#### **Romsey Golf Club** Women's Report

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Feb. On a pleasant day the 1<sup>st</sup> round of the singles knockout was contested. Lorraine won easily. The next Wednesday (27 Feb.) the second round was played as well as the monthly medal and the 1st round of the Silver Spoon. It was a very humid day with threatening black clouds. Beryl won the day and all were happy to have finished before it poured with rain.

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Elaine, Leila and Lorraine played in the Goonawarra Bowl. Sunbury had had a lot of rain and conditions were very wet with lots of causal water on the fairways and in the bunkers. This combined with a cold wind made scoring was difficult for everyone.

Denise again this year went to the Amputee golf tournament at Sale. This is her report. Very good 2 days worth of golf. I was the only Amputee "Flying the Flag", but that didn't matter. There was a number of Gippsland Amps Helping out at their Clubs. They all found me before I could find them. Yikes! First day of golf was at South Pines. This course is guite similar to Hidden Valley, except for THAT Par 3. I came in with 29 (last year, 15!). There was only a small field that day, about 80 players, mainly all from Gippsland area.

Sunday saw us all returning to Newry just south of Maffra. This course is similar to Euroa. It was a slightly larger field today, 140 players. WOW. I don't know how we all fitted onto course, but very successful day carried on from South Pines yesterday. Both days were very hot. I scored 30. Fortunately both courses had water and sports drinks available on course in Eskys, plus members driving around course with fluid and snacks. The overall winner for ladies came from Orbost. with a 2 day score of 74.

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March Lorraine, Leila and Denise played in the Irish 3's at Kyneton. Lorraine had a little lapse of concentration and struggled at times while Leila had trouble with the trees early but recovered to have a birdie and a gobbler. I'm told Denise played well. Overall they finished fairly well and all won a ball in the ball competition.

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March we welcomed a new member Denise who played a few holes with us. Meanwhile Wendy and Beryl were at Trentham for their Captain & President Day. We enjoyed our game of Canadian but had trouble reading the greens.

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March saw Denise, Lorraine and Beryl contest the Seymour Bowl. It was a HOT day with very little breeze and there were a lot of exhausted women at the end of play, and it was great to sit down in the shade and relax while we had lunch.

Wednesday 13th March, Jan was the winner of the Stableford event on the warm day.

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Denise, Wendy and Beryl played in the Woodend Ruby McKenzie Salver. Thankfully the day was not too hot as we climbed the hills. The course was in good condition and we all played reasonably well but not well enough to win.

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Jan, Sharon Ron and Beryl combined to play mixed Ambrose at Euroa in the Dalhousie Country Teams fundraiser. Unfortunately we didn't have any birdies and too many bogies, but an enjoyed the day. Jan was just knocked off for NTP on one hole.

#### Recipe for this month

#### Flourless Cake

250gr dark chocolate 6 egg whites 250gr almonds ½ cup sugar 250gr dates

Chop choc. dates & almonds in blender (leave chunky). Beat egg whites until soft peaks form, add sugar, choc. dates & almonds. Spread into spring-form pan. Bake 40mins 180 degrees. Cool in oven with door open. Finish in fridge. When cool top with cream and berries And dust with icing sugar.

Beryl Cole 54295411

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#### ANZAC DAY A TIME TO REMEMBER

Between 2014 and 2018 Australia will commemorate the Anzac Centenary, marking 100 years since our involvement in the First World War. During this time we will remember not only the Anzacs who served at Gallipoli and the Western Front, but those that fought in Tobruk and the Kokoda Track, Korea, Vietnam, Iraq and Arghnistan.

ANZAC Day is now one of our most important occasions, both locally and nationally. Growing attendance at the many services across the Macedon Ranges is testament to the respect generations of Australians show for the ANZAC spir-

The Spirit of ANZAC was suggested by official war historian C.E.W. Bean to have 'stood, and still stands, for reckless valour in a good cause, for enterprise, resourcefulness, fidelity, comradeship and endurance that will never own defeat. On Anzac Day we gather to remember all those who have served our country, from the Anzacs, to those who are currently serving today. It is an opportunity to give thanks and guiet reflection on what a wonderful, lucky nation we live in. Being a part of Anzac Day commemorations is a great experience and I would urge anyone that hasn't yet been to an Anzac Day memorial service to go to a service in your town this year

There are no original Anzacs alive to tell their tale firsthand but engraved in the RSL war memorial on Canberra's Parliament Drive are the words:

"Look around you. These are the things they believed in."

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#### Romsey Golf Club – Men's Report http://romseygolfclub.net

#### Saturday March 16th - Stroke

After months of dry weather it is amazing what a spot of rain and some warm earth can do. Weeks of hard, dry, brown fairways gave way to large areas of green all over the course. Whilst the greens were in excellent condition the large field had to contend with gusting southerly winds and squalling showers that saw many a dusty umbrella out for the first time in over six months. Despite the tough conditions a number of players were able to record good scores. Highlights of the day were classy veteran John Laing picking up two birdies and talented youngster, Mitchell Clement (whose last round was well over 18 months ago) picking up an eagle on the 438m par 5, 14th. The day's results were;

Winner; Adrian Poulton - 90/28/62 from Kev Milner 78/10/68, John Laing - 94/23/71 & Anthony Lakey - 90/18/72.

NTPs went to - 1 - Kev Milner, 15 - Bob McLennan, 16 - Les Gaunt.

#### Saturday March 9th - Par

Another hot, dry day met golfers as they hit off in the club's par competition. A steady northerly wind made some sections of the course a little cooler and effected approach shots on a few holes. The recent rain had greened parts of the fairways but they remained hard giving players good value for their drives. A few flukey bounces also came into play throughout the afternoon. However one player, continuing his recent run of good form, seemed to have the ball on remote control. On another difficult day the day's results were;

Winner; Mick Nicholls (23) +5 from Bob Dwyer (27) and Tony Freeman (17) all square.

NTPs went to 15 - Rob Rea.

#### Sunday March 3rd - DDGA Captains' & Presidents' Day

The annual Dalhousie District Golf Association Capts' & Pres' Day saw just under half Dalhousie District clubs represented. The 4BBB stableford aggregate competition was the first Dalhousie event to see competitors able to score points in the DDGA handicap players award. The event allowed each club to enter two pairs, Captain & guest and President & guest. There was much laughter in the room before hit-off as many players caught up with friends from other clubs. A number of players had not been to Romsey for many years, they were pleasantly surprised by the steady improvements to the course and the great condition of the greens (even allowing for our corellas!). In a closely fought event the day's results were;

1st, and winners of the 2013 Bill Chamley Shield, Romsey ( A. Lakey/D. Richardson 43 & A. Freeman/K. Dunn 41) - 84 pts from Euroa - 82 pts and Kilmore - 81 pts. Best performance by a pair Seymour Capts (J. Mitchell/R. Oldman) - 45 pts.

NTPs went to 1 & 15 - Alan Jillett & 16 - Cameron Roper.

#### Saturday March 2nd - Stroke

Around 60mm of rain during the week did little to soften the fairways, it really just closed the cracks, and for the second week the winds moved from the SW to the NW making it tricky to fire directly at the flag on some holes. The corellas seemed to have moved on however their damage to the greens will be felt for a number of weeks yet. However moving winds and some flukey bounces did not effect the play of a number of golfers. The day's

Winner; Mick Nicholls - 92/23/69 c/b from Bob McLennan -80/11/69. Jim Patton - 89/20/69 with Adrian Poulton - 99/29/70 NTPs went to 1 - John Laing, 15 & 16 Dean vanDenHeuval (Dean also won the \$200 on the 15th -great first game after breaking a leg)

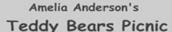
#### Saturday February 23rd - Monthly Medal - Stroke & Putts

The February Monthly Medal started under hot, still conditions but the wind soon began to play a part in the day. It blew from the south east then gusted from the south west before quietening and moving back to the south east. Members had again been out early in the day to repair some corella damage on a few greens however the greens were in generally excellent condition encouraging players to attack the pin. The fairways, having missed out on the recent heavy rains in the general area, continued to give excellent run. The Medal was a closely fought affair with a number of players in the "frame" right up to the final few holes. In the end it was a more steady final 9 that made the difference. The day's results were:

Winner and February Medalist; Ron Walker - 82/17/65 from Anthony Lakey - 88/20/68 c/b from Dave Richardson - 91/23/68 and Bob Dwyer - 95/27/68, other good rounds came from Peter Scanlon - 95/25/70, Rob Rea - 88/17/71 & Bob McLennan -83/12/71.

NTPs went to 1 - Bob McLennan, 15 - Ron Walker & 16 - Jim Patton. Least putts 25, went to Anthony Lakey on a count back from Les Gaunt.

It is pleasing to sit down with our many members after a round and discuss the ongoing improvements that are being made across the course. The maintenance of, and improvements to, Romsey Golf Course and the large area of Romsey Park entrusted to the Golf Club relies on volunteer labour. The annual planting of indigenous trees and bushes around Romsey Park and the gradual improvements to the Golf Course are a credit to those many members who give up their time and talents to carry out these works.



Saturday 6th April 2013

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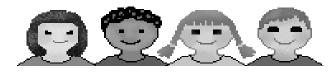
#### **Hesket Primary School News**

The children of Hesket Primary School were very fortunate to be chosen as one of a small number of schools to be part of RMIT's Touring Science Show. After performing a Science Magic Show the graduate university students guided Hesket's excited children through a number of hands on activities. It was a very successful day that was followed up with an email from RMIT saying that, "The team came back Friday having LOVED your school. They all commented on how sweet the students were and how much of a community you guys are."

This will be the catalyst for more experiments at both home and school.



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# Romsey Playgroup Inc

Romsey Community Hub, Main Street, Romsey

Playgroup provides families and carers' of young children a fun & safe environment to participate in semi-structured play outside the home. It offers age appropriate toys, craft, painting and physical activities. Outdoor activities include sandpit, pirate ship with outdoor and inside play kitchen, small bikes, balls, hula hoops and slides. We now have our shade sail up over the sand pit and it looks amazing, providing lots of shade for our little ones to play under.

Playgroup is located at the back of the Romsey Community Hub. Car Park is located to the left of the building and side access is available for entry into the Playgroup Facility.

#### **SESSION TIMES**

 Tuesday
 9.30am – 11.30am

 Wednesday
 9.30am – 11.30am

 Thursday
 9.30am – 11.30am

The sessions are open aged sessions from 0-4 years old.

Remember to bring a hat and a piece of fruit to share during snack time. Sunscreen is located at the centre and also plenty of water. But bring a drink bottle so it can be refilled.

NEW SATURDAY OPENING HOURS!!!!!! As of Saturday the 20<sup>th</sup> April we are going to open playgroup from 9.45am – 11.45am. This session can suit working parents or parents with weekend access to their children. This new session time

access to their children. This new session time will coincide with toy library opening hours as well as the library hours. Normal Term Fees, Insurance and a fundraising levy apply......

On Fridays Cobaw Community Health operate an ASD (Autism Spectrum Disorder) playgroup through PlayConnect.

Contact Cobaw on (03) 5421 1666 for more information.

If you would like to enquire further, request a brochure or enrol for playgroup please do not hesitate to contact the following committee members or email Romsey playgroup: Email romseyplaygroup@gmail.com

President: Leighann Moon 0405 507 805 Treasurer: Rana Scott 0439 529 533

> 2013 Playgroup Fee Structure \$50.00 Per Term \$30.00 Insurance (Annual) \$20.00 Fundraising Levy (Annual)

Contact Playgroup Victoria in regards to insurance and membership details www.playgroupvic.org.au

#### **BOOK LOVERS INVEST IN LIBRARIES FUTURE**

Local library lovers have until Thursday 16 May 2013 to have a say on the future of public libraries in Victoria, Member for Northern Victoria Donna Petrovich said today.

"Libraries are an essential part of local communities, this consultation encourages members of the community and library to become an active part of the decision making process and drive the future development of libraries across the state," said Mrs Petrovich. "Publishing its landmark research in December last year, the Ministerial Advisory Council on Public Libraries (MAC) proposed the concept of the 'Victorian Library' as a way to meet future needs. This second stage of consultation will assess the 'Victorian Library concept and review public library funding. I encourage people to provide feedback on the efficiency of online and local library resources."

Minister for Local Government Jeanette Powell said public libraries in Victoria provided a range of important services and welcomed 1.1 million visitors last financial year.

"Through this public consultation process we hope to find out more about what people think of the 'Victorian Library' concept and whether it will meet the needs of future generations."

Chair of the MAC and Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government David Morris also encouraged people to get involved. "In coming months the MAC will meet with local councils, regional library corporations and other key library stakeholders to talk about what needs to happen at the 'back end' of the library if we are to implement the recommendations," Mr Morris said.

Feedback and submissions can be made online before 5.00pm on Thursday 16 May 2013 at www.dpcd.vic.gov.au/tomorrowslibrary. Submitters providing their name and address will go into the draw to win a 32GB iPad valued at \$649.

Visit www.dpcd.vic.gov.au/localgovernment/public-library-review/tomorrows-library for more information about Tomorrow's Library.

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# **ROMSEY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS**

# **Romsey Primary School News**

# TOGETHER WE LEARN AND GROW Young Leaders Day for Local Schools

Romsey Primary School hosted its second young leaders day with local schools and our student councillors, school captains and newly appointed leaders attending. Other schools who participated were Mount Macedon, New Gisborne, Newham, Lancefield, Clarkefield and Malmsbury. The students were privileged to listen to four inspirational guest speakers Donna Petrovich MP, Luke Vandenberg from Hope-builders who work with orphaned children in Ugandia, and Olympians Tamsin Hinchley and Victoria Brown. Hearing and understanding the journey leaders take gave students a chance to reflect on their own goals and to work in groups to clarify their goals for this year. Student Councillor co-ordinator Nicole Dettmann did a brilliant job of organising this excellent program for young leaders in our community.



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#### **School Council News**

Romsey Primary School Council recently welcomed several new members, and we look forward to a productive year ahead. The parent members of School Council are: Peter Halton (President), Lynda Grierson (Vice President), John Webb Ware (Treasurer), Scott Hoctor-Turner, Kerri Mewett, Kerry Hammond, Elizabeth McDonnell, Raelene Mottram, Amanda Lepore and Cassy Borthwick

Staff representatives are: Joan Gibbs (Executive Officer), Jo Emond, Brian Tannenberg, Simone Wood and Karren Baker (Secretary)

I would like to thank out-going School Council President Lynda Grierson for her leadership as President in 2012. The Annual Report to the Community was presented to School Council and copies of it are available from the office for parents and community members.

#### **Grandparent's Day**

Our preps were very excited to invite their grandparents to school last week. A large gathering of proud grandparents enjoyed seeing a video presentation about their learning, sharing afternoon tea and spending some time in their individual classrooms seeing an activity and their work. Our three prep teachers, Fiona Holland, Marilyn Killender and Alexis Seddon are doing a superb job, with all children happily settled into their learning and many preps already reading simple texts independently.

#### The World's Greatest Shave

I am extremely proud of year 4 student, Isabella Miceli who decided to support The World's Greatest Shave by shaving her hair and donating it to the Leukaemia Foundation so it can be made into a wig. The school would like to thank Erin and Sharni from Sapphire Hairdressing for coming to the school and donating their time to shave Isabella's hair. So far Isabella has raised over \$2000 for this wonderful cause, which will be added to further with the whole school holding a Crazy Hair Day fund raiser in the last week of term.





#### **Cultural Diversity Week and Harmony Day**

March 16th—24th was Cultural Diversity Week when Victorians come together to share aspects of their culture, faith and language, and celebrate the benefits multiculturalism brings. At Romsey Primary School we are privileged to have students representing Thailand, India, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, Egypt, Netherlands, Canada, Turkey, Finland, Uruguay, Bosnia, Greece, Philippines, New Zealand, Macedonia and Italy. Some of the languages spoken at home include Spanish, Urdu, Finnish, Bosnian, Tamil, Sinhalese and Macedonian. Many students celebrated by dressing up in their national costumes or wore clothing from their ancestors or places their families had visited. Thursday was Harmony Day with orange being the colour worn to recognise belonging, and classrooms did activities to help students understand the importance of diversity and accepting everyone for who they are.

Term one has been a fantastic beginning to 2013.

Joan Gibbs, Principal.

#### **Enrolments for 2014**

We welcome enquiries about enrolments for 2014 and will be holding tours in term two starting at 9:30am. Please phone the office to book a place. Tour dates are:

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2<sup>nd</sup> May,

6<sup>th</sup> June



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#### **Happiness Continued**

With the start of a brand new year, its often time to reflect on ourselves and where we are headed in the new year. It is now March /April and life has settled down a little and we

find ourselves looking for that routine that will keep us on track. Now is the time also to check in and find out where you are right now.

- a) How are you feeling physically and mentally?
- b) Is there anything you need to change about yourself so that life can be what you want it to be?
- c) Are you doing what you love?
- d) Have you got the balance between what you need to do, what you have to do, and
- e) What you want to do, sorted out?
- f) Do you have people around you that support you?
- g) Are you living in the now, in the moment and not stressing about what is in front of you?

When you became aware, of something that you need to change you can celebrate because you are half way there. That's right, when you recognize this, it helps you realize that you have a choice. It is no good simply having an awareness of the need or a desire to change – it means you have a direction to where you need to take action. What area in my life do I want to change? And why? What can I do to develop this change in my life? How did I demonstrate this change or do this skill/characteristic today?

Whilst I admit that this awareness did not make me feel good initially, I always remind myself that whenever I be-

come aware of something, even if it's things I don't like about myself, I should celebrate because now I am aware I have a choice. If I had continued on, potentially for the rest of my life in ignorance, I would always keep doing what I had always done and the potential for change would not present itself.

So HONEST self-reflection, whilst initially can be uncomfortable; can be an amazing thing to enable us to consistently learn and grow and enable us to be the best that we can be. Live the life we deserve!

Appreciate what you have. If you cannot be content with that which you already possess, then you will forever feel like you are chasing something elusive.

No matter what it is that you want to bring more of into your life, finding happiness is all about taking an honest look within and being willing to make the changes necessary to get what you want.

Live in the here and now.

Remember that you live in the present. What you do today will affect your future. You cannot just wait for the future to come to you. You must live in the present, embrace it and make it into your ideal life.

Take responsibility and commit to the changes you want to make, set some goals to help you stay focused, and let your light shine.

Until next time, love, laugh, dream, believe and inspire

Be empowered to live the life you deserve.

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#### **Gisborne Singers**

The Gisborne Singers are working hard on their next production, which will be Haydn's Mass in Time of Waralso known as Paukenmesse. This is a fine work in the best Haydn tradition, and will be performed with full orchestra and professional soloists

The programme will include Handel's Zadok the Priest, Mozart's Laudate Dominum and Chorus of the Hebrew Slaves from Verdi's Nabucco, as well as Soprano, Tenor and Choir singing 'Lippen Schweigen' from Lehar's 'The Merry Widow' Professional soloists will round off the performance with excerpts from Mozart's 'Cosi fan tutte,' Donizetti's Romanza and Saint-Saens' Samson and Delilah'

Concerts will be held at St Ambrose Hall, Woodend on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April and at Anglican Church, Kyneton on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April. Both performances commence at 3 pm.

On Saturday evening 20<sup>th</sup> July the Singers will present their popular cabaret style concert at Holy Cross Primary School, New Gisborne.

Our final concerts on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November and Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November will be a joint collaboration of Mendelssohn's Elijah with the Ballarat Choral Society, making an eighty strong choir. Watch this space for details of venues and dates. New choir members are always welcome. We have an urgent need for more basses and baritones. If interested, contact our President Grainne Black on 0423 769 643 or at gisbornesingers@iprimus.com.au

For more information and bookings go to our website, www.gisbornesingers.org.au or telephone Corinne on 5426 4649 for tickets

If you wish to become a friend of the Gisborne Singers, please contact any choir member or email us at the email address above and you will be sent details of all future concerts.

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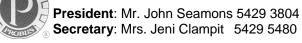
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# Romsey & Lancefield Probus Club



Probus Meetings are held at St. Mary's Hall, Main Street, Romsey at 10am on the fourth Thursday in each month.

Probus is a mixed club for men and women. There is a guest speaker at each meeting.

We have an outing on the third Wednesday of the month. (Either a trip or luncheon)

- Friday Morning Coffee
   Musical Afternance and me
- Musical Afternoons each month.
- Ten Pin Bowling each fortnight.

Persons who are interested in this club and wishing to have more information please contact the

President or Secretary at the above phone numbers.

As our April meeting falls on Anzac Day the meeting date and venue have been changed just for this month.

Our April meeting will be on

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2013 at the Romsey Uniting Church Hall, Pohlman Street, Romsey.

Romsey & Lancefield Probus Club now have a website as follows: rlprobus.org.au

Fifteen of our Probus members were fortunate to spend 8 days on Norfolk Island during March. This is a fantastic place, full of history and intrigue. We all had a wonderful time

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#### **Anzac Day Service – Thursday April 25th 2013**

The Romsey/ Lancefield RSL Club Sub Branch wishes to advise that the 2013 ANZAC DAY Commemorative Service will be conducted in Main Street, Romsey on Thursday April 25th. Marchers are requested to assemble in front of the laundry in the Main Street at 0815 hrs – the service begins at 0830 hrs. All families and individuals are invited to attend this most important day in Australia 's history, particularly the school children.

Your attendance would be most appreciated.

Refreshments will be served after the service—all welcome.

If you have any enquiries please do not hesitate to call John Lynch on 0417393396

# Call to help preserve Romsey's water resources

Romsey's rainfall this summer was around one-third of last summer's, leading to a big drop in water levels in Kerrie Reservoir. At the same time, water use by Romsey residents has increased by more than 50% compared to last summer.

Western Water is calling on Romsey residents to conserve water at home to help preserve water levels in Kerrie Reservoir.

"Romsey's drinking water may need to be supplemented with water from the Melbourne supply if water use remains high and there is not significant rainfall soon," Western Water's Managing Director, Neil Brennan, says. "We are also considering commissioning the Romsey bore so there is the option of adding bore water to the drinking supply."

Kerrie Reservoir, the main source of Romsey's drinking water, has dropped to 45% of capacity, or 136 million litres, down from 297 million litres at the start of summer. During summer Romsey residents used an average of about 42 million litres of water a month, or around 217 litres per person per day. That figure is a 58% increase on last summer, when Romsey residents used 137 litres per person per day.

"All reservoirs have an amount of unusable water, known as 'dead storage', as water quality drops as the water level falls," Mr Brennan says. "It would take a couple of months of good rainfall to get decent flows into Kerrie Reservoir again and for the reservoir to start recovering."

Romsey received 66.2mm of rain over summer, around one-third of last summer's total of 193mm.



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#### Werribee house fire prompts warning

A house fire at Werribee last Friday night, 8 March, has prompted CFA to remind residents of the dangers of leaving appliances unattended. Firefighters were called to the Bulban Road home about 8.00pm to find the two storey house well alight and fire was spreading to the roof. Fire crews from Werribee, Hoppers Crossing, Wyndham Vale and Corio brought the fire under control in about 20 minutes and remained on scene until after 10.30pm putting our hotspots and morping up. Fire damaged about one third of the second storey which spread through hedrooms and the roof. Fire investigations are control in the second storey which spread through hedrooms and the roof.

mopping up. Fire damaged about one third of the second storey which spread through bedrooms and the roof. Fire investigators found the cause was likely to be appliances left on unattended.

CFA Northern and Western Metropolitan Region Operations Officer Lachlan Redman said it was lucky no one was home at the time, but showed how important it was to ensure all electrical appliances were switched off when unattended.

"With recent hot weather continuing, residents need to be aware of the risks associated with electrical appliances in the home," he said. "Fans and air conditioners should never be left on unattended or when no one is home."

Mr Redman said there had been 13 house fires in the district since the start of November last year that were caused by air conditioning units or evaporative coolers.

"These types of fires are preventable so it's upsetting to see the amount of properties lost or damaged by careless behaviour," he said

"The community shouldn't underestimate the dangers of leaving electrical appliances unattended. Protect your life and your family's by being cautious."

People are advised to get their air conditioning units and evaporative coolers serviced yearly before regular use.



## Romsey & Lancefield Districts Historical Society Inc.

E-mail: lancefieldcourthouse@gmail.com Website: www.lancefieldcourthouse.org

P.O. Box 101 LANCEFIELD 3435

The Society has been very busy over the last month. We Update on the medals that we mentioned last month: are working on the new Walk Booklets for Lancefield and Romsey which are due to be printed by September.

There are other groups that need some help with the 1915 WWI centenary with information and pieces from the papers of the time. We have just been reading when the War Memorials in Lancefield and Romsev were unveiled. Next year 2014 is the centenary of Red Cross in Australia and we are looking for information for them. If you have anything that pertains to the early days of the Red Cross we would like to have a look at the item and with permission may photograph it for our records.

The Lancefield Courthouse Archives is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. or at other times by appointment. We now have newspapers from Lancefield & Romsey 1870 - 1920 on DVD and Romsey Examiner 1921 to 1948. The Rates Books from Romsey Shire, intermittent dates, are also on DVD. The Victorian Births, Marriages and Deaths on CD. There is a collection of several thousand obituaries available; this is a collection that is growing as we read more of the papers.

The Courthouse is also a Place of Deposit for the Public Records Office.

The set of five medals were sold for approximately €920, and were bought by a collector from Dublin.

Seymour Cottage will be open during the weekend of the Antiques and Collectables Fair\* in Romsey as well as its normal Sunday open day.

It is the bi-centenary of Sidney Seymour's birth and the centenary of his death in November so the Historical Society will be holding an event to celebrate the occasion and also to unveil our Heritage Victoria plaque. We are also going to try to make this a Seymour Family reunion. To keep up to date with what is happening with the event please email seymourcottage@gmail.com and you will be included on our mailing list. Or you can follow the cottage at Seymour Cottage on facebook to keep up to date with our activities.

As always we are still looking for helpers both at the cottage and court house so if you have some free time please contact us. Shirley 0402 248 540 or Sheryl 0419 597 947 or Robyn 0418 172 659

\*Editor's note: The Antiques and Collectibles fair is cancelled, so please check to see if these dates still apply.



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#### **CHRIST CHURCH LANCEFIELD** and ST. PAUL'S ROMSEY

For God so loved the world He gave His only begotten Son that all who believe in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.



Because Thomas was not present when the risen Christ first appeared to the disciples, he said, "Unless I see the nail marks in His hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe."

A week later Jesus re-appeared, though the doors were locked and this time Thomas was present.

Jesus said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and feel my side. Stop doubting and believe". Thomas said, "MY LORD AND MY GOD." Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen Me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." John 20 vv.25-29.

MARCH IN RETROSPECT. We all enjoyed Sheila Barker's simnel cake on Mothering Sunday and our Harvest Thanksgiving service yielded an over-laden car of food-stuffs, including fresh produce, being taken into Anglicare for Melbourne's needy. As well, we followed Jesus in His walk to the Cross and rejoiced in His Resurrection on that first Easter Day. "GRACE AND PEACE BE YOURS IN ABUNDANCE" 1 Peter 2:c.

DIARY - APRIL 2013

**SERVICE TIMES**:

9.00am, HOLY COMMUNION -ST.PAUL'S ROMSEY 10.30am, HOLY COMMUNION -CHRIST CHURCH LANCEFIELD

The Easter Season continues until the sixth Sunday after Easter Day.

Thursday, 11 April 8.00pm: A.M.S. (Anglican Men's Society) meets in Lancefield (contact Tom Morgan - 5429-6060)

Saturday, 13 April, 9.00am: ROMSEY GUILD - STREET STALL, OUTSIDE IGA. Raffle, Cakes, Preserves, Produce etc.

Thursday, 18 April 1.30pm. St. Paul's Guild meets at Mrs F Carter's home, Monegeetta

Enquiries: Doreen Morgan, 5429-6060.

**COMING UP** 

Thursday 2 MAY 1.30pm - ROMSEY GUILD AFTERNOON in Christ Church Hall, Chauncey St. Lancefield

SPEAKER: MR GREG GIBSON, Pharmacist - "PHARMACY TODAY"

Donation: \$5 - Raffle, Afternoon Tea Contact Doreen.5429-6060 or.Glenice.5429-6418. ALL WELCOME!

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# St. Mary's Parish - Lancefield & Romsey



27-29 Chauncey St, Lancefield & 85 Main Rd, Romsey

5429 2130 Presbytery: Parish Priest: Fr. Arnold Heredia Presbytery: 5429 2130 Pastoral Associate: Mrs. Joanne Reuther St. Mary's Primary: 5429 1359

School Principal: Mr. Anthony Falls

#### **MASS TIMES**

#### Saturday:

6.00 p.m. Lancefield

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month:

8.00 a.m. Lancefield and 10.00 a.m. Romsey 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

#### **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.

#### From St Mary's School, Lancefield



Project Compassion: Caritas The students of 5/6 Gold have been The General Committee includes Martina Choate, Shelley running a "Guess the Gummy Bears in the jar", competition to raise money for Project Compassion.

The other classes are also donating money towards Project Compassion. The students have been watching the Caritas programs on the interactive whiteboards. These programs show the lives of children

in other countries and the impact our donations have on their lives.

#### Catholic Education Week

The theme for Catholic Education Week was:

'Entrusted with Something Precious' 10-17 March 2013

During this week we opened up the school for all to come and see the great teaching and learning that is always happening at St Mary's. We are proud of the students and the great way they respect and cooperate with each other and the teachers. I'm proud of the staff and the commitment they show to the students.

#### Parents and Friends

On Tuesday evening the Parents and Friends Committee held the Annual General Meeting. This meeting was well attended by supportive parents in the community.

I thank the following parents for the time they have given to our school over the past years: Nicole Ryan, Kelli Weber and Joanne Castles.

The Parents and Friends Committee for 2013 is:

President: Kylie Sankey Secretary: Hayley Binney Treasurer: Melinda Giles

Knott Fiona Dowling, Regina Marr, Jenny Smith-Turner, Alison Gamble, Sophie Banon, Andrew Memmolo. Please feel free to attend any of the P&F meetings. The next meeting will be held on 16<sup>th</sup> April.

## **BINGO**

#### **Every Thursday evening**

St. Mary's Church Hall at Romsey Doors Open 7.00 p.m. EYES DOWN 7.30 p.m. \$3.00 per 15 game book

No entry fee Canteen facilities Free tea and coffee

#### ARTANICA – A FUSION OF ART AND GARDEN

With a 90 year history of promoting horticulture, the Mt. Macedon and District Horticultural Society Inc. will present Artanica on the weekend of Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st of April at Lewisham, 305 Mt. Macedon Road,

Artanica is an opportunity not only to see a beautiful garden at its autumn best but to also enjoy and purchase garden sculpture crafted by some of Victoria's leading artists.

Featured artists include locals Padma and Ashika, Dawn Robinson and Kathryn Portelli who will be joined, among others, by Gillian Govan (current President of the Association of Sculptors of Victoria), Rudi Jass, Yvonne George, Richard Kloester and David Dawson.

Works on display are crafted from stone, steel, iron, bronze, copper and wire and range from hanging bird baths to kinetic wind sculp-

Admission is \$10 (children under 18 free). This is a great opportunity to enjoy a community environment. Food and drinks will be available and of course you can acquire your own piece of art direct from the artist or talk with them about commissioning your own

For more information visit the events page at www.mtmacedonhort.org.au or call Jan Sherry on 0409 022 331

#### A Note From The Romsey Community House

- Please note that the Antiques and Collectibles Fair planned for April has been cancelled.
- Discussions are under way about the future of the Community House, with the possibility that a new Committee of Management may soon be formed. Watch the next edition of the Romsey Rag for an update.





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#### Autumn/Winter '13 at Cuttings

It is an exciting time of year at Cuttings, as we present our brand new Autumn/Winter shop range and selection to you. As we celebrate our 6th year of business in Romsey, we have expanded our homewares range significantly, along with our now established women's fashion range. Both areas of the shop now reflect the beautiful colours and textures of the new season, transitioning us right into the cooler months in the Macedon Ranges. In the homewares range, the autumn shades of chocolate, russet, sienna, sand, vanilla and caramel combine with the natural textures of wood, wire, ceramic, and glass to create stunning organic textures and weathered effects. A handmade feel is brought to the fore to imbue an earthy, cultured, and well travelled feel. New cushions, throws, quilts, and napery all reflect a natural and refined sense of detail. There is something for every room, and every home decorator to select from. Our kitchenware range is new as well, and reflects a sense of nostalgia, with its vintage appeal. Gorgeous flowery aprons, vintage cake slicers, glass cakestands, decorative teaspoon sets, ceramic servery, packs of pretty, patty cake holders, teapots, generous drinking mugs, and Nan-inspired cookbooks all reflect that yearning for simple times gone by. It all just inspires the urge to get baking lots of goodies on a Sunday afternoon. Perhaps our biggest expansion has been

in our women's' fashion range. Here too, the cooler season is reflected in the use of stunning autumn colours worked in beautiful combinations of natural fibres, such as cottons and wools, both knitted and woven. Details such as embroidery, topstitching, felt, and subtle embellishments all combine to add texture and depth to the sillouettes. Stocking sizes 8-18 and xsmall -xlarge, the range has something for everyone, including layering tees, skirts, pants, and jumpers, and jackets. There is even a dressing room to try, in private. We are known for our beautiful selection of scarves, and this autumn the selection is beautifully varied, and quite unique. Our new season of jewellry is also complemented by some fantastic new handbags. All in all, it is very exciting to see such a great selection of fashion here in Romsey. We have always carried a unique selection of lifestyle books since we opened in 2007, and this seasons' range is truly special. We love our books, and enjoy finding the perfect book for a special gift. There is always a large, varied selection of gifts in the shop, but we feel the books are truly special. As a new feature for the shop this vear, we have introduced a VIP lovalty card, which gives our customers an ongoing discount on all their purchases at Cuttings. Stop by the shop today to collect your very own discount card. We are also on Facebook at facebook.com/ cuttingsculinaryandbotanica

Please go on and "LIKE" our page, and receive special offers, discounts, and regular shop news. We regularly have contests and give-aways for gift vouchers and merchandise on our Facebook Page, so be sure to join us for your chance to win! Cuttings is now open during the Autumn/ Winter seasons Monday thru Friday, 10-5pm and Saturday 10-4:30pm; closed

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#### STRESS LESS!!!!

One of the biggest issues in our society is Stress related Illnesses. Sometimes we are so stressed that our behaviour has become a habit, We don't even know how stressed we are !!!

It s all related to how we travel on our journey through life and what strategies we use to cope with what life throws at us. At this point I would like to offer some sessions on STRESS LESS related strategies to cope better with what life throws at you. "Change your thoughts change your life."

> Breathing techniques. Learn how to meditate, experience guided meditation and much more. Classes will be offered on a Tuesday night or a Friday morning depending on expressions of interest, Please don't hesitate to contact me if you are interested. Phone Gillian on 5429 548 M: 0409 80 1082



## Romsey Region Business and Tourism Association (RRBATA) **UPDATE**

#### RRBATA Turns Blue

RRBATA has committed to supporting Light It Up Blue Romsey as an extension to World Autism Awareness Day on 2<sup>nd</sup> April. This follows a presentation by the organizer, Shantelle Grant assisted by Mia Fichera, to the RRBATA committee. RRBATA is encouraging businesses to get onboard and support this initiative.



In addition to encouraging businesses to raise awareness of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) by decorating their shopfronts blue, RRBATA has organised the big gum tree near the Lions' Reserve (skate park) to be illuminated blue during April with the much appreciated assistance of Milos Staric.

A support group affiliated for families touched by ASD is run in Romsey with a Play Space affiliation and is one of only a handful in Victoria.

Other awareness and fundraising activities include a family pizza and pasta night at Sicilian Vespers on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April and a Family BBQ event at the skate park (Lions' Reserve) on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April (12noon-2.30pm). For further enquiries, please contact Shantelle Grant.

#### Business Breakfast Update

As we steadily march towards a Federal election on September 14<sup>th</sup>, the often intriguing world of politics is up front and central in many people's minds. Moreover, the implications of political decisions for business and the broader community are important to us all. As indicated in the previous Rag, "The Great McEwen Debate" will coincide with the RRBATA Annual Business Breakfast to be held on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2013. The ALP and Liberal contenders for the seat of McEwen, Rob Mitchell and Ben Collier, have been invited to be involved. This could be a compelling event. We hope to have details locked in for your information in the May edition of the Rag.

#### Historical Society Plagues

You will recall RRBATA helped Romsey and Lancefield Districts Historical Society's plaque program for historic buildings with the donation of profits from the 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday Dinner. A number of plaques were installed around town subsequently. However, many more are earmarked for commissioning if donors were available to contribute to their funding. RRBATA supports initiatives which complement the acknowledgement of Romsey region's history as

this is a critical part of the tourism attraction to our town. RRBATA urges businesses or individuals to consider a plaque sponsorship by contacting the Historical Society lancefieldcourthouse@gmail.com

#### Membership Enquiries:

Phone: 0432 320553 Joanne Hagan (Secretary) Email: hages10@optusnet.com.au

#### Romsey Online Update

And don't forget, ANYONE CAN BE A REPORTER! Whether it is sporting results, photos, reports on events etc, the website is waiting for your "news". Please ensure a note of consent from people featured in any photographs accompanies your submissions. Remember, the website is only as good as the information fed to it at info@romsey.org.au.





Place: Kyneton Town Hall

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# "Police Show Band"

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#### **Romsey Uniting Church**

Pohlman Street, Romsey. 3434

Supply Minister Rev. Max Woolcock

Church Council Chairperson: Noel Shaw - 5429 5509

Secretary: Jeni Clampit - 5429 5480

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

#### **News from the Uniting Church.**

As we go through the process of finding another Minister, which can be long and drawn out, the Congregations at the four linked churches are very fortunate to have the services of Supply Minister, Rev. Max Woolcock. Max is a retired minister living in Sunbury. Max is very busy dividing his time between the four churches and during March held Lenten Studies at Romsey and Mt. Macedon. The theme of these studies was "Led by the Spirit". The studies were inspiring and generated good discussion and interest.

Easter Sunday was the fifth Sunday in the month and a combined service should be held at Riddells Creek. Because of Easter it was decided that the four churches would hold Easter Services. Therefore, the fifth Sunday combined service will be held at Riddells Creek on 7<sup>th</sup> April at 9am.

#### "Facing the Storm".

Behind the carved oak pulpit in the old church, I noticed a mark on the worn wall. At first glance, I thought it was just a random roughness, a shadow on the stone.

Then I realised it was the outline of a cross. It must have hung there for years and, when taken down, it left the mark on the wall.

As individual Christians we leave a mark. Most of us lead unremarkable lives. Actually, I'm not so sure of that. When you get to know people you find few who are

"ordinary". No-one is exactly like another.

Each is remarkable in individual experience. Each of us has something of value to give.

But we lead unspectacular lives, rarely producing headlines in the newspapers.

Yet our presence in the world, our faithful performance of the little acts of daily living, makes its mark.

There are times when we feel useless. We can't stop the steamroller of world events without getting flattened. No-one listens to the thin sound of our protest. "your living shall not be in vain", as the song puts it.

We make our mark and, however small it is, it's our mark,

and the world will never be quite the same again. God grant the mark we leave is the mark of the cross.

Lord, I find it hard to believe it matters, the little mark I make on the world. I'm so caught up in things I can't control. Can't even understand the problem half the time. I feel lost, swallowed up, my efforts useless.

If I stand out in the storm, waving my little leaf of protest, it's quickly whipped away, wind-blighted, seared. And nothing seems to change.

At times, I think I hear an echo of unpleasant laughter, far

I get the feeling there's nothing I can do. And not much point in trying.

Yet in the guiet. I still feel that inner sense, which I can only say is you, uraing me on.

Telling me, however small I am, or weak, you care for what

Reminding me, so gently, that however small a mark I make, it's mine, and yours. And telling me to do the little thing in front of me, today.

I may not see its cosmic breadth, or deep significance – but in the faithful living out and guiet affirmation of this day's duty, lies worth, and joy. And on some wall a mark is made.

A mark of love, shaped like a cross.

(Written by Eddie Askew. Used by permission - Leprosy Mission International.)

#### Services conducted during **April 2013**

9am. Combined Worship and Eucharist service at Riddells Creek

9.am Communion Service conducted by Rev. Max Woolcock

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## **Lancefield & Romsey Community Banks**

#### **OUR BANK SHARES NOW AVAILABLE FOR TRADING**

Shares in the company which operates the Romsey and Lancefield Community Bank branches are now available for public trading. The chair of Lancefield & Romsey Community Financial Services, Tim McCarthy, said the Australian Securities & Investment Commission had given approval for the shares to be bought and sold on the Low Volume Market. Previously, people who wanted to buy or sell the shares had to negotiate directly with each other.

"This is great news for our shareholders as it will make the market framework for the trading of our company shares simpler and more transparent," Mr McCarthy said.

People interested in buying or selling should go to the website, www.bendigobank.com.au/Lancefield and download a form after going to the "Trading Shares" section listed on the left side of the page.

The completed Register of Interest form should then be emailed to Company Secretary Dave Plunkett at LancefieldMailbox@bendigobank.com.au or mailed to PO Box 30 Lancefield, 3435.

The company's constitution contains limits on shareholdings and provides for Board discretion to refuse to permit a transfer

Mr McCarthy said the company was established in late 2000 to provide the vehicle for local residents and businesses to invest in shares and provide the working capital to realise the dream of opening a community-owned franchise of the Bendigo Bank in Lancefield.

The Lancefield branch opened in May 2001. Further shares were issued to provide the capital to finance the Romsey branch, which opened in August 2005.

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#### **Behind Closed Doors Home Business Secrets**

Since 2010 the Macedon Ranges Home Business Network (MRHBN) has corresponded with over 80 home based businesses that service the shire. The not-forprofit group holds informal night and day meetings, offering opportunities to discuss topics of interest and share ideas and experiences for new-starts to long term operators. Common topics raised are time management, self confidence, marketing and online exposure.

Interested members pay a \$5.00 firstmeeting fee and can then opt to join for \$65 p.a. (pro-rata)

The Shire boasts a diverse range of professional services, clever craft makers and hard to find products from businesses that don't have a shopfront. To support this notfor-profit association, contact Jessica on 0421 415 485.

If you're a home based business (owner operator) or serious hobbvist, email MRHBN email members@MRHBN.org.au or phone Julie on 0438 042 842.

Some of our Shire Secrets!

\*True Intent - Feng Shui and Home & Property consultation (0438 042 842) \*Catherine Mueller Civil Celebrant - Mar-

riages, Funerals & Personalised Ceremonies (0409 013 860)

\*Craft Emporium - Papercraft adult workshops - themed products & personal projects (0418 383 050)

\*Lindy Muir, Bookkeeping Solutions 4U (BAS Agent) - accounts payable & receiveables, payroll, data

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Lancefield and Romsey Community Bank® branches



#### Facility News

Our renovated amenities are now open for use. New toilets, showers and baby change area. A big thank you to 'In 2 It Carpentry' for all their hard work over the past month.

#### Referees and Program Leaders

We are currently looking for people interested in work as a basketball or soccer referee or coach. Training and referee courses may be available.

#### Representative Basketball Teams

The Romsey Under 14 girls have entered their first country Victoria Tournament. The gold stars classic will be held in Bendigo from 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> of April. Good luck girls. An opportunity to represent Romsey at the upcoming Macedon Ranges Basketball Tournament is available for boys and girls across all age divisions from Under 10 's to Under 18's. The tournament will be held in Kyneton and begins on the 19<sup>th</sup> of April. Anyone wishing to play should contact staff. Training sessions will be held over the Easter School Holidays.

#### Junior Basketball

All our junior basketball competitions will recommence from Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April. The first week is compulsory grading. Grading sessions (excluding Aussie Hoops) will run for 90 minutes. The winter season will run from April to September.

Aussie Hoops:		5 - 10 years	lue	4.00pm
	Under 10 's D 'ment:	20004/2005	Wed	4.00pm
	Under 12 's Comp:	2002/2003	Mon	4.00pm
	Under 14 's Comp:	2000/2001	Tue	5.00pm
	Under 17 's Comp:	1997/1999	Tue	6.30pm

#### Junior Indoor Soccer

All junior soccer programs will recommence from Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April. The first week is compulsory grading. Grading sessions (excluding Goal Kick) will run for 90 minutes. The winter season will run from April to September.

 Goal Kick:
 5 - 10 years
 Fri
 4.00pm

 Under 12 's Comp:
 8 - 11 years
 Fri
 5.00pm

 Under 14 's Comp:
 12 - 14 years
 Fri
 6.30pm

#### Senior Mixed Basketball

We are currently accepting team registrations for the Winter season to commence in April. Matches are held on Wednesday nights.

#### Senior Mixed Soccer

We are currently accepting team registrations for the Winter season to commence in April. Matches are held on Friday nights.

#### Senior Mixed Squash

The Romsey Squash Competition runs on Tuesday nights from 7.30pm. A fun social comp for people of all abilities. Contact Bruce on 0402 595 368.

#### Mini Maestros - Preschool Music

Mini Maestros term 2 classes commence in April on Thursday mornings. Mini Maestros offers fun and educational music classes for babies, toddlers and preschoolers. A fantastic program that your little one will love. Call Jo on 5426 4719 or 0417703690 for bookings and information.

#### You Can Fitness

You can fitness offer a range of fitness classes, boot camp and personal training for all fitness levels and abilities. They also offer Kids fitness classes. Call Mel and Anthony at the Studio on 5429 3857 or email info@youcanfitness.com.au.

#### **Birthday Parties**

You Can Fitness offers children's birthday parties on weekends. 70 minutes of organised kids activities supervised by party leaders. Call Mel and Anthony at the Studio on 5429 3857 or email info@youcanfitness.com.au.



# Romsey Library TODDLER TIME

Stories, songs and rhymes for the littlest ones 0-2 years
Thursday 10:30am

# **STORYTIME**

Stories, songs and rhymes for preschool children 3-5 years

Thursday 2:00pm

Sessions run during school terms
(Children to be accompanied by a parent or carer)

All welcome!





## GRAAP News

#### Feasibility Study Underway

Macedon Ranges Shire Council's feasibility study to explore the old Romsey Primary School site for community use and the acquisition options is currently

underway. Community members would be familiar with the survey and opportunities to be part of it.

Options for Council include purchasing the block and subdividing some of it for sale as residential blocks or retaining the block in its entirety for community use. GRAAP has

been lobbying for the centrally located block to be retained in its entirety for development into an innovative recreation and cultural precinct. An adventure woodland, sculpture garden, amphitheatre and sensory garden are all features of the group's vision for the site. The



group believes potential subdivision of the site would severely compromise this vision.

With Romsey's population expected to grow to 6000 by 2031, the need to have space which accommodates all ages and abilities is obvious. Romsey has a wealth of sporting recreation facilities at Romsey Park currently being re-developed which is great. However, a space for innovative play, passive recreation and cultural stimulation is lacking. Consequently, the issue of economic leakage as community members and potential stop-over travellers pursue this elsewhere is of concern.

GRAAP has enjoyed the opportunity to engage with the consultant on this study and encourages everyone to become involved in this discussion.

#### Pledge of Support Campaign

Last weekend, GRAAP launched a Pledge of Support campaign with a letter box drop of flyers inviting community members to consider a pledge towards either the purchase price or infrastructure development of the old primary school site. This will enable GRAAP to demonstrate to Council a willingness of the Romsey community to support the retention of this significant site. Flyers are also available at www.graapinc.com (link through www.romsey.org.au)

#### GRAAP needs you support!

Postcards have also been distributed and signage will be erected soon.

#### Vandalism Concerns

Ongoing vandalism of the historic (c 1865) former Romsey Primary School building is of concern to the GRAAP com-

Broken windows and the hazard of long grass on the block have left an important part of Romsey's history looking derelict. GRAAP will do what it can to have these issues addressed.

#### **GRAAP Joins Cyberspace**

GRAAP is pleased to announce that is has joined the world of social media. Not only does it have a website, www.graapinc.com, it can also be followed on Twitter and Facebook. These are great initiatives to further the group's communications with the community with the capacity for dialogue available in a number of forms.

#### Further Information:

Raelene Mottram (President) Phone: 0428 928908





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#### Bolinda & Monegeetta News COMMUNITY NEWS:

AND THE WEATHER: A lovely couple of days of rain – 55mL (226pts)-and then back to our dry conditions. Those brief wet days were so refreshing and we're more than ready for a repeat dose. The change in seasons is showing, though, in the garden; belladonnas scenting the air, nerines budding up, sedums crawling with bees. Autumn is just around the corner.

HALL COMMITTEE: Mark the date in your diaries now! BOLIN-DA HALL CENTENARY DAY IS JUNE 22<sup>ND</sup>. The first function was held by the light of the full moon in June 1913 and we've chosen the full moon in June date. We're planning a great afternoon of reminisces and an evening dinner. More on those events later, but if you would like to add any anecdotes of your own, please let us know soon so that we can slot you in. We want to have lots of different memories of our centenary, so are planning a wide range of speakers from across the years.. We'd love to hear from you!

We are still looking for any postcards, photos, clippings etc, if you know of any that we can photocopy. Please let any exresidents know. Our next Hall Committee meeting is on Tuesday, April 2nd, at 8:00pm. Anyone and all are very welcome!

HISTORY: FROM THE MINUTE BOOK: For May 9th, 1913... In the first Annual Report of the Mechanics Committee, amongst other considerations, the Secretary noted that the Committee had 'worked hard in your interests and during the year has held 9 meetings. The attendances at these meetings were as follows: Messrs J. Stewart, Brady and Tarratt 9 each; Messrs Clarke and Amess 8 each; Mr Lloyd 7, Martin 6 and Mr Love 5.' I can't imagine a meeting including those sort of figures now! (However, Mr Love had left the district; Mr Mullaly had passed away.) Mr Crow, the architect, who had also supervised the building of the Hall was awarded a Life Membership. It was noted that the Committee intended 'to form a library and to this end the Gov't had promised 50 Pound, provided that we raise 50 Pound by the end of June.'(The Hall still has the official Book listing the books acquired by the Committee over the years.) There were initially no women on the Committee – but the next entry in the Minute Book is titled 'Ladies Meeting held on Tuesday M ay 13<sup>th</sup> 1913. Office Bearers for Bazaar.' The Stalls cited are 'Fancy Stall, "Hoop La". Cakes and Sweets. Refreshments. Produce.' Perhaps this was to raise money for the book grant?

BOLINDA HALL(Melways 610 J9; cnr Mullaly's and Melb-Lancefield Road): Don't forget our community hall is available for hire at very cheap rates. We want to see it used. That's why it was built! Great for adult or children's parties with lots of safe outdoor space available.

BOL-DARRA (Bolinda-Darraweit) GARDEN CLUB: Hope you had a productive season in your fruit and vegie garden if you have one. The tomatoes have been late but great, and apples and pears now at their peak. Join us on March 31st for a quick introductory season, a look at that wonderful small but productive community garden in Riddell, then Afternoon Tea at Seasons in Riddell. We meet at Bolinda Hall at 1:30 for a chat and brief discussion session...and then we move off to our garden visit about 2:00. Please feel free to join us. And remember -"Anyone who has a library and a garden wants for nothing." (Cicero)

PEOPLE OF THE MONTH: Elizabeth and Brian are our guest locals this month, and strictly speaking their address is Darraweit - but they are closer to Bolinda...They retired from a busy business life in Kew and, as Brian had always wanted to live in the country, on a block with a creek, began to search through the Weekly Times and stumbled upon a picture of our local Tom Hoban sitting on the edge of a cliff - "Farmland with Views'. Agent John Langdon took them to the farmland – flat and grass eaten down - and said, somewhat vaguely, "There's a creek down there; wander around and have a look..." Well as soon as they saw the to-die-for views of Deep Creek and the magnificent cliffs... they drove away, talked for half an hour, and then made

an offer. They can enjoy Mt Macedon in the west and Pretty Sally to the east. Of such are dreams made of. They knew that this was where they were going to build their solar passive house, orchard, vineyard, woodlot... And it has all happened. The house is tucked into a natural indentation in the cliff, so is beautifully sheltered and each room offers a wide view. They have cultivated a lovely garden, a mix of indigenous, exotics, herbs - all survive without additional watering. There is a very productive vegie garden. The treelot has grown and provides shelter for a range of wildlife. Mind you, the garden does too! As we were talking a little wallaby came to drink from the bird bath. Elizabeth has a delightful photo of a young wallaby sitting in the bird bath, eating an apple. Echidnas frequently lumber across the area and love the compost bins...It is a livingstyle which accommodates our changing climate and treads very lightly on the earth. When Elizabeth and Brian are not nurturing their property they are busy with family, taking in the ballet, helping out with 'meals-onwheels', viticulture...

Cheerio from Bolinda & Monegeetta Enquiries: John and Ruth Green 54 285 347; 0415 256 911; jandrgreen@hotmail.com

Don't forget that Daylight Saving time finishes on Sunday April 7th. Clocks should be turned back 1 hour at 3.00am.



The Romsey Rag team would like to wish everyone a happy and safe Easter, and for those on school holidays, a safe and restful break.



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#### 2013 Macedon Ranges **Junior Golf Tournament**

The 4th MRJT was held over the Labour Day weekend, Saturday March 9th to Monday March 11th. The 54 hole event was played at Mount Macedon, Romsey and Lancefield Golf courses. Competitors came from Hidden Valley, Dorset, Yarrambat, Castlemaine, Lancefield, Romsey, Eynesbury, Bacchus Marsh, Centenary Park, Sandhurst, Heritage, Trentham, Victoria, Rosanna and Kilmore Golf Clubs.

The tournament opened at Mt Macedon. Committee members Beryl Cole, David Muller, Charles Everist, Glenn Moore, Matthew Willis and Anthony Lakey welcomed the players and their parents and friends. Sponsors, local councillors, Henry McLaughlin and John Connnor, NewEarth Constructions, New Gisborne Electrics, Taylors Lakes Drummond Golf, The Romsey/Lancefield Bendigo Bank, The Australian College of Hannemannian Homoeopathy and The Romsey Fruit Shed were thanked for their support of

#### Day One - Mt Macedon Golf Course -Par 66.

This mountain course proved a great challenge to all players. The recent rains had softened the fairways and provided a fair cover of green grass. The greens, well on their way to recovery after serious disease problems over the end of 2012, were generally true; however the odd player got a surprising result here and there. Players also had to come to grips with some sloping fairways and thick bush just after the rough; a wayward shot could bring seriously negative results. Day One results were;

Boys U21 Stroke - John Howarth (Castlemaine) 80, H'cap - Dean vanDenHeuval (Romsey) 84/12/72 Boys 16&U Stroke - Cameron Kaye (Eynesbury) 72, H'cap – Jordan Ward (Centenary Park) 88/18/70 Boys 14&U Stroke – Matias Scanchez (Sandhurst) 70, H'cap - Tony Chen (Heritgae) 83/17/66 Girls 16&U Stroke - Tylah Hodgson

(Hidden Valley) 84, H'cap - Komo Matsumono (Victoria) 89/3/86

#### Day Two - Romsey Golf Course -Par 72

Romsey, a much flatter course with smaller greens, tight fairways and numbers of recently planted trees across the course was very different to Mt Macedon. Romsey had missed much of the recent rain; the fairways were quite hard so players got excellent value for their drives. They did, however, have to choose their clubs wisely as an incorrect choice could find them through a corner or well passed a green. Recent corella damage to many of the greens was on the repair but relief was given. Again, a number of players had not played the course and by mid

round the temperature had reached the mid 30s, both adding to the challenge of the event. The Romsey G. C Junior Tournament, The 7th annual Gary Watts Shield, was also being contested. Day Two results were;

Boys U21 - Stroke - Troy McDonald (Yarrambat) 78 H'cap – Dean vanDenHeuval 87/12/75 Bovs 16&U - Stroke - Hugh Parks (Lancefield) 72, H'cap – Liam Mountney (Yarrambat) 81/10/71 Boys 14&U -Stroke - Matias Scanchez 74, H'cap -

Kieran Vogels (Sandhurst) 80/12/68 Girls 16&U - Stroke - Tylah Hodgson 82, H'cap - Komo Matsumono

Gary Watts Shield; Boys' Winner - Hugh Parks (72), Girls' Winner - Tylan Hodg-

# Day Three - Lancefield Golf Course -

Lancefield, a course with wider fairways and good sized greens had its own challenges. Recent rains had put some green back into the fairways but the cover was intermittent so relief, to a handspan on the fairway played, was given. The top group Matias Sanchez (144) Hugh Parks (148) and Tom Crawford (154) hit off the first. A good round from any of these would see the 2013 boys' title well within their grasp. Long shots for the title were Jack Crawford (157) and Cameron Kaye

(159). Tylah Hodgson (166) looked to have the girls' title well in hand. The top group headed to the back nine with Matias picking up a few shots on Hugh. Matias was able to par the back nine effectively shutting Hugh out of the tournament. Tylah had another steady round, shooting two over her handicap to easily take out both the girls' trophies. Another top round came from Cameron Kaye, all was good until bogies on the final three holes however he was still able to record a 74 off the stick. For the second day Troy recorded an eagle. Day three results were;

Stroke - Troy McDonald 77 H'cap - Justin Paull (Dorset) 78/4/74

Boys 16&U Stroke - Cameron Kaye 74, H'cap – Jordan Ward 86/18/68 Boys 14&U Stroke - Matias Scanchez 73, H'cap - Tony Chen 87/17/70 Girls 16&U Stroke - Tylah Hodgson 83, H'cap - Shahni Clancy (Kilmore) 109/39/70 Tournament Champions H'cap Chris Gaunt Cup; - Boys' winner - Tony Chen - 203 Girls' Winner - Tylan Hodgson – 222 Stroke MRJT Boys' Champion - Matias Sanchez - 217, Girls' Champion

- Tylah Hodgson - 249.

For the 1st year the MRJT held an Adult/ Child nine-hope Ambrose competition. Five pairs entered and had an enjoyable and challenging round. The winners were; Mark & Joseph with 47

from Chris & Jai with 49 (on a c/b). It is to be hoped that some of these players graduate to the MRJT in the near future. The 2014 MRJT will take place over the weekend Sat March 8th (Lancefield), Sunday March 9th (Mt Macedon) and Mon March 10th (Romsey).



Lachlan Maher-Cleal hits up to the 18th at LGC



Dave Muller (LGC) & Glenn with stroke & Hcap winners Tony, Tylah & Matias



Tim McCartney presents the Bendigo Bank caps & vests to winners Tylah &



Glenn Moore (Mt Macedon) presents the Chris Gaunt Cup to Tony & Tylah.



## **Special Event in honour** of Autism Awareness Day

This month the RRWN is excited to announce our monthly gathering will

be a book promotion held at the Romsey Hub. Thanks to the hard work of our secretary Natasha Boucher and Emma Stevens of Red Door Books of Lancefield, we have the pleasure of introducing award-winning journalist Sara James. Sara will be talking about her book, experiences as a mother and a writer. "An Extraordinary School" is a mustread book for educators, parents, carers and therapists of children with special needs. It challenges the re-modelling of how special education is taught to ensure all our children fulfil their potential.

Guest Speaker: Sara James, author of "An Extraordinary School" Where: The Romsey Hub - 98 Main Street, Romsey Date: Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2013 Time: 6.30pm arrival for 7.00pm start \*\*Event open to public - Gold coin donation\*\* RSVP by Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April to Natasha Boucher - info@rrwn.com.au

For just a gold coin donation we would like to invite you for an inspiring night of discussion, wine & nibbles. This event co-insides with some additional things happening in Romsey

this month paying tribute to World Autism Awareness Day (2nd April), including Romsey "Light It Up Blue". Any donations towards Austism Awareness Victoria on the night are also most welcome.

Our group's mission is to bring women together to share ideas, connect people with common interests and support women in our rural community to pursue their dreams. It is a genuine celebration of the spirit of friendship and the natural networks women form.

Whether you need to connect with local women to network in a business/professional sense or just need a social outlet, please come and join one of our monthly meetings. We meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month to give women an opportunity to take some time out from their busy lives of an evening and stay connected. Please come along to join us for a glass of wine, a chat and have some laughs! If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us. **Enquiries: -**

#### Annual membership: - \$20 Romsev Region Women's Network Inc.

Tracey (President) - 0416 497 623

111 Main Street, Romsey VIC 3434

Natasha (Secretary) - 0421 289 137

Email: info@rrwn.com.au

Fran (Treasurer) - 0427 825 989

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# **ROMSEY / LANCEFIELD SENIOR CITIZENS** Meet each Monday.

Come and enjoy lunch, a game of cards, indoor bowls or just a chat with a very friendly group of people. Bus trips arranged each month.

For details, please ring Rae Hooke on 54291602.

#### ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN OP-SHOP

At St Paul's Church Hall, Main Street, Romsey. Now open 3 days a week

Thursday 12.30—4.30pm Friday 12.30—4.30pm Saturday 10.00am—1.00pm.

Please note: We are unable to take any electrical goods, computers, TVs, baby prams, baby seats, bike helmets or any large furniture. Clothes, bric-a-brac, books, toys in good condition are most welcome. Goods can be left at the back of the Op Shop.



#### Romsey Branch—CWA

A little silver haired lady calls out to her neighbour "Please help me. I've the hardest, most difficult jigsaw puzzle you will ever see. Can you give me a hand with it, please?"

The kind neighbour goes into her dining room and there on the table is this terrible jigsaw puzzle. "What's it supposed to be?" The lady replied "According to the box it's a big rooster".

He looks at all the pieces and the picture on the box.

He says "We're never going to make these pieces into a rooster. Just relax and I'll make you a nice hot cup of tea and then we'll both put the corn flakes back in their box".

Our March meeting was cancelled owing to members on holidays, feeling unwell or fulfilling other commitments, so once again not a lot to report this month.

A Creative Arts Exhibition at Mechanics Hall, Romsey will be open to the public on Friday, 18th April 9.30 to 4.00 pm, Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> 10.00 am to 3.30 pm where Mothers' Day home made craft items will be on sale as well as morning/ afternoon teas and lunches.

Group meeting was held on March 13<sup>th</sup>. Invitations have been received for members to attend Mt Macedon CWA Hall for a display of decorative fans and to Sunbury for a fashion parade by Kay's Fashions.

Please watch the May issue of the Romsey Rag for details of a Musical Afternoon to be held at the Mechanics Institute, kindly organised by a local lady with singers, dancers, an impersonator, flautists and other participants, with all proceeds coming to the Romsey Branch of CWA. More information on this will be obtained by our next meeting and flyers advertising this fun, toe-tapping afternoon will be posted around our town. Do hope you can attend as it sounds like a great afternoon. Please book early as seats will be limited.

Next meeting on April 2<sup>nd</sup> at Mechanics Hall supper room.

Contact Secretary for further information: Val Jordan, 5429 2311



# **Program** Term 1 2013

## Romsey Community House Inc.

A Learning and Activity Centre 96-100 Main Road, Romsey, Vic 3434 Email: romsevhouse@bigpond.com Ph/Fax: 03 5429 6724

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#### <u>Yoga</u>

Mondays 7pm-8.30pm @ Romsey Community House \$15 per class when fees are paid in full at the commencement of the term.

\$20 Casual Participation: Enquiries to Leisa Kirk on 934 656

Thursdays 7pm-8.30pm @ Romsey Community House \$15 per class when term is paid before end of Week 1 \$18 Casual Participation: Enquiries to Lisa Moor on 0448 345 338

#### Sun Style Tai Chi

Tuesdays 1pm—2pm \$8 per class (Minimum Numbers Apply) To join—Contact Jan on 5428 1223 or 0412 219 900

#### **Gentle Exercise for Over 50's**

Mondays 10am - 11am. These classes are designed to be fun and are specifically tailored to meet the capacity of each participant. This class may assist with balance, mobility, bladder control and joint pain. Chair based exercises also available. Cost \$5 per class

Enquiries to Jan on 5428 1223 or 0412 219 900 \*Join us after class for a cuppa and morning tea (\$2/Gold Coin Donation)

**Social & Creative Activities** Providing opportunities for you to join in; express yourself and have fun in a supportive environment

#### **Art Classes**

Children's Classes with Tanva Salter: Tuesdays and Thursdays 3.45pm - 4.45pm (weekly)

\$8 per class

Bring you own materials.

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For all bookings and information call Tanya 0400 053 829



#### Expressions of Interest....

#### **Workshops for Children and Adults**

Meditation (silent and guided) Workshop 1 Expressive movement through dance and sound. Includes meditation

Meditation through guided dance Workshop 2 Sound vibration session using Tibetan drums, flute, crystal bowls and circle dancing

Include: 'Introduction to Therapeutic Sound', 'Drum Circle and Peace Dance', 'Adult Chakra Dance' and 'Spiritual Development' For more information or to book -

Contact Stavroula: 0400 032 518

#### It's All About You 4 Women

Let's get together and chat in a relaxed, safe, fun and supportive environment. If you have something you want to share, learn or understand please come along to the Romsey Community Hub. Sessions include meditation, a free cuppa and a different topic each week (if needed).

Sessions will be led by Gillian Gorrie, Life Circle Solutions, Tutor, Teacher, NLP Practitioner.

#### **Gillian's Meditation**

For more information contact Gillian on M:0409 801 082 or H:54295448

#### Open House — We'd love to see you!

Our 'Drop in Room' is open to the public weekdays 9.30am -5.00pm. Enjoy a quiet cuppa; peruse our community brochures or spend some time socialising with friends—perhaps make some new ones! Gold coin donation for tea/coffee applies.

> For All Bookings & Enquiries Phone: 5429 6724 Office Hours 10am-12pm Monday- Wednesday - Friday (Closed Tuesdays and Thursdays) **Public Internet Access Available** 10-12pm on Mondays-Wednesdays-Fridays



Macedon Ranges Masonic Lodge 73 Main St, Romsey VIC 3434 Contact us at: Ph: 5428 5418 or 5429 6354 email: muddy27@bigpond.com



Macedon Ranges Masonic Lodge

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ALL BRETHREN WELCOME

#### 'Horse Whispering' What is your horse really telling you?

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"Horses often give up trying to communicate because riders don't understand 'horse talk'. This may lead to anxiety, boredom and behavior problems later on." says Louise.

During her 3-Day riding clinic at Cloverfern Equestrian Centre in Riddells Creek, riders will be introduced to Louise's training techniques. "We aim to build a partnership between horse and rider."

Don't have a horse? Learn by watching a professional. Join us on the sidelines to witness this inspiring 3-Day Event.

Louise is also hosting two evening lectures-

'Introduction to Horse Whispering' and 'Developing Natural Leadership in your business or organisation'.

For all details and bookings, visit www.horsesenseforpeople.com/events/



## Historic rally to celebrate **VicRoads Centenary**

The Federation of Veteran, Vintage & Classic Vehicle Clubs of Victoria and VicRoads will be celebrating the latter's centenary with a rally for restored historic vehicles to be run along the Calder Freeway and Highway and finishing at the Bendigo Show-

President of the Federation of Veteran Vintage & Classic Vehicles Clubs of Victoria, Mr Neil Athorn said the event, which will happen on June 2, was to pay homage to the first Chairman of FREE vaccination is available for: the Country Roads Board (CRB), Mr William Calder.

"The Calder Highway and Freeway are two of the most important roads in Victoria and Mr Calder himself was a crucial figure in the establishment of Victoria's road network. Therefore, we felt it was significant to start the rally at Calder Park and to allow vehicles to travel the old Calder Highway or the new Calder Freeway whilst making their way to Bendigo. Vehicles will also travel from Ballarat, Echuca and Swan Hill, making good use of the roads that have served Central Victoria for the past 100 years," said Mr Athorn. He said the vehicles will be available for the public to enjoy by making a gold coin donation to Camp Quality at the entrances to the Show Grounds Oval.

VicRoads Regional Director for Northern Victoria, Mal Kersting said the event was an excellent way to celebrate the VicRoads Centenary.

"It's very appropriate to have an event for vehicles that have travelled our roads during that time and helped shape Australia into the great nation it is today. The first car used by the Country Roads Board, was a 1913 Itala - named 'Prudence' - and we are hoping to see a similar vehicle on show in Bendigo," said Mr Kersting.

Mr Kersting said the rally is one of a number of events arranged to celebrate the VicRoads Centenary. "There are also a series of photographic exhibitions, each customised to the region, to be held in venues across Victoria - including one at Bendigo's Dudley House in August".

For more information on VicRoads Centenary activities go to www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/centenary



# Flu Vaccinations Now available at Romsey Medical and Lancefield Medical

The 2013 Influenza vaccine is now available. The vaccine does not contain any live viruses and therefore cannot cause the illness. It is important to have an influenza vaccine each year because the virus changes from year to year and immunity last only one year.

- Everyone 65 years of age and over
- Any adult with a chronic medical condition

If you are not eligible for a free vaccine, there is a fee of \$21.00 payable on the day of vaccination. The administration of the vaccine is bulk billed.

Throughout March and April we provide clinics at the Romsey Medical Centre and Lancefield Medical Centre for the administration of flu vaccination and we invite you to call us on

**5429 5254** to book your appointment.

#### **Telehealth Consultations Available**

Telehealth consultations from the medical centres with your Melbourne based specialist is now an option, this saves patients having to travel long distances for review appointments. Speak to your doctor to check if this service is available to you.

#### **Quick Clinic Appointments**

Bulk billed quick clinic appointments are available every weekday at both centres, for urgent/lost repeat prescriptions, re-referrals and some vaccinations.

#### On the spot Medicare Claiming

On the spot Medicare claiming is available at both practices for your convenience