselves, stay at home and stay safe. Remember if you need assistance you can contact Lancefield/Romsey Community Support on 0491 243 996 or the Macedon Ranges Shire Council on 5422 0237.

For further information please contact Helen on 0409 064 303 or Rae on 0408 338 759.



### Annual General Meeting

#### Please Note: AMENDED ARRANGEMENTS

Given the uncertainty re COVID-19 social distancing restrictions, the 2020 Annual General Meeting for the **Romsey Ecotherapy Park Incorporated**, to be held on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November** commencing at 7.30pm, will be conducted by **Zoom Videoconference**.

To receive a Zoom video link, please contact: **Joanne Cooper (Secretary)** Email: [romseyecotherapyark@gmail.com](mailto:romseyecotherapyark@gmail.com)



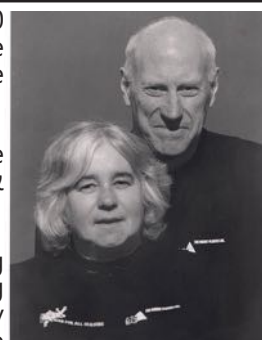
## The Mount Players Reminisce with The Camerons



Marg & Allan Cameron have been an integral part of The Mountview Theatre for the best part of 50 years. Their ongoing commitment over this time has helped establish the strong basis for what we enjoy today. They met through the theatre in 1979 and were married in 1981. Residing in Gisborne they are still actively involved with the theatre.

Allan became involved in the mid '70's and was recruited to the committee in late 1978 with a core group of about ten managing the original theatre. It was tiny with cramped backstage facilities & half the current stage area we have now.

Allan performed on stage in a couple of musicals from 1979 and went on to be involved in everything from stage managing, set building, lighting and front of house for over 30 shows over the coming years. He was Secretary for a while and elected President in 1983 following the Ash Wednesday Fires that destroyed the original theatre. 1984 he resigned the presidency to concentrate on the process of incorporation which was achieved in 1985. He was then elected the original Public Officer of the group.



He was caught by surprise in 2004 by being awarded Life Membership. Says Allan, "It means a great deal as a thoughtful memento from the group for those years we had all put in. That simple plaque contains a million memories. The gallery in the theatre – a million more".

After reading an ad in the local paper in March 1978 inviting people to join the group, Marg found herself stage managing her first show in April the same year! She had been a member of theatre groups in all the towns in which she had worked as a teacher so embraced the opportunity to meet people from a wide background and a chance to work in a team for a common positive purpose enjoying the fun and friendship.

Marg has worked on about 70 shows with the company in a variety of roles - directing, backstage, lighting, set building, pianist, front of house and was even 'on stage' for two productions. Serving on the committee from 1983 till 1987 she had a range of major tasks, including (importantly) supporting members who had been affected by the fires, designing the new theatre, raising money, starting rebuilding, creating and being part of endless working bees, and taking shows on the road. She was also adviser to the committee during the '80's and early '90's on lighting needs and design.

In 1997 she was very surprised and proud to receive life membership of the Mount Players in recognition for her contribution to the company.

*By Marg & Allan Cameron & Karen Hunt*



### Nominations Open for Council's 2020 Youth Awards

Do you know a young person aged 12–25 years doing amazing things in our community?

Tell us about the inspiring young people in your life by nominating them for Macedon Ranges Shire Council's annual Youth Awards, which celebrate and recognise the incredible achievements of young people in the shire.

Nominations are now open and can be for any young person, or group of young people, aged 12–25 years who lives, works or attends school in the Macedon Ranges.

Award categories:

- Will power: young people who show real character and perseverance, especially in the face of adversity
- Good deeds: young people who give their time and energy to activities that support the wellbeing of another individual, group or community.
- Pure imagination: young people pursuing their

passion for creativity through the arts.

- Nicely played: young people kicking recreational and physical activity goals.
- Skilling it: young people excelling in a mentorship program, workplace or business.
- Well aware: young people who shine a light on important issues/social causes and raises awareness in the community.

Submit a nomination online at [mrsc.vic.gov.au/youth](https://mrsc.vic.gov.au/youth), or email [youth@mrsc.vic.gov.au](mailto:youth@mrsc.vic.gov.au)

Nominations close on Sunday 22 November.

The winners will be announced online on Saturday 12 December and depending on pandemic restrictions during December, an outdoor celebration may be held at a later date.

For more information, visit [mrsc.vic.gov.au/youth](https://mrsc.vic.gov.au/youth), or email [youth@mrsc.vic.gov.au](mailto:youth@mrsc.vic.gov.au)

### Council Delivers Upgrades to Kyneton Toyota Sports and Aquatic Centre

While Kyneton Toyota Sports & Aquatic Centre (KTSAC) has remained closed under the current pandemic restrictions, Council has used the opportunity to carry out significant improvement works across the facility.

Council's Facilities and Operations team have been busy:

- Installing new flooring as part of the floor finishing program
- Undertaking a renewal of the pool plant operating system and splash pad
- Installing new roofing, skylights and lighting to Basketball Court 1
- Completing internal painting across the Centre
- Preparing for soon to be upgraded shower and change

area facilities.

Council has made the most of the current closure period to complete these important improvement works without disrupting facility operations and community use. All Council staff and contractors followed COVID safe planning.

The works at KTSAC have visually and operationally improved the Centre as we prepare to welcome back the community once restrictions are further eased in regional Victoria.

For more information, visit [mrsc.vic.gov.au/Kyneton-Toyota-Sports-Aquatic-Centre](https://mrsc.vic.gov.au/Kyneton-Toyota-Sports-Aquatic-Centre).



### Makeover for Old Market Shed at Kyneton Botanical Gardens

Restorations on the Old Market Shed (Piggery Shed) at the Kyneton Botanical Gardens are now complete.

Breathing new life into the old Piggery shed, Abode Restoration Pty Ltd, who were awarded the Council contract, replaced the roof and timber supports to enhance the appearance and improve the safety of this much loved historical heritage listed structure.

The works will extend the life of the shelter within heritage guidelines and ensure it meets Council's safety and risk guidelines.

Axiom Tree Management Pty Ltd was engaged to complete a full assessment of the area before works commenced and all recommendations for tree protection were implemented.

Grass seeding has been completed around the Old Market Shed and Council advised the bunting will remain in place to protect the grass as it establishes.

The Old Market Shed will be open for public use in November 2020.

To book the Old Market Shed, visit [mrsc.vic.gov.au/See-Do/Our-Facilities/Find-A-Venue](https://mrsc.vic.gov.au/See-Do/Our-Facilities/Find-A-Venue)



*The restorations on the Old Market "Piggery" Shed at Kyneton Botanical Gardens are complete, and open for public use in November 2020*

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### Planning on Removing a Tree – Do You Have a Council Issued Planning Permit?

With summer approaching, residents may be starting to prepare their property for the fire season, which may include pruning trees. While many tree removal companies operate in the shire and offer discounted rates to lop or remove trees, before you start you must have a Council issued planning permit.

Council has issued a reminder to residents that a planning permit is required to remove a tree within the Macedon Ranges Shire. Some exemptions apply in certain circumstances, including for emergency works and, in most cases, exotic trees.

A permit is also required to lop more than one third of a tree's canopy. Before authorising tree management works, make sure you have all necessary Council permits, to avoid penalties and potential prosecution.

To confirm whether a planning permit is required or more information, you can contact Macedon Ranges Shire Council at 5422 0333 or email [mrsc@mrsc.vic.gov.au](mailto:mrsc@mrsc.vic.gov.au)



### Cloth Nappies 101 - Free Online Workshop for Shire Residents

Did you know 3.75 million disposable nappies are used each day in Australia and New Zealand?

Do you want to know more about modern cloth nappies? Whether it is for cost savings, environmental impact by reducing waste, or the health benefits for your child, join Elana from Cloth Nappy Workshops Melbourne to discover the world of modern cloth nappies.

Cloth Nappies 101 is a comprehensive introduction to cloth nappies which suits both expectant parents and those who already have children in nappies. The workshop will take you through everything you need to know to get started with cloth nappies.

The workshop, from 10.30am on Saturday 14 November will cover washing tips, where to buy them, debunk myths, and share simple tips and tricks to make cloth super easy. With over 60 nappies and accessories, you can not only ask questions and be shown cloth nappies, but also other reusable nappies such as pull-ups, swim nappies, and cloth wipes.

This free workshop has been funded by the Macedon Ranges Shire Council, and is open to residents of Macedon Ranges Shire only.

The workshop has limited capacity to ensure an intimate environment where each participant can have their questions answered, so bookings are crucial.



For more information or to book, visit [mrsc.vic.gov.au/cloth-nappies](https://mrsc.vic.gov.au/cloth-nappies)



### Attention: Annual General Meeting **AMENDED ARRANGEMENTS**

Given the uncertainty re COVID-19 social distancing restrictions, the 2020 Annual General Meeting for Romsey Region Business and Tourism Association Incorporated (RRBATA), to be held on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2020** commencing at **7.00pm**, will be conducted by **Zoom Videoconference**.

To receive a Zoom video link, please contact:

**Jenny Stillman (President)**

Email: [jennystillman@optusnet.com.au](mailto:jennystillman@optusnet.com.au)

### Linking Older Residents and Local Businesses in Macedon Ranges

Are you over 65 and looking to enjoy a meal out at an affordable cost, or a local food business that would like to support older people to participate in their community? If so, Macedon Ranges Shire Council's new meal voucher program may be of interest to you.

The program, funded by the Commonwealth Home Support Programme, provides eligible clients with 10 meal vouchers, worth \$5 each, which are redeemable at participating local food businesses. Older residents can support local businesses while exploring some of the delicious and

varied dining options available in Macedon Ranges at a reduced price.

Local businesses can play their part in supporting some older residents to enjoy more independent and fulfilling lives and perhaps gain some new loyal customers. The full value of vouchers will be reimbursed back to participating businesses.

If you are a local business holding a current Registration of Food Premises or an older resident who would like to know more, contact the Macedon Ranges Shire Council Healthy Ageing Engagement team at 5422 0333 or visit [mrsc.vic.gov.au/Live-Work/Older-People](http://mrsc.vic.gov.au/Live-Work/Older-People).

### The Next Stage of the Romsey Ecotherapy Park is Underway

Detailed design planning for stage two of Romsey Ecotherapy Park is underway, with construction scheduled to start next year.

Stage two of the master plan will deliver a sensory therapeutic space and an arts/culture open space for people of all ages and abilities.

Council is working in partnership with community group Romsey Ecotherapy Park Inc. to deliver stage two of the park, which will provide a unique experience for both local residents and visitors to enjoy.

The park is located on the corner of Main and Palmer streets and is being developed in stages.

Romsey Ecotherapy Park Inc. and Council conducted an extensive community consultation phase to develop a concept for the park in 2017. Stage one, the Active Nature Space, has been completed and includes landscaped areas, seating, paths, a flying fox and nature-based play elements including a climbing forest (which was funded as a result of community voting through Pick My Project).

Stage 2 of the park is jointly funded by the Victorian Government through Regional Development Victoria (\$718,000), Macedon Range Shire Council (\$702,000) and the Romsey Lancefield Community Bank branches of the Bendigo Bank's contribution for the sensory therapeutic space (\$80,000).

Visit [mrsc.vic.gov.au/Romsey-Ecotherapy-Park](http://mrsc.vic.gov.au/Romsey-Ecotherapy-Park) to find out more and keep updated on the progress of the project.

### Romsey Dietician

Cobaw Community Health's Dietician is taking bookings for both face to face and telephone or video appointments. Erin Dwyer is able to assist with a number of conditions including weight management, malnutrition, diabetes, heart disease, chronic fatigue, and gastrointestinal issues such as IBS, coeliac and chron's. Erin can also see children who are fussy eaters and can help with general healthy eating advice and assistance with meal planning. Cobaw's dietetic service can be provided under the NDIS and to those on Home Care Packages. For those on a pension or healthcare card the fee is \$10 per hour.

For bookings:  
Call Cobaw on  
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email [cchsintake.primaryhealth@cobaw.org.au](mailto:cchsintake.primaryhealth@cobaw.org.au)



### PUBLIC HOLIDAYS & OBSERVATIONS

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Friday 25th December Christmas Day

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Advocacy support for Disability Royal Commission is now available in Regional Victoria, which includes regions such as Bendigo, Geelong, Horsham, Mildura, Shepparton and surrounding areas.

People with disability living in these locations and have experienced violence, abuse, neglect or exploitation, can now access free and independent advocacy support.

Around 4.4 million Australians have a disability, and research shows that they are more likely to experience violence, abuse, neglect or exploitation than people without disability.

The Rights Information and Advocacy Centre (RIAC) is one of fifty providers to receive additional funding from the Australian Government to provide individual advocacy support to help people engage with the Disability Royal Commission.

Karryn Goode, RIAC CEO, states that RIAC helps to protect the rights and interests of people with disability, and support people to speak up:

*"Advocates are supporting an increasing number of people with disability and their representatives since the Disability Royal Commission kicked off in 2019. Advocates can help people to make a submission to the Disability Royal Commission, arrange accessible supports such as interpreters, and connect people to services such as legal, counselling, financial and other supports. Advocates are also available to support people with disability to make decisions about engaging with the Disability Royal Commission."*

For advocacy support, contact RIAC on **(03) 5222 5499** between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday (AEST).

People can also contact the National Counselling and Referral Service on 1800 421 468 9am to 6pm (AEST) weekdays and 9am to 5pm (AEST) weekends and national public holidays.

People who are deaf, have a hearing or speech impairment can contact RIAC through the National Relay Service on 133 677. RIAC can arrange free translations and interpreting for people who need help in another language. For more information, visit our Website at <https://riac.org.au>

People can visit the Department of Social Services' website for captioned videos, Easy Read and Auslan resources, and a full list of organisations providing counselling, advocacy, legal and financial supports for the Disability Royal Commission.

### Confidentiality

RIAC also understands that there are people with disabilities who are reluctant to share their stories due to fear that their names and personal details will be published and the retribution that may follow.

RIAC wish to assure everyone that it treats confidentiality with utmost importance. We are legally bound to protect your privacy. We will not share any of your confidential information with anyone else unless you give us specific and expressed instructions to do so.

If you are currently experiencing any form of violence or abuse, or you are concerned for your or someone else's safety, please call 000 immediately.

### Counselling Services

Free, independent counselling is available for people with disability who have experienced violence, abuse, neglect or exploitation; and anyone affected by the Disability Royal Commission. Call the National Counselling and Referral Service on 1800 421 468, 9am–6pm weekdays and 9am–5pm weekends and national public holidays or ask to be connected to a counsellor advocate near you.

For more information, including a copy of media guidelines, please visit [www.dss.gov.au/disability-royal-commission-support](http://www.dss.gov.au/disability-royal-commission-support)

## Lemonade's a Lifesaver!

Chances are, and depending on your age, when you think of a life-saver images of a sweet tasting candy or a bronzed Aussie with a red and yellow cap atop their head dutifully patrolling beaches comes to mind. But not so for the good folk at Edgar's Mission Farm Sanctuary in Lancefield. One ask of them and they will proudly tell you in one word: Lemonade. Quickly adding that Lemonade, an affable Merino cross wether, most recently became a life-saver for another rescued sheep who urgently needed a blood transfusion as a result of life saving surgery.



Performed at the Romsey Veterinary Clinic under the skilled hands and kind heart of practice principle Dr Joshua Ellis, Miss Daisy underwent a full mastectomy as a result of untreated mastitis. A most painful condition, she had long been suffering prior to her surrender to the not for profit sanctuary. With Lemonade's blood coursing through her veins, Miss Daisy made it through the surgery with flying colours and has now returned to full health.

Since 2003 Edgar's Mission has provided sanctuary for over 5,000 farmed animals in need of kindness. Lemonade was one of them. "It is just so heart-warming to know that after dear Lemonade's rough start to life with disabled front legs, he has been able to repay the kindness afforded him and help save the life of another animal in trouble," said Edgar's Mission Founder and Director Pam Ahern.



L-R Lemonade,  
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Veterinary  
Clinic's Dr  
Joshua Ellis,  
Miss Daisy



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## HEALTH SERVICE MERGER CONFIRMED

Community health services in Sunbury and the Macedon Ranges are set to be strengthened with the announcement of the merger of Cobaw Community Health and Sunbury Community Health. The merged organisation, to be known as Sunbury and Cobaw Community Health, will formally launch on 1 January 2021.

The merger has been endorsed by both organisations' Boards and backed by a vote of support by Cobaw's members last night.

"Our organisations have provided services that respond to the needs of our communities for several decades," said Phillip Ripper, CEO of Sunbury Community Health. "By joining together, we will build on the strengths of each organisation and be better positioned to collaborate, take advantage of funding opportunities and share knowledge across our communities".

Sunbury and Cobaw Community Health will cover an area of over 1700 km<sup>2</sup> from Sunbury to beyond the borders of Macedon Ranges Shire and its 280 staff and 100 volunteers will be based across four sites at Sunbury, Romsey, Woodend and Kyneton.

"Despite the ongoing success of both our organisations, the environment continues to be challenging for smaller community health organisations," said Margaret McDonald, CEO of Cobaw. "As two entities, we often miss out on securing new funding contracts as they are given to larger organisations."

The amalgamation follows the success of other mergers in the health sector, including that of Kyneton District Health and Hepburn Health which last year became Central Highlands Rural Health.

"We are similar organisations with similar values and a genuine commitment to the individuality of our communities," said Mr Ripper. "We have collaborated on a number of projects and truly believe that together we will be in a stronger position to expand services and ensure that community health continues to be delivered close to home."

After a long and successful career, Ms McDonald is looking forward to retirement early next year once the transition to the new organisation has been successfully completed. Mr Ripper will lead the new organisation.

"For those accessing our services and programs very little will change," said Ms McDonald. "You will receive the same high level of care from the same location. There will be a new name and a new logo but you can be assured that behind it are the same local staff that you know and trust with their strong connection to the community."



### Before you burn-off:

- ✓ Check restrictions
- ✓ Check weather
- ✓ Have water nearby
- ✓ Never leave a fire unattended
- ✓ Put the fire out properly

Register your burn-off on 1800 668 511.





## Cooking with Peter Russell-Clarke

### Aubergine & Spinach Pie



Why did the chickens cross the road?

"Why, oh why?" cried my mate from Romsey looking at his flattened feathered friends - the two who had dutifully supplied him and his medic mate with so many beautifully yolked eggs.

The chickens had nearly made the journey across the road to the golf course when the wheels of the lawn mower tractor stopped them in their tracks.

My mate collected their carcasses and retired to his flash kitchen.

He cooked the chicken breasts with flavours he'd purchased from the local shop which supplied the district from their well-stocked shelves from which the golfing fraternity selected their flavours after they'd crossed the road from the 18th hole to the 19th hole.

#### **ROMSEY ROAD CHICKEN**

4 Small Chicken Breast Fillets (skin on);  
 1/4 Cup Soy Sauce;  
 2 Tablespoons Dry Sherry or Gin;  
 Juice of 2 Cloves of Garlic;  
 1 1/2 Tablespoons Mirin (if you haven't got mirin, use a small splash of honey and water);  
 1 1/2 Tablespoons Brown Sugar;  
 1 Teaspoon Finely Grated Fresh Ginger;  
 2 Tablespoons Oil.

Pound each breast between sheets of plastic wrap with a mallet (or get a tractor to run over them) until they're 1 cm thick. Put the soy sauce, sherry (or gin), garlic juice, mirin, brown sugar and the ginger in a flat dish (not a metal one) and stir till the sugar has dissolved.

Add the chicken and refrigerate for an hour or so, turning once after about half an hour (that's the chicken not you).

Drain the chicken, being sure to keep the marinade. Heat the oil in a deep-frying pan and cook the chicken over medium heat, skin-side down, until the skin is crisp - about 5 minutes. Then turn the chicken over and cook the other side for 2 to 4 minutes. Remove the chicken.



Add the marinade and 1/4 cup of water to the pan and bring to the boil over high heat then add the chicken and any juices. Heat until cooked through, turning once. (If the sauce is runny, remove the chicken and boil the sauce until it thickens.) Serve the chicken drizzled with the sauce.



## Western Water Innovation Identifying Spill Hotspots



Western Water is using Artificial Intelligence to monitor its network and identify areas where sewer spills happen most frequently.

Since January, Western Water has cleared more than 100 blockages across its service region including the Macedon Ranges. Gisborne was identified as one of the most affected communities in the region.

Western Water's Chief Operating Officer, Graham Holt said blockages are costly and cause significant harm to the environment, so it's important to invest in new monitoring technologies.

"The technology, combined with historical data, helps us predict the high incidence areas," Mr Holt said.

"As a result, we're monitoring those areas more closely".

Mr Holt said that most blockages are caused by customers throwing fats down the sink, flushing something other than toilet paper or planting invasive trees near pipe networks.

"Sewer spills present a risk to the environment and cost a lot to fix," he said.

"At Western Water, we're focussed on keeping bills affordable, and we hope customers will help us meet this goal by taking care of what they put down their sinks and toilets.

Now we know the high-risk regions, we're reaching out to these communities to do the right thing. What you flush can impact your entire neighbourhood."





# LANCEFIELD ROMSEY

## Stand Together

Family violence is a social issue which has worsened during the Covid-19 pandemic. Preventing family violence is a shared responsibility across the community. In our day-to-day lives we can all model behaviours that can influence healthy, respectful relationships and stop violence before it starts.

We're inviting everyone in the Lancefield and Romsey communities to stand together and show how our communities can be safe, respectful and supportive places to live.

Campaign photos will be collectively published on social media, in the local paper and displayed in a roving public exhibition through Lancefield and Romsey.



Take a photo of yourself, your family or your organisation with a sign showing what you will stand for or what you will do when it comes to creating a safer more respectful community



Email your photos to [Lauren.Tyrrell@cobaw.org.au](mailto:Lauren.Tyrrell@cobaw.org.au)



Invite 5 friends from your community to do the same and help us get the word out



Post to social media & let your friends know what you stand for

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If you or somebody you know is impacted by family violence you can call 1800RESPECT on 1800 737 732 in an emergency call 000



## Romsey Golf Club, Men's & Women's Reports

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It has been a very busy month down at Romsey Park. The drainage, levelling and filling works have gone ahead full steam, that is except when it rained. The occasional rain proved a boon; it allowed us to see the existing drains working and make some changes to our original ideas. There is still a deal of filling and levelling to be done but with the weather so wet we will have to wait for more than a few fine days to allow everything to dry out. Our thanks to Cam, Mal, Andy, Andy and Matt for all their hard work so far. Just a few more days and everything will be done.

We were lucky with the extension to the irrigation system works. Both days were clear and dry. Mick Breen (Sunbury Water Pros) had done great work sorting out all the fittings and pipe while the boys from Hobbs Directional Drilling & Trenching, Paul & Todd, got the dirt out of the way of our new piping. We managed to cut two cables and two existing pipes, could be fixed. The ground water quickly filled the trenches on a couple of fairways. Top effort; Freebie, Clive, Tony, Sevi, Ron, Hugh, Elaine & Wendy.

The rain has been a great positive, while it has slowed things down a little it also means that there will be excellent soil

moisture when we sow the couchgrass sprigs; end of Oct/early Nov. With summer heat and irrigation the couchgrass should grow well and achieve 50%-70% cover by the end of Feb. Once established it will require 40% - 60% less water than the exiting grasses. A detailed account of all the works in this program may be found on the RGC website at; <http://www.romseygolfclub.net/recycled-water-works/>

On Wed Oct 7th RGC held its AGM, a digital (Zoom) meeting. 40 members were present or had sent proxys. The RGC committee had met this way since May and could train other club members in the use of the program.



*New drain moves that ground water*

## Woodend Hanging Rock Pétanque Club

### Breaking News! Playing again and with a great new second location in Woodend.

After seven long months of restrictions due to the disaster of COVID we are restarting play of our wonderful sport and our members are overjoyed, but that's only part of our Club's great news.

For over 20 years the Club has played at Hanging Rock Reserve - a beautiful place to play Pétanque with a spectator crowd of kangaroos and where we will continue our Thursday evening 'Pétanque at the Rock' sessions followed by a BBQ through the spring and summer months for many years. Lovely though it is we desperately needed a home within Woodend itself

where we could play throughout the year and more often than just Thursday evenings.

Well, the time has arrived! Woodend Hanging Rock Pétanque Club has reached agreement with Woodend Pony Club and Macedon Ranges Shire Council to share their facilities in Forest St Woodend. This will enable us to be far more active in supporting the Woodend community and surrounding areas, it will open up this wonderful sport to all residents of the town and throughout the Macedon Ranges.

This new Pétanque Piste (playing area) means the Club will be able to play on selected time schedules Monday to Friday throughout the year, it also provides an area where we can Train and Coach new players. The Club is hoping to be holding State and National competitions at the new Woodend facility bringing visitors to the Region and so supporting the community and local businesses.

### What is Pétanque?

It's a funny French sport with an even funnier name, a bit like Bowls and Bocce but without a lot of those sport's formalities - and it's a lot more fun! It is played by all ages and people of all fitness levels; it can even be played in a wheelchair! It's inexpensive to play, no fancy uniforms to buy, a beginner set of boules (balls) will cost as little as \$40 and even competition boules are generally less than \$300, we provide free Club boules to use while you give the sport a try. Pétanque is a friendly sport, there's no snobby attitudes and its good fun - so why not give it a try.

Come and join the fun, we'd love you to try it. For more information please contact us through: [john.pizzey@petanqueattherock.com.au](mailto:john.pizzey@petanqueattherock.com.au) or visit our website [www.petanqueattherock.com.au](http://www.petanqueattherock.com.au)





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## PASTOR'S PARABLES

### *Swimming Aimlessly During the Pandemic*



When we dive into the ocean with our eyes open, images are unclear. The water blurs our vision and everything is vague. Without any aid, we are unable to identify the objects surrounding us. However, when we put on a diving mask or goggles, the sea world suddenly comes into focus. We can now marvel at the ocean in a way we never could before. We can see very clearly the direction in which we are heading, appreciate the beauty of the ocean and identify what is friendly and what is dangerous.

Life can seem pretty vague. For many of us, we journey aimlessly through our lives trying to find sense and purpose to something that seems pointless.

This is particularly true of our current situation that we find ourselves in i.e. the Coronavirus Pandemic. So, is there a higher purpose to life? If there is, how can we possibly see things clearly?

When we look at life through the Word of God (Bible), everything takes on a completely different appearance. The Bible records history from beginning to end. We see things with a clarity that could never be attained relying on our own resources. Suddenly, there is understanding as to why certain things happen.

This is the reason that most Christians have not had fear or uncertainty about their future, even in the midst of Isolation and Economic Recession. Because of Bible prophecies and God's promises to those who are His, we can clearly see our destination and purpose in life.

God never intended us to travel through life disorientated and vulnerable to every danger. He gave us goggles (Bible) to see clearly – it is up to us to put them on. (Psalms 119:105, Hebrews 4:12)

If you want to see where you are in the scheme of life on earth, why don't you consider becoming a Christian? You will find that God is still in control. He is faithful to those who are His. And He provides understanding, peace, joy, patience and self-control even in the midst of a Pandemic.

We would love to support and guide you in this most important decision that you can EVER make in life. So, we invite you to get in touch with us via any of the contact details provided on this page. IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

Love and Blessings, Pastor Marilyn Hunter,  
Senior Pastor



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May God watch over us all  
and keep us safe during this  
testing time as we put our  
faith and trust in Him.

## A D V E N T ... CHRIST'S COMING AGAIN

A new Church year begins with the season of ADVENT. Did we grow during the months after Trinity Sunday in our knowledge and love of Jesus? Now we begin remembering all the life-saving acts of God in achieving our salvation in the sending of His beloved Son, Jesus, to save us from our sinful state.

The keynote of Advent is the coming of the Lord. The purpose of the season is to prepare for His coming. We look back to His first coming in great humility as the babe in Bethlehem at Christmas but Advent also focuses on the Christ who is to come again in His glorious majesty. His Second Coming!

He will according to promise - God always keeps His promises - "...And then shall they see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory"... Luke 21:27-28. He is coming to judge the living and the dead. Timothy 4:1. And "all the nations shall be gathered before him." Matthew 25:31. He will execute judgment upon all. (Jude v.15.) Convicting the ungodly and punishing those who have rejected the Gospel. And rewarding those who are 'in Christ' for their faithful service.

When will this happen? - no-one knows but the Father - God Himself.

So, Advent warns us to "Be Prepared" for that great day of Christ's triumphant return.

"Grant that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight".

(Book of Common Prayer - 3rd Sunday in Advent)

"Lo! He comes with clouds descending,  
Once for favoured sinners slain;  
Thousand thousand saints attending Swell  
the triumph of His train:  
Alleluia!

Christ appears on earth again.

C. Wesley & J. Cennick

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We continue to meet as a Church through our telephone hook-up ably led by the Rev. Judi Pollard and will do so for the foreseeable future.

Last month, October, was the 150th Anniversary of the opening of Christ Church Lancefield and the anniversary of the death of Elizabeth MacCullagh, 27, died 20/10/1870, the beloved young wife of the Rev. John MacCullagh. Her funeral was the first service in the newly built church and the largest seen in Lancefield at that time. Their fully restored grave is in the local cemetery.

Doreen Morgan .. Correspondent

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Any queries or pastoral care needs can be directed to the Rev. Judi Pollard on 0402 268 001



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**Due to the Government Restrictions regarding the Corona Virus the Romsey Uniting Church is closed and all church activities have ceased until further notice.**

Members of the Uniting Church Macedon Ranges Partnership have been enjoying worship services via Video Link - see the website above.

These services have been very enjoyable and we all appreciate our ministry team for the work they are doing to present these videos.

### All God's gifts around us

Lamentations 3:22 reminds us, *"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning"*.

In life, God's love surrounds us and this gives us hope in every situation. No matter how isolated or alone we might feel the love of God is always there with us. As Hebrews reminds us, *"keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.'"* 13:5 (NRSV)

Our "normal" situation may never be the same again but one thing we can be sure of is that God will always be with us. God's love and care is always present in all of life's events.

### Prayer:

Lord, we thank you that in all the changing scenes of life you are with us. Your love surrounds us and keeps us looking forward to the future with hope. You are the strength of all who put their trust in you; even in the gloomiest times your light shines on us. To you we offer our thanks and praise for the goodness and grace your presence brings. Our hearts are comforted as we pray in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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## DEAR PARISHIONERS

At the time of submitting this article there has been no change to the rule preventing us from celebrating Mass in our church. The Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne is in constant contact with parishes, keeping us updated with rule changes as they happen and they are working hard lobbying the Premier to make some allowances.

At present Weddings are limited to 10 people including the couple and their witnesses. The celebrant and children under 12 months of age are not included in this number.

Funerals are limited to 20 mourners. Funeral staff and children under 12 months of age are not included in this number.

Baptism's – whilst we are taking details for Baptism's to be held next year, all current Baptism bookings are on hold.

A reminder to all church carers that were listed on the 2020 cleaning roster, it is not being followed at this time. Church carers will be contacted regarding their availability to help as the need arises.

Please direct enquiries to the parish office on 5429 2130 or by email at [lancefield@cam.org.au](mailto:lancefield@cam.org.au)

For funeral arrangements, please contact Fr. Martin on 5427 2690 or by email at [woodend@cam.org.au](mailto:woodend@cam.org.au)

Thank you for your understanding and please take care of yourselves and your loved ones.

### WORSHIP FROM HOME – HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN MASS ONLINE

- St. Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne, daily Mass at 1pm, Sunday Mass 11am.
- Watch this at <https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass>
- Via facebook <https://www.facebook.com/CatholicArchdioceseofMelbourne>
- The Archdiocese youtube channel at [www.youtube.com/archmelb](http://www.youtube.com/archmelb)
- Mass for you at home is broadcast on network ten on Sundays <https://10play.com.au/mass-for-you-at-home>
- Fr. Vinoth streaming live on Sundays via <https://www.facebook.com/St-Brigids-Parish>

With the current Restrictions due to be re-assessed mid September, circumstances may very well change at that time. For the best way to stay up to date with Mass services / restrictions, please email [lancefield@cam.org.au](mailto:lancefield@cam.org.au) to be placed on the parishioners email distribution list. A weekly email is sent out each Friday with updates and news regarding our parish.



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*Let the peace of Christ rule in  
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Let the word of Christ dwell in  
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God comes to us, each and  
every one.  
God bless you every day.*



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Anyone who has any questions re these rates please contact; [payablesromseyrag@gmail.com](mailto:payablesromseyrag@gmail.com)

#### Commitment Forms (Feb 2020 – December 2020)

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Half Page	\$120.00	\$540.00	\$1,020.00	\$1,760.00
Full page	\$200.00	Saving 10%	Saving 15%	Saving 20%
Classifieds	\$15.00	Item description (15 words), cost, location & contact info		
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1. Nothing will be printed without proof of payment and a filled out and signed Commitment Form
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