Romsey Golf Club

Ladies Report

Apologies to our regular readers, but in my rush and excitement last month I unfortunately managed to send in last years results for publication. Sincere apologies to this years sponsors for the mistake. We really do appreciate your donations and support. Below is the result for last month and then this month as well.

Results for the month of July 5th July Stableford Beryl

12th July Stroke Hilda net 69, which broke her handicap. Well done to Hilda. (Am I allowed to write "at last").

The Ladies held our Bowl on the 20th of July and we had a full field of 18 teams, with teams from Alexandra, Avenel, Craigieburn, Eildon, Euroa, Gisborne, Goonawarra, Kilmore, Seymour, Trentham, Woodend and Yea. Thanks to the Romsey men, the ladies were able to enter a team to contest our bowl.

The weather god smiled upon us and supplied a perfect day with sunshine and no wind. The weather was complimented by the course, which was in tiptop condition. Volunteers do all the maintenance on the course and it was certainly a credit to them. Thank you to all the men who work to keep our course in the best condition.

The Romsey Pharmacy donated the Bowl trophies, and we also had sponsorship from the Bendigo Community Bank and the National Bank. We are extremely grateful for this assistance with our special day and were fortunate to have Karen Barnacott representing the pharmacy, and Natalie Cullinger and Heather Fagan from the banks attend the day and have lunch with us and present the trophies. P & V Newell donated the Bowl about 12 years ago but this year they were unable to be present on our day and sent an apology. Our Life Member Helene Newnham was also able to come for lunch (and helped in the kitchen) and was on hand to draw the raffle.

The winners were A Grade Jenine Cooke 30pts from Broadford on a c/b

B Grade Vonnie Maher 29 pts from

Trentham

C Grade Hilda Caly 32 pts from Rom-

sey.

NTP on the 10th Marion Weatherall from Euroa.

The Bowl was won by <u>ROMSEY</u> the team of Hilda Caly Lorraine Robb and Beryl Cole with 88 pts. We were very excited with our win, as this is the first time Romsey has won our own bowl. (And we are still excited)

Special thanks to the men of the club for all their help on the day. The ladies appreciated being taken out to the 7th hole and being picked up again. Without the men we would not have been in the position to enter a team. So a big thank you to the men for all the help in the kitchen. The lunch was enjoyed by all, as was the soup the men served on the course. Thank you to the ladies for all the sweets and slices which also went down well with our visiting teams.

August results

2nd August 4BBB Linda & Hilda 43pts

9th August Linda 29pts

16th August Monthly Medal Lorraine 76 net on a c/b from Linda.

Recipe for this month **Lemon biscuits**

250gm butter

1 cup icing sugar

2 cups plain flour

Rind of 1 lemon.

Cream butter, sugar & lemon rind

Add flour

Roll into small balls flatten with a fork Bake 12-15 mins in 180C oven

Beryl Cole 54295411

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NEW RURAL FINANCIAL COUNSELLING PROVIDERS FOR MCEWEN

Rural Financial Counselling Service Victoria – North Central is one of the new regional providers selected to provide rural financial counselling services in Victoria.

Local Federal Member, Fran Bailey, said the new RFCS Victoria – North Central regional body will be formed by the amalgamation of the current North Central and Upper Goulburn Rural Financial Counselling Services.

"Six organisations have been selected as service providers in Victoria. These services will introduce new operational arrangements and ease financial pressures on rural communities," Fran said. "The rural financial counsellors will focus on providing information and options to help their clients manage the challenges of change. It will provide free financial assistance to primary producers, fishers and small rural business people in financial difficulty who cannot access other types of impartial support," she said.

"New initiatives will strengthen the corporate governance and administrative burden on existing volunteer management committees. Increased flexibility and mobility of rural financial counsellors will see better targeting of areas where eligible clients have a need for rural financial counselling assistance.

Fran said the new service would receive funding from the Australian Government's increased contribution to the program in the 2006 Federal Budget.

The new service begins operations on 1 October 2006 and is funded till 30 June 2008.

New Rates For Advertising In The Romsey Rag

Advertisers are advised that the rates for advertising in the Romsey Rag are being reviewed and there will be slight increases effective from the first edition 2007 (February). This is due to increased printing costs and increased circulation in our rapidly expanding town. New rates will be advertised from November, and regular advertisers affected will be advised individually.

Youth Fest is a one day music festival for young people and those that are young at heart. We are currently accepting expressions of interest from market/ stall holders to participate at this event.

Youth Fest will be held at the Kyneton Show Grounds, 12pm - 8pm, Saturday 21st October 2006.

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September 2006

Saturday and Sunday Mixed Competition Results

22 July J.Hecker (12) 40; G.Dudderidge (7) 37
23 July B.McDorman (22) 38; R.Mau (8) 36
29 July P.McLaughlin (15) 38; B.Brennan (15) 38
30 July C.Lingard (6) 39; P.Daly (16) 38
5 August Monthly Medal P.Howden (29) 68

6 August G.McDorman (13) 35

12 August G.Dudderidge / P.Daly 47; R.Sparke/

A.Maloney 46

13 August B.McDorman (22) 35

19 August Lingard, T.Lambert, J.Hecker 59.5;

Brennan, Hawkins, Schultz 59.5

20 August G.McDorman (13) 35

Tuesday Mixed Competition Results (Legends)

25 July D.Jones (5) 65

1 August A.Maloney (18) 39; C.Lingard (6) 36

8 August A.Maloney (18) 35 15 August T.Allen (13) 40

The course remains in good condition although an unusually dry August means the dams are not as full as we would like, going into Spring. The Community Service workers have made substantial improvements to the course, with new bridges, new pathways and the trimming of low limbs off many of the trees lining the fairways. However with the loss of our Greens Keeper, David Brown, we will be relying on the voluntary contributions of members to keep the course in playing order until the Club manages to find a replacement for David.

The Annual Club Championships will commence in late August and will run for three weeks. The annual Gala Day will take place on Saturday 21st October. Visitors and Members are invited to participate in a 18 hole Stroke Event with a Full Year's Membership for the winner. This will be followed by a Last Man Standing Event with \$1,000 to the last person remaining in the draw.

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

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ROMSEY TOY LIBRARY

Hello everyone

Great news for the Romsey Toy Library recently with news the committee had been successful in its application for a grant from the Shire of Macedon Ranges. The \$800 grant will allow the toy library committee to further expand our great range of toys. Thanks so much to the council for its ongoing support of our great facility. The money will be used on items which improve children's fine motor and gross motor skills, as well as pretend/imaginative play materials i.e. dress-ups. The grant also enables us to replace toys which have reached the end of their natural life and add new ones, so it is invaluable to us.

The toy library is a totally voluntary non-profit organisation, so we rely on grants and donations as well as subscriber fees to keep afloat. Our cupboards are already bursting with great educational toys and electronic equipment, but there is always room for more!

We are really looking forward to the development of the Romsey Community Hub, due to begin construction midnext year. This will enable the toy library a permanent home with larger storage facilities, so we hope to get even bigger and better in the years to come.

If you want to try the Romsey Toy Library, it's only going to cost \$15 – that will give you six months' membership for the whole family! So why not come down to St Mary's Hall behind St Mary's Catholic Church in Romsey one Saturday morning and check out the range – you are sure to be pleasantly surprised by our new range of educational toys for children from birth until 12 years. We now have a great new multimedia range including CD-Roms, Leap Pads and the Leapster, a handheld interactive device with colour LCD screen and touch pen. The Leapster games are so much fun, children often don't even realize that they are learning new skills or reinforcing existing ones while they are playing! The toy library also has three Leap Pads – two senior and one junior – and a range of books to go

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 or Jeni Clampit (Secretary) on 5429 5480



with them. These are also great educational toys which are especially helpful with reading and comprehension skills. Even if you have a Leap Pad already at home, there's great advantages to being in the toy library, as you can supplement you own Leap Pad books by borrowing ours. Forget about continually buying expensive new ones which the kids will get bored with after a while!

The only way for the Toy Library to prosper and grow is through annual subscriptions, so the committee has just revamped our fees to encourage more people to try the service. So why not give us a go? As well as the 6-month \$15 fee, there are yearly memberships available. Our fees include a concession rate for Health Care Card holders. The fees are \$25 per year per family (no restriction on number of children) and \$15 per year concession. The library offers a range of toys, games and educational materials suitable for babies, toddlers and school-aged children.

People often donate toys to the library. If you have some items which you think we might find useful, please give me a call on 5429 6936; it would be greatly appreciated! Quality toys are expensive and children quickly become bored with a toy once its play value has been exhausted. By providing new play materials every week or two by using the toy library, parents can save money and significantly contribute towards the development and education of their children. So why not give the Romsey Toy Library a go?

If you need any further information, please contact me on 5429 6936. If you would like to view our range of toys or talk to a volunteer member, just drop into the library any Saturday morning between 10am and 11.30am.

I look forward to seeing you at the library!

AMANDA BURLEY President Romsey Toy Library Inc.



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The "Big Guns" come out for Army Reserve

The Macedon Ranges region will benefit greatly from the opening of an Army Reserve unit at Monegeetta. And Romsey specifically will have a lead start – as three of the "big guns" involved in the unit either live in the town or have a direct family connection.

Any interested people from across the region should think seriously about getting involved, as there are benefits to our towns as well as individually. I will be seeking to ensure that the Council does everything possible to welcome the unit to our Shire and support and promote its operations. Being an Army Reservist is a tax-free, part-time job, and as well as the income flowing to the Army Reserve members, the logistics of establishing and operating a unit bring income

into our towns.

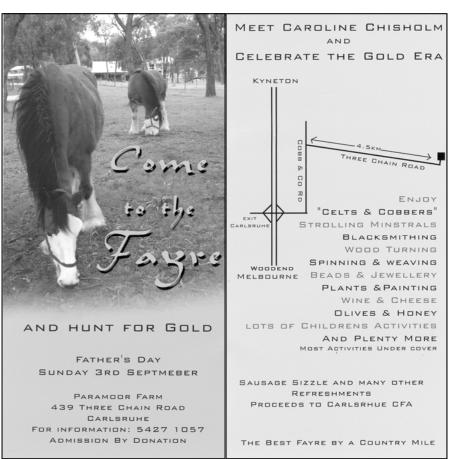
The unit is part of the 8th/7th Battalion of the Royal Victoria Regiment, and is based on part of the Army Proving Ground at Monegeetta. The Brigade Major of 4 Brigade – Victoria's own Brigade – Major Michael Hoffmann lives in Romsey, as does the Commanding Officer, Lt Colonel Robert Marsh. And the Platoon Commander, Lt Daniel Strack grew up in Romsey, and his family still lives there – so there is a very strong connection between the unit and our district.

The Army Reserve is open to people aged from 17 to 50, with passes in Year 9 maths and English. They need to be an Australian citizen or have applied for citizenship, meet Army medical standards and pass aptitude testing. The Army Reserve will take into account work commitments or study with flexible training. Pay won't affect Austudy or unemployment benefits, and skills that Reservists learn will assist them in civilian employment. There are positions as riflemen, drivers, clerks, cooks and supply operators in the unit. Riflemen specialise in weapons, marksmanship, explosives, patrolling and field craft, and drivers are trained in the use, maintenance and recovery of 4x4, 6x6 vehicles and buses.

Information sessions for prospective recruits are being held at 7pm every Tuesday at the Monegeetta Proving Ground. People wanting more information should ring 5330 4522 or 0428 284 898 during business hours. The excellent training helps develop skills such as leadership, management, self-discipline and initiative, and provides the chance to travel not just throughout Australia but overseas as well.

I heartily endorse the Army Reserve as a part-time career move, and I'm pleased that the Defence authorities have seen fit to establish the unit at Monegeetta and give all our locals the chance to get involved.

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



Relive the Gold Rush! Don't miss the fabulous Paramoor Farm Fayre

It's on again! The fabulous Paramoor Fayre will be held on Fathers'
Day, September 3, and will be even bigger and better than last year!

In the glorious olde worlde ambience of the Paramoor Barn and among and between the surrounding sea of tents and marquees, the life and times of the great Victorian Gold Rush will be celebrated in style.

About 50 local craft and produce stalls, the "Celts and Cobbers" folk musicians, vintage and classic cars, dancers, children's entertainment and maybe even Paramoor's grand old Clydesdale horses will combine to celebrate and relive one of Victoria's most historic, exciting and turbulent eras.

There have even been rumours that Caroline Chisholm will be present! And not just on the \$5 note! Certainly, there will be plenty on display about the work of this great lady who helped emigrants in the mid to late 1800's.

Come along and join in this memorable day, which promises fun, excitement, wonderful food and excellent wines — and, even if you don't find gold, your memories of this fun-filled day will remain golden!

Dad will love it! And what better way to spend Fathers' Day?

Paramoor Farm is located at 439 Three Chain Road, Carlsruhe (along Calder Highway near Woodend.) There's plenty of parking. Admission by Donation.

For further information Tel 5427 1057.

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Romsey Primary School News

Walking School Bus Launch



The Walking School Bus was launched today by the Macedon Shire Mayor Councillor Geoff Neil. Students enjoyed a "Walk to School Day and



Healthy Breakfast" before the school. Special thanks to IGA and Romsey Fresh for their donations. As students arrived at school they were greeted by the councillors from the Macedon Ranges Shire and

the Walking School Bus mascot. Helium balloons decorated

the school fence and at a school assembly the banner was cut to launch the program. The Walking School Bus™ is a fun, safe and active way for primary school children to travel to and from school. The bus operates with a volunteer 'driver' at the front of the group and a volunteer 'conductor' who supervises from the rear. Two Walking School Buses will be operating each week and we hope this program will continue to grow.



'Sleeping Beauty' at our School

The Prep and Junior Units were very fortunate to experience an Alpha Theatrical Production of 'Sleeping Beauty' early in August. The show was wonderfully entertaining with lots of audience involvement, which really mesmerized the children - although they certainly kept the performers on their toes with their suggestions, singing and dancing from their seats. The show was not only educational but packed with wisdom and ideas for the children to think about as they work through the rest of this term. It was presented in a style that was a lot of fun, with the cast singing modern pop songs and a lot of interaction from the students.



Enrolments for 2007

Any parents who are planning for a child to start school at Romsey Primary School in 2007 should enrol now. You need to bring the enrolment forms, proof of age and record of immunisation. If you have not yet obtained documentation for immunisation, please enrol your child at this time and forward the immunisation certificate when this is available.

National Science Week

Last week the whole school celebrated National Science Week. All students from prep to year 6 were involved in a variety of scientific investigations which sparked many inquiring minds. Across the school topics included erupting volcanoes, M&M chromatography, magnets, flight and dancing sultanas.







Duty of Care

DoC is a not-for profit consumer protection organisation representing EGM users and their families. DoC recommend 3 major changes to licensing post-2012.

- 1. Full and transparent separation of major revenue generators for shareholders, big businesses and governments to ensure probity and regional service equity.
- 2. In place of current duopoly should be 4 license types;1. Lotteries and ticket-based betting 2. Racing and Sports Betting 3. Machine and location based destination gambling centres (run by community cooperative - independent statutory authority with independent chair and board of governance) with revenue paid into a local community trust to provide local benefits 4. Local clubs gambling - contributing 8.33% to community trust. These licences would Duty of Care & Consumer Protection ensure subsidy to the whole industry is Measures; to combat loss of control not dependent on

the gaming machine market, and would create greater probity and trans- measures such as smartcards pur-

Related to these changes to the licensing arrangements post-2012

1. Need to increase access to quality

non-gambling community services to increase recreational choices.

- 2. Ensure revenue benefits communities in which it was generated.
- 3. Licence types 3 & 4 allocated per region on per capita basis to ensure equal distribution. These should not be to \$1 per play. distributed elsewhere if local area obiects to venues.
- 4. Type 3 destination venues need to be responsibility of independent chair and board with vast experience in sport/health/arts/events/research & communication to work in partnership with local government, community and individuals to promote recreational alternatives to EGMs.
- 5. Movement of EGMs out of pubs and development of destination gambling centres should begin before 2012. 6. Compulsory disclosure of all EGM
- revenue, payouts and taxes by each licence holder.

while playing EGMs

- 1. Introduce pre-commitment chased from a place outside the venue and purchased prior to commencement of play.
- 2. Remove ATMs from venues and allow deposits and payouts through a

credit-control system (smartcards) (also combats money-laundering)

- 3. Ban note acceptors, reduce speed and betting combinations by 50%, reduce maximum number of lines and credits per line, set maximum bet limits
- 4. Mandatory breaks in play at 30 minute intervals at which time a pop-up screen appears displaying net win/loss for session, hourly rate of loss at current rate, & continue.
- 5. Players to bet on only one machine at a time, prohibition on jackpots, remove double-or-nothing, limit opening hours with mandatory closure 1:30-9:30am each day.
- 6. Legislation that any changes to machines must be researched independently and demonstrate no increase in level of problem gambling as a result.
- 7. Measure and monitor each type of license and win/loss consequence for products, regions and services. Finally DOC recommends the provision of safe, recreational alternatives with monies from the community trust derived from EGM revenue partly assisting in supporting these alternatives such as gymnasiums, cinemas, snooker halls, restaurants, discos, bars cafes and events.

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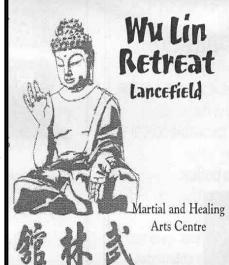
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On 21 October Spring Gully Primary School will be holding a Centenary Celebration. We invite you to contact the school office to register your interest in receiving information about the day. lease let other ex-students, staff and school community know about the celebrations

We are keen to get photos, awards and memorabilia to display on the day. Please bring these into the school office as soon as possible and we will scan them and get copies printed if needed.

riday, October 20, 2006

School Program from 2.00pm until 3.15pm. Current students involved in yesteryear program.

Saturday, October 21, 2006.

tegistrations, Opening Ceremony and Roll Call.

Open School - displays, photos and memorabilia.

The Launch of the "History of Spring Gully Primary School" book.

Dance Strathfieldsave Sports Club from 7.00pm until 11.00pm, \$15 per head, Drinks at bar, BYO supper.

unday, October 22, 2006.

Website:

Ecumenical Service - 11.00am at school

Postal Address: Spring Gully Primary School, Spring Gully Road Spring Gully 3550

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Romsey C.W.A Notes

Romsey branch of CWA wish to congratulate our member Edwina Orrock for winning the best Secretaries Report for Victoria. There are 350 branches in this state, and CWA Romsey are about to celebrate our 68th birthday, and this is the first time that we have won this award. Our National Conference is convening in Darwin in late August, and there are 47 members attending from Victoria including our own Jean Tom. Members will be considering the wider work of CWA throughout Australia. Recently the Federal Government gave us the funds to distribute amongst the families in the drought areas throughout the country. In June 2007, members of CWA in Victoria will have the opportunity to join our world wide organisation Association Country Women of the World in Turku, Finland. Once again Romsey will have Jean Tom there as a representative.

In CWA, we have interest in Craft, Music, Debating, and preparing worthwhile resolutions to present to our State and Federal Governments.

Our open day craft days have been postponed over the winter months, but will resume in October on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. These days are held at the Mechanics Institute Supper Room and are open to all women in the area; you do not have to be a CWA member to attend. The cost is \$5.00 which is for hall rental. BYO Lunch, tea/coffee is provided. Starting time is 10.00am until 2.30ish.

Our normal meeting day is the 1st Thursday of each month at 10.00am also in the Supper Room of the Mechanics Institute. We will be back in the hall in September. Please feel free to come along to either of these days as a guest; we would be very pleased to meet you.

If you would like to know more about us, please contact our Romsey President Pat Muddyman on 5428 5418 or our group President of the area Joan Strawbridge on 5428 7022

2006 International Landcare **Conference - Melbourne**

When: 8-11 October 2006

Where: Melbourne Exhibition and Convention Centre

Conference details: The 2006 International Landcare Conference is entitled 'Landscapes, Lifestyles & Livelihoods'.

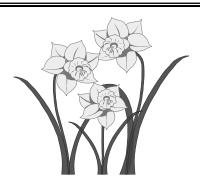
Further information on the conference and the conference program can be accessed via the conference website, or by contacting the conference organisers: Waldron Smith Management, 61 Danks Street West, Port Melbourne, VIC 3207, Tel: 9645 6311,

Email: info@wsm.com.au Conference website: Visit the International Landcare Conference website via the following link:www.internationallandcareconfer ence2006.com.au

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Pohlman Street, Romsey. 3434

Supply Minister Marion Latham Mobile: 0408 380 962
Marion is available for Pastoral Care on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Church Council: Noel Shaw - 5429 5509 Jeni Clampit - 5429 5480



You are most welcome to come to the Romsey Uniting Church Services and share in fellowship and worship

Micah 6: verse 8.

He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

During July the Romsey Uniting Church held a special service titled "Praying the Micah Challenge". Micah Challenge is a global Christian campaign, it aims to deepen our engagement with the poor and challenge leaders to achieve the Millennium Development Goals, halving absolute global poverty by 2015!

Praying the Micah Challenge is an interactive prayer activity designed to allow people to take time to reflect and be engaged with the issues of global poverty in a physical, emotional, intellectual and spiritual way, bringing them to God in prayer. The goals are - to eradicate poverty; achieve primary education; promote equality; reduce mortality; improve health; ensure environmental sustainability; develop a global partnership.

There were some other mission challenges which are a bit closer to home in which we have become involved. We are interested in four projects at this time.

"Take a Break" organising a break for farm families (especially children) who have never had a holiday. At this time we have a 50 cent coin line running down the middle of the church, starting from the communion table. In two weeks we have made \$20.00.

"Gifts of Love" – a booklet with a number of projects listed that we could be involved with – we chose helping to provide safe drinking water to people in Africa and PNG and raising money to buy a cow for a family. Having a cow can make a tremendous difference to the life of a family. We will have a number of fundraising events to raise money for these projects. On Sunday 13th August the church had a special offering to start raising money for these mission projects.

"School Back Packs" - School supplies in backpacks. We will purchase backpacks and fill them with basic school supplies ie, exercise books, pens, pencils etc.,

drink bottle, lunch box and other small items children need at school. This helps provide education for children and also gives them the basic tools that are needed by children at school.

These 3 projects are under the umbrella of The Uniting Church in Australia.

"Fair Trade" We purchase coffee and tea from Trade Winds organisation and use it for church events and also have available for sale. Proceeds go to developing global partnership with the people that produce the tea and coffee.

There are many Mission projects – our church received a leaflet relating to "*Rickshaws for India*". In India Rickshaws are a major mode of taxi transportation for people taking short journeys. Owning a Rickshaw enables a poor Indian family to have a debt free good income that supports them.

Can you help?

The Romsey Uniting Church members hope to hold some fundraising events which will involve the whole community and will help raise money for these mission projects.

Jeni Clampit.

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Services and activities during September

- 3rd. 9am. Worship and Sunday School.
 Service conducted by Rev. Malcome
 MacKay.
- 10th. 9am. Holy Communion and Sunday School Service conducted by Marion Latham
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See you soon at The Town Hall – give us a call if you would like a copy of the performance programs or tourism brochures of the region.

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Wednesday 6th September 11:30AM \$15 / \$13.50 GROUPS 10+

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WHISPERING JACK AND THE BEANSTALK

TUESDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER 10:30AM \$8 ALL TICKETS

Hey kids – you're the voice, try and understand it! Made for the stage fun and hilarity, this pantomime merges the fable of Jack and his magic beans, with the songs of John Farnham. Can't be done? It's a blast!!

DON GIOVANNI – OPERA IN THE ROUND FRIDAY 13TH OCTOBER 8PM \$35 FULL / \$28 CONCESSION

Bring a supper and see the libertine Don G live his last day on earth. One of the most loved operas by Mozart full of fun and daring, beautiful melody and bawdy humour.





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SONGS FROM THE SILVER SCREEN WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 4TH 11:30AM \$15 / \$13.50 GROUPS 10+

Sultry siren Deb Robertson transports you back to the golden era of Hollywood with the songs of Ava, Rita, Judy and Marilyn. Accompanied with a three piece band.

Romsey Lancefield Guides

Have you been on a sleep-over? I'm sure you have, but probably not like the Guides! The Romsey Lancefield Guides have recently held a sleep-over in The Old Guide Hall in Lancefield. By holding a sleep-over we help the younger girls to cope with the big step of going on camp. The girls take part in the planning for the evening, deciding on a theme, choosing the food for dinner, supper and breakfast, and cooking the meals. They have to practise safe food handling techniques and also complete a thorough cleanup after each meal.

The girls are given a kit list for the event and encouraged to pack their own bag, with Mum checking things over rather than doing it for their daughter. So the girls are encouraged to be independant and to be responsible.

It is such fun too, a big group of girls all doing things together!

The girls have been working on a variety of badges recently, with two girls completing the Collectors badge and several others very close to completing the Fitness and Gymnastics badges. Many of the girls have completed a large and colourful version of the Healthy Eating Pymarid by cutting pictures of foods out of supermarket advertising material. A great learning experience and a very colourful result.

In September we are going to be working on some craft activities to enter them into the CWA Spring Flower Show. Would you like to join in with these activities? There is room for new members so if you would like to come along and join in for a night or two to see what we do you would be most welcome.

The Platypus Guides meet Monday Nights from 5.00pm to 6.30pm at the Lancefield Park. Their Leader is Rita Vandervalk (Brolga). 5429 1996



P.O. Box 84 ROMSEY, VIC., 3434 Phone: Unit 1 (03) 5429 5294 Unit 2 (03) 5429 6076

As this year has progressed, I have reflected often as to why the Romsey Kindergarten is special. I do not have a vested commercial interest in the institution (apart from a child in attendance). I am not a paid employee. I do not live in Romsey (I am an out of town "interloper" from Clarkefield!!). I believe I can, however, objectively see what elements differentiates this kinder from others. Firstly, it is communitybased which means the Committee of Management is sourced from the parent community. In addition to fundraising (although that is, in itself, always important) the Committee is responsible for overseeing the running of to new homes. The project was an the "business"! Because the parent committee members are passionate volunteers, they are doing it because they are *committed* to the Kindergarten's success over the long haul. Secondly, because this kindergarten is a two-unit facility, the combined experience and different perspectives of two teachers and two assistants further enrich the kindergarten experience for our pre-school children. Thirdly, this kindergarten is an integral part of the Romsey community and is eternally grateful for ongoing community support. So you can see why I think it is distinctive, especially when I include the kindergarten's close relationships

with the Romsey Primary School and Maternal and Child Health Centre.

Cheep! Cheep! Spring Has Sprung

All of the children (and many parents!) have been excited by the chickenhatching project over the last 2 weeks. certainly be an impressive display. They have observed chickens pecking their way out of incubated eggs, before Open Day being placed into an incubator box where they could be observed feeding and resting. Most exciting, of course. was the opportunity for the children to hold these chickens on a daily basis (controlled and strictly supervised). The chickens have been "farmed out" overwhelming success.

School Transition

The march towards school life is in full swing as the transition program intensifies. The 4-year-old kinder classes are each spending 1 hour every fortnight in prep classes at the Romsey Primary School. Each kinder class is broken up into small groups of ten and Australia Bank. Many thanks to will rotate between the three prep classes before the end of the term. Next term, those that will be attending Rom- initiative. sey Primary School in 2007 will be allocated to their prep teachers and will attend in their new class group.

KINDER CORNER ROMSEY **KINDERGARTEN NEWS**

Art Week

The teachers and children have been busily preparing for our Annual Art Week. This will take place during the week commencing 4th September. Feel free to drop in to inspect what will

Directly following on from Art Week will be the inaugural Romsey Kindergarten Open Day on Saturday 9th September between 12noon and 4 pm. This is aimed at being both informative and entertaining. In addition to plenty of fun for the children (jumping castle, face painting, show bags, activities), there will be informative presentations from our highly respected teaching staff. Of course, there will also be a sausage sizzle and afternoon tea on hand!

Out and About In Romsey

The "installation" of beautiful fish from the 4-year old kinder children in Unit 1 is coming to a close at the National Heather Fagan and her wonderful staff for supporting our "Kinder On Display"

Jenny Stillman Committee of Management

Direct Seeding Field Day

Tues 10th October at 10:30am **Place: Romsey Primary School**

Romsey Primary School is hosting a Direct Seeding Field Day in conjunction with Greening Australia and Deepcreek Landcare

Jim Robertson will be giving a direct seeding demonstration and explaining the advantages of direct seeding and indigenous plants. This is an excellent opportunity for land owners to learn about an effective way to establish tree lines and shelter belts with minimal labour impute.

Opportunities will be available to view Romsey PS indigenous garden and frog ponds.

Refreshments will be served





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ROMSEY LANCEFIELD PROBUS CLUB

Activities July/August

Our day out in July was to the Alfred Homestead in Warrandyte. We enjoyed a wonderful meal and great entertainment. For August we go the Maldon, Newstead region for things to see and another nice meal at the oldest pub in Maldon.

At our last meeting we had some very interesting speakers.

The first was 'Natalie' from our Bendigo Bank. The bank is profitable and was looking for suggestions as to how the Romsey Bank can contribute to community projects. There were suggestions for a community bus and/or to help the Romsey Ambulance Service. We would think about suggestions, but as the bank is a Community Bank the Romsey Community should think about suggestions.

Our second speaker was Robyn Vella from the Loddon Shire Council. She spoke of the problems facing rural communities and some of the incentives they are promoting to generate new income into the area. She spoke of her experiences growing up in Wedderburn. During the late 1980's Wedderburn lost all its infrastructure when one factory decided to move overseas. This meant that an increase in unemployment and that people had to go out of town to gain income. The town's economy suffered badly. The town under the leadership of Robyn turned the bad times around. She was a great speaker, full of enthusiasm and very motivated. It was a very interesting talk with much food for thought.

A trip to Hobart in November is still being planned. Interested? Please come to our meeting or ring Geoff Long 5429

Our next club meeting is September 28 (4th Thursday of any month, 10.00am in St Mary's Hall)

Romsey Business & Tourism Association in partnership with Macedon Ranges Shire Council and Regional Development Victoria would like to invite all interested parties to a community meeting

The Future of Romsey

What planning needs to be done now to ensure that future growth in Romsey supports a vibrant and sustainable economy? How do we encourage new residents and businesses to the area?

This is a very important issue for the future of Romsey so come along and have your say. When: Thursday, September 7, 2006 7p.m. to 9p.m. Where: Cope Williams Winery, Glenfern Road, Romsey

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For further information contact: Adam de Jong - President Romsey BATA on 0417 383 730 or e-mail: romseynews@pacific.net.au Please RSVP by phoning Lorna Pearson on 5422 0306 or notifying Adam de Jong at Romsey Newspower

Romsey Park - Latest

HAVE YOU BEEN DOWN TO ROMSEY PARK LATELY? The (new) Romsey Park Committee in partnership with the various Romsey Park user groups have been busy improving the park facilities and surrounds.

New soft fall has been spread under and around the playgrounds, and a significant trim and tidy up along Park Lane and Wallan roads has been carried out. The resurfacing of 3 of the tennis club courts has commenced. and it will be great when they are completed.

The Bowls and Golf Club car park has been extended and rejuvenated, and soon the access to this area will include a separate entrance and exit to improve safety. A new fence has been erected to separate this car park from the football/cricket oval and netball areas.

Entrance to the football, cricket and netball will be via the

main gate only. A number of "dangerous" trees have been identified and have been felled. Unfortunately the combinations of old age and very dry conditions are "stressing" a number of the trees within the park. Within the golf course section of the park, three "native grasses" areas were burnt (prior to the autumn break) to encourage new growth. The golf club will be tackling weeds in these important environmental areas in the coming months.

Unfortunately vandalism continues to be a concern. If visitors to the park witness any inappropriate behaviour they are encouraged to immediately call the Romsey Police. The less money that needs to be spent on repairs, the more that is available for new developments around the park!

Until next time. Romsey Park Committee



HOUSE NEWS

Romsey Community House Inc.

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Romsey Community House Inc. will offer "Introduction Landscape Design" (4 sessions) and "Basic Gardening and Plant Selection" (5 sessions). These will be run over consecutive Monday evenings commencing Monday October 2nd. The tutor for these courses is local horticulturalist and gardening expert Kerri Mewett, who lectures in Horticulture at Kangan TAFE. The cost will be \$65 and \$75 respectively. A minimum number will apply to each course before we can proceed, so if you are interested please contact Robyn on 0412 275 152.

Our first meeting with the committee of the Riddells Creek Neighbourhood House committee occurred in early August, and as a result of that meeting we will be meeting with Julie Uren, from the regional office of the Department of Communities Victoria, to begin exploring proposals for funding for a paid co-ordinator for Romsey and Riddells Creek. We are grateful to Anne-Louise Lindner from the Macedon Ranges Shire Council for facilitating this process, and hope that positive steps can now be made in achieving our objective of state funding for our House.

For fourth term we are offering the following programmes:

- Yoga on Wednesday nights at 7.30pm at Romsey Primary School —contact Kim Oliver on 5429 2134
- * Drop-In Craft Mornings every Thursday at 10.30am at CFA Headquarters
- * A Writer's Workshops with Dee White planned for third term—see our feature ad in this Rag
- * Introduction to Landscaping—Mondays from 7.00—9.00pm for 4 weeks commencing October 2nd with Kerrie Mewett. (Subject to a minimum enrolment). Cost \$65
- * Basic gardening and Plant Selection—Mondays from 7.00—9.00pm for 5 weeks immediately after Landscape design course with Kerrie Mewett. (Subject to a minimum enrolment). Cost \$75.
- * Expressions of interest for a Beginners Knitting Class for \$10 for 5 sessions. See our ad on the back page
- * Returning in fourth term will be Relaxation and Meditation with Karen Ruggieri

For information about any of these programmes please contact Robyn Moore on 5429 5099 (BH) or 0412 275 152 (AH).

If you have any suggestions for activities or programmes please contact the above numbers or write to us at P.O. Box 418, Romsey.

The date of our Annual General Meeting is October 25th at 7.00 pm at Romsey Primary School. We are seeking new committee members so please come along, support us and give serious consideration to becoming a part of our



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From Joanne Duncan

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The Bracks Government has developed a plan called *Our Environment Our Future* which details our actions for the future. Some of the initiatives from this plan include;

- * Introducing the Victorian Renewable Energy Target. It is envisaged that this will save 27 million tonnes of greenhouse gas until 2030.
- * Twelve new recycling centres across Victoria to safely dispose of things like computers, paint and household chemicals.
- * This State's top 250 biggest energy users will do an energy, waste and water audit and implement cost effective environmental messages.

Our Community has done a fantastic job with their water saving efforts and I am sure if we tackle energy usage and waste management with the same determination we will be able to achieve great results.

If you would like a copy of *Our Environment Our Future* please don't hesitate to contact my office on (03) 5428 2138 and I will send you a copy.

Kind Regards

Joanne Duncan MP

State Member for Macedon

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BOLINDA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

Bolinda 15th Annual Spring Fair September 10th.

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We are proud to announce that our 15th Annual Spring Fair is being **sponsored by**

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Many parents are still considering their educational plans for their pre-school or primary aged children for 2007. Perhaps a **Bolinda Educational Experience** is what you are seeking for your children? We have visited four local Kinders and we have already held an information Morning Tea at school for new parents, but if you couldn't attend, then give us a call, we would welcome you at any time, drop in for a 'cuppa' and a chat about what a **Bolinda Educational Experience** can do for your children. The brochures will still be in your Kinder, talk to your teacher, or better still, talk to some of our parents, 5428 7181, 5428 5265, 5429 1930, 5429 5521, they will only be too pleased to speak with you. You could even talk to a parent or myself at the Spring Fair, we look forward to seeing you.

We were all extremely pleased with these observations from the **Bendigo Regional Director**, **Mr. Ron Lake**, in response to our 2005 Annual Report that we are required to write each year,

'Congratulations on your continued ability to value add in the year 3 and year 5 AIM results in reading and numeracy, plus the very positive response by students about their connection to Bolinda. The high levels of student achievement going into year 7 and in the State Chess competition, plus the high profile "Blooming Kitchen" program are commendable. It is pleasing to note the high level of parent and community satisfaction with the school and the generally strong attendance rates in 2005.'

Needless to say, we are extremely proud of our school.

We had a marvellous whole school excursion to see a live and very professional production of **Beauty and the Beast** put on by the Essendon-Keilor Secondary College. We had wonderful seats in the Dress Circle of the Belltower Theatre in Moonee Ponds. Our children were extremely receptive to the characters, the music, the colour, the sets and indeed the whole show. One little boy, having his first live show experience, just clapped and clapped after every song and scene. All children thought it was just the best show they had ever seen. Is it any wonder that the show ran for over 15 years on Broadway!!!!

Grades 3456 will have returned from their camp to Swan Hill by the time you read this. Our Camp Program is on a cyclical rotation between Swan Hill, Phillip Island, the Dandenongs and Canberra. The highlight in Canberra is always a visit to see our favourite author and penfriend, Jackie French, at her home.

A wonderful project undertaken by the Grade 456 has been the **Guardian Angels and World Vision Knitting Project**. The children, with some help from parents, completed three lovely and colourful woollen blankets that were presented to the Guardian Angels in Gisborne recently. The blankets will eventually find their way to needy

children in Mongolia.

We have been fortunate to have the **Western Creation Aboriginal Cultural Group** visit us. They have been performing across Australia and touring through the USA and New Zealand for the past 15 years. This family group uses many aspects of Aboriginal culture, including dance, music, song, art and history to bring Australia's indigenous people into the hearts and minds of their audiences. They brought their culture to Bolinda for a special day of activities as we joined with Clarkefield and Darraweit for a really fantastic day.

Mrs. Lee's class have been working with the Southern Ranges Educator, Loren Peavey, to design and build **solar boats**. This is in readiness for a competition with all other Macedon Ranges schools to be held at Gisborne Secondary College on September 12. Winners will proceed onto Scienceworks for State Finals in October. The teams have come up with some great ideas and are working very well together.

Well, that's some of the Bolinda news for this month – Cheerio for now and **WE HOPE TO SEE YOU AT THE FAIR!!!!!!!!**

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The Hesket School Dance Saturday August 26th

Hi our names are Michael and Zoe and we are both in Gr 5 at Hesket P. S. We are writing this month about the annual school dance. Every year our school raises money to help pay for all sorts of things. We have used the this money to put new play equipment in the Adventure Playgrounds, buy new computers, cameras and printers and build new fences and gardens. The biggest activity we use to raise money is the annual school dance.

Each year the dance is held in the Kyneton Town Hall and each year we have a different theme. The last few themes have been "The 70's" and "Night of Horror". Lots of the parents and their friends come to the dance and they wear really amazing costumes. When we talked to our mums and dads they told us that they didn't recognise lots of people because the costumes were so good. This year the theme is "Gangsters and Dolls" it is

all about the 1930a and the gangsters who lived then.

In the past we have raised money at the dance through raffles and auctions but this year it is going to be different. This year we are not having auctions we are having lots of other fun things. Things like;

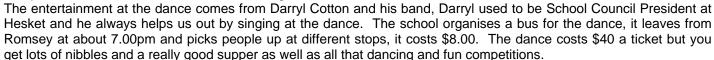
The Coin Toss; where people have to line up behind a marker and roll, throw or toss a \$2 coin trying to get it to land as close as possible to a bottle of drink. The nearest coin wins the bottle.

Trivia Contest; Tables or individual fill out the 20 questions and enter, (for \$5) their sheet. Most correct wins the prize.

Cards in the corner; People pay \$2 to choose one of hearts, diamonds, clubs or spades. They stand in the corner marked by their suit, a pack of cards is cut. All the people in the corner whose card is cut are out. People can stay where they are or pay \$2 and move to another corner. The deck of cards is cut again and so on until there is only one person left.

Raffles; There will be groups of items to go for but you choose where you put your tickets. You buy books of tickets and put your tickets in the boxes below the items you wish to win. All the raffles will be drawn towards the end of the evening.

Paper Plane Competition; The planes must be made from one A4 sheet of paper. People make and decorate their plane and launch it from behind the line. The plane that travels furthest, towards the stage, wins.





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Macedon Ranges Residents' Association Inc. is a volunteer, non-party-political organization. Its 'business' is protecting our rights as residents and ratepayers of Macedon Ranges Shire, keeping government honest and accountable, and standing up for Macedon Ranges' environment and heritage.

In the 11 years since its formation, the MRRA has (through attending forums, making submissions and calling public meetings) both initiated and responded to issues that affect Macedon Ranges' residents at all levels of government.

Membership is open to residents and ratepayers of the Shire. Even if you don't feel you can be actively involved, you can support those who are by becoming a member or making a donation.

MRRA Contact Points:

Neil Manning (President) Phone: 5427 2651, Mobile: 0411 580 363, Email: manning@netcon.net.au Christine Pruneau (Secretary) Phone & Fax: 5427 1481, Email: secretary@mrra.asn.au Postal: P.O. Box 359, Woodend, 3442.

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MASS TIMES

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

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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.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Women's Retreat Day

St. Mary's Parish Lancefield/Romsey is offering a Women's Retreat Day "Creative Ways of Meditating" on Monday, 9th October at The Lancefield Golf Club Rooms. The day will be facilitated by Helen Barnes, a Josephite Sister who has wide experience in leading days of reflection and meditation.

Monday, 9th October Date:

Lancefield Golf Club Rooms Venue:

Facilitator: Helen Barnes RSJ

Title: Creative Ways Of Meditating 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. (approx.) Time: \$20 – light lunch provided Cost:

Option of regathering at 6.00 p.m. for a celebratory meal at a chosen venue.

Bookings are essential ... please phone Florence 5429 1399, Agnes 5429 1727, or Sr. Frances 5429 1582.

Centenary Mass and BBQ

It is hoped that many will return to the celebration of our Centenary with Mass and a BBQ lunch. Bishop Connors will celebrate the Mass. All welcome to attend.

Sunday, 5th November Date:

Time: 11.00 a.m.

St. Mary's Church, Romsey Venue:

Display of Photos and Memorabilia

There will be a display of photos and memorabilia for one week prior to the Centenary Mass and BBQ.

Sunday 29th to Sunday, 5th November Dates:

* Monday, Wednesday, Friday: Times:

6.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

* Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday

10.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon St. Mary's Church Hall, Romsey Venue:

ST. MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS **Colonial Centenary Dance**





Thanks to the many people who helped with the night, especially Mrs Kath Addicoat. Her enthusiasm and efforts are always 110%. Thanks to students and their families who dressed appropriately for the occasion. The children certainly enjoyed dancing with either Mum or Dad.

Our Prayers are with the Year 3 students as they get closer to their First Eucharist. Next Friday they will be involved in a Reflection Day with Mrs Walker.



Movie Night

The major Parents & Friends fundraising event for 2006 is a 'Drive -in Movie and Fireworks Night' to be held on Saturday, 11th November at the Lancefield Park.

BINGO!!

Beginning August 10th, every Thursday evening St. Mary's Church Hall at Romsey

EYES DOWN Doors Open

7.00 p.m. 7.30 p.m. 30 games ... finishing 9.30 p.m.

\$3.00 per book Canteen facilities No entry fee

Free tea and coffee

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LANCEFIELD-ROMSEY LITTLE ATHLETICS

REGISTRATION DAY SEPTEMBER 30TH AT THE CLUB PARKLANE ROMSEY 10-00AM UNTIL 12.00PM IF YOU ARE NOT SURE ABOUT JOINING COME ALONG AND TRY SOME EVENTS ON REGISTRATION DAY

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Hop On Board

On Wednesday, September 6, the Neighbourhood Houses and Community Centres of the Macedon Ranges will be celebrating Adult Learner's Week. There will be a bus tour doing a circuit of the six Houses, and the public is welcome to hop on board and visit each Centre. Take a walk through the Houses and have a fun day of discovery. The Macedon Ranges shire is fortunate to have six Adult Learning Centres for the public to make use

They are situated in Lancefield, Woodend, Kyneton, Gisborne, Riddells Creek and Romsey. Lunch will be provided and all are welcome. Please indicate your interest ASAP by contacting the Lancefield Neighbourhood House on 54291214.

Bus Timetable 6 September Tour Pickup:

Kyneton 9.00am Woodend 9.10 am Gisborne 9.25 am

Riddells Creek 9.35amRomsey 9.50am

Lancefield 10.05—10.35 Romsey 10.45—11.00 Riddells Creek 11.15—11.45 Lunch Gisborne 12.10—1.00 Woodend 1.15—1.45 Kyneton 2.00—2.30

Drop off:

Woodend 2.45 Gisborne 3.05 Riddells Creek 3.15 Romsey 3.30 Lancefield 3.40

Romsey Business Future Forum 7 September 2006

The Romsey Business and Tourism Association have been working in partnership with Macedon Ranges Shire Council and Regional Development Victoria to develop a forum to identify the future of business in Romsey.

The forum, to be held at Cope Williams Winery on Thursday 7 September 2006 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. will help to identify future business growth in Romsey.

President of the Romsey Business and Tourism Association (BATA), Mr Adam de Jong, said "The forum will help to determine how Romsey might grow from a business perspective. We are also looking to see how we might attract new businesses to Romsey, what infrastructure might be needed to support that and also how we can develop jobs for local resi-

The information obtained from the forum will feed into the strategic plans that Macedon Ranges Shire Council is developing. The information will also provide a number of projects that the Romsey BATA can work on in partnership with other stakeholders in the area.

Mr de Jong said, "Romsey needs to grow to ensure that a sustainable economy is developed that can deliver both local employment and income for our residents."

For further information on the forum please contact Adam de Jong at Romsey Newspower on 0417 383 730 or e-mail: romseynews@pacific.net.au.

To register your interest please contact Lorna Pearson, on 5422 0306 or notify Adam de Jong at Romsey Newspower



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VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE ANGLICANS ELECT A NEW ARCHBISHOP!

The Right Reverend Dr Philip Freier has been elected by an overwhelming majority as the new Anglican Archbishop of Melbourne.

Bishop Administrator of the Diocese Dr John Wilson said, "I am delighted with the election – this is a wonderful choice. Bishop Freier brings a very rich experience, coming out of an Australian context."

Archbishop-Elect Freier, 51, who was elected by a twothirds majority of Synod members at the special Election meeting just completed is currently the Bishop of the Northern Territory. He was ordained priest in 1984, and has been a bishop since 1999 when he became Bishop of the Northern Territory.

Prior to ordination he trained as a teacher and was employed as a teacher at Thursday Island, Kowanyama, and Yarrabah and then as an advisory teacher in Aboriginal education with the Queensland Education Department.

His qualifications include a Doctor of Philosophy from James Cook University; a Master of Educational Studies from the University of Newcastle; a Bachelor of Divinity from the Melbourne College of Divinity; and Diploma in Education from the University of Queensland; and a Bachelor of Applied Science from the Queensland Institute of Technology.

He is gifted in cross-cultural ministry and in ministering to people in a wide variety of contexts, both formal and informal. This is evident in his obvious skill and experience in ministry with indigenous people.

He is married to Joy and has two adult children. He includes bush-walking, reading and the visual arts among his list of recreational pursuits.

Sometime next year, we look forward to providing him with a country welcome in the towns of Lancefield and Romsey. More details will be provided once his visit is finalised.

That is this month's view from the vicarage. Yours in Christ

Rev. Leroy Coote

Vicar

Christ Church Lancefield with St. Paul's Romsey

Ph. No 5429-1680

Mark this in your diary.

Saturday 14th October – Garden Party in the Vicarage garden of the Anglican Church from 11:00am to 3:30pm. Come and have a fun afternoon of garden relaxation as well as fun activities for the kids as well.

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Writing the Story from Start to Finish

Got a great idea for a story, but don't know where to start?

Get help at a writing workshop to be run by Romsey Neighbourhood House in conjunction with Romsey Writers' Group.

The Workshop will be run by local writer, Dee White. No writing experience is necessary! Just come along (with pen and paper), have fun – explore the writer in you!

Where: Romsey Primary School

Then: Saturday 14th October – 2.00pm to 4.30pm

Cost: \$20

For more information or bookings, call Robyn on 5429 5099 (BB) or 0412 275 152 (AB)



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Contact Program Coordinator: Elsie Parkinson Ph. (03) 5429 6327 Mob. 0422 860 486

Before & After School Care

Ripper Reads for September

My Sister's Keeper – Jodi Picoult

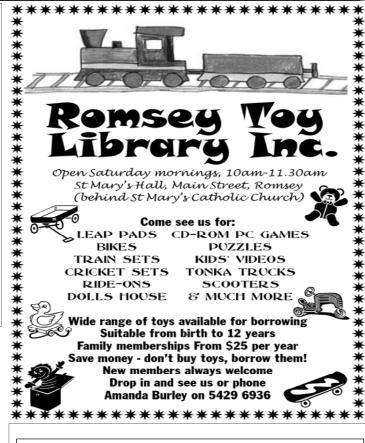
I should know better than to start a Jodi Picoult novel when I have other things to do with my life such as sleeping, and eating and work! I never learn. So, as usual, not much was done until the last page was read and the book thoroughly enjoyed. This author is amazing. Her novels never fail to hold you in their thrall and My Sister's Keeper we no exception. Anna was created a designer baby - the perfect genetic match for her sister Kate who has leukaemia. She has undergone countless surgeries and transfusions in her short 13 years of life without demur, but as her parents look to her to provide the lifesaving kidney that Kate requires, she begins to question their motives and whether she has any meaning or importance to them other than as a source of genetic material for her sister's survival. She decides on a course of action that stuns her entire family if only she has the courage to pursue it to the end. Stock up the freezer first!

The Travel Book: A Journey through every country in the

A truly stunning coffee table book in the true sense of that phrase i.e.: you would need a coffee table to support it on! The luscious photos are just superb and the brief factual information about each country compliments the pictorial feast across each double page spread. If you enjoy the Lonely Planet travel guides with their quirky, offbeat humour, then this is a step up in quality and presentation. Bring a bag to carry it home in.

So Gross – Over 100 gross-worthy facts

This book is sooo gross, it will be an instant winner amongst everyone aged from 8 to 80. It is a collection of basic biology facts, written in language that children, in particular, can understand and seeks to answer all those perennial questions that adults get asked by young, enquiring minds. For instance "Why does vomit always have carrot in it no matter what you've eaten?" or "Why do wombats have square poo?" or "Where does belly button fluff come from?" If you or your offspring are interested in the serious answers to these and almost 100 other such curious biological conundrums, then this is the book for you! Enjoy...half an hour after eating!



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Summer competition

Team entries for the summer competition beginning in 3rd term (October) are now due – for both the Junior Competition on Saturday mornings, and the Open Competition on Saturday afternoons. If you or your children would like to play in a team, please contact Mandy on 5429 5191 (for juniors) and Darlene on 5429 5186 (for Open).

We are hoping the new courts will be "Ready to Go" by the start of this season!!!

Social Tennis - "Hit and Giggle"

Social tennis is continuing at the Romsey courts (weather permitting) on Thursday mornings from 10.30 am. Come along for an informal hit, some exercise and fresh air. Just bring a racquet, suitable footwear and a sense of humour!!! Please ring Eileen French to express interest or for more information on 5429 3391.

New coach

Andrew Peake, our newly appointed professional club coach, can provide coaching from 5 years of age and for all ability levels, including social hitters and competition players. Contact Andrew on 0412 225 792, or by email at peaketennis@hotmail.com

The Romsey Tennis Club will hold its Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 3rd October, at 7.30pm In the clubrooms.

All members are encouraged to attend. Any interested community members are also welcome.

Club Contacts

Club coach – Andrew Peake 0412 225 792 Social Tennis - Thursday Morning at 10.30am - Eileen French 5429 3391

Mid-week Ladies - Bev Beaumont - 5429 6189 Senior Saturday Tennis(Open) - Darlene - 5429 5186 Junior Saturday Tennis - Mandy Green - 5429 5191

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Romsey Youth Group

Term 3 events.

September 2nd Youth Alive \$20.00 September 15th Bon fire & BBQ \$ 2.00

> Every other Friday night 'Hang Time' at the RYG Room 7 Mitchell Crt. Romsey. Cost \$2.00

We are a group of young people who just love having a great time. RYG exists to impact the lives of guys and girls Jess John from Yr 7 to 12. We are a place to hang-out on a Friday night. As well as having awesome fun we look at the issues confronting our young people today. We ran events

such as the Skate Comps, Commonwealth Games Day and 3 on 3 Basketball Comp. Don't miss out!!! Come along to our action packed RYG!!!

Call Jess John for details and permission slips, or pick up permission slips from... ... Finger Lick'n Charcoal Chicken.



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