

LANCEFIELD GOLF CLUB

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Saturday and Sunday Mixed Competition Results

26 November **Mt William Cup:** C.Daniel, K.Ryan, C.Lingard (115)

27 November C.Buttler (12) 39; B.Brennan (13) 36

3 December **Monthly Medal:** S.Hawkins (16) 68; R.Schultz (23) 69

4 December **Lancefield Open Ambrose:** Kilmore

10 December **Medal of Medallists:** S.Draper (15) 67

18 December T.Hyland (9) 72

31 December R.Sparke (26) 66; D.Dennett (21) 67

1 January P.Daly (20) 39

7 January **Monthly Medal** P.Daly (20) 68; T.Allen (13) 68

14 January R.Mau (10) 42; T.Potts (12) 40

15 January T.Hyland (9) 40; R.Mau (8) 36

Tuesday Mixed Competition Results (Legends)

22 November A.Maloney (21) 36; B.Morris (9) 34

29 November S.Draper (15) 73; T.Allen (12) 74

13 December **Don Sinclair Memorial Trophy** P. Lewis (31) 62; A.Maloney (20) 65

20 December C.Daniel (15) 42; S. Dickie (32) 42

27 December **Legends' Trophy** A.Maloney (18) 68; C.Daniel (14) 72

3 January D.Jones (5) 39; T.Allen (13) 34

10 January W. Ray (32) 40; J.Hudson (28) 38

17 January S.Draper (14) 40; P. Gray (9) 39

The winner of the Christmas Hamper was Conor McLaughlin who also won the Last Man Standing Event held in March. The Lancefield Open Ambrose, held on Sunday 4th December was won by a team from Kilmore Golf Club. The annual Legends' Trophy Event was won by Alan Maloney (18), net 68 and the annual Medal of Medallists was won by Stephen Draper (14) net 67.

Some exciting developments are taking place on the course at present. New paths have been dug and new gravel surfaces will be laid in the near future. A new drain between the 2nd and 3rd fairways has been made. A team of community workers will be working on the course over the next few weeks on a regular basis. It is anticipated that many labour intensive works aimed at improving the course will now be possible. Thanks to Simon Dickie who has again donated a set of flags. It does not seem long ago that he donated the first set. Roger Sparke and his wife must be thanked for their continued efforts at keeping the weeds on the fairways in obedience. Coming Events include Night Golf on Friday 3rd February, Twilight Golf on Thursday 9th February, a Last Man Standing Event at Clarkefield Hotel on Sunday 19th March, and a new event is being hosted by Lancefield Golf Club, the inaugural North-West/Central Pub Challenge to which 27 hotels in the area have been invited. It will be held on Sunday 26th February.

Enquires for memberships and social group bookings to
Secretary, Steve Draper
(5429 2079) or access our website
www.lancefieldgolfclub.com.au

Romsey and District Netball Assoc.

2006 Registration

Registration night is Wednesday 8h February 5.30—6.30 pm at Romsey Rec. Centre for juniors, intermediates and seniors.

All enrolments to be accompanied by a \$5 club fee.

V.N.A. 18 and over \$42.00
17 and under \$28.00
11 and under \$18.00

Season commences Wednesday 15th February.
Enquiries to Chris 5429 5582 or Sue 5429 6479

ROMSEY FOOTBALL CLUB

President	Secretary	Treasurer
Bill McLeod	John Lynch J.P.	Russell Carroll
5429 5384	5429 5514	5429 6444

The Romsey Football/Netball Club season has now commenced with several new committee people and some new coaches.
The committee consists of President Bill McLeod, Vice President Stuart Mitchell, Treasurer Russell Mitchell, Secretary John Lynch and general committee members Terry Brady, Justin Paterson, Louie Auer Snr and Louie Auer Jnr, Mano Serrano and Graeme Cuthbert. Our thanks to Graeme for his efforts in 2005 as President.
Kevin Fitzgerald has been retained as Seniors coach. Unfortunately we were unable to retain Darryl Brinkhuis, Alan Lever and Graeme Walters due to their employment requirements. Thank you for your excellent performance in 2005. You will be missed.
Mark Doherty is the new Reserves coach, Nick (Doc) Dyer will be coaching the under 18 team and Maryanne Blair is coaching the Netball team. Welcome aboard.
The ground resurfacing is looking very good and should be excellent for our first home game on April 22nd.
Training is on Monday and Wednesday evenings at 6.00 pm.—the venues may change so keep in touch with the coaches.

John Lynch
Secretary

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Vic 3434

Programmes and Activities for Term 1 2006

Embroidery for Beginners
Tutor: Karyn Gottschling
Tuesday evenings 7.00—8.30 pm.
Commencing Tuesday February 7th
(No class Tuesday March 7th)
Venue: Romsey Primary School
Cost: \$35 per person
Materials to be provided by participants
(List of materials available from tutor).
Bookings essential, payment prior to commencement required.
Minimum numbers will apply—course will be cancelled if insufficient numbers.

Parenting For Success:
Enjoying My Teenager
This programme explores adolescence including:
Development
Communication
Challenging behaviour
Conflict resolution
Relationships and understanding mood changes.
To be conducted by Cobaw Community Health centre.
4 sessions, commencing Wednesday 15th February—Wednesday 8th March
Free—no cost involved.
Venue: CFA Headquarters (Old courthouse)
Stawell Street, Romsey.
Bookings essential.
For further information contact Leonie or Amanda on 5421 1607 at Cobaw Community Health Centre.

Drop In Craft Morning with Karyn:
Every Thursday 10.30 am—12.30 pm
CFA Headquarters, Stawell Street, Romsey.
Bring along those unfinished craft projects., enjoy some company and a cuppa, and meet new people.
Gold coin donation.

Aerobics
4 sessions a week available at Romsey Rec Centre
Commencing:
Monday February 6th (12.30 and 1.30 pm)
Wednesday February 8th (9.15 and 10.30 am)
Child minding available.

Packages:
1: 10 sessions \$50
2: 10 sessions + 1 child \$80
3: 10 sessions + 2 children \$90
4: 10 sessions + 3 children \$100
Bookings are essential, payment required before commencement. Minimum numbers will apply.

Relaxation / Meditation With Karen Ruggeri
Improve your well-being with relaxation and meditation.
To be held on Wednesday evenings, at 7.00 pm
Venue: Romsey Primary School Performing Arts Centre
Cost: Gold coin donation
Bookings essential.

Creative Writing
Following 2 very successful groups last year, we are delighted to have writer Dee White back.
In term 1 we will be looking at where the ideas come from and how to develop them.
Cost: \$50 for 5 sessions
Commences Thursday February 9th at 7.00—8.30 pm
Venue: Romsey Primary School
Minimum numbers required for this course to run.
Bookings and payment in advance required.

Participants please note:
Payment must be made in advance, by cheque or money order made payable to “Romsey Community House Inc” and posted to P.O. Box 418, Romsey.
Where insufficient numbers are enrolled for a course to run, classes will be cancelled. Refunds will be made to participants.
If a participant withdraws from a class 1 week or less prior to commencement, a refund will only be available in extenuating circumstances to be discussed with the Community House committee.
Where a course or class or programme or activity is oversubscribed, a waiting list will apply.

For further information about any programme, please contact Robyn Moore on 0412 275 152.

All bookings should be made through Robyn Moore on 0412 275 152 and confirmed with payment by cheque or money order posted to the address above, clearly stating the course for which payment is being made.

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Articles should be left at the Romsey Post Office (fax 5429 5134) or Romsey Primary School (fax 5429 5765) by 12 noon of the 21st of each month (or last business day prior to the 21st).

We prefer articles to be submitted electronically or on disc. Legible typed or handwritten items may be accepted. All material submitted for publication must be named and have contact details.

Articles can be sent via e-mail to: romsey.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

Please ensure that any text is sent as word documents and logos / photos are sent as .jpg files.

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September 2006	Friday, August 18th	Thursday, August 24th
October 2006	Friday, September 22nd	Thursday, September 28th
November 2006	Friday, October 20th	Thursday, October 26th
December 2006	Friday, November 17th	Thursday, November 23rd

Have your say on better transport

Survey forms on improved public transport needs are being distributed by the Shire to residents in Lancefield and Romsey this month, and I urge you to have your say.

Having a clear view of the thoughts of residents will enable the Shire to push more forcefully for the transport options we need.

Please take the time to fill in and return the survey. I believe our residents need more regular bus timetables and better links to rail services, so make sure your voice counts.

Cr Henry Bleeck.
Your Local Macedon Ranges Shire Councillor.
5422 7027

Update Newsletter

Council's Update newsletter (December 2005 issue) was distributed throughout the Shire during the week of 12–16 December. If you haven't received a copy of the newsletter with your mail please contact any of Council's Service Centres or telephone 5422 0310.

Probus Club

Romsey – Lancefield

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

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

Contact

Geoff Long(President) on 5429 6567
Dorothy Hayes (Secretary) on 5429 1225



CREEK WATCH

It's great to have Five Mile Creek for evening and early morning walks. Try it if you haven't been there lately. The creek is looking good; the overgrowth before Christmas has been cleared.

FOR REGULAR WALKERS:

The creek needs a minute of your time occasionally – to keep it looking good after wind or storms.

Huge work was done to clear it – let's keep it that way. When you are walking along

Pick up loose branches *after a blow*

Someone will clear away or burn the rubbish piles.

Tell Council when a drain clogs with sand (1300 656 577, or at the Romsey office).

Council cleans drains when residents report them.

Volunteer if you can do special jobs

eg. planting, cutting out an old willow

Come to Clean-up Australia Day

Sunday March 5th 2006

Enjoy the creek

(Without you, it could go backwards)

*Preservation and Promotion of
Five Mile Creek
Romsey*

*The Five Mile Creek Association
Romsey
Sue 5429 5283 Jay 5429 6163 Lisa 5429 6440*

CAN YOU HELP?

As most residents of Romsey would know, the Romsey Rag is a community newspaper entirely produced by a group of volunteers. The tasks involved are typing, managing advertising, assembling the paper on computer using the Publisher program, printing and collating. This requires many hours of work, and unfortunately our group of volunteers seems to be dwindling, especially for collating the Rag. As our circulation increases with growth of the Romsey township, it is vital that we have enough people to share the load.

So please give some thought as to how you might contribute. We would love to hear from anyone with computer skills, or with even an hour to spare once a month for the task of collating.

Contact Barney Healy or Robyn Moore at Romsey Primary School on 5429 5099 or Joan Sparkes on 5429 5848 if you can help.

And once again a BIG thank you to all those who do give their time to put the Rag together!

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27 Chauncey Street, Lancefield

Cnr. Main Street & Barry Road, Romsey

Parish Priest: Fr. George O'Connor Presbytery: 5429 2130
 Pastoral Associate: Sr. Frances Guinane Convent: 5429 1582
 School Principal: Mr. Anthony Falls School: 5429 1359
 Parish Website: www.users.bigpond.com/stmlancefield

MASS TIMES

Saturday: 7.00 p.m. Lancefield

1st & 3rd Sunday of the month:

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

2nd, 4th & 5th Sunday of the month:

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

RECONCILIATION

After weekday Mass or by arrangement.

BAPTISMS

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

For more information, please phone 5429 2130.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):

Anyone wishing to know about the Catholic faith is invited to contact Sr. Frances, 5429 1582 or 5429 2130.

REGULAR EVENTS

SVDP Drop-In:

First Thursday of each month, 10.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m., St. Mary's Church Hall, Romsey. All welcome to come for a game of cards/chat and free lunch.

Spiritual Guidance:

Last Wednesday of each month at the Presbytery, 27 Chauncey Street, Lancefield. John Stuart, Councillor and Guide. Tel: 5429 2130 for more information.

HIRE OF CHURCH HALL

The Romsey Church Hall is now available for regular hire on weekdays. The hall is also available for special events eg: parties (conditions apply). Please contact the Presbytery for further information.

SPECIAL EVENTS

PARISH CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

Wine & Cheese Night:

Date: Friday, 10th February

Time: 8.00 p.m.

Venue: St. Mary's Parish Hall, Romsey (next door to St. Mary's Church, Main Street, Romsey)

A Wine & Cheese Night is being held to launch our Parish Centenary Wines. We have a selection of wines to sample: 2004 Pinot, 2004 Shiraz Cabernet and 2005 Chardonnay. The wines are from the Hanging Rock Winery and are available for purchase with our Centenary label and the history of our Parish. Also available are our Centenary engraved wine glasses. The wines can be purchased by the bottle or special pricing deals by the dozen. Special pack deals also available.

For those who have already placed orders for wines and glasses, this is your opportunity to pick up your orders. The evening will also have a wonderful display of paintings by some of our very talented local artists, including a raffle to win one of our very special artist's paintings.

Parish Centenary Ball:

Our Parish Centenary Ball will be held on **Saturday, 18th March 2006** at the Lancefield Mechanics Hall.

Live band. Supper provided.

For any further information on our Centenary celebrations, please phone the Presbytery on 5429 2130.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Parents with children wishing to participate in the Sacramental Program of St. Mary's, Lancefield / Romsey, especially those in government schools, are asked to contact St. Mary's Primary School on 5429 1359 or the Parish Secretary on 5429 2130.

There is a compulsory meeting on **Wednesday, 1st March** for all Sacramental recipients.

Children in Grade 3 are able to receive Reconciliation and Eucharist, while those in Grade 6 are invited to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

ST. MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

Congratulations to Year Six student Jade Faulks who was awarded the scholarship from the **Country Women's Association**. This took place at the Lancefield Hall on Monday, 5th December at 1:00pm. The food was fantastic and we certainly appreciate the support of the school and the community.



At Assembly on Monday a representative from the **Lancefield/ Romsey R.S.L.**, Mr Ian Dettman, also presented 3 awards to students who wrote an essay about the Poppies. 1st prize: Jade Faulks, 2nd prize: Georgia Johnson, 3rd prize: James Reeves



Welcome to another year at the Romsey Toy Library!

My name is Amanda Burley and I am the president of the Toy Library again this year, which is sure to be exciting.

The Toy Library has just received a \$500 grant from Macedon Ranges Shire Council, which we will use to further expand our library. Over the Christmas/New Year break, new educational CD-ROMs and electronic equipment i.e. Leap Pad books, were purchased and will be available for borrowing from Saturday, February 12.

The Toy Library will kick off the year with a Car Boot Sale on the same day. The sale will be held at the Toy Library, which operates out of St Mary's Hall, behind the church in Main Street. For just \$10, you or your friends could have a stall and make some money by dispensing of unwanted household goods. Phone President Amanda Burley on 5429 6936 if you would like to book a stall. Or just come along on the day, grab a bargain and help raise funds for the Toy Library!

The hours of the Toy Library are Saturday mornings from 10am until 11.30am. The library has a huge range of toys for borrowing, suitable for ages from birth upwards. Leap Pads and books, CD-ROMs, videos, and indoor/outdoor toys for all ages including scooters, ride-ons, trikes, cricket sets, bead frames, puzzles, games, trains, bubble cars, tea sets and ball games. Why spend money on new toys which get discarded and broken and take up space – why not borrow them and save yourself money? The Toy Library has new toys/materials coming all the time, so your kids will never be bored!

If you would like to join the Toy Library, please call Amanda or just drop into a Saturday morning session. Fees are very reasonable, from \$25 a year per family. Members of the Romsey/Lancefield community are welcome anytime to pop in and check out the range of toys and educational materials available for borrowing. I look forward to seeing you at the library!

AMANDA BURLEY
President

From Cr. Henry Bleeck

Thanks to the voters

This is my first opportunity to write to the residents and voters of Romsey and the wider East Ward of the Shire, and so I thank you for your faith in re-electing me in November. Taking on the role of representing you in Council was a steep learning curve after I won the by-election 14 months earlier, and I am gratified that you acknowledged my efforts by re-electing me. You gave me the highest number of first votes of any of the candidates in any of the wards, and I will repay that support by continuing to represent your interests and ensuring that you have a voice in Council.



Congratulations also to the other winning candidates in East Ward, Sandra McGregor and Geoff Neil. I will work closely with them to ensure that the needs and aspirations of the residents of Romsey and the other towns and localities in the East Ward are heard.

There are a number of key issues that we need to address in the next three years.

The busy road from Lancefield to the Sunbury turn-off continues to be a hassle and a hazard for local residents, and I will continue to push Vi-cRoads for extra passing lanes or climbing lanes to improve traffic flow. A roundabout at Romsey's main intersection is also a must.

We need to continue working to improve and maintain our roads, especially our gravel roads.

Sports facilities in our towns also need to be maintained and upgraded, and I will work through the Shire to continue to push the State Government for our fair share of funding. Romsey needs a second sports oval.

The things that matter to the residents are the things that matter for me over the next three years, so I am always available to talk. Again, thanks for your support.

Bushfire danger's not yet over

Recently I attended a CFA Bushfire Safety Awareness meeting at the Lancefield fire station. I urge every resident to attend one of these sessions, as it is a real eye-opener to the dangers of fire.

The need for all households – both in the rural areas and towns – to have a bushfire survival plan was emphasised. You have the choice of two action plans: Leave early, or stay and defend.

Ember attack, which is the main way houses are set alight during bushfires, can destroy houses well away from the fire front. It was pointed out that during a major fire that CFA units would be busy and can't guarantee a unit to arrive at your property. Therefore it's essential to prepare your property and yourself well in advance, and know what to do.

We've got through a fair part of the summer now, but people must continue to be vigilant, and remember that fire is a year-round threat.

For further information on Bushfire action plans visit the CFA website www.cfa.vic.gov.au or phone Glenn Cockram at the CFA Community Safety Office on 8746 1400.

Cr Henry Bleeck.
Your Local Macedon Ranges Shire Councillor.
5422 7027

School Awards

On the evening of the last Tuesday of term 4 we held our annual Year 6 graduation. This is always a special evening as our senior students farewell the primary school that has nurtured their learning for the past seven years. Our year 6 graduation commenced with a special dinner held at school for the students and their teachers. This was followed by the formal part of the program with parents and extended family in the school gym. All our year 6 students were presented to the large group of parents and special visitors. The students then entertained us with dance routines, all choreographed by the students themselves. Students were presented with graduation certificates and a school key ring as a memento of their time at Romsey Primary School. Additionally our Year 6 Peer Mediators and Junior School Councillors were recognised, as were our school captains Georgia Twining and Walter Hultgren. Georgia and Walter reflected on the leadership opportunity offered to them in this role within the school, the challenges and growth they experienced and the learning and the rewards of fulfilling this position throughout 2005.



Special awards were presented to students in special recognition for their achievements at school. These were:

Principal's Award- Kara Menzies, Jane Matthews & Tanya Beaumont- *In recognition of outstanding achievement and positive contribution throughout their years at Romsey Primary School*

Performing Arts Award- Carly Skinner & Callum French- *In recognition for outstanding achievement in Performing Arts throughout their years at Romsey Primary School.*

Ron Viney LOTE (Indonesian) Award- Aimee Iacuone- *In recognition for consistent commitment to the study of LOTE (Indonesian) at Romsey Primary School.*

Visual Art Award- Shelby Michael- *In recognition of outstanding Visual Art achievement throughout their years at Romsey Primary School.*

Sport Award- Nicole Petran & Cameron Blair- *In recognition of outstanding achievement in sport throughout their years at Romsey Primary School.*

Student Values Award- Emily Jeffrey & Adele Dickinson- *In recognition of their exemplary ability to consistently demonstrate our school values of Caring, Inclusion, Learning, Happiness and Relationships.* The recipient of this award was selected by the year 6 students.

The following awards are sponsored by the community. The school is very grateful to the CWA, Rotary and Joanne Duncan for their support in recognising our students' special achievements.

Rotary Award- Lynissa Beverley- *For outstanding consistent effort and a positive attitude to her schoolwork*
CWA Award- Rhiannon Russell- *In recognition of an outstanding improvement in all aspects of her school life.*

Community Spirit Award (Sponsored by Joanne Duncan MLA) - Matthew Ruggeri- *In recognition of his commitment in working with others to achieve the best outcome and his consistent efforts in all aspects of school life.*

Special Events finish school year 2005

The last weeks of school were a very busy time at Romsey Primary School. In addition to the Year 6 Graduation, all prep and junior students had concerts, a number of classes had excursions and special events, and of course all students received their student reports, charting successes and achievements for the year. At the School Garden Awards ceremony our school was presented not only with the Regional Garden Award, additionally we received a Special Award of Merit. On the last Friday of term we had a special Indonesian Day, with performances, Indonesian market, activities and an Indonesian lunch.

Start of School 2006

The new school year starts on Tuesday 31st January for all our students. This year we have sixty-three prep students and a number of new enrolments at all year levels.

For the first week all students will be undertaking a special program to orientate them to their new class group, further develop common understandings of our school values, and work on establishing specific individual learning goals. This program has been developed to form part of our on-going commitment to more strongly engage students in their own learning, taking greater responsibility for the quality of their efforts at school over the year. Throughout the school year all classes will be revisiting these themes, working with students to review their learning goals, charting their success in meeting these, and within the class and school finding opportunities for improvement within the learning environment.

Carnival 2006—March 3rd.

Planning for our major fund raising event of the year, Carnival 2006, has been taking place for much of last year by our Parent Club. Mark this date in your calendar for an exciting afternoon and evening of fun, activities and entertainment, and look for further details in the March edition of the Romsey Rag.

Barney Healy
Principal

Local Transport Available

Did you receive your timetable for Lancefield and Romsey buses in the post?

A couple of months ago Macedon Ranges Shire Council posted out to every household in Lancefield and Romsey a credit card-sized bus timetable. If you have lost it or want another, there are still some left.

Ring Bronwen Machin on 0417 130 885 and let her know where to send it. Or cut out the timetable below.



Lancefield and Romsey BUS SERVICES

Services operated by two bus companies run through Lancefield and Romsey.

The **Kyneton Bus Lines** service runs between Lancefield and Sunbury Railway Station. It is designed to link with trains. For information about this service phone 5422 1634 or fax 5422 1063.

The **V/Line Coach** service, operated by Dyson's Coach Service, runs between Barham and Spencer Street Station via Melbourne Airport. This service stops in many towns including Cohuna, Rochester and Heathcote as well as Lancefield and Romsey. Seats must be prebooked for this service. Tickets can be paid for on the bus and exact change is preferred. Phone 136 196 (toll free) to make a booking or fax 9335 3131.

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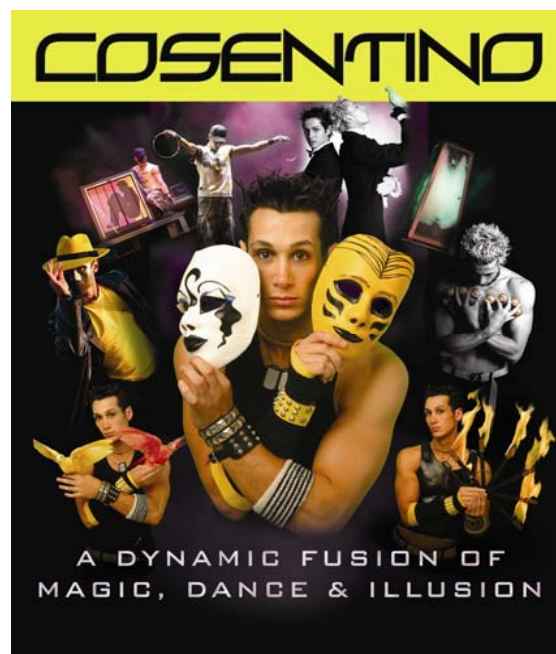
TOWARDS MELBOURNE

Barham			7.10am		7.10am	1.45pm
Heathcote			9.50pm		9.50am	4.21pm
Lancefield	6.45am	9.55am	10.20am	5.30pm	10.20am	5.00pm
Romsey	6.55am	10.05am	10.30am	5.40pm	10.30am	5.10pm
Monegeetta	7.00am	10.10am		5.45pm		
Clarkefield	7.05am	10.15am		5.50pm		
Sunbury Train Stn	7.20am	10.30am		6.05pm		
Melbourne Airport			11.05am		11.05am	5.45pm
Spencer St, Melb			11.30am		11.30am	6.05pm

TOWARDS LANCEFIELD

Spencer St, Melb			4.20pm		12.29pm	6.50pm
Melbourne Airport			4.50pm		1.00pm	7.20pm
Sunbury Train Stn	7.20am	1.50pm		6.10pm		
Clarkefield	7.35am	2.05pm		6.25pm		
Monegeetta	7.40am	2.10pm		6.30pm		
Romsey	7.45am	2.15pm	5.20pm	6.35pm	1.30pm	7.50pm
Lancefield	7.55am	2.25pm	5.30pm	6.45pm	1.40pm	8.00pm
Heathcote			6.00pm		2.15pm	8.30pm
Barham			9.00pm		5.10pm	11.25pm

THEATRE SEASON OPENS @ THE TOWN HALL



Opening the 2006 Season of Performance at the Town Hall Kyneton is young magician **Cosentino** with his dynamic new show, *The Evolution*.

Cosentino is one of the most sought after young illusionists in the world. At just 21, **Cosentino** is twice winner of the Australian Magician of the Year, and is bringing his own unique style of magic to The Town Hall on Saturday March 4th.

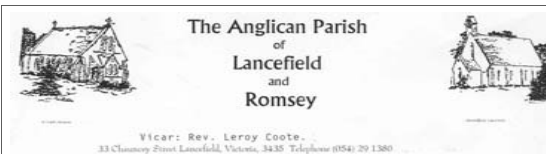
A performance by Cosentino is far more than just a magic show. It's a dynamic mix of the unexpected - dazzling magic and illusions blended with hip-hop dance, mime, audience participation, humour and many surprising twists.

Audiences of all ages are guaranteed to be enthralled by Cosentino's skills – this is definitely the show to introduce your kids to live theatre with – it is fun, funky, fast paced and fresh.

The Cultural Development Unit are offering special ticket prices for this show to encourage individuals and families to come along and experience live performance in The Town Hall.

All adult tickets are \$25, concession \$20, and kids under 15 are \$10 each.

Cosentino: The Evolution .March 4TH. 8PM . Ticket Line: 1300 88 88 02



St Paul's Op Shop Main Street, Romsey.

Open:
Friday 12.30 pm—4.30 pm.
Saturday 10.00 am—1.00 pm
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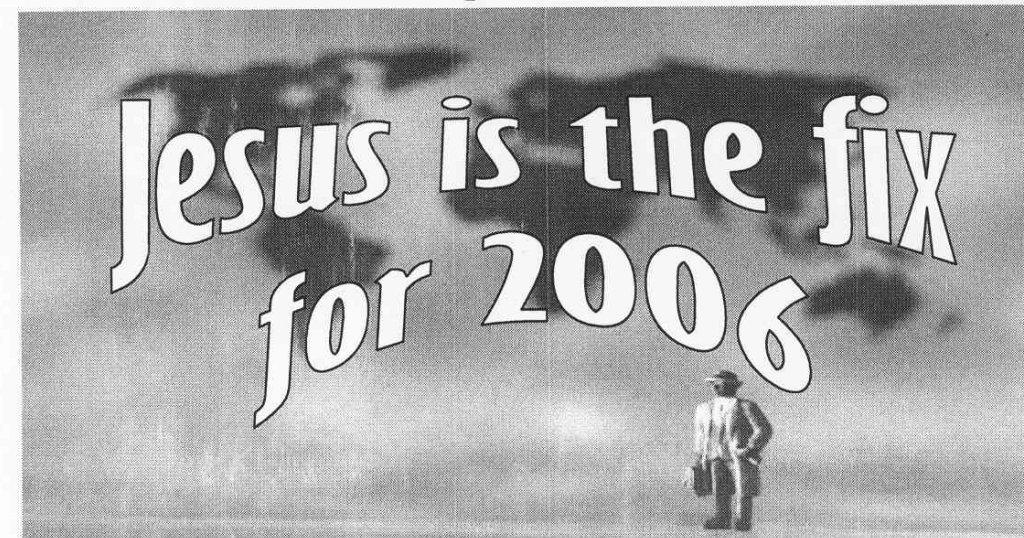
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Romsey & Lancefield Districts Historical Society Inc.

Welcome to 2006! And especially a warm welcome to new residents in this area. If you would like to know more about the district, the Historical Society is a good place to start.

HISTORY OF THE DISTRICT is stored at the ex-Court house, Main Raod, Lancefield, and can be accessed by arrangement with the Archivist, Mrs Robyn Miller. Phone 5429 5652, or on Open days, the first Sunday each month, 1.30—4.30 pm.

GENERAL MEETINGS are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month, at the historic eymour Cattgae, Palmer Street, Romsey, starting at 7.30 pm. Visitors are always most welcome.

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Funny coz it's true...

A teacher of Spanish was explaining to her class that in Spanish, unlike English, nouns are designated as either masculine or feminine. "House", for instance, is feminine, "la casa". "Pencil" is masculine, "el lapiz".

A student asked, "What gender is 'computer'?" Instead of giving the answer, the teacher split the class into two groups, male and female, and asked them to decide for themselves whether "computer" should be a masculine or feminine noun. Each group was asked to give four reasons for its recommendation.

The men's group decided that "computer" should definitely be of the feminine gender ("la computadora") because:

1. No-one but their creator can understand their internal logic
2. The native language they use to communicate with other computers is incomprehensible to everyone else.
3. Even the smallest mistakes are stored in long term memory for possible later retrieval, and
4. As soon as you make a commitment to one, you find yourself spending half your pay cheque on accessories for it.

The women's group, however, concluded that computers should be masculine ("el computador") because:

1. In order to do anything, you have to turn them on
2. They have a lot of data but still can't work for themselves.
3. They are suppose to help you solve problems, but half the time they ARE the problem, and
4. As soon as you commit to one, you realize that if you had waited a bit longer, you could have gotten a better model.

The women won.



macedon ranges leisure

And the Winners are:

The Macedon Ranges Leisure staff held a number of competitions at the Romsey Recreation Centre in 2005. Here are some of the results,

Squash: we held a 12 week squash competition which ran from 24/8/05 until 18/11/05.

Five (5) teams participated with five (5) players in each team. After the 10th week the clear leaders on the ladder were the **SWANS**. The championship was still not wrapped up. Great performances from the **TIGERS** & the **CROWS** would make this competition the closest in Macedon Ranges Leisure history. The **TIGERS** proved too strong for the **CROWS** in the semi which would make for interesting viewing in the final. The **TIGERS** started brilliantly with Trish Tame beating James McGregor 48-46 and Jackie Ralph beating Navron Quixley 56-50. The **SWANS** had the job in front of them. Up stepped the experienced duo of Tim Tresize and Ron Witteveen for the **SWANS** and took the game right away from the underdogs. Tim Tresize tore Peter Rowley apart with a dominate performance winning 60-38. Ron Witteveen equally impressive with his win over Chris Burns 58-39. With one game to go it would be up to Matt Carroll to give the **TIGERS** any hope. There was no hope in sight when Matt forfeited his game against Louise McCarthy to give the **SWANS** the championship.

4 week Squash: 1st Gold Medal: Colin Vaughan. **Silver:** Ron Burling. **Bronze:** Ron Witteveen

2nd Gold Medal: Ben Kelly. **Silver:** Jackie Ralph. **Bronze:** Jason Dumbrell

3rd Gold Medal: Peter Rowley. **Silver:** Greg Taylor **Bronze:** Chris Burns

4th Gold Medal: Craig Salt. **Silver:** Brendan Kosinski. **Bronze:** Liam Hennessey

New Squash competition starts 1st February 2006.

Jnr Futsal: Futsal is the name given to the sport of Indoor Soccer. We had 4 teams participating in a 10 week

competition. The team **Betty** were the dominate team all season only losing 1 game. Great performances by the **FRED & WILMA** teams would make sure **BETTY** would not have things there own way. **WILMA** managed to beat **FRED** in the semi with a 4 goal game from Matthew Ruggeri. Matthew also started very well against **BETTY** in the final scoring the first goal of the game. Some hard work from Gemma Hunt and Dylan Dremel (**BETTY**) made the job difficult for **WILMA** with 3 quick goals. At half time the game was in the balance 3-1.

Max Perrins scored for **WILMA** and the game was back on, 2 more quick goals for **BETTY** and it was 5-2. Matthew Ruggeri was not finished and scored 2 goals in quick succession to bring the score back to 5-4 with 2 minutes remaining. The last 2 minutes were frantic with the ball going end to end but the score remained the same which declared the **BETTY** team the champions.

Best and fairest results: Oliver Rodgers (**BARNEY**) & Josh Lanyan (**BETTY**) joint winners. 15 votes

Runner up: Dylan Dremel (**BETTY**) 12, Max Perrins (**WILMA**) 11, Matthew Ruggeri (**WILMA**) 10.

An information night will be held for the upcoming season at the Romsey Recreation Centre on the 3/2/2006 at 5pm.

We will endeavour to organize an under 13 under 16 and Men's competition. Training for under 10 players at Monday & Friday 4pm

Jnr Basketball: U12's: There were 6 teams that participated in the competition with the **Krusty**

team taking a closely contested final just beating **Homer**. **Best and Fairest results.** 1st Jack Kelly (**HOMER**) 2nd Dylan Dremel (**MONTY BURNS**) equal 3rd Nathan Blair (**HOMER**), Luke Rebbechi (**SIDESHOW BOB**) & Aaron Young (**HOMER**).

U15's: There were 4 teams competing in a fast and passionate season. It would be **BLUE & GREEN** that would compete in the final. The **Blue** team would be the underdog finish in 4th place on the ladder at the end of the season, and then a great performance in the first final got the team a shot at the big one. **Green** was too strong in the final and won the game 34-20.

Best & fairest results: Ryan Heseltine (**YELLOW**) 21, Brendan Thorogood (**YELLOW**) 19, Terry Showler (**GREEN**) 15.

The Romsey Recreation Centre has a host of activities you may want to join such as:
Sen, Mixed & Jnr Netball, Ladies, Men's and Mixed Volleyball, Aerobics & Pilates.

Please ring Nick on **54295637** for any information.

Macedon Ranges Regional Tourism Association Inc. (MRRTA)

Macedon Ranges Regional Tourism Association was formed in 2005 and is the preferred and supported tourism organisational structure for both Vic Tourism and Macedon Ranges Shire Council. MRRTA is made up of many of the shire's Business & Tourism, Winery and Accommodation Associations; Lancefield Business and Tourism Association (LABATA) is one of the founding members. All Romsey tourism businesses are welcome to be represented via LABATA.

Lancefield Business and Tourism Association is pleased to announce that our town website, www.lancefield.org.au is back "on line" and being renovated. Hopefully we will also be able to upgrade the appearance and functionality over the next few months so that we have a website similar to "Gisborne Online". We would also like to sincerely thank Ian and Phyllis Boyd from Gisborne Region Events and Tourism (GREAT), who were instrumental in getting Lancefield back on line.

LABATA will strive to be as inclusive as possible on the website and will list community groups and associations so that people can see what our area has to offer. So, if you are the Secretary (or equivalent) of a Romsey-Lancefield organisation that would like to be listed, please

contact LABATA Secretary, Frances Poliniak on 5429 1772 or by email oldbank@optusnet.com.au.

LABATA does not seek to compete with Romsey BATA for membership, however, we seek to promote Lancefield and surrounding areas and businesses and tourism operators that share our vision. Membership is now due and for a mere \$30 per business or \$15 per individual, the advantage of membership is a free "enhanced plus" listing on our website. What that means is that your business will be listed with a digital photo or logo at the start of each subcategory in alphabetical order and be selected as part of the profiled businesses / attractions / community groups that rotate randomly through the front page feature. Non-member listings then follow further down each subcategory and without any photo or logo.

LABATA will now meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm. The location of each meeting will continue to move through local businesses and tourism operators. The next meeting is on Tuesday 14 February 2006 at MorganField Winery, 104 Ashworth's Road (4km north on the Burke and Wills Track and turn left onto Ashworth's Road and follow the signs). The agenda will include a demonstration of the website as well as updates regarding local and regional tourism.

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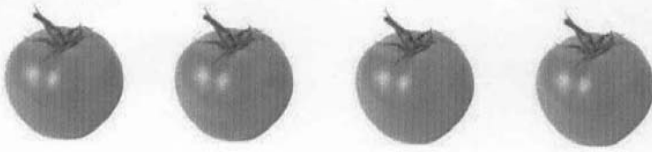
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Romsey Red Cross Unit

A meeting for all local Red Cross members and any new members who may care to join us will be held to plan our 2006 activities at the home of Helen Clement at "Bank Glen", Springfield on Wednesday 8th February at 1.30 pm. Additional helpers will be welcome to assist us with collecting donations for the March appeal, each Friday and Saturday from February 3rd and 4th until 10th and 11th March, when we will be selling raffle tickets for March appeal major raffle. All proceeds to aid local Victorian residents. Information regarding membership can be obtained from the secretary, Gwenda Allen on 5428 5117 or President Helen Clement on 5429 5317.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE—2006

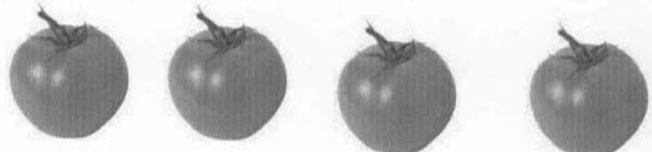
The World Day of Prayer Service for 2006 for all local Romsey / Lancefield residents will be held on Friday March 3rd at the Lancefield Uniting Church. The time for the service will be decided at a planning meeting to be held in the meeting room of the Lancefield Uniting Church at 10.00 am on Thursday 9th February. Two members to represent each local church are invited to attend this planning meeting and any others who are interested will also be welcome to attend. The theme of the service prepared by Christian women of South Africa is "Signs of the Times".
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TIME TO START PLANNING FOR YOUTH FEST 2006!

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Youth Fest is a one-day music festival for young people and those who are young at heart. The festival is organized and run by young people aged 12-25 from the Macedon Ranges.

It is a drug and alcohol free event that caters for people with all kinds of music tastes, from soloists to rock bands and dance music.

To ensure a bigger and better festival than ever before Macedon Ranges Shire Council's Youth Development Unit is seeking young people to join the Youth Fest 2006 Organising Committee between February 2006 and October 2006. The committee will meet in Woodend at least once a month, with more regular meetings closer to the festival dates.

In particular, twelve motivated young people are needed to volunteer and coordinate parts of the festival. Each coordinator will be given a specific management role based on their preference, such as Band Coordinator, Marketing Coordinator etc.

For further information or to register your interest to join the Youth Fest 2006 Organising Committee call Melissa Prescott, Youth Development Team Leader, Macedon Ranges Shire Council on 5427 8221 or email melissap@macedon-ranges.vic.gov.au

Expressions of interest to join the Organising Committee close on Friday 17th February.



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"Try not to panic when you become aware of a bushfire in your area. But do seek information," CFA Romsey Fire Brigade Captain Robert Smith said.

CFA in partnership with the Department of Sustainability and Environment (DSE), has set up highly skilled information teams, to give current information to the community during major fires. These teams work closely with those managing the fire and regularly release critical information to the public through a number of channels such as radio, web sites and a statewide call centre.

"Make sure you have a battery operated radio that is able to receive your local station. Don't rely on mains power as it can often fail during a fire," Capt. Smith said.

CFA has a strong partnership with ABC and other local radio stations to broadcast accurate up to date information during fires. www.cfa.vic.gov.au also provides the latest information about major fires burning in Victoria. Information is always available on this site under News, Information Updates.

"CFA together with DSE has established the Victorian Bushfire Information Line with trained staff to give residents up to date information on fires and advice on appropriate actions to take," Capt. Smith said.

If you live in a high wildfire risk area, CFA advises you to develop a Bushfire Survival Plan. You need to know well in advance of a fire starting if you are staying to defend your home or leaving early. But remember, leaving your home late when a fire is burning nearby can have serious, life threatening consequences. Visibility is low and you may not know where the fire is.

When the risk of bushfire is high, CFA will be on full alert but it isn't possible to give personal warnings to every home. You must be self-reliant and stay aware.

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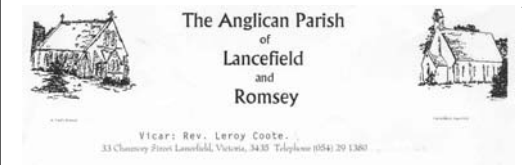
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Introduction of our new Minister

We extend a warm welcome to our recently inducted Minister Rev. Leroy Coote and his wife Jenelle and children Timothy and Betheny. Rev. Leroy was inducted on Saturday January 28th and his first service was held on Sunday January 29th. Rev. Leroy and family are now residing in our Vicarage and look forward to being involved in our community. The Induction Service was very well attended, with family, friends and ministry folk traveling from all over Victoria to join Leroy and Jenelle for this occasion. Our heartfelt thanks are extended to our outgoing minister Rev. Laurie McIntyre. We have all enjoyed that time that Laurie has spent with us—his wisdom, experience and best of all, humour, have been greatly appreciated by all in our community. We wish him all the best in his next venture—retirement. With the kindest of regards from all involved in our churches.
Secretary, Anne Stevenson.

Services with Rev. Leroy Coote will be held on Sunday 9.00 am at St. Paul's, Romsey
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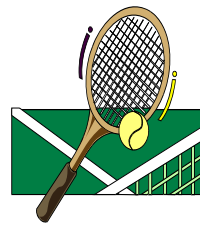
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1st Prize – Sue Lavars 2nd Prize – Genevieve Conlan 3rd Prize – Tayla Rees

Thank-you for your support of this raffle.

2. The Romsey Tennis Club is hosting the morning tea leg of the **Macedon Ranges Grand Tour** **on Saturday 11th February, 2006.**

This will be held at the Romsey Primary School, and all members of the public are invited to come down to view these beautifully restored and maintained older cars and motorbikes that will be on display for about an hour and a half.

(Further details in the flyer in the Romsey Rag)

Club Contacts

Club coach - Brett Rees - 5429 6716.

Social Tennis – Thursday Morning at 10.30am - phone 5429 5525

Family Social Tennis – Friday from 4.30pm.

Mid-week Ladies – Bev Beaumont – 5429 6189

Senior Saturday Tennis - Darlene - 5429 5186 or Bev Davis -5429 5954

Junior Saturday Tennis - Mandy Green – 5429 5191

Social Twilight Tennis – Mondays from 7pm(re-starting in Feb) – Kaye – 5429 5622

From the Editors:

We apologise for the quality of print of the Trade Directory in this month's Romsey Rag. Due to a major technical hitch with our computer close to the printing deadline, we lost most of our Rag files and had to reconstruct pages with little time to spare. We will be contacting businesses who advertise in the Trade Directory in the next few days to obtain current business cards to create a new Trade Directory. To anyone who requested changes to their ads for this month—we apologise for not being able to make those changes but they will be made for the March edition.

Community groups and individuals are reminded that the Romsey Rag is a great place to air your views and circulate information about your organisation and any events you may have coming up. Dates for submissions for the Rag are always published on page 2. We prefer copy to be submitted on disk or by email as this cuts down on the amount of clerical time required to put the Rag together.

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You are most welcome to come to our Church Services and share in fellowship and worship....

The year 2006 is with us - Our children are starting school, getting used to a new environment without Mum there to turn to. Young students commencing Year 7 at Secondary School or beginning their University education. Then there are those facing the hurdle of finding a job after finishing their schooling. There are a few anxious moments as we face and commence new adventures in our life. We all hope for a happy and peaceful year!! We also know that in reality there are always problems and worries along with the joyfulness and peace, this comes with life - but perhaps if we can face life with a smile for those around us it will help all of us find the joy in life.

"Peace begins with a smile" - Mother Teresa

Keep Smiling

Smiling as Therapy is the latest thing. You can't fake a smile, but you can use your smile to lift your mood.

Children smile more often, and more easily, than adults. Let their wonder and humour inspire your view of the world

How you feel depends on what you think, so if your



thoughts are getting you down, turn your attention to something that tickles your funny bone. A genuine smile can be as good as a present for someone in need of love, hope or attention.

Busy lives can turn us inwards, making those around us seem anonymous.

Next time you rush down the street, break your stride and find the time to smile at those you pass by.

A Smile is Universal.

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What's on in February 2006

1st. 8am Pastoral Care/Hospitality Committee

5th 9am Family Worship & Sunday School

12th 9am Worship & Sunday School including Holy Communion.

Service conducted by Marion Latham

16th 8pm. Church Council

19th 9am Worship and Sunday School.

Service conducted by Worship Team.

26th 9am. Family Worship and Sunday School

Service conducted by Marion Latham

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