Romsey Golf Club Women's Report

Despite the course being in top condition scores have not been good. Possibly due to all the clothes we are wearing to keep warm in this freezing weather.

Wednesday 23rd July: On another cool day playing Par which is not our favourite game I won on a countback from Elaine.

Thursday July 24th saw Kath Denise and I play in the Bacchus Marsh West Bowl. Considering the weather forecast we did well to be only about 4 holes from finishing before the skies opened and it teemed down, really testing the wet weather gear. We didn't fare well on the course but lunch was worth the trip.

Wednesday July 30th: It was again cool with light showers for the July Monthly Medal. Elaine won on a countback from Kath.

While Lorraine was away we gave Leila plenty of practice doing countbacks.

Wednesday 6th August: On another cool cloudy day the women decided to play their single knockout semi finals. Elaine and Kath won their matches and will now play each other in the final. Meanwhile the rest of the field played Stableford.

Monday 11th August: Romsey hosted the RWH 4BBB District final. We had 36 players from 11 different Dalhousie clubs. While down preparing lunch prior to playing it started to snow but eased to drizzle before the visitors arrived. All players turned up with only 1 pair deciding not to play. A Woodend pair won with 42pts and a Yea pair were runners up with 36pts and both pairs will go on to play at Yarra Yarra in September. We had many compliments on the condition of the course but women also said it was the coldest day they had played.

Wednesday 13th August: With 2 dry days the course was even better with a little bit of run. I won the Stableford with 31pts.

Thursday 14th August: Lorraine, Kath and I travelled to Avenel to play on the sandscapes. Not many people's favourite! With great weather we were over dressed for the warm conditions and had to take a few layers off even before play started. You guessed it, the scapes beat us all, but watching the planes fly over doing training from Mangalore was interesting and we were hoping their engines restarted after being shut down overhead.

Recipe for this month BREAD PUDDING

500g stale, white or wholemeal bread

500g mixed dried fruit 85g mixed peel 1.5 tbsps. mixed spice 600ml milk 2 large eggs, beaten 140g brown sugar Zest of 1 lemon (optional)

100g butter, melted2 tbsps. Demerara sugar

Tear the bread into a large mixing bowl and add the fruit, peel and spice. Pour in the milk, then stir or scrunch through your fingers to mix everything well and completely break up the bread. Add eggs, brown sugar and lemon zest if using. Stir well, and set aside for 15 mins. to soak. Heat oven to 180c, 160c fan or gas 4. Butter and line the base of a*20cm non-stick square cake tin* (not one with a loose base). Stir the melted butter into the pudding mixture, tip into the tin and scatter with the Demerara. Bake for 1.5hrs until firm and golden, covering with foil if it starts to brown too much. Turn out of tin, strip paper and cut into squares.

*Any cake tin of your choice can be used as long as it has high sides.

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FROM THE COTTAGE

A group of 29 Probus members from Spring Gully enjoyed a Talk 'n Tour of the Cottage on the 13th of August. Like all our visitors, they were charmed with the Cottage and the garden. It really is a wonderful, and quite unique, asset of the people of the area and the local towns of Lancefield and Romsey should be justly proud of this wonderful asset to their Historical Society.

Our next exciting opening is on Friday, September 5th, when the Cottage and Garden will be open from 1:00 to 3:00 and our guest speaker will be Stephen Ryan. Stephen is a world renowned plant expert, with an amazing knowledge of plants; he is also a wonderful raconteur with a delightful sense of humour. Bring along your garden plant for identification, or your problem for his advice – or just come along and enjoy the charm of his delightful personality! The Cottage Garden will be awakening to spring, with the bulbs making a lovely display.

Greg Boldiston will have some of his special rare plants for sale and the Friends of the Cottage will again have a plant stall, with a range of plants and flowers for you to buy. And – enjoy a Cup of Soup, and/or a Devonshire Tea after you have browsed through the Cottage (and perhaps purchased a souvenir or two) and go home with wonderful memories of people, places and plants! It will be a day to remember.

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STEVE BRACKS - OBSERVATIONS ON TIMOR LESTE

I am pleased to welcome former Premier of Victoria, Steve Bracks to the Macedon Ranges on September 18th to give his observations on Timor Leste. This will be an evening not to be missed. Steve Bracks is an engaging speaker with a great story to tell about his amazing time and work in Timor Leste. Australia and Timor Leste are near neighbors with close political and trade ties and following his resignation as Premier, Steve provided a pro bono advising role in East Timor working alongside the newly elected Prime Minister Xanana Gusmão.

Following a request from Prime Minister Xanana Gusmão in 2011, the Steve Bracks Timor-Leste Governance Project assisted with the drafting of the "Timor-Leste Strategic Development Plan, 2011 – 2030". This plan sets out a pathway to eradicate poverty and establish a diversified non-oil economy in Timor-Leste. Since 2007 Steve has led twenty six missions to Dili and has acted as Special Adviser on governance issues to the Prime Minister of Timor-Leste, Xanana Gusmao so I am sure he will have many entertaining stories to tell and the evening will be most interesting.

The event will be held Thursday September 18, 6pm – 8-pm @ Ethic 63 Urguhart Street Woodend. Cost is \$10 and RSVP is needed by Wednesday September 10. You can book a ticket direct at http://stevebrackswoodend.eventbrite.com.au or call Chris on 0400 747 121

I hope to see you there Joanne Duncan State Member for Macedon



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

Saturday August 16th - Guest Day - 4BBB Stroke

Players could not really have asked for better conditions, the air, though cold, was still, the fairways had good cover, the greens putted truly and were recovering well from a fungus attack and the rough was neatly trimmed. A number of guests had not played Romsey before, they were very pleased with the course and most effusive in their praise of the volunteer work done by the club's membership. Whilst the scoring format had a few players scratching their heads the round generally flowed smoothly. A highlight of the round was the pairing of Life member John Laing with the club's newest junior Michael McCarten, a sage old head partnered with a deal of youthful enthusiasm. On a very pleasant day the results were;

Winners: Bob McLennan/Anthony Lakey - 81/16/65 from Tony Freeman/Kevin Dunn - 92/23.5/68.5, Mitchell & Andrew Clement - 83/11.5/71.5, John Laing/Michael McCarten - 101/29/72 and Les Gaunt/Mal Mottram - 81/9/72

NTPs - 1st - Mitchell Clement, 15th - John Laing & 16th - Rob

Saturday August 9th - Par

contend with very cold air and a gusting northerly wind as they teed off in the club's par competition. The cold air and the wind tested most of the field and the softer fairways took many metres off all but the very best shots. Once again players could fire directly at the flag knowing that good approach shots would hold on the soft greens. Well trimmed fairways and rough, and only a few small areas showing casual water, meant play generally moved quickly making for a fast round. As the round progressed the conditions conspired to make it difficult to post a good score with only two players beating of coming close to their handicaps. On another tough day the results were:

Winner; Mitchell Clement (12) +2 from Bruce Robb (29) -1.

NTPs; 15th - Dave Muller & 16th - Mal Mottram

Saturday August 2nd - Stroke

Hail was falling as players assembled for the club's stroke competition however by the time groups teed off the sun was out and the air was warming. The course was in great nick having mostly survived the strong winds and rain of the previous few days and whilst the few fallen branches had been cleared players did have to contend with a deal of small branches and other detritus across the fairways. The recent rains meant that Preferred Lies were again granted as balls would pick up mud when they landed. The greens remained soft with well played approach shots holding well. As the round progressed the weather improved; many vests and jumpers came off as players enjoyed the springlike conditions. Despite the good conditions scoring was difficult. The day's results were;

Winner; Pat Chisholm - 83/14/69 from Anthony Lakey - 94/21/73 and Mal Mottram - 86/13/73

NTP's; 1st - Daniel Wright, 15th - Jim Patton & 16th - Dave Mul-

Saturday July 26th - Monthly Medal - Stroke & Putts

The July Monthly Medal round began under cool, slightly overcast skies, the rain during the week meant the whole course was again quite soft so preferred lies - to a handspan through the green - were allowed. Friday afternoon's rain caused the greens to be too slippery to be mown; that and the very soft surfaces meant approach shots had to be very accurate or players faced even more demanding putts. The strong field were confronted with many challenges during the afternoon and a number of players posted good scores for a few holes before falling back to the field. In the end it was up to two of Romsey's most experienced golfers to fight out the final few holes and grab the July Medal. On another tough day the day's results were;

Winner & July Medalist; Rob Rea - 87/17/70 from Mal Mottram - 87/14/73 & Dave Richardson - 99/24/75.

NTPs - 15th - Rob Rea. Least Putts - Tony Freeman - 26

Saturday July 19th - Stableford

Light rain was falling and a gusting southerly wind was blowing as the field hit off. The rain continued for about 45 minutes before it disappeared completely. The wind moved to the west before spending the remainder of the afternoon wobbling back and forth and causing all sorts of havoc for the players. The gusting winds and the very cold air also made club selection very tricky seeing players often falling short or overshooting the green. Ongoing wet weather again made for very wet fairways and even wetter and softer greens. Approach shots had to be very accurate or players faced very long distance putts. Scoring remained difficult for the round with only one player getting close to his handicap. On a cold, blustery afternoon the results were; Winner; Rob Rea (17) 34 pts from Les Gaunt (5) and Peter

Scanlon (31) 32 pts NTP; 15th - Tony Freeman

We would like to formally welcome our newest junior member, Michael McCarten. Michael has been eager to learn the skills of the game and other members have enjoyed playing alongside him during Saturday competitions. The club is very eager to hear from locals who would like to play golf but who do not have the skills, The course was in top notch condition, however golfers had to experience of clubs etc to make a start. There is an old saying in golf, "We've all been there". This is especially appropriate when a beginner is learning the game. RGC members are most willing to help new players learn the game and improve their skills. If you are interested in learning more about the club and the game please have a look at out web site (romseygolfclub.net) and/or come down on a Wednesday morning or Saturday and we will be pleased to provide all the help you need.

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A century of reflection on the Great War

More than 70 members of the Romsey and Lancefield community gathered at Romsey's Lone Pine on Monday in a solemn ceremony to mark the centenary of the first shot in the Great War. Romsey-Lancefield RSL Sub-Branch member John Wyke – the oldest active serving member – unveiled a bronze plaque dedicated to the memory of the district citizens who marched off 100 years ago to serve their country in World War 1. The plaque, and another to be unveiled in Lancefield on Armistice Day this November, were funded with a \$4500 grant from the Romsey and Lancefield Community Bank branches.

"The Bank is proud to be involved in this project to honor the memory of those who served in the Great War and the creation of a place where members of the Romsey and Lancefield communities can come and reflect," Bank senior manager Rod Browning said.

The Lone Pine site, on the corner of Main and Palmer Sts, includes a Reflection Chair provided by the Macedon Ranges Council and solar lighting from the Romsey Region Business & Tourist Association. Romsey-Lancefield RSL Sub-Branch President John Lynch said the unveiling of the plaque was a day to involve the whole community in commemorating the sacrifices made by residents of the district in marching off to war.

"The ceremony gave us the opportunity to reflect on the sacrifices of local families whose sons didn't come home, and the impact on the families of those who did return," Mr Lynch said. "There were wives who were left without husbands, fathers left without sons, children left without fathers. There were also the returned soldiers, who with their families were affected for the rest of their lives by the physical and mental scars of what they had suffered and seen on the battlefield. This plaque and this site is a lasting memorial to all those who served in the war and to their families. It gives us an opportunity to reflect upon a shared history and show our gratitude and respect to those who served in the Great War and to their descendants. Husbands and sons from Romsey, Lancefield, and towns and suburbs all around Australia answered their country's call to arms in 1914 and sailed off to fight in the war to end all wars on the far side of the globe.

Many of them did not return, but are still remembered and acknowledged here a century later."

Mr Lynch said Romsey's Lone Pine was planted in 1971. The seedling was from a pine in the Ballarat Botanical Gardens, which grew from a seed brought back from the Gallipoli Peninsula in the 1960s.







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ROMSEY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS



Centenary of the Start of World War 1

Student leaders including the school captains accompanied me to the commemorative ceremony for the start of World War One. It was held in front of the Lone Pine Tree in front of the old prima-

ry school. Congratulations to RRBATA and MRSC for providing funds to mark this site and provide a reflective area. John Lynch, the RSL President led a moving service and the School Captains Raveena Kerala Kumaran and Corey Day laid a wreath on behalf of the Romsey Lancefield community. Our student, along with St Mary's also assisted by leading the audience in the singing of the National Anthem. The Romsey CWA provided everyone with a scrumptious lunch.

Presently we are collecting donations to sponsor a plaque to be unveiled on Remembrance Day at the Romsey end of the Avenue of Honour. Our goal is to raise \$400 and we're making great progress having already collected just over half the amount. This a joint project with the Rotary Club of Romsey Lancefield and the local RSL.



Green Heroes

Last month the Green Heroes collected all the packaging from student's lunches on one day and filled 5 large black rubbish bags. Altogether this weighed 11 kilograms. This means the school generates 55 kilograms a week and 2,200 kilograms a year. As part of the ResourceSmart program we want educate the school community about the waste it generates. Our goal is similar to the Macedon Ranges Waste Management Strategy which is to reduce the waste the community generates, and increase the material we recycle and reuse. Soon we are having a Nude Food Day and will be finding out which class has the least waste.

Sporting Success

Recently the mixed netball team and girls' basketball team competed in Bendigo in the divisional championships. Both teams competed at a high level and only narrowly missed out on going to the next level.

Our Aerobics team competed in the Victorian Championship with three teams qualifying for the nationals in Brisbane. Congratulations to our trio Jess, Grace and Emily who won a silver medal.

Inquiry Learning Across the School

This term students in Prep are busy exploring living and non-living things and have grown hairy creatures from seeds. The Year 1/2 classes are learning about the changes that occur in their environment over varying periods of time. Year 3/4 student's inquiry is based on Plants in Action - Friend or Foe. The year 5/6 students are enjoying their unit on earthquakes and have constructed buildings which have been tested for their strength to withstand a simulated earthquake.

Literacy And Numeracy Week

Students across the school celebrated National Literacy and Numeracy Week with a variety of shared activities, including story writing with buddy classes, a project about zoo animals and creating a door display depicting a favourite book. Parents were invited to visit the school to share this work.

A Fun Day for Fredrick

Romsey Primary School has been sponsoring a Kenyan student, Fredrick, for many years. The Student Council recently organised a Fancy Hat Day to raise some of the sponsorship money for this community project. There was a very large array of wild and wacky hats, and everyone had lots of fun creating their own hat. Thank you to everyone who helped to raise approximately \$370, and congratulations to our Student Council for this initiative.

School Tours

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Open: Saturday 6th & 13th and Sunday 7th & 14th September 10am – 4pm

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** Girls Night Out **

Our group aspires to connect women in our rural communities in a warm & welcoming environment. It's a great way to meet new people in the area & have some laughs.

WHERE: Sicilian Vespers, 119 Main Street, Romsey WHEN: Thursday 18th September TIME: 7.00pm

We meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month to give women an opportunity to take some time out from their busy lives of an evening and stay connected

Find us on Facebook

Please come and join us for a glass of wine & a chat!

Welcome Spring at the Mt Macedon Plant Lovers' Market

This year the Mt Macedon and District Horticultural Society will be holding its 14th annual Plant Lovers' Market at Bolobek. Bolobek, which is located at 370 Mt Macedon Road Macedon, is listed on the Victorian Heritage Register and noted for its garden. The weekend of Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 September, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, will be a great opportunity to see and shop for a wide range of seeds and plants. You can also talk to the growers and nursery owners and make use of their expertise. Gardening books, from one of Australia's finest stockists, quality garden tools and accessories and onsite tool sharpening will also be available. A complimentary 'plant crèche' is provided – perhaps while you enjoy a wine or coffee and something to eat from the Bolobek kitchen! Homemade preserves, biscuits and cakes will also be on sale from the produce stall. Entry to the market is \$5 (adults) and combined market and garden entry \$15.

There is ample onsite parking.

For further information please visit www.mtmacedonhort.org.au



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Pastor's Parables BE ENCOURAGED!

Father's Eyes

Jonathan's mother died when he was very young and his father brought him up. Both of them shared a very special relationship. Jonathan loved to play football and his father made sure that he was always there to cheer his son at every match, even if Jonathan wasn't a part of the playing team. Everyone thought that Jonathan being small sized, would never be able to make it into the team, though somehow, his determination carried him through. The coach seeing his diligence and dedication decided to keep him on the roster.

One day during practice, the coach met him with a telegram. Jonathan was shocked to read the message contained in it. Swallowing hard, he mumbled to the coach, "My father died this

morning. Will it be all right if I miss practice today?" The coach gently put his arm around his shoulder and said, "Take the rest of the week off, son, and don't even plan to come to the game on Saturday."

On the day of the game, Jonathan's college team was losing badly to the rival team. The coach and the players had all lost hope when they saw Jonathan coming towards them. Jonathan ran up to the coach and pleaded him to allow him to play this match. At first, the coach wouldn't allow him to play. However after a lot of persuasion, the coach gave in. No sooner Jonathan joined the team in the field, their scores started to improve before both the teams were on a tie. However, the real cheer came during the crucial closing seconds when he intercepted a pass and ran all the way for the winning touchdown. His team members were ecstatic. The crowd came running towards him to celebrate the win.

After the match, the coach went up to Jonathan, who was seated alone in the corner of the locker room and asked, "Kid, I can't believe it. You were fantastic! Tell me what got into you? How did you do it?" He looked at the coach, with tears in his eyes, and said, "Well, you knew my dad died, but did you know that my dad was blind?" The young man swallowed hard and forced a smile, "Dad came to all my games, but today was the first time he could see me play, and I wanted to show him I could do it!" Father's day is a time for thanksgiving, honouring, family, and celebration for most. Appreciate and be thankful for the fact that you do have a Father to celebrate. But for those who have lost their fathers, continue to live your life to the fullest, so that one day when you are reunited with your Father you can still celebrate together.

The Bible says in 1 Cor. 15:51-52. . . .

"But I am telling you this strange and wonderful secret: we shall not all die, but we shall all be given new bodies! It will all happen in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, when the last trumpet is blown. For there will be a trumpet blast from the sky, and all the Christians who have died will suddenly become alive, with new bodies that will never, never die; and then we who are still alive shall suddenly have new bodies too.

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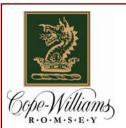
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Congratulations to **Neville and Gwen** Meyer (nee Russell) of Romsey on celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary. Married on 22 Aug 1964 in the Christ Church of England in Lancefield, both Nev and Gwen grew up in Lancefield and knew each other from a young age (pictured). Nev and Gwen have three sons and nine grandchildren and de-



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ROMSEY GARDEN CLUB

The Romsey Garden Club continues to grow and we get together generally on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. It doesn't matter whether you live in a unit or on a large acreage. We offer an opportunity to get together with a friendly group of people interested in gardening or just to enjoy looking at gardens.

We have set the following program for the remainder of the year.

16th September – A trip to Forest Glade in Macedon

12th October (Sunday) – The Hermitage at Lancefield

21st October- Visit 3 Local Gardens in Romsey 18th November – Eden Park on the Romsey/Wall

18th November – Eden Park on the Romsey/Wallan Road

Christmas Get together – Late November early December –to be held at a Members house (details to follow). If you would like to join or find out more information please contact either John 5429 5990 or Allan 5429 5427.



Junior Registration Day

Romsey Cricket Club would like to reach out to all of those who are interested in participating in the nation's favourite sport, cricket. Those looking for a new sport, returning for

another season or those wanting to play a team based sport with other friends.

Romsey Cricket Club offers Milo in2cricket (for those from 5 to 10 years).

Under 11's, Under 12's, Under 14's and Under 16's **Registration**:

5:00pm-6:30pm Wednesday 3rd September 2014 At Romsey Recreation Reserve

The Romsey Cricket Club provides the opportunity for all members of the Romsey community the opportunity to participate in cricket in a safe and friendly environment. Fees & Registration Forms are available from the club website

romseycc.vic.cricket.com.au

The purpose of the Romsey CC is:

- to promote, nurture and allow opportunity for the community to participate in the game of Cricket
- to provide an environment where all participants can have the opportunity to improve fitness and general wellbeing
- To promote social contacts between members, their family and their friends

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Community Newsletters

What arts & cultural events would you like to see in the shire?

Tell us what events and performances you would like to see for a chance to win lunch for two at the beautiful Hanging Rock Cafe (includes vehicle pass to the rock reserve). Macedon Ranges Shire Council is conducting a survey to find out the types of arts, cultural and community events and performances that you would like to see in the future. Complete the survey online by visiting Council's website: mrsc.vic.gov.au/yoursay

The survey closes on Sunday 14 September and will take approximately five minutes to complete.

What's on at Buffalo Sports Stadium and Macedon Commu-

The cold days are nearly behind us as we head into those gorgeous spring days. Buffalo Sports Stadium in Woodend and Macedon Community Centre have an array of exercise classes to help you get back into shape for summer and keep the kids active leading into spring. Both centres are managed and funded by Macedon Ranges Shire Council. For more information, phone 5427 3411 or email buffalo@mrsc.vic.gov.au

Indoor Bootcamp

Too chilly to exercise outdoors? Look no further than our intensive one hour indoor bootcamp program in Term 3. Bring a friend and come and meet our qualified instructors. First class is

Where: Macedon Community Centre, Waterfalls Rd, Macedon Times: 9.30am-10.30am, Monday and Friday Call 5427 3411 or enrol online at mrsc.vic.gov.au/leisure

Kids climbing the walls? Kindergym!

What a great way to keep the kids active in these cooler months. There is soft equipment for the kids to climb over and tumble on, tunnels to crawl through, hoops and more, complete with mat time under the supervision of our fantastic Kindergym teacher Mrs Anna Shelper. Bring along a friend. First class is free. Where: Buffalo Sports Stadium, Forest St, Woodend Day: Friday (excluding school holidays and public holidays) Times: (1-3 years) 10am-10.50am (3-5 years) 11am-12noon Cost: \$9.50 per child Call 5427 3411 or enrol online at mrsc.vic.gov.au/leisure

Strength for Health

This popular progressive strength training program is designed specifically for older adults. Classes are held indoors in a heated room. Come along and meet the instructors.

Class times: Tuesday 1pm-2pm and Friday 9.30am-10.30am Where: Buffalo Sports Stadium, Forest St, Woodend Cost: \$62 (10 pass card) \$124 (20 pass card)

Volleyball

Our mixed volleyball competition and ladies netball competitions have started, however you can still register a team or as individual. We are looking for one more team for our ladies netball competition and we have a vacancy for another volleyball team. Come along on a Thursday night and watch the volleyball teams in action. Call 5427 3411 or enrol online at mrsc.vic.gov.au/

Basketball

Macedon Ranges Basketball Association is calling for registrations for its summer season at the Buffalo Sports Stadium (running over Term 4 and Term 1). Basketball is a great sport to keep fit over the summer months. We have fun, friendly competitions suitable for all primary and secondary school aged children as well as adults, with training and development opportunities for all junior players. Visit www.macedonranges.basketball.net.au to find out more.

Macedon Ranges Shire Council recently completed a review of its 2007 Waste Management Strategy, as the first step in developing a new strategy to guide waste management in future vears.

The review identified that bin collection services are generally well used and the extension of the recycling service to rural areas and the introduction of green bins have been well received. It was found that waste going to landfill from the shire is higher than it should be for the population and services provided. There is also a high amount of potentially valuable materials

being sent to landfill that could instead be recovered for re-use or recycling.

A high level of contamination (wrong things in bins) was also identified. This means that not all bins containing recyclable materials or garden waste could be accepted for processing, further contributing to landfill and the cost of services.

The aim of the new Waste Management Strategy will be to reduce the amount of waste we generate, and increase the proportion of materials we recover for re-use or recycling.

The draft strategy will be available later in the year for public comment. In the meantime residents are encouraged to sort out the recyclables from their rubbish and put each item in the right

For more information, visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/waste or call (03)



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Running Group

Setting goals! The way to achieve any running ambition be it a 5 or 10 km run or your first half or full marathon is to set a goal and lock it in. I need motivation to get out when it's

cold and wet so now is the time to plan. The Medibank Melbourne Marathon festival takes place on the 12th of October and is great for runners of all abilities. This is one of many events being held around Victoria that's fun and great to keep the legs moving.

The MRRC (Macedon Ranges Running Club) would like to thank the Macedon Ranges Shire Council for the grant we received to buy a new trailer for the club. With their help and a generous donation from Cobaw Community Health we will be commissioning our new trailer very soon. Thank you to all involved.

The SRG (Start Running Group) will start in the first week of September so good luck to everyone. This program takes you from no running to 10 km's in 13 weeks. The date for the 5km run is the 26th of October and the 10km run the 30th of November.

If anybody is interested in running please visit our website www.macedonrangesrunningclub.com. We have recently designed a new range of running gear that all our members

There are many running quotes but I will leave you with this one: Don't let what you cannot do interfere with what you can do!

Travis van Niekerk

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Council aims to reduce waste



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An impressive kilometer long avenue of hawthorns leads into a country garden featuring both formal and cottage elements enhancing the beautiful historic homestead. Flourishing box hedges perennials and roses are sheltered by mature shrubberies and trees. Wide lawn terraces edged in generous colourful beds lead down to the creek.

There will be many community groups and organizations in attendance.

The Romsey Primary School Parents will be there serving cakes, coffee and tea out of the old bluestone shearing shed to help raise much needed funds for new library chairs and seats for the basketball court.

The Romsey and Lancefield Historical Society will have an informational display and stall setup. They have access to a wealth of local history, photos and articles. The Deep Creek Land Care Group have been an important part of our local environment. With only a small group of volunteers they have had a big impact in repairing and preserving our natural environment. They too will have a display setup for anyone that is interested in the work they do or wanting to get involved.

The Victorian Highland Cattle Breeders Group will be in attendance serving Highland Sausages and Hamburgers. This organization exists to promote, educate and preserve this rare breed of cattle. The members of this group are a passionate bunch that believe that the Highland Cattle Breed is worth saving. The Highland Cattle are the feature breed at the Royal Melbourne Show this year and the Queen's herdsman is coming over specially to judge them! Yes, that's right even the Queen knows how special this breed of cattle are!

Come out and support your local community groups and enjoy the beautiful garden and surrounds of Eden Park. 2133 ROMSEY ROAD, ROMSEY

Open: Saturday the 13th and Sunday the 14th of September 10am-4:30pm

Entry: \$8 (under 18 free) Info: www.opengarden.org.au



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

Persons interested in this club and wish to have more information please contact the President or Secretary at the above phone numbers.

Next meeting Thursday 25th September at 10am.

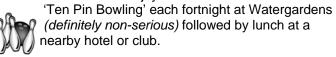
- Our Guest Speaker will be Mr. Rick Faulkner speaking about his work in the Snowy Mountains.
- The planned outing for 17th September is lunch at the Tooborac Hotel.

Are you interested in Membership??

We meet once a month and we deal with the normal matters of a club, like correspondence, treasury, and discuss the last outing we had enjoyed, and most important, where we are going to next month, a short tour, a long tour, a

lunch somewhere. Our monthly meeting always finishes with morning tea, which is followed by a guest speaker with an interesting topic.

A few of our members enjoy



We also enjoy a monthly musical/film afternoon at a members home and Friday coffee mornings at a local café.

If you are retired, or close to retiring, come along and join us and learn more about what Probus can offer you to assist you in staying active.

All we want to achieve is a day of enjoyment and friendship.

Please come and have a look at what we do and who we are.

Please check out our website for information about the Romsey & Lancefield Probus Club rlprobus.org.au



Coalition Government opens next round of Communities for Nature

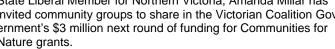
State Liberal Member for Northern Victoria, Amanda Millar has invited community groups to share in the Victorian Coalition Government's \$3 million next round of funding for Communities for Nature grants.

"I encourage community groups, especially schools, in the Macedon Ranges to apply for funding for projects that support local

"These grants are set to be used by the many Macedon Ranges community groups to help restore and improve public spaces through re-vegetation or weed control or undertake litter removal

"By supporting everyday Victorians to make improvements to their local landscape and turn visions into realities in parks, re-

"The actions of passionate communities create a visible and last ing improvement to the environment for everyone to enjoy and



environmental initiatives across Victoria," Mrs. Millar said.

or other projects that support our waterways.

serves and waterways, we all benefit," Mrs Millar said.

benefit from, now and in the future,"

To apply or for more information visit www.depi.vic.gov.au/c4n

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 Meets the 1st Thursday except January Installations—June ALL BRETHREN WELCOME



2014 - 2015 Season

Little Athletics is a uniquely Australian activity for children from 5 to 15 years. The emphasis is on fun, participation, personal performance, technique and getting involved with your family in physical and healthy activity. The motto of Little Athletics is 'Family, Fun and Fitness".

Competition Days

Saturday Morning 8.45am start (approx. 2-3 hours depending on events)

FAMILY FUN DAY & REGISTRATION SATURDAY 4th OCTOBER At Romsey Athletics Track, Park Lane, Romsey Come and give it a go

Info contact: Phone or text Kari Males- 0417 104 821 or Adrienne Janky, President 0414 307165







Romsey Primary School Celebrating 150 years in 2015

(October 24th and 25th)

Party time is not far away! And you are invited!





The Preps of 1976, the football team of 1978 and the guests from our 125th celebration and everyone else who has had a connection with Romsey Primary School—we want to hear from you and we want you to spread the word about our big celebration next year.



We need to build on our knowledge of all things associated with the school from the early years.

If you have photos, memorabilia, stories and recollections

please contact us on 5429 5099 or email romseyps.150celebrations@romseyps.vic.edu.au

A huge thank you to those who have helped us out so far!

We are especially looking for anything that pre-dates the early 1970s.



Whole Town Garage Sale

\$5 Registrations now being taken

Romsey Neighbourhood House's fifth annual Whole Town Garage Sale will be held on

Saturday September 13th.

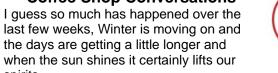
\$3 maps on sale on the day from 8am sharp outside the Hub

Turn your unwanted goods into cash

And a great way to find some bargains

For more information or to register your participation please contact
Romsey Neighbourhood House on 5429 6724
or Call into the House at 96 Main Street, Romsey
10am-1pm Mon, Wed, Fri
(next to the library and the council office).

Coffee Shop Conversations





But the world news continues to put a shadow over us .The death of Robin Williams, the shooting down of a Malaysian Airline, countless innocent deaths in War zones etc. So what really is needed to save the world? What can we do as individuals to make a difference to the world **W E** live in? Robin Williams made a choice for whatever reasons, and we make choices every day. I believe one of the biggest things is to be responsible for the choices we make and to live a balanced life. For me balance is between what we need to do, what we have to do and what we want to do. As when things become imbalanced negativity starts to raise its ugly head.

I believe we can make a difference because we are lucky enough to have a choice, even when we think it could not get any worse. A positive mindset is imperative, living in a positive environment that supports who we are, taking responsibility for the choices we make. Don't ever live in judgement of others because you are not them and their reality is not yours.

One of the hardest things to do in this life is to be honest with yourself. Where does it fit into our everyday lives? There are at least two paths to every decision we make, the high path or the low path. We need to choose the path that will get us to where we want to be that aligns with our true authentic self. If we don't take any action we won't get there. I have just given you some food for thought something to think about if you choose to.

Because I believe we can make a difference.

Signing off for now Gillian from *Life Circle Solutions*, Be Empowered to live the life you deserve!

Antique Collectables Display

with an Appraiser on site

No jewellery, stamps or coins,
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Romsey Neighbourhood House and the Romsey Mechanics Institute are proud to present this major event



Sunday 9th November, 9am till 4pm

At the Mechanics Institute
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Refreshments will be on sale on the day.

Come along and support your local community groups

Enquiries to Gail Middleton on 0416 028219



Public Admission
will be by gold coin





Romsey Uniting Church



During the month of September the Romsey Uniting Church will be opened each Thursday. Experience a Serene moment in an Historic church".

The Romsey Uniting Church, at 25 Pohlman Street, will be opening its doors each Thursday during the month of September, between 11am & 3pm.

Anyone is invited to come and sit and relax – have a guiet moment in this historic picturesque church.

Get away from the hustle and bustle of everyday life. Come and sit quietly, listen to some soft music, light a candle.

The dates the church will be open in September are as follows:

11am-3pm Thursday 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th.

Please come and take advantage of the quietness and serenity in this lovely bluestone church.

We are appalled and saddened by the fighting in so many countries overseas, and unrest in our own country, perhaps we can take time to sit in a quiet space and pray for world peace.

Have you thought of coming to church? The Romsey Uniting Church has services at 9am each Sunday. These are advertised in the Romsey Rag. We are a small congregation but you are assured of a warm welcome in a friendly atmosphere and enjoy a cuppa and fellowship after the service.

At this time the Romsey Uniting Church does not have an Ordained Minister in residence in the community. So we continue to rely on the Worship Team, Lay Preachers and sometimes an Ordained Minister to lead us in worship each Sunday.

There are four churches in the Romsey community - Roman Catholic, Anglican, Encourage and Uniting.

The Roman Catholic and Anglican churches are in the main street, but the Encourage and Uniting churches are not visible, the Uniting in Pohlman Street, (a back street) and the Encourage church in Mitchell Court an industrial area. But even though we

Romsey Rag Contributors Please Note:

Submissions for the October edition of the Romsey Rag must be received no later than Wednesday September 10th. Items received after this date will not appear in the October edition of the Romsey Rag.

Cover your water meter to avoid freezing

Western Water is advising customers to put a cover on their water meter when frost is predicted to avoid a frozen meter. A frozen meter can mean no water for a household until the meter thaws out, so the best option is to ensure it doesn't freeze. There are plenty of options for covering your meter, including a large bucket, cardboard box, half a tyre, a hessian bag or an old blanket. The important thing is to ensure the meter is fully covered to trap the warmer air inside, and that the cover can be easily removed for meter reading and maintenance. If frozen pipes are a problem, first ensure they are clean and not leaking, then wrap in insulation material (available from hardware shops). More information is available on the Western Water website, at westernwater.com.au.

are all a little different we are of the same mind - the worship and love of God and the proclamation that Jesus Christ is our Saviour.

'Worship is the heart of the church, regardless of location, size and denomination. The characteristics of the small church shape and influence worship. Regardless of a congregation's size, denomination or style, the heart of worship remains consistent: in worship, God is honored. In worship the church remembers who it is, and individual members are reminded of who they are in Christ. In worship the church is renewed for its mission to the community and the world. In worship the congregation is given the strength and resources to live in opposition to a culture that sees God as irrelevant. Worship matters. The church lives to praise God. We have no higher calling than to offer the worship that belongs to God day by day, Sunday by Sunday. Through the preaching of the Word, and the celebration of the Sacraments, in praise, prayer, teaching and fellowship, God sustains the life of the church.'

From "Living Faith: A Statement of Christian Belief"

Services during September, 2014

9am Worship Service led by the Worship Team 14th 9am. Worship & Holy Communion Service led by Rev. Adrian Pegler

9am Worship Service led by TBA 21st 9am Worship Service led by Rose Wild

Other activities during September

7.30pm Pastoral Care Committee 3rd

1.30pm UCAF 10th

7.30pm. Worship Team meeting

Church Open 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th 11am-3pm





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Earlier this month one of our regular user groups, "Cowboys & Angles Dance Academy" headed off to Blackpool in the UK to represent Australia in the World Dance masters. Well they certainly did us proud. Their results were really excellent.

Kate, Jamie, Will, Brooke and Rylan all won their solos Stacey came 3rd, Karlie came 6th and Elizabeth John came 8th (out of about 14)

Kate and Stacey won their duo

Stacey and Jamie came 2nd in their partners routines Kate, Stacey, Jamie and Will won their quad and the junior kids

Cowboys and Angels won the standard team and also won the cabaret team.

Below: Cowboys and Angels in Blackpool



The recent better weather has certainly helped speed up the painting of the new doors, they are looking wonderful, thanks to Doug Sargent our resident handyman.

The CoM has organised the installation of security lighting at the side and rear of the hall. These lights are timer operated allowing the area to be well lit when users leave the hall to get into their vehicles.

We would like to express our thanks to John Lynch who is retiring as President of the Romsey/Lancefield RSL. John has always been very supportive of our work and was a member of the CoM for a number of years. Well done John and thanks.

If you have a function coming up please consider the RMI.Bookings and inquiries can be made at;

rmibookings@gmail.com



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Romsey Medical Opening Hours

Monday to Thursday: 8.15am to 8.00pm Friday: 8.15am to 6.00pm Saturday: 8.30am to 1.00pm Sunday: CLOSED

Lancefield Medical Opening Hours

Monday to Friday: 8.30am - 5.30pm Saturday: Services through Romsey Medical Sunday: CLOSED

After Hours Services

Between the hours of 8pm and 8am weekdays and 6pm to 9am weekends and public holidays after hours services Health Direct can be contacted on: 1800 022 222

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Remember:

Romsey and Lancefield can usually offer you on the day appointments - ring early for flexible appointment options.

Bulk billed Quick Clinic appointments are available every weekday at both centres, for urgent/lost repeat prescriptions, rereferrals and some vaccinations.



Start Running Group 5km / 10km Course

This course will provide training to a non runner with basic fitness to run 5km non stop in eight weeks PLUS you can then choose to continue and complete the 10km distance over an additional five weeks (13 weeks in total to complete the 10km distance non stop)

COURSE COMMENCES: 1st September 2014



GENERAL CONDITIONS:

If you have ever wondered if you could run or just getting back into runni This is the opportunity you have been waiting for? The Start Running Group takes place concurrently in the towns of Lancefield-Romsey, Gisborne, Macedon, Riddells Creek &





Romsey Region Business and Tourism Association



RRBATA Business Breakfast Success

The Annual RRBATA Business Breakfast was held on Friday 1st August 2014 at Cleveland Winery, Lancefield. The cold winter's morning failed to dent the enthusiasm of the attendees who enjoyed a great hot breakfast whilst listening to the insightful guest speaker, Mr. David Errington. David, a nationally renowned retail analyst and Head of Consumer Research for Australia and Asia Bank of America Merrill Lynch, demon-

strated how the principles of corporate business efficacy (or not) could be applied to smaller businesses. He spoke of the pitfalls in tough times of cutting costs and downsizing rather than focusing on improving productivity.

Attendees included local business operators, community group members, representatives from Macedon Ranges Shire Council (Cr McLaughlin, Cr. Hackett and Cr. Connor. CEO Peter Johnston. Economic Development and Tourism Unit's



Leanne Davey and Brendan Bench), Joanne Duncan (MLA Macedon) and State political aspirants Mary-Anne Thomas (ALP) and Donna Petrovich (Liberal Party).

RRBATA has received much positive feedback about the event as a whole as well as, particularly, the quality of the speaker. RRBATA has applied for a sponsorship to further support the 2015 Business Breakfast through the Community Bank's Community Investment Program.

RSL World War I Commemoration at the Lone Pine

On a crisp Romsey morning on Friday 4th August, RRBATA was

amongst the large crowd gathered for the ceremony to commemorate the centenary of the beginning of The Great War. The RSL's John Lynch hosted the event with a keynote address from Mr. Mike Garnett.

Other guest speakers were Cr. Henry McLaughlin (MRSC), Rod Browning (Romsey Community Bank) and Jenny Stillman (RRBATA).

After the ceremony, a lovely luncheon was provided and served by the Romsey Branch of the CWA at the Romsey Community Hub. The commemorative plaque (supported by the Community Bank) and reflection seat will be illuminated by solar lighting installed by RRBATA.

Romsey Online

A joint grant application has been submitted by RRBATA and Lancefield Neighbourhood House to support RRBATA's upgrade of the Romsey Online (www.romsey.org.au) website in conjunction with Lancefield's website development. Both organizations await the outcome of this application before progressing to the next step of the upgrade process.

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.

Membership Enquiries:

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Well it won't happen by sitting at home on the sofa. Support Bike Safe Macedon Ranges, become a Show your colours member and help us make a difference to your safety. We were formed in June 2013, since then a handful of volunteers have worked with both Macedon Ranges Shire Council and VicRoads to get cyclist advisory signage up on our roads, run a major safety Pass With Care campaign over summer and our Light Up the Road campaign for cyclists is still on the road. We await advice from the Shire as to whether it will co contribute some funds to enable us to run another major safety campaign next summer.

Become a member, join Bike Safe >

Cyclist road safety has a long way to go in our region. Cyclists have been seriously injured on our roads and most of us have had a serious near miss or been run off the road by a driver. We need infrastructure improvement, safer on road connectivity between our towns including vastly improved road shoulders and bike lanes that cyclists want to use because they are clean, smooth and well maintained. You can support us by becoming a member for a lazy \$25.00 or share some of your time. From putting up posters to writing submissions for improved infrastructure and funding, there is a heap of work to do and not enough people to do it. Contact us at bikesafemacedonranges@gmail.com for an application form or to lend us a hand.



Western Water Offers Community Grants

Western Water is urging community and environmental groups in Romsey to apply for up to \$2000 in funding under its grants pro-

There are three types of grants available – Sammy's community garden and school garden grants, and Frances' environment grants for projects to improve biodiversity and liveability. Past grant recipients have included Romsey Kindergarten, which received a grant in 2013 to install a new garden area with an archway and birdbath.

Sammy grants, named for Western Water's slithering mascot Sammy Snake, are aimed at garden projects with education and health benefits for students or the community.

Schools and not-for-profit groups can apply for a grant to pay for plants, equipment or watering systems. In-kind support such as labour is also on offer.

Environment groups applying for Frances grants must demonstrate that their project will enhance biodiversity, protect flora and fauna or provide educational benefits.

All projects must take place within Western Water's service area. The grants are part of Western Water's Corporate Social Responsibility program, which aims to give back to the community.

For more information and eligibility criteria, go to westernwater.com.au or call 9218 5455. Entries must be in by Friday September 19 and winners will be announced in October.

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RAIN FORECAST FOR FILM SOCIETY

The Macedon Ranges Film Society was the victim of weather on the second Wednesday in August. Due to damage sustained at the Community Centre in Woodend, it was necessary to cancel the screening of The Umbrellas of Cherbourg. Released in 1964, this film tells an old-fashioned love story. Set in Burgundy in France and as the title suggests, umbrellas were in good supply and it can be said that if a film night had to be cancelled due to weather conditions, this would be the one! The film will be shown later in the year, at a date agreed upon by the Society committee and its mem-

September's film, Never Let Me Go, is based on Japanese-born British author Kazuo Ishiguro's 2005 book of the same name. Starring Carey Mulligan and Keira Knightley, it begins in a fictional boarding school and centres around the relationships between three of its students.

They are aware that their school is not like others but initially, they can not identify the difference. The film has been described by critics as one of the best films of its genre. The Macedon Ranges Film Society meets on the second Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. in the Woodend Community Centre. Film notes are provided and for those who wish, there is supper, kindly supplied by members, following the screening. MRFS is a membership-based club so that first contact must be made by emailing mrfilmsociety@gmail.com or by phoning Lorraine on 5427 0921 or Christine on 5429

MACEDON RANGES FARMERS **MARKETS IN SEPTEMBER**

Woodend Community Farmers' Market cnr High & Forest Sts- 0487 744 090 13TH -

Kyneton Farmers' Market -St Pauls Park, Piper Street -54 221 025

20TH -

Riddells Creek Farmers' Market -Primary School - 0419 523 324

Lancefield & District Farmers' Market -High Street - 0407860320

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September 2014 Newsletter **TREASURE**

The word 'treasure' conjures up many pictures in our minds - chests full of gold, precious jewels, wads of \$100 notes, winning tattslotto and many other less material things that are dear to our hearts and interests, especially our loved ones, our homes, even our football team - we could go on. The word 'treasure' comes from the Greek word, 'Thesaurus' meaning a 'storehouse' which now has come to mean a storehouse of words. So, it may also mean what is stored up in our hearts. Jesus warns us, "Do not store up for yourselves, treasures upon earthbut store up for yourselves treasures in heaven. For where your treasure is, there is your heart also." Matthew 6.19-21. The rich young ruler who would not give up all his riches to follow Jesus and the landowner who had acquired much wealth and was all set to enjoy it but suddenly died, were both condemned by Jesus because they had not been rich toward God and therefore not stored up treasure in heaven. It is in Jesus that all the treasures of heaven are to be found. Paul found it his great privilege to tell of "the unsearchable riches of Christ". Jesus calls us to come to Him and learn of him and says of Himself that he is humble and lowly of heart but Paul says of Him, that in Jesus, "are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge." So, it is up to us to seek and find this Jesus and discover for ourselves all the treasures of life to be found in fellowship with him.

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, Look full in His wonderful face.

And the things of earth, will grow strangely dim, In the light of His glory and grace.

AUGUST 2014 - IN RETROSPECT August, like the rest of the year, has just flown by. We welcomed the Rev Charles Potter to conduct our services this month. His sermon on 'Loss" was very pertinent in view of the tragedy of MH17 and many others happening in our sad world. Jesus Himself knew bitter loss and He knows ours and is always with us to comfort and encourage when we look to Him. The Guild met at our Lancefield Church Hall and will continue to do so, with special thanks to Flo Carter for the many meetings we have enjoyed at her place. AMS met there too and though small in number, had an interesting time together reflecting on the life of St Oswald, Christian King of Northumbria, born 605AD. He encouraged the missionary zeal of the Irish monks, St Columba and St Aidan in converting northern England to the Christian faith from their pagan faith. He is the patron saint of AMS. News of our Rev Bill Carroll: he says he is 'rocking' with his first operation over and expects to have his second one in September. He feels 10 years younger. Let us keep him in our prayers.

SEPTEMBER DIARY

- Thurs 11th 8pm: AMS meets for another SNOOKER NIGHT at Mrs F Carter's home Monegeetta. Enquiries: Laurie Thomson 5429-5634
- Snow Balls still on the go! \$2 per bag, in aid of AMS Welfare Fund. Eng-Max Dansey 5429-1597

- AMS National Conference is being held at Clare SA this
- Tues 16th 1.30pm: The Guild's SPRING AFTERNOON at Christ Church Hall Lancefield, Donation \$6. Raffle. Speaker is MR IAN WALLBRIDGE, Mission House Coordinator for Anglicare - Supporting Victoria's needy!
- Thurs 18th 1.30pm: The Guild meets at Christ Church Hall Lancefield. Eng- Glenice 5429-6418

SERVICE TIMES

-St Paul's ROMSEY, Main St - 9am HOLY COMMUNION -Christ Church, Chauncey St - LANCEFIELD -10.30am HOLY COMMUNION

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Mrs. Joanne Reuther **School Principal:**

5429 1359 Mr. Anthony Falls St. Mary's Primary School

Presbytery:

MASS TIMES

Saturday:

6.00 p.m. Lancefield

1st & 3rd Sunday of the month:

8.00 a.m. Lancefield and 10.00 a.m. Romsey 2nd, 4th & 5th Sunday of the month:

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

RECONCILIATION

(NOT DURING AUGUST & SEPTEMBER)

Saturdays 9.45am Romsey & 5.45pm Lancefield.

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.

BINGO: There will be no Bingo until September 4th

PARISH FEAST DAY

Keep Sunday 14th September free as we celebrate our Parish Feast Day following the 10am Mass at Lancefield.



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St Mary's Primary News Daniel Azzopardi

We congratulate Daniel Azzopardi of 3/4 Gold for winning Scholastic's 'Read more in May' competition. Daniel recorded the highest number of reading minutes in the whole of Victoria. Daniel was very 5429 2130 happy to be presented with a trophy at assembly on Monday. He also won \$250.00 worth of vouchers for his family to spend on books 5429 2130

and \$400.00 worth of books for St Mary's Library. Well done Daniel.



The Year 6 leaders represented St Mary's at the ceremony and then enjoyed refreshments at the Romsey Hub. Senior School News Year 5/6 Fundraiser St Mary's



The piece of writing for today's newsletter is from Ella Marr and Lisa Marie Doria.

They talk about how they are raising money to "Leave Their Mark" on the school by completing the garden beds around the school. This Inquiry unit is in Year 5/6. Below you can see the students who ran a car wash in the church grounds on Wednesday this week Well done to the students as we didn't get completely soaked and managed to wash around 19 cars. Thanks also to Fr Arnold for supplying the water and the parents for supplying the equipment. Thank you to the parents who supported this event; the chocolate drive and the cake stall.





The Men's Shed.

Some of our students from year 6 have been visiting the Lancefield Men's shed to learn how to make a bird box and a pencil case made of wood. This activity was organised by Graham Knell and supported by Mario Drago and others from the group. The project was sponsored by the Macedon Ranges Shire and Lancefield Bus Co. There are many skilful and generous people in our community who are willing to help the students learn new skills. Thanks to Graham and Co.



Coalition provides \$1.5 million to enhance the landscape in the Macedon Ranges

The Victorian Coalition Government has launched a new \$1.5 million grants program for community groups wanting to improve the amenity of their local area or increase awareness and enjoyment of their local environment.

State Liberal Member for Northern Victoria Amanda Millar said the Local Landscape Enhancement Grants of up to \$50,000 will be available to community groups for year-long projects and encouraged groups in the Macedon Ranges to apply.

"These grants are part of the Victorian Coalition Government's commitment to practical on-ground action to protect and restore our natural environment in partnership with local communities," Mrs Millar. "Projects will need to be locally-based and focused on practical, on-ground measures, that address local needs. Community groups may have an idea for a new environmental project in their area or want help to build on a previously completed project. Through this new program community groups are encouraged to apply for funding for projects with budgets of all sizes, big and small.

Minister for Environment and Climate Change Ryan Smith said the Department of Environment and Primary Industries is partnering with Parks Victoria to deliver the Local Landscape Enhancement Grants program.

"These grants will support the many community groups that undertake projects to protect our environment, contribute to our environmental knowledge and make a real difference to local communities," Mr Smith said. "This is a great opportunity for groups such as Committees of Management, schools and kindergartens, youth groups, senior citizen groups, rotary and RSL clubs and multicultural groups to help improve their local environment." For further information about the Local Landscape Enhancement Grants program, eligibility guidelines and application form visit www.depi.vic.gov.au

Romsey Lancefield Historical Society

The annual Winter Lunch was most enjoyable, everyone found the talk by Dr. Paul Carter entertaining as well as amusing. Dr. Carter gave all in attendance a copy of his book "Hale and Hardy" with the stipulation that a donation be made to the Neighbourhood House. The amount raised for them on the day was \$100.

The Historical Society will have a stall at 'Eden Park', Wallan Road, Romsey for the 'Open Garden Australia' day to be held 13th and 14th September. 'Eden Park' is the home of Mark Clement and Deva Weitman having been built of bluestone in 1875 by the original Peter Mitchell. Their garden has been lovingly planted with cuttings of some of the original roses as well as many other beautiful plants.



The Society will have a stall at the Lancefield Agricultural Show October 19th. Our topic of interest this year is the formation of West Burke Agricultural Society 1873. The next general meeting will be Tuesday 23rd September at the courthouse Main Road, Lancefield at 7.30pm. All welcome and supper will be provided.

FATHER'S DAY MEMORIAL SERVICE 11AM, SUNDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER 2014 **WOOLING HILL MEMORIAL GARDENS, NEW GISBORNE**

Father's Day is often a day when we're at a loss what to do. It never gets the same amount of attention as Mother's Day. There are no special events, and florists never seem to be working overtime on the first Sunday in September.

We often make the time to catch up with our fathers on this day, have a lunch or dinner and give a small gift. But what about those of us whose fathers have died? This sense of 'being at a loss' is even more intense. It could be your first year without your dad; it could have been that your dad died years ago but vou feel very sad whenever Father's Day comes around.

This year, people will be able to remember their dad at a Father's Day Memorial Service. The chapel at Wooling Hill provides a calm and comforting space for participants to reflect on their dads and what they meant to them.

Local singer Sarah Wilkinson will provide beautiful music and Funeral Celebrant, Kristine Rawlinson will guide participants through a ceremony to mark the contribution that fathers make to our lives. "Participants can light a candle in their father's honour and his picture will be used in a slideshow commemorating the fathers to be remembered', says Kristine Rawlinson, Funeral Celebrant.

Following the ceremony, participants will be invited to stay for refreshments on sale by local community groups.

Participants will also have the opportunity to plant a seedling in their father's honour.

The ceremony is a free service, sponsored by Greenhaven Funeral Services and Wooling Hill Memorial Gardens.

To register for the event please contact Kristine Rawlinson on 0423 028 668 or kristine@greenhavenfunerals.com.au.

Remembering Dad...... Father's Day Memorial Service



This Father's Day, please bring your family and friends along to Wooling Hill to celebrate and remember the life of a special father in your life. Following the service, we invite you to stay for some light refreshments (on sale by local Men's Shed and the CWA) and enjoy the beautiful surrounds of Wooling Hill. You are also invited to plant a tree in your father's honour.

Sunday 7th September, 10:30am for an 11:00am start Wooling Hill Memorial Park, 372 Barringo Road, New Gisborne RSVP: kristine@greenhavenfunerals.com.au (please include a photo of your father to include in the ceremony)





Kyneton Daffodil & Arts Festiva 2014 Festival 4-14 September

'Celebrating the Bulb and the Beautiful'

Events & Happenings

PRE-FESTIVAL EVENTS

Festival Launch 'The Bulb & the Beautiful' August 15, 7.30pm Mechanics Institute Mollison St

People's Passions Exhibition 10-4pm Sat 30 & 12-4pm Sun 31 August St Pauls Church, Yaldwyn St West

FESTIVAL OPENING Thur Sept 4, 7pm Kyneton Mechanics Institute Mollison Street

Kyneton Hospital Auxiliary Stall, Lions Kiosk Mechanics Reserve Fri Sept 6, 9am-12 noon

Springtime Daffodil Display Sat Sept 6-14, 9am-4pm Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 53 Ebden St

'Freemasonry Unlocked' Sept 5-14 Kyneton Museum, 67 Piper

Kyneton Antique Fair Fri Sept 5, 5-9pm, Sat Sept 6, 10-5pm Sun Sept 7, 10-4pm Town Hall

Men's Breakfast Sat Sept 6, 7.30am Baptist Church

Ferret Racing Sat Sept 6, 10.30am Mechanics Reserve

'The Life & Times of Scarecrows' Townwide Competition & in Mechanics Reserve Sat Sept 7, 9am and other places displayed throughout Festival

Buskers in the Streets Sat Sept 6, 10-3pm

Open House at Kyneton Historical Society Sats Sept 6 & Sept 13, 10-3pm 75 Piper Street

Wine & Food Festival Sat Sept 6 11-4pm Degraves Mill, Skelsmergh Hall Estate, 688 Cobb & Co Road, Carlsruhe

Kyneton Spring Flower Show Sat Sept 6, 1-5pm Sun Sept 7 10-4.30pm Watts Pavilion

Croquet Open Day Sat Sept 6, 1-4pm Cnr Donnithorne & Ebden

'A Walk, Talk & Tea Sun Sept 7, 2pm Kyneton Museum, 67 Pip-

Cruise Sale Day at Kyneton Travel Thu Sept 11, 11-3pm 20

Kyneton Farmers' Market Sat Sept 13, 8.30-1.00pm St Paul's

Kyneton Makers' Market Sat Sept 13, 8.30-1.00pm St Paul's Yaldwyn St West

Kyneton Community Market Sat Sept 13, 8.30-1.00pm 21 Piper St (Cnr Ebden St)

Kyneton Daffodil Old Time Ball Sat Sept 13, 8pm, Kyneton

Craft Market & Café Sat Sept 13 & Sun 14, 10-4pm Masonic Hall, Yaldwyn St West

Festival Grand Parade & Fair Sun Sept 14, 12.30pm

Performance & Literature

58th Festival of One Act Plays Fri 5 Sept, 7pm, Sat 6 Sept, 2pm & 7pm, Sun 7 Sept, 2pm Mary Moloney Theatre, Sacred Heart College, High St

Music at Wine & Food Festival Sat Sept 6, 11-4pm Degraves Mill, 688 Cobb & Co Rd Carlsruhe

Baroque Lute with Susan King Sun Sept 7, 3pm St Andrew's Church, Cnr Ebden St & Yaldwyn St West

Command Performance Concert Wed Sept 10, 7.30pm Kyneton Town Hall

Combined Schools Beat Concert Thur Sept 11 12noon - 2pm Kyneton Town Hall

Shakespeare Showcase Thur Sept 11, 6.30 (meal & show), 8pm

show Upstairs, The Albion Hotel, 21 Mollison St 'Music in the Park' Mechanics Reserve Fri Sept 12, 12.30-1 pm Friends of Macedon Ranges Libraries Second-hand bookstall Sat Sept 6 10-12noon, Lions Kiosk Mechanics Reserve Pre-School & Lower Primary Activities at Aesop's Attic

Bookshop Sat Sept 6, 10-11am 24a High St

Book Signing by Dr Danielle White of 'History of Sacred Heart College' Sat Sept 6, 2pm 24a High St

Books & Bites Sat Sept 13, 10-3.30pm Kyneton Uniting Church Hall. Ebden St

Middle to Upper Primary Activities at Aesop's Attic Bookshop Sat Sept 13 10-11am 24a High St

A Tribute to the Beach Boys and ABBA – 2 Shows in One Sat Sept 13 8.30pm – Kyneton Bowling Club, 79 Mollison St Traditional Highland Dancing Competitions St Mary's Hall, Hutton St Sun Sept 14, 1pm

Resonance String Orchestra presents 'The Spirit of Rhythm' Sun Sept 14, 3pm, Mary Moloney Theatre, Sacred Heart College High St

Art and Exhibitions

Daffodil Art Prize Exhibition Gala Opening and Awards Presentations Thurs Sept 4 at 7.00pm then Daily 10-4pm Kyneton Mechanics Institute (KMI)

Rotary Youth Art Awards Exhibition Opening Thurs Sept 4, 7.00pm then Daily 10-4pm KMI

Art Photography Prize Exhibition and Sale. Thurs Sept 4, 7.00pm KMI then Daily 10-4pm KMI

Local Artists - Framesmiths 24 High Street Daily 10-5.30pm. Original Drawings & Etchings on Paper by Sarah Gabriel Sept 4 -7 & 10-14, 10-5pm 37B Piper St Decorative Art Exhibition, Sept Fri 5-Sun 28, 10-5pm Woolshed

Gallery Bringalbit, 512 Sidonia Road, Sidonia The Art of the Mosaic from Sept 5 Daily 10-5pm Garden & 'The

Glasshouse' 60 Dettmanns Lane 'A Lighthouse – A House of Light' Photography Exhibition

Opens Fri Sept 5, then Sept 6, 7 Thur 11, Fri 12 Sat 13 11-4pm Gallery 40 9 Piper St

'Ice Bears' Brett Jarrett Wildlife Art Exhibition Fri Sept 5-Sun 7 & Fri 12-Sun 14, 10-4 10-4pm Supper Room KMI

Persian Carpets Exhibition Sept 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 11-4pm The Persian Room 54 Piper St

Handweavers & Spinners, Exhibition & Sale Sept 6, 11.00-1.30pm Kyneton Red Brick Hall, Yaldwyn St West Contemporary Exhibition Sept 6-8 and Sept 11-14 10-5pm, Stockroom 98 Piper St

Abstract Landscapes by John Lloyd 10-5pm Fri, Sat, Sundays John Lloyd Gallery 48 Piper St

Kyneton Art & Craft Show Opening Friday Sept 12, 7pm. Exhibition Fri Sept 12, 7-9pm; Sat Sept 13 & Sun Sept 14, 10-4pm Kyneton Town Hall

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Antiques and Collectables

Display

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Sunday 9th November 2014 9am till 4pm

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Romsey Neighbourhood House is currently involved in developing in Partnership with Lancefield Neighbourhood House and other community groups a "STREET CONNECT" program. This is about getting back to basics and getting to know your neighbours and living in a collaborative, connected, supportive and strong community.

If you would like to know more contact Viv on 54292 337 at Lancefield .

Morning Tea Group

Friday 19th September



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Sun Style Tai ChiTuesday1-2pm\$10perclass.
Children's art ClassesTue/Weda:45-4:45 \$80 for 8 weeks.
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BOLINDA SPRING FAIR AND DAF-FODIL SHOW SUNDAY, SEPTEM-BER 14TH, 10:30 TO 2:30. PLEASE JOIN US FOR A GREAT FAMILY DAY.

AND THE WEATHER : and gardens and

In this early August season we have had some very mild days and working in the garden is a joy in such weather, but wow! there have been some frosty nights, below zero, to pay for the milder days! 101pts (25mm) for July, our lowest for some years, and the gardens and pastures are looking hungry for a downpour. Still, there is magic in the garden, with the jonguils and snowdrops and snowflakes at their peak and delightful little crocuses starting to open to the sun; daffodil season is just around the corner. The early blossoms have been a delight, especially the currants and the flowering apricots. The perfumes are a special delight – the old-fashioned woodbine has been lovely this year; swathes of violets have that unforgettable fragrance and the winter buddleia (salvifolia) is glorious! I'm enjoying the euphorbias too; such tough plants with a range of coloured foliage and masses of dainty flower heads, just perfect for posies. And it is a delight to drive around the countryside with the wattles lighting up the bushland! Every month has its delights, but this is surely one of the best times when we can enjoy individual plants, before the busy spring season when the garden becomes so busy that it is hard to notice the individuals.

HALL COMMITTEE:

HISTORY: From the Minute Book. It often becomes a long task, writing up this little monthly report, as there is so much to invite one's interest, and continued browsing, in the old Minute Book. It is intriguing to note the scale of hiring fees which were set at a special committee meeting in June 1914, thus: 'All Night, 15/-; Till 12 o'clock, 10/-; Local school or church entertainment less 2/6; Election meeting, each candidate, 1pound; Bazaar

per day, 1pound; Church per service, 1/-; Polling Booth 1 pound; Use during day 5/-; Committee room 1/-; Use of piano, 2/6. You have to wonder...who would want to hire the Hall all night? And what a splendid thought, to charge each candidate at an election meeting the maximum rate of 1pound. Great idea, that one!

BOLINDA HALL(Melways 610 J9; cnr Mullaly's and Melb-Lancefield Road): Don't forget our community hall is available for hire at very reasonable 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. Excellent for corporate functions, with DVD/TV/data projection available.

BOL-DARRA (Bolinda-Darraweit) GAR-DEN CLUB: We had a lovely visit to the newly re-opened Dromkeen at Riddell for our last get-together. On a very pleasant winter's day we enjoyed a stroll around the grounds, (presently undergoing lots of restoration and re-planting) delighting in the lovely old trees - a range of exotic and native evergreens, all wonderfully lit with the gold of many wattles). Lots of the old jonguils and snowdrops (snowflakes) were flowering, scenting the garden, and the camellias were a special pleasure to see; we were intrigued to see several differently coloured flowers on the same bush. It will soon be the time of the lovely freesias there - the old alba that has naturalized in the gravelly soil and which perfumes the air for such a distance. The Gallery had a mixed-media display of interesting art work by various very talented artists.

And of course we enjoyed a wonderful afternoon tea, with a range of very tempting tasties on offer! (They also serve light lunches - we can recommend those, also!) The chitchat – rarely about gardens, I suspect - went on for some time. Another great day.

You are always welcome to join us. We generally meet on the last Saturday of the month at Bolinda Hall at 1:30 for a chat and brief discussion session...and then we move off on our garden visit about 2:00. (Phone us first, if you haven't been before: we sometimes start earlier)

OUR EVENT OF THE MONTH: OF COURSE IT IS ANNUAL SPRING FAIR AND DAFFODIL SHOW ON THE 14TH OF SEPTEMBER!

We are proud of our wonderful Spring Fair which promotes the lovely country atmosphere and values of the Bolinda-Monegeetta district. It is a day for the family to enjoy some great activities for the children and for the district to show some of its special talents. We are determined, as always, to give great value, and to ensure that all our visitors go home at the end of the day knowing they have had real, old-fashioned value.

We have a line-up of special treats for the children, including:

the fantastic LionsTrain (thanks to Kyneton Lions Club for this treat), Jeanette's Pony Rides, Glenn's Hay Rides, the Lamb Nursery and the Archaeology Dig (always lots of bones to discover here) Western Water ShowBag.

Children's Picnic Races We offer rides/turns on all of these (instead of the usual going rate of \$4:50 per ride) for \$12:00 with our wristband special.

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And of course we have those wonderful grass-fed Bolinda lamb burgers and sausages - we grow it, cook it and guarantee it! And you have the chance to win your own side of lamb in our special raffle. There is, as always, the district's best daffodils to admire, the wonderful floral art to enjoy and paintings by our wonderful local artists. We have our talented local musician to serenade you, and working displays from a floral artist and a spinner; a basketball clinic with an ex-Olympian, a chance to meet and question the flower iudges and more!

Looking forward to seeing you at the Spring Fair.

'Bye for now John and Ruth Green 54 285 347: 0415 256 911; jandrgreen@hotmail.com

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Have your cake and map to!

We'll will be holding a cake stall at the whole town garage sale (13 Sept). We'll be at the front of the Community Hub. \$5 will buy a garage sale map and take with you morning tea for 2-3 people, if you need more food to keep you going extra serves for \$2.

Buying Christmas presents for kids?

If you buy from "Educational Experience" website and nominate us as your community group when you check-out, we'll get vouchers to use to buy toys, games and craft supplies. "Educational Experience" have great gifts for kids aged 12 months till primary school. Remember to nominate "Romsey Playgroup" when you checkout. www.edex.com.au/fundraising

Party at our place

Kids aged 6 or under? Why not have their birthday party at Romsey Playgroup. You can hire the room for \$80 for 2.5 hour party, plus \$15 insurance. Contact us for more details.

Junior playgroup

Your kids under 18 months? We're trying to start junior playgroup sessions on Monday mornings and Thursday afternoons. Contact us if your interested.

Three days to play

Remember we have open sessions Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings 9.30am -11.30am, for kids birth to pre kindergarden. Your first two visits are free, so come and say hi!

Contact us

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Men's Shed

The last months at the Shed have been very busy with several activities taking place. In July, we hosted some visitors to the Macedon Ranges Shire Council from the 'Friends of East Timor' who came to see how the Shed operated. We enjoyed a pleasant lunch together and had some interesting conversations/ questions about our shed.

Again this term we are running our 'Kids in Sheds' program, thanks to the generous support of the Shire Council who have funded it through a grant. Lancefield Primary School visits each fortnight on Fridays as part of their Clubs program, and students from St Mary's Primary School have commenced their visits on alternate Thursdays. It's a great sight to see them joining in and making their nesting boxes and pencil cases with such enthusiasm. Romsey Primary School will take part in the program in



Our lunches on Wednesday continue to be an enjoyable activity, and our membership is

We are also working on several projects and commissions for our local community. A recent one was restoring a spinning wheel for the Spinners group from the Neighbourhood

A future plan is to open the Shed on a Saturday Farmer's Market so that we can gauge the interest of men who work during the week but would like to participate in the Shed projects on one Saturday per month.

Watch out for it or ring Graham on 0400 321 131 to register your interest.

The Shed exists for the men in our community! Why not join us on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm?

Graham Knell President



A Local Champion

Congratulations to Victoria Meyer, 16, from Romsey who has won the Victorian Equestrian Interschool Elementary Dressage Championships in the series 2014 at the National Equestrian Centre. Werribee.

Victoria will now go to the National championships in Werribee early October this year.

Victoria attends Assumption Collage. Kilmore.

Often you will see a write up or photos of her father or brothers in the local papers in the Woodchpping events at the various shows. But now it is her time to shine.

