

Romsey Golf Club – Women's Report

Wed. 15th July – Only the brave and hardy turned up to play in a 3BBB stableford event on a very cold winter's day. The winning trio of Leila, Kath and Elaine scored 38 points – while the rest of the sensible golfers stayed warm and snug inside.

Wed 22nd – The day turned out better than the forecast thankfully, so everyone had an enjoyable game of Pinehurst. Pam and Lorraine 109/29.5/79.5 just managed to beat Elaine and Leila.

Wed 29th – The course was in great condition, (only a few soft spots), there was warmth in the sun, the social golfers were out on the course at 11 am and everything was great until the clouds rolled in. The whole atmosphere changed, the winter chill set in again. The winner of the July Monthly Medal and the 4th round of the Silver Spoon was Lorraine 106/27/79 on a count back from Kath 103/24/79.

Wed 5th Aug – We invited the Play Golf members to join us on Wed for a fun game of golf. However the weather wasn't kind. Noreen was the only lady brave enough to give it a go so after the shower of rain cleared we donned our wet weather gear and ventured out onto the course. We decided to play Mulligans, (if you play a bad shot you call out Mulligans and play another shot.) We enjoyed playing 3 holes but then the rain set in again so after 4 holes we called it quits. We were happy to meet up with everyone at "5 Kings" where we welcomed the rest of the women from the Play Golf clinic and we all had an enjoyable lunch together.

Wed 12th – Another wet and cold Wednesday. We're not as crazy as we use to be. We didn't go out and play in the rain. Lyn and Pam decided that they would come back tomorrow to play each other in the semi-final of the Singles Knockout.

Denise was a lot luckier with the weather. She went to Axedale to play in their 3BBB stableford event and had a very enjoyable day.

Social Golf

Wed 10.30 – Meet at the Clubhouse for a fun game.

Fri 10.30 – Meet at the Clubhouse to practise together. For any further information please ring Elaine Scanlon 0400768040

Recipe

MEXICAN TORTILLA PIE

4 Tortillas
1 onion finely chopped
2 cloves garlic crushed
500g lean minced beef
1 red capsicum finely chopped
125g can corn kernels drained
2 tsp chilli flakes
415g can diced tomatoes
Quarter cup fresh coriander leaves
One and a half cups grated tasty cheese

Preheat oven 180 degrees
Cook onion and garlic in a frying pan until soft. Add mince, cook until browned. Add capsicum, corn and chilli flakes. Cook, stirring until capsicum is just tender. Stir in diced tomatoes.
Reduce heat, simmer and stir until mixture is thick. Add coriander. Season with salt and pepper. Mix well. Set aside to cool.
Place a 6cm deep, 20cm round pan on a baking tray. Place one Tortilla in base of pan. Spread one third of mince mix. on top. Sprinkle with one third of cheese. Repeat layers twice. Finish with Tortilla on top sprinkled with cheese.
Bake until cheese is golden. Set aside for 5 minutes before removing from pan.

Fossil Roadshow – identification of fossils / bones etc brought along by local people
Display of extinct monsters in Lancefield
Street Theatre at LF market
Endangered species and how to assist their survival.

So round up your fossils and bones and be ready for all the fun.

Other recent Landcare activities have included another Roadside clean up along Lancefield – Kilmore Road and planning for future revegetation programs.
Landholders don't forget we also have access to expert advice that can assist you with vegetation and erosion control.
Please contact the secretary for further information.

Deep Creek Landcare - Secretary Ken 040488 65 80



Landcare prepares for the Lancefield Show – Get ready to join in.

The **Extinct Festival** which will commence with the Show and extend through the following week provides a great opportunity for all people to learn from the past.

Have you ever had chance to dig for relics of the past?

Have you found any fossils / bones in the area that may have a link to the past?

Have you seen a chainsaw used to make a sculpture from a tree stump?

How can we prevent threatened plants and animals from being driven to extinction?

Do you know how large some of the Megafauna animals were?

Lots of questions but the planned activities at the Lancefield show and during the following week can give the chance to provide the answers.

The Museum of Victoria, MRSC, local utilities and local groups including Deep Creek Landcare will contribute to the following planned activities:

Chainsaw sculpture of Cypress stumps at Lancefield Park.

"Mini Dig" / "Sand pit Dig" as an archaeological experience

Talks, with opportunities for discussion, on the following subjects – extinct local bird species – fossils / bones from local areas – Lancefield archaeological site excavations and local extinct species

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Our Open Day on Saturday October 24th between 10.00am and 4.00pm. Features of the day will include displays of student work, photographs and other school memorabilia, performances and demonstrations by our students, tours of the current school and the old school building in Palmer Street, a market, food and drinks, and at 2.30pm, an official ceremony.

**We express our gratitude to our major supporters and sponsors for this event:
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LOCAL AUTHOR ENCOURAGES YOUNG WRITERS

Kid's Writing Workshop at Dromkeen

Next school holidays, young writers aged 8+ will have the opportunity to be inspired by Macedon Ranges author, Dee White.

Dee is the award-winning author of 16 books for children and young adults. She is also a qualified writing teacher and has run local, interstate and international writing workshops.

She recently returned from an international conference in Amsterdam where she ran a writing workshop on putting characters into conflict.

Dee enthusiastically supports young writers, and she runs free writing competitions for kids and teens at her blog <http://writingclassesforkids.com>

In Dee's Spark Your Imagination workshop, she will talk about where story ideas come from, and will present a range of activities to inspire creativity in young writers.

The workshop will take place at Dromkeen in Riddells Creek between 10.30 and 1.30 on Friday 24th September.

Places are limited, and bookings can be made through Dromkeen on (03) 5428 6799



Sunday August 9th - Dalhousie District Bowl

On Sunday August 9th Romsey hosted the 2015 Dalhousie District Golf Association Bowl (four player Stableford, best three scores to count), the field hit off at 9.30 am in chilling conditions. The event was played over "The Old Course", two rounds of 12 holes. There was a NW wind blowing however no-one found the water on the 2nd and the wind was a positive influence for most on the 12th with its internal out-of-bounds. Light rain overnight and a very heavy dew meant the fairways were again very soft and balls would pick-up mud so relief, to a handspan, on the fairway played, was given. Given the conditions the morning round saw some excellent scoring from the Broadford contingent - Graham Hogg (7) - 26 Pts, Chris Hanson (5) - 24 pts & Craig Thorpe (9) - 28 pts. At around noon the field headed to the rooms for lunch.

The afternoon round was played in slightly warmer conditions and perhaps some hot soup and a good lunch spurred a few on as generally scoring was better than in the morning. Good rounds came from; Alan Hopkins (Trentham - 11) & Aaron Frost Broadford - 6) - 24 pts, Mark Corradin - 1), Les Gaunt, (Romsey - 3), Chris Hanson & Craig Thorpe 23 pts. On a chilling day the results were;

Winners; Graeme Hogg, Aaron Frost, Craig Thorpe & Tannah Kirkman (Broadford 2) 138 pts from Tony Potts, Chris Hanson, Wayne Ormsby & Don Hackett (Broadford 1) - 125 pts

A Grade; Mark Corradin - 45 pts from Les Gaunt - 42 pts

B Grade; Alan Hopkins - 45 Pts from Road Campbell (Trentham) 41 pts

NTPs; 1st - Mark Mullaly (Yea), 8th - Mark Corradin, 9th - Don Hackett & 10th - Les Gaunt.

2015 DDGA Bowl Winners - Broadford 2 - Tannah Kirkman, Graeme Hogg, Craig Thorpe & Aaron Frost



2015 DDGA Bowl Runners up - Broadford 1 - Tony Potts, Wayne Ormsby, Chris Hanson & Don Hackett



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Romsey Golf Club – Men's Report

<http://romseygolfclub.net>

Saturday August 15th - 4BBB Stableford Guest Day

The 4BBB Guest Day got off to a great start; the sun broke through and the wind was virtually non-existent. It looked like a good afternoon to be chasing a little white ball around the park with the hope of carding a good score. While some players were well organised and had their guest partners sorted others had to take what the table gave them resulting some interesting and thoroughly enjoyable pairings. The course again showed how tough it has become with the low markers struggling to record a good score. With many approach shots falling short pitching had to be very exact as balls pulled up very quickly on the greens leaving overly long putts, chips however often ran on well passed the cup. On an interesting day the results were;

Winners; Steve Poulton (24)/Allan Cullinger (13) - 39pts from Mick Nicholls Jnr (27)/Michael McCarten (19) - 38 pts
NTPs; 15th - Les Gaunt.

Saturday August 8th - Stroke

A strong field hit off in the club's Stableford competition, the afternoon was very cool but there was almost no wind so it was reasonable to expect some good scoring. The cold air and soft fairways again saw all players lose distance forcing longer than usual irons for approach shots. The greens again held well and generally putted very true. It was also great to welcome back local boy Shannon Wright for his first round at RGC in over a year. The course savaged a number of players with quite a few recording double figures on a hole here and there. The tough conditions meant no-one broke their handicap. Romsey is getting tougher! On a challenging day the results were;

Winner; Andrew Laing - 90/17/73 from Mal Mottram - 86/11/75 and Sharif Abdel-Sayed - 91/16 75

NTPs; 1st Dave Muller, 15th - Michael McCarten

Saturday August 1st - Multiplier Stableford

The forecast was for some rain and very cold, windy conditions, the rain held off but the NW wind blew up for most of the afternoon. The Multiplier Stableford format was new however once the scoring method was outlined everyone enjoyed the round. We were missing a couple of golfers who were over at the footy rooms celebrating the 40th anniversary of their 1975 premiership. The course was again soft and this, combined with the cold air and the wind saw all players lose distance off the tee. NTPs were at a premium with strong gusts often blowing balls well off line. The

greens again putted very true and two players who had been absent for over six weeks noted the improvement in speed and line, still work to be done though. With most teams in reasonably early it was looking like a three-way count-back but as the final group came in a clear winner emerged. The day's results were;

Winners; Mal Mottram (11)/Steve Poulton (23) - 63 pts

Individual; Pat Chisholm (12) - 36pts, Andrew Laing (17) - 36 pts

NTPs; 15th Tony Freeman, 16th - Mal Mottram

Saturday July 25th - Monthly Medal Stroke & Putts

Rain during the week and again on Friday evening saw very soft fairways and a couple of extremely wet greens nevertheless, on the whole, the course held up very well. The afternoon was brisk moving on to bracing so everyone was well rugged up. Play began under cloudy skies with a gusting north-westerly wind, this proved tricky moving balls both in the air and on the greens. Despite the wetness all greens putted very true however a number of golfers got into difficulties when they allowed way too much for the slope only to see their balls cruise straight passed the cup. In recent weeks it has been tough to equal let alone break your handicap and the July Medal was another one of those days. In the end deadly accuracy from the fairway to the green was what won the day. The results were;

Winner and July Medalist; Bob McLennan - 83/10/73 (Two Medals in a row!) from Les Gaunt 80/5/75

NTPs; 1st - Les Gaunt, 15th - Clinton Harkom, 16th - Les Gaunt

Least Putts; Les Gaunt 28, c/b from Bob Dwyer (Les also won the meat tray so a productive weekend!)

During this winter the club has been busy replacing taller trees that have been lost and planting a number of nectar producing natives. These plants will provide the smaller birds (New Holland Honey Eater & Eastern Spinebill) with both food and safe habitat. We hope to attract and keep these birds in the park

The 2nd Macedon Ranges Spring Cup will be played at Mt Macedon Golf Club on Sunday September 13th. Last year Romsey was able to beat Mt Macedon in the club challenge Entries can be found at Drummond Golf, Niddrie or on our web site; romseygolfclub.net



You will probably agree, there is nothing more pleasing to Macedon Ranges residents than to see the daffodils bloom at the start of spring. Spring means more light, more colour, more growth and, importantly, more festivals and fun. To kick off the season, the Kyneton Daffodil and Arts Festival is taking it to a new level this year, running between 3 and 13 September. Along with the Daffodil Old Time Ball, Art and Flower shows, scarecrow competition and the street parade and fair, there will also be a food and wine exhibition at the old DeGraves Mill, ferret racing, a One Act Plays Festival and so much more. Make sure you visit <http://www.kynetondaffodilarts.org.au/> so that you don't miss a thing.

The Mount Macedon and District Horticultural Society Plant Lovers Market at Bolobek will be on again on the weekend of 19 and 20 September. This is a must visit event to experience the best of the Macedon Ranges in spring. Explore the grounds of this stunning and important property nestled in the foothills of Mount Macedon and find a range of local, rare and unusual plants for sale. This is where many locals go to find plants to reinvigorate their gardens, all of which contribute to the beauty of our great region.



ROMSEY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

In weeks 3 and 4 of the term the Year 5/6 students performed *Alice In Wonderland* which also celebrates its 150th year this year. The 2 weeks of production showcased the wonderful talents of many of our students and provided yet another opportunity for our children to demonstrate their different skills and interests. We have some very talented students at our school. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Julian Flanagan for all of his work in preparing the children for their roles. I would also like to single out Mrs Robyn Moore and Mr Tony Farrell and Mrs Angela Farrell for all of the time they dedicated to the production. I would also like to thank all of the staff who gave up their personal time with their own families to assist with the 4 performance nights. Well done students, staff and parent helpers.

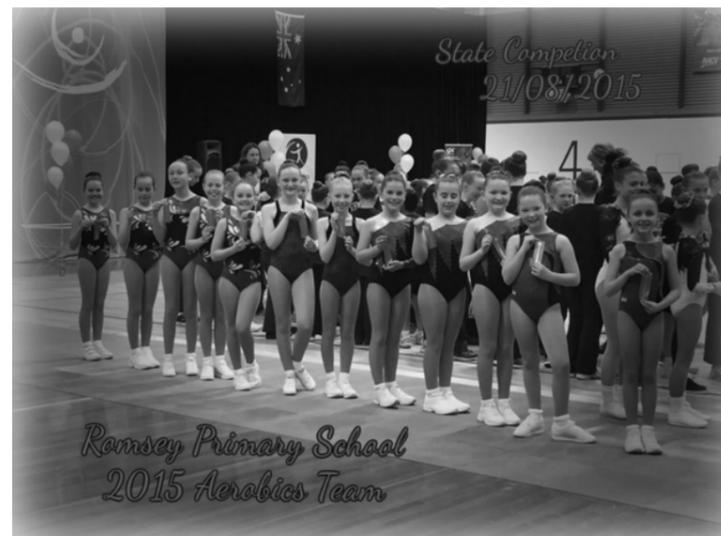


On Thursday August 13, we hosted a family paper plane competition for the Year ½ children. The afternoon celebrated the completion of the Maths projects, where students designed, documented and constructed a paper plane to enter in the competitions on the day. There were a range of different challenges students and families participated in and all students completed a poster outlining the Mathematics involved in their constructions, such as the length, area and perimeter of their plane. Transformation and shape were also covered during this project. A wonderful afternoon was had by all.

Fresh Fruit Friday has started again at the school for the Prep to Year 2 students, this has been made possible by the generosity of the new owners of the fruit shop in Romsey, *Farm Fresh On Main*. We thank them for their generous weekly donations, this is a wonderful initiative for our young students.

On Tuesday August 18, the school hosted our second annual Mother Daughter night. The event was attended by 23 daughters and their mothers. I would like to thank the staff for organising this event and Robyn Morley who conducted the night. It was a very informative and pleasant evening, with candle lighting and hot chocolate.

Our Aerobics teams competed at The State Netball Hockey Centre on Friday Aug 21, they were competed extremely well on the day and all 4 teams have made it through to the National Championships which will be held in Bendigo on Sunday September 20. Good luck girls.



On Friday September 14 we had a Pyjama Day fundraiser it was a great success and we raised \$327 for our sponsored child Latifatou, who is 12 years old. She lives with her mother, father and brother in a town called Dosso in Niger in western Africa. A fun and relaxed day was had by all.

I have very exciting news as the State Government announced \$112, 000 in the budget towards planned maintenance on the classrooms at Romsey Primary School. This money will be used for painting, floor coverings and other maintenance issues. Works will take place over the next 12 months. Last year's planned maintenance funding project work which was announced in May 2014 will start in October this year after the 150th celebrations. This work will focus on the Gym, Canteen, Art room and Uniform shop. In these areas there will be painting, new vinyl, carpet and new cabinetry. We are very fortunate to receive this funding to maintain our buildings which are now 25 years old.

Loren Peavey
Principal



Macedon Ranges
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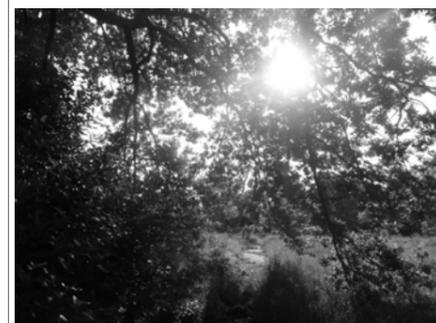
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GRAAP News
Former Romsey Primary School Site Acquisition by Macedon Ranges Shire Council Finalized – Bring on the Park!

Greater Romsey All Abilities Park (GRAAP) Inc is thrilled by Mary-Anne Thomas' (MLA Macedon) recent announcement confirming finalization of the sale of the former Romsey Primary School site to Macedon Ranges Shire Council (MRSC). This site holds a special place for many Romsey residents, current and former. It was a priority for GRAAP to lobby for its retention as a community open space project. After years of GRAAP lobbying local, state and federal governments for this historically significant site to be retained for community open space, MRSC voted unanimously in March 2013 to purchase the site from the State Government.

GRAAP is most grateful to MRSC's support of this project's concept and its patient negotiations with the State Government to purchase the site. GRAAP is now looking forward to initiating the Master Plan process for the all abilities park open space development as soon as possible. MRSC will, as property owner, be charged with the responsibility of determining the future tenants of the historic former primary school building which under the terms of the purchase contract must be not for profit use only.



GRAAP has expressed its hope that the building's use will be sympathetic and complimentary to the park development space. GRAAP would like to thank all at MRSC, State Government and our local community who have worked hard to get to this milestone point. Of course, there is much hard work to do, but the road ahead for this project and the old school site is now heading toward a positive outcome rather than the uncertainty of many previous years. The Romsey region and its visitors can now look forward to an innovative passive recreation space which will engage the senses for all ages and all abilities.

Further Information:

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Get a taste of our tourism industry

To celebrate Victoria Tourism Week, Macedon Ranges Shire Council is inviting tourism businesses to a free 'food and wine' themed networking event at the Woodend Visitor Information Centre.

This is the third year Council has hosted the event, which is an opportunity for tourism businesses to enhance their knowledge of the local food and wine sector and connect with fellow business partners, volunteers and customers whilst enjoying food and wine from across the region.

Businesses will be able to speak with Council's economic development and tourism staff to gain a better understanding of how the region's Visitor Information Centres actively encourage visitation to local businesses.

The event will be held on Tuesday 1 September 2015 at the Woodend Visitor Information Centre on High Street from 6pm to 8pm.

Please register by Tuesday 25 August 2015 at www.mrsc.vic.gov.au/business-events. Bookings are essential as numbers are limited.

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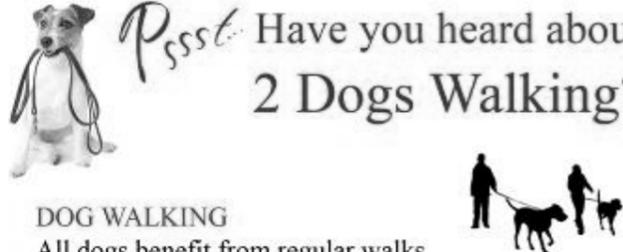
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Local MP, Mary-Anne Thomas, is encouraging community sports clubs across Macedon to apply for funding to improve their facilities. Grants for the *Community Sport and Infrastructure Fund* are now open and are an opportunity for clubs to update rundown facilities and infrastructure.

"Community sport is at the heart of our regional communities and Labour is investing in the facilities of grass roots clubs so local sport can continue to grow and thrive. Importantly, the fund includes \$10 million to develop female friendly facilities so that clubs can build or upgrade women's change rooms. Women are joining community sports clubs in record numbers however women's change rooms are often rundown or non-existent," Ms Thomas said.

"Appropriate facilities and change rooms are critical to support women's participation in local sport and these grants represent a great opportunity to enhance women's facilities". AFL Goldfields Netball Manager, Kim Bailey said.
The *Community Sport and Infrastructure Fund* also provides grants for up to \$100,000 for cricket facilities, up to \$3 million for local pools, up to \$650,000 for major facilities and \$100,000 for minor

facilities upgrades. Local councils will need to apply for the grants but sporting clubs and community organisations can seek support for their project through council by submitting an Expression of Interest.

Ms Thomas added, "Local sports clubs deserve modern, safe facilities. The Labour Government promised them, and is getting on with delivering them."

For information and forms visit
www.sport.vic.gov.au

New town welcome signs

Council has commenced upgrading welcome signs at town entrances across the shire, with a fresh design to showcase the unique landscape characteristics of each town. Many of these signs, which were installed seven years ago, have now reached the end of their expected lifespan and are showing visible signs of wear and tear, affecting their visibility to motorists. Some have been severely damaged or lost to fires in the region. The recommended lifecycle for these signs, as per VicRoads standards for visibility, is seven years. To maximise resources, a new sign panel will be applied to the existing sign posts and rails. The signs are personalised to each town with the use of an image from the local area, and comply with VicRoads design and siting requirements.

2015 Seniors Festival:

It's your time to enjoy

Macedon Ranges Shire Council will celebrate the 2015 Seniors Festival, featuring events during October across the shire. Local groups and organisations are offering a range of activities—from book clubs to bowls, croquet to card games, even a picnic in the park. You can even find out more about volunteering in Macedon Ranges.

For specific event details, visit
mrsc.vic.gov.au or seniorsonline.vic.gov.au, or you can pick up a brochure from your nearest Council customer service centre.

During the first week of the festival there are also many wonderful events in the Melbourne CBD. If you are Victorian Seniors Card holder you can also make the most of free public transport as follows:

Metropolitan trains, trams and buses and regional town bus (Gisborne and Kyneton) services: Sunday 4 October to Sunday 11 October, 2015.

V/Line services: Tuesday 6 October, Wednesday 7 October, Thursday 8 October, Saturday 10 October and Sunday 11 October.

Duneira Spring Program

Spring has finally arrived on Mt Macedon, with the launch of the Duneira spring program of events. In September there's the wisdom of Sir Murray Rivers QC (aka Bryan Dawe), Brazilian music and a session to find out just how a book - *The Dressmaker* was converted for the screen with star Kate Winslet.

Bryan Dawe as Sir Murray Rivers QC pontificates over wine and cheese, on corporate governance, refugees, women and other terrorists, and attempts to explain how this colony has been transformed under the current government and how to make certain this outstanding transformation continues. (5pm, Saturday 5 September).

Two garden events with Michael McCoy are scheduled for Sunday 6 September – a talk at 11.15am, on the historical and intriguing castle and garden at Sissinghurst, and a walk at 12.45pm.

A concert featuring Australian trio Stoneflower will steal the hearts of attendees just as they have for audiences around the country with their evocative journeys through vocal jazz, Brazilian bossa nova & sublime pop adaptations. Stoneflower brings together the artistry of PBS Young Elder of Jazz Award winner Tamara Murphy (bass & vocals) and soulful voice of Jacqueline Gawler (singer/percussionist with Coco's Lunch) with one of Australia's most distinctive and virtuosic guitarists, Stephen Magnusson. (2.30pm, Sunday 6 September).

Meet author of *The Dressmaker*, Rosalie Ham and producer Sue Maslin in a session where they will describe the process of turning a book into a movie, scheduled for release in October and starring Kate Winslet, Judy Davis, Hugo Weaving and Liam Hemsworth. *The Dressmaker* is a bittersweet comedy about love, revenge and haute couture in a small Victorian country town in the 1950s was a best-selling novel. (4pm, Sunday 6 September)

Guided house tours begin again this month, with tours open for booking on 3, 6, 10 & 17 September.

For more information & bookings: 03 5426 1490 (Monday – Thursday) or www.duneira.com.au. Stay in touch with Duneira on facebook - www.facebook.com/Duneira

Media inquiries: Jacqueline Ogeil, Director, 03 5426 1490 / director@duneira.com.au

Fundraise at Duneira!

Duneira opens its gardens for community group fundraising

Duneira's heritage garden, at the top of Mount Macedon, is a favourite place for locals and visitors to explore in spring, especially with the famous bluebell display under the Dutch Elm drive.

For the first time Duneira is offering community groups from the Macedon Ranges region the opportunity to use the existing Open Garden program for the benefit of their organisation, starting this spring! This allows community groups to open the Duneira garden to the public during the weekend and use the proceeds for the benefit of their organisation or a specific project.

There are a number of dates available from September to December, and in order to share these out fairly, groups will need to complete an Expression of Interest Form. Available dates are listed here. Organisations must comply with some basic volunteer and administrative requirements. In addition, groups should be incorporated and have a public liability insurance policy.

For more information, an Expression of Interest form and the Information Pack, please call 03 5426 1490 during office hours 9am–3pm Monday to Thursday or email admin@duneira.com.au.

140 year-old Duneira, set high on Mt Macedon is of Victoria's most historic and beautiful gardens of botanical significance, and home to an extensive collection of art and thousands of first edition books, and fast becoming one of Victoria's cultural centres.



Why Not Dance the Night Away?

The Kyneton and District Old Time Dance Club Inc. currently has about fifty members and is keen promote dancing as an enjoyably activity in Kyneton and its surrounding districts.

The local Kyneton and District Dance Club runs most Tuesdays nights starting at 7-15 pm in the local St Mary's Hall. This involves both dance tuition and the practice of dances done around the district.

Once a month at 8 pm on the 4th Friday of the month, we conduct an evening dance catering for a range of dancing abilities with an excellent country supper being provided. In both cases the general public is most welcome to attend at minimal cost.

The next two Friday night dances are to be held on 28 Aug and 25 Sept. Point of contact is the secretary: John on 0419 535 143 or by email johncode1944@gmail.com or alternatively, look at our website using google.

Hope to see you soon!



Romsey Region Business and Tourism Association (RRBATA)

UPDATE

“Project Romsey” Streetscape Forum #2

The second Romsey Streetscape Community Forum was held on Wednesday 19th August 2015 at the Romsey Community Hub subsequent to Project Romsey Update #2 being circulated and posted at Romsey Online (www.romsey.org.au). The primary purpose of this forum was to form working parties from community members to progress Project Romsey. They are as follows:

1. Trees and Main Street Garden

Aim: To enhance natural aesthetics of the Main Street boulevard Barry Street to Palmer Street.

- This will include consideration of trees, possible nature strip gardens, planter boxes, watering systems, etc.

2. Five Mile Creek Precinct

Aim: To enhance and maintain the natural Romsey Five Mile Creek watercourse in partnership relevant stakeholders.

- This will include the waterway and its immediate environment (pre-existing and future development).

3. Lighting and Roads

Aim: To review and identify opportunities to enhance lighting (aesthetics) and functionality (incl. street lamps, feature building lighting, festive lighting).

- This will also address parking signage, A frames etc, safe crossing points, Barry Street intersection.

4. Arts, Culture and Events

Aim: To review current Romsey events and consider possible future events attractions for Romsey (including possible 5th Sunday market). To also include consideration of possible Street Art projects. This group will also be available to assist the Historical Society (for example, to implement a broader historic building plaque program and to assist making their walking tour more readily accessible to visitors).

5. Town Pride

- Aim:* To enhance visual aesthetics to visitors and locals on arrival at town entry points.
- Tasks will include assessment and management of roadside rubbish and coordinating design of town entry features (north, south, east and west) whilst mindful of sustainable practices.

The focus for each working party was determined from feedback from the first Forum and subsequent meetings with key Macedon Ranges Shire Council (MRSC) officers. Each of these working parties will liaise closely with the Romsey Lancefield Historical Society in the formulation of their project plans.

Volunteers are still needed for the *Lighting and Roads* and *Town Pride* working parties. PROJECT ROMSEY NEEDS COMMUNITY INPUT. *So, if you feel connected to your town and its future, please consider joining one of these groups*

(Phone Jenny Stillman 0412 349849, jennystillman@optusnet.com.au).

Lone Pine Precinct



Even before the recent exciting announcement that MRSC had purchased the former Romsey Primary School site from State Government for an all ages and all abilities park, RRBATA had identified the Lone Pine precinct as needing some attention. Subsequent to Community Forum #1, RRBATA representatives met with representatives from MRSC Parks and Gardens unit. Clearing of two viburnums subsequently occurred, with more maintenance work to be undertaken in Spring. The wellbeing of the significant Lone Pine will be paramount in any works considered for the site.

RRBATA Annual Business Breakfast

By the time this edition of the Rag is printed, the Annual RRBATA Business Breakfast will have been held on **Friday 28th August 2015** at Cope Williams Winery, Romsey. A full report will be included in the September Rag. However,



once again, **RRBATA wishes to proudly acknowledge the support of Romsey Community Bank and Macedon Ranges Shire Council for this event.**

Romsey Online

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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CHOICES

A TALE OF TWO CITIES (cont. from last month)

Sodom & JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM..... After the Israelites had been settled in the "Promised Land" for many, many generations, they themselves succumbed to the evil practices of the Canaanites - so God's judgment fell upon them, the faithful together with the unfaithful. In 722BC, the Northern Kingdom of Israel was destroyed by the Assyrians and its people taken captive to Nineveh, never to return. In 586BC, JERUSALEM, was destroyed by the Babylonians and its King and thousands taken captive to Babylon, because of their idol worship and unholy life styles. 70 years later, a remnant began to return and Jerusalem was slowly re-built by the now two tribes of Judah and Benjamin and the priestly group of Levi. They had learnt their lesson, never again to return to idol worship and strove to live by God's laws but the insidious sins of Pride, Hypocrisy, Greed, Lovelessness and Complacency were their characteristics and their downfall. The failure of their spiritual leaders, through UNBELIEF to recognize Jesus Christ as their promised Messiah, leading to His death on the Cross, brought God's judgment on them also. In 70AD the Roman army totally destroyed that beautiful city over which Jesus had wept as He foretold its destruction, the Jews then fleeing to safety in Europe and many other places - The Diaspora. They have, only in the latter half of the 20th Century, returned to their ancient homeland. What are the lessons for all of us today? What choices are we making? Do we learn from history? God does not change, neither does our fallen sinful human nature! Jesus is the only one who can transform us!

Only as we put our faith and trust in Jesus as our Saviour and Lord and by the grace and power of His Holy Spirit working within us can we overcome the sin which so easily leads us away from our Maker and Redeemer. We all

must stand one day before the judgment seat of Christ. For the unbeliever this has no relevance but for the believer - take heed and go forward in faith.

"In Him was Life and that life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness but the darkness has not understood it."
John 1:4-5.

August 2015 in RETROSPECT

The AMS group heard Max Dansey's account of the great holiday he and Betty had in England and Wales, although too hot for comfort in Dubai. THANK YOU to all who supported our Tony's Pie Drive, just over \$900 was raised. SEPTEMBER 2015

Thurs.10th. 8pm. A.M.S. (Anglican Men's Society) meets for their "SNOOKER NIGHT" at

Mrs.F. Carter's home. Monegeetta. Enq. Tom. 5429-6060 Max. 5429-1597. Thurs.1.30pm. The Guild meets Christ Church Hall L/field. Enq.Glenice 5429-6418

Sunday. 20th. 10am. SPECIAL SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING for the RESTORATION of CHRIST CHURCH LANCEFIELD with Bishop Philip Huggins, our Regional Bishop.

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Sun. 20th. 7pm. HEALING SERVICE. Christ Church Lancefield. Rev. David Farlie.

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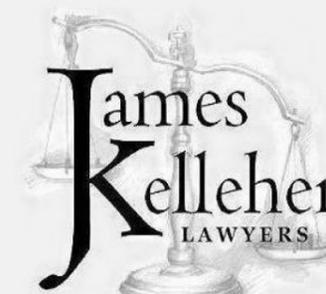
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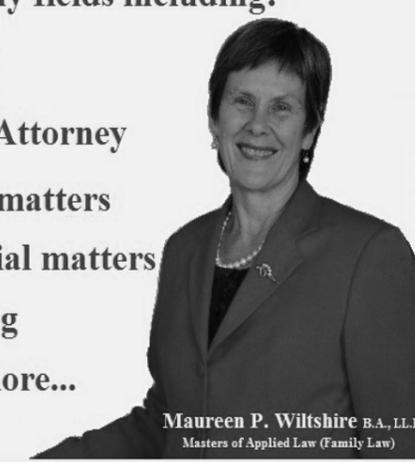
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FROM THE COTTAGE...

August 2015/September

(Sydney Seymour Cottage - Palmer Street – look for the blue Heritage Plaque on the gatepost on the left)

Our last open event was on a Romsey winter's day, with high winds, low temperatures, hail, sleet, freezing temperatures – but there is nothing like a blazing wood fire to warm the body and raise the spirits. In the garden, the early Narcissus were coming out - cream-colored 'Straw' and golden 'Soleil d'Or' and the lovely blue winter iris still blooming. Lovely long tassels on the *Garrya elliptica* and the earliest Ribes (Currants) just opening the lovely pink buds. We were thrilled to have that rare plants man Greg Boldiston with us and his range of hard-to-get plants was a treat. My favourite was the lovely Tulip 'Red Riding Hood' with its dainty red-striped leaves. Rarely seen for sale ... and irresistible.

The exciting thing is that Greg has agreed to partner with us each month and to bring along some of his rare plants. And that's a compelling reason to join us each month for a snack and to see what is happening in the garden and Cottage.

August sees us celebrating Spring in the Garden and to do some cleaning up and to start to clear out some of the self-seeded plants and to re-establish some of the plan that the hard-working group worked out back in the 1980's; the Lancefield Courthouse had a plan of this and we will have it for display. We are starting on the Arum plantings that re-nown plants man Stephen Ryan suggested last year. It's an opportunity to build up an excellent collection of these tough and intriguing plants.

There's lots of excitement in the Committee around our upcoming September event, 'Spotlight on Springfield'. Brenda Sorraghan is preparing a brief introduction to the area, archivist Robyn Miller is rounding up all sorts of interesting facts, Helen Clement is coming along to chat with us, Yvonne Kernan is coming to share some of her experiences...and that's just for starters. Come along and join us and learn a little about one of our special districts. And, of course, there's Greg's plants to entice the discerning gardener! Warm regards,
Ruth Green 0415 256 911

CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 27TH: Spotlight on Springfield

OCTOBER 25TH: We'll celebrate World Children's Day with some old-fashioned children's pastimes. If you are in town for the Romsey Primary School's 150th celebrations why not visit Seymour Cottage on this day?

NOVEMBER 29TH: Photography – and this is your chance to see some wonderful photos of the district and purchase copies for a unique Christmas gift.



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As this edition of the Rag is prepared dancers from Cowboys and Angels are competing on the World Dance Championships in Blackpool, England. In the past two years Cowboys & Angles have won a number of individual, pairs and groups titles at this event.

We should all be very proud of this talented group of people from within our community who represent both Australia and Romsey.

As part of Romsey Primary School's 150th celebrations the Mechanics Institute will be hosting a showing of the film Dusty. Dusty was filmed in and around Romsey during the early 1980s. Much of the filming was done at George and Eline Lobb's farm "Woodlands".

Many of the Romsey locals, including primary school children were in the film as extras and there is at least one scene which was filmed inside the Mechanics Institute. The film will be shown on Saturday October 24th, tickets will cost \$4.00 per head or \$10.00 per family (two adults & two children)

We would like to congratulate the Uniting Church on their 150th celebrations. They did a wonderful job organising and decorating the hall for their celebratory lunch on Sunday August 16th.

There will be a "Blue Light Disco" at the RMI in October. Please keep an eye on the October edition of the Rag to get dates and times.

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MASS TIMES

Saturday:

6.00 p.m. Lancefield

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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

Saturdays 9:45am Romsey & 5:45pm Lancefield.

BAPTISMS

October, December 2015.

February, April, June, August, October, December 2016.

For more information, please phone 5429 2130.

REGULAR EVENTS

St. Mary's Drop-In: First Thursday of each month,

10:00 a.m. Mass – Romsey Church – all welcome.

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.

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Monday - 8.00 p.m. – held at private a residence during winter months. Contact Stephen Holgate for further information. 0411 781 695

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Anyone wishing to know about the Catholic faith is invited to contact Fr. Arnold 5429 2130.

CATCHING UP WITH ST. MARY'S PARISH STUDENTS

Fr. Arnold is keen to meet with or hear from youth of St. Mary's Parish. He would like to know what kind of events they would like to see the parish hold. Would students presently at Sacred Heart and Assumption Colleges welcome periodic get-togethers? Suggestions of how to celebrate the Parish Feast of St. Mary's on Sunday 13th of September would also be welcome. Any suggestions to initiate a parish webpage or facebook page? Contact Fr. Arnold: 5429 2130 arnoldheredia2014@gmail.com

SPECIAL EVENTS

September

Parish Feast Day

Our Parish Feast Day will be held this year on Sunday September 13th beginning with morning Mass at the Lancefield church, followed by a BBQ lunch. Mass time to be confirmed.

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ROMSEY KINDERGARTEN NEWS

Kinder Open Day Raised \$1,700!

The Romsey Kindergarten Open Day was a huge success raising a total of \$1,700, a tribute to the hard work of the Parent Committee, and of course the families who supported the event with their attendance and help on the day. The Kinder Committee would also like to thank sponsors who made this event possible:

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The other big news from Term 2 was the announcement that the Macedon Ranges Council will spend \$120,000 on a playground redevelopment at Romsey Kinder. Families are very excited and eagerly anticipate the commencement of works.

Upcoming Events

Saturday 17 October: A popular event last year, we are excited to be hosting yet another trivia night and silent auction. Kinder families and locals are invited to attend. Great prizes!

Earn & Learn

Residents who shop Woolworths are invited to collect stickers (1 sticker for every \$10 you spend) to help purchase equipment and resources for Romsey Kindergarten. Earn & Learn sticker cards can be picked up at Woolworths when you shop and once you have filled the card with stickers, it can be dropped off in the Earn & Learn box at Romsey Kinder, Main Street Romsey. The more points we collectively earn, the more resources we can buy.



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Sunday 13th September 2015, 10:30 to 3:00

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The annual daffodil competition highlights the show (Entry by phone, 20 cents per entry. Enquiries to contacts below). Additionally, there will be competitions for cut flowers, pots, floral art and arts and crafts displays for kids and adults.

Sell your local produce or pre-loved goods.

Stalls and car boot sales are welcome (\$10 per stall, \$5 per boot).

Activities

Hayrides, Vintage cars and motorbikes, Barbecue, Devonshire teas, book stall, plant stall, jumping castle, pet zoo, pony rides, Footy handball competition (Brand new Sherren signed by Gold Coast star Danny Stanley), CFA Truck and more.

Entry to the fair is by donation and to the hall exhibitions by gold coin donation. Many activities are free while some attract a small individual charge. Enquiries, Ed Stanley 0419 373 010, Tuula Ferraro 0409 406 900, Glenn Langdon 5428 5262

Attention Romsey Rag Contributors:

For the October edition of the Romsey Rag we will require all copy by Friday September 11th as the editorial team will be taking a well-earned break in the September school holidays and will therefore not be available to produce the Rag at the normal time. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause but it is unavoidable.

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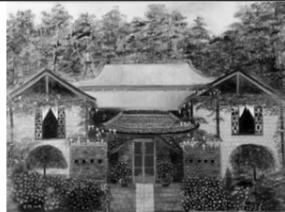
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Once a month we have professional cooks who come in and give us a 2 course lunch. This meal is \$10.

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August News from St Mary's Lancefield

Sustainability Resource Group Incredible Edible Lancefield

The Sustainability Resource Group spent time at a presentation by Lisa Richards with people from the community at the Neighbourhood House. The theme was around the *Incredible Edible Lancefield* idea which involves the promotion of community gardens and sustainability. The vegetables and herbs that are grown outside the shops in Lancefield are an example of this project.



A group has been formed to promote the concept of community gardens. Ava Cheatly, Isabella Ryan, Blake Lovatt, Max Dol & Oliver McHarg

The students have also competed in the COBAW basketball competition at Boardman Stadium in Sunbury. Well done to the students for being good sports and representing our school. Thanks to Mr Simpson and Jeff Unwin for coaching the boys and girls team.

Giovanni Doria, Jake O'Meara, Callum Sankey, Oliver McHarg (back row)
 Marshall Creely, Kade Ryan, Tom Martin (front row)

Prep News

The Prep students are learning about different types of Safety this term. They headed down to the Traffic School in Essendon. They had a great day and learnt a lot about the importance of road and bike safety.



Piano Concert

The Piano students have participated in their mid-year concert. It was a great night of music and the students showcased their amazing talents.

Feast of St Mary MacKillop

On Friday the 8th August we celebrated the Feast Day of St Mary MacKillop, Australia's first Saint. In preparation for the Feast Day the students were involved in a presentation by Josephite Nun, Sr. Jose from Sunbury. She was joined by Mary MacKillop (Mrs Milner in disguise). The students were told about the life of St Mary and the action she took to help those in need.



Sports News

The students have competed in a variety of sports since the beginning of the Term. We had a team compete at Bendigo in Netball. Well Done to Emily Newnham, Elyse Brundell, Charli Price, Chloe Woodburn, Chloe Dyer, Mia Ryan, Madeline Smith and Lisa Marie Doria. Thank you to Kath Brundell and Melinda Giles for coaching the girls.



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Ken Loach is a film director who does not mind confronting his audience with a difficult subject. Such was the case in the Macedon Ranges Film Society's pick for August - The Angel's Share. Set in Glasgow, the main player, Robbie, narrowly escapes a prison sentence and decides instead to turn his life to the better. All is not smooth sailing for the young man but in hands of a director such as Loach, the film has its fair share of charm.

In keeping with the film society's commitment to show a broad genre of films, September's offering will be the Argentine crime thriller, The Secret in Their Eyes. Made in 2009, the plot involves the one-time romance between a judge and a judiciary employee. When they meet again decades later, they confess their dissatisfaction at an unsolved crime committed in 1974, a violent time when criminality often went unpunished.

The Macedon Ranges Film Society meets on the second Wednesday of every month at the Woodend Community Centre. Film notes and an informal supper are part of the evening. MRFS is a membership-based club so initial enquiries must be made by emailing mrfilmsociety@gmail.com or by phoning Lorraine on 5427 0921 or Christine on 5429 5452.



MRFS member Henry Screen offers refreshment to (from left) Sue Massie, Fran Spain and Janet Moritz.

Australian Red Cross – Romsey Branch

Meetings are now held at the Romsey CFA Headquarters, 18 Stawell Street, Romsey.

Meetings – 2015

(1pm on second Tuesday of month)

- 8th September
- 13th October
- 10th November
- 8th December (Christmas lunch)

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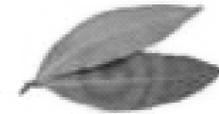
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Lance and Kathie are pleased to have recently purchased the Bay Tree Coffee Shop at 119A Main Street Romsey. They have lived in the Romsey township for 20 years and their two boys attend Romsey Primary School. With a passion for great food and great coffee Lance and Kathie plan to continue the tradition of home style, house made fare for which the Baytree has always been known.

So please next time you are passing come in and say hi. We would love to share with you a nice cup of coffee, our new menu and some of the wonderful freshly made baked goods available every day. And in this cold weather, our open fire makes for a lovely warm place to sit and chat or to just read the newspaper.



Pastor's Parables

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As a parent, the father should ensure that he is contributing to his child's life in whatever way possible. He can help his child in their studies and hobbies and just "BE THERE" at things which are important to his child.

A father should understand that his child was solely dependent on him as a young kid, but this often changes as they grow to become independent.

This is all the more important when the child enters their teens, as children often tend to become a little distant from their parents, especially as they grow up and discover outside interests and friends. A father should understand that such changes are bound to occur, and try to adjust to them as soon as possible.

A father and his child can be two absolutely different personalities. They may have different likes and preferences. Obviously, the generation gap also contributes to the differences between the two. Hence, it is important to understand and accept each other.

Mutual respect for each other is very important to make any relationship sustain and stand the test of time. From the perspective of a father, giving respect is important to make his child value themselves. The child should respect the love and care their father showers them with.

Both the father and his child should ensure that no matter how friendly they are to each other, they don't cross certain boundaries and respect each other's opinion and approach towards life.

Discussing problems with each other and seeking opinion is a good way to develop the bonding.

No matter how busy you are, spending quality time together is the way to nurture a relationship and to make it everlasting; so that the focus on each of your worlds does not spoil the beautiful relationship you share. Sounds perfect doesn't it? If worked at, it can be. But if this is not the case in your family, we all have a Heavenly Father who is just waiting to reveal to you what a PERFECT FATHER IS! (Mt. 5:48)

The question is...Will you be His child? (John 1:12-13) He is waiting for you. (Luke 15:11-32)

***** Encourage Church upcoming events:**

Sunday 6th September
= 10am Special Father's Day Service
All Dads & Grandads welcome

Sunday 25th Oct = 10am Celebrate Children Morning
Welcome Everyone

If you would like to know more about faith in Jesus please contact Pastor Marilyn or our Church office
Ph 5429 6327

We would be happy to help you find true peace and joy in life.

Encourage Church: "Encouraging one another to be ALL we can be in life and in God".

You are invited to join us at our regular Sunday Service: **10am at 7 Mitchell Court Romsey** or one of our fortnightly Life Groups. Fortnightly Youth events and weekly Children's Programs.

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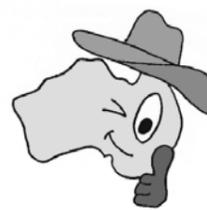
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Monthly Meetings are held on the fourth Thursday at 10am in St.Mary's Church Hall, Main Street, Romsey.

Next meeting Thursday 24th September, 2015 at 10am.

Probuss Trip:
On Tuesday 18th & Wednesday 19th August, 13 Probuss members drove to Boort & Wedderburn.
We had a great trip, meeting many wonderful people and seeing alot of interesting sights.

- We visited the "Spannerman" - John Piccoli who makes beautiful sculptures out of 'spanners'. He is in a wheelchair and does outstanding work. Just beautiful.
- We had lunch and tour at Simply Tomatoes, who produce green tomato products and also manufacture Aussie Wool Quilts. Very good.
- We visited Salut  Olive Oil farm where husband and wife do all the work - picking and harvesting olives for table and olive oil.
- We stayed overnight at the Goldseeker Motel in Wedderburn. Great accommodation & meals.

On Wednesday we saw -

- Demonstration of pyrography - pictures burnt onto wood also charcoal drawings and lots more, amazing.
- Wedderburn's Coach House Gallery & Historic General Store Museum consisting of a lot of memorabilia from the gold rush era and a beautiful horse drawn hearse.
- We watched the process of Eucalyptus Oil being stewed in a Eucalyptus "Stew Pot", lovely oil fragrance. Very interesting
- We had lunch and a tour at the Wedderburn Community Centre - excellent.

We all enjoyed this trip and are very grateful to Jean Buist who organised the trip so well.

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

A few of our members enjoy 'Ten Pin Bowling' each fortnight at Watergardens (*definitely non-serious*) followed by lunch at a nearby hotel or club.



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



If you are retired, or close to retiring, come along and join us and learn more about what Probuss 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 Probuss Club rprobuss.org.au

TERM 4 PROGRAM 2015

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Hi Romsey, well it's been officially 12 months now since I've come on board at the Neighbourhood house as Coordinator and has time gone fast! (When your having fun!) We've seen so many changes over this time so it well worth coming in and visit!

The House is now a hive of activity with a wide variety of over 50 activities and courses on offer including 6 days of fitness activities, gold coin weekly art and craft groups, and cooking classes, just to name a few... We also regularly run Food Handling courses, First Aid and Boat Licence.

Join us at our monthly Social Morning Teas on the 3rd Friday of the month, a great place to meet new people in a welcoming and friendly atmosphere so come along, meet new friends, chat, enjoy a cuppa and scrumptious Morning Tea.

Our Garden Club with now over 70 members has visited heaps of gardens this year and there are more outings to come...

There is something for everyone at RNH!

Kids there is a great art class, and fun dance class and for the older youth at heart why not come along and try Konga, a fun way to get fit. For those serious about getting fit Konga is launching its new bootcamp starting in Sept on Saturday mornings at 6 am!

If there is a course or activity you'd like to see offered in Romsey I'd love to hear from you! Be sure to check out our term 4 brochure coming out to you soon.

Call out for Volunteers!

As we are growing and getting busier we are getting desperate for more volunteers. We are aiming to be open 5 days a week so if your interested in volunteering in the office to either share your skills or learn new skills - **we need you!** Also if you have skills in grant writing we'd love to have you on board. The community is coming up with some great projects and initiatives so we need to raise funds to see them become a reality. If you'd like to be a part of a project or event, pop in we'd love to have you be involved.

A huge Thank-you!



A huge thank you to our band of wonderful and incredibly talented artists in our community who have taken on the challenge to revamp our old sterile house with an amazing inside mural. Come along inside and have a look, it's fantastic! We certainly have so many gifted people in our community, Romsey. If you'd like to see some of their artwork, pieces are constantly on display and for sale at the House.

A GREAT EVENT! LADIES NITE IN!

Also on the 28th August the ladies of the town celebrated our **Ladies Nite In!** It was a great night and all for a good cause...supporting women with Breast Cancer. The night was also an opportunity for local women to get together, have some fun, explore alternatives for health and wellbeing as well as recognise and celebrate all those incredible women in our local community who are running their own business and more often than not raising a families as well.

We also launched our 'Community Knit Up' campaign so if you are a knitter why not get on board and help to knit prosthetic breast for women with breast cancer. We also owe a very big than-you to all those who helped make the night possible by donating their time and expertise to the event as well as all those who participated and support our **LADIES NITE IN! I think we need to make it an annual event!**

Romsey Whole Town Garage Sale!

Saturday 12th September

Romsey it's time to get ready and de-clutter! It's our **Town Garage Sale on 12th Sept.** Its looking to be bigger than ever so register now for only \$5 and be on the map! Sites are also available onsite at the Hub for \$20. Or for \$3 grab a map on the day and find a bargain. Last year we had over 30 sites. Maps on sale on day from 8am. Ring the House on 5429 6724 if you are interested in registering. There's so much more happening at Romsey Neighbourhood house....**be part of it!** **Cheers Michelle**



MOUNT MACEDON & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY INC. Hundreds of garden lovers to flock to Macedon

More than 1000 garden lovers are expected to converge on historic 'Bolobek' at Macedon for the annual **Mount Macedon Horticultural Society Garden Lovers Fair** on Saturday 19 and Sunday 20 September.

Previously known as the 'Plant Lovers Market', the event has been running since 2002, each year attracting hundreds of visitors from Melbourne, regional Victoria and across the country. More than 30 stallholders will include local and interstate specialist plant growers, artisan tool makers and outdoor furniture importers. The Fair will also feature one of the most extensive ranges of horticultural/gardening books available in Australia. Guests will be able to learn tricks of the trade from an impressive line-up of gardening personalities and experts presenting throughout the weekend, including:

- Award-winning landscape designer and ABC 774 radio personality Carolyn Blackman, from Vivid Design.
- Well known gardening personality and plants man Stephen Ryan, from Dicksonia Rare Plants in Mount Macedon.
- Author and notable plants man Simon Rickard, former head gardener at the Diggers Club and current botanical guide for Botanica World Discoveries.

The speakers will present on a range of fascinating gardening topics and host several Q&A sessions. Simon will also be signing copies of his latest book 'Heirloom Vegetables: A Guide to their Histories and Varieties'.

Families are encouraged to come along and enjoy children's activities and a BBQ lunch provided by Scout groups from Gisborne and Macedon. Guests can also sample local wines, delicious homemade food and coffee – plus take a unique opportunity to wander through the delightful gardens of this impressive property.

Bolobek, in the foothills of Mount Macedon, is an historic property that has been inspiring gardeners for more than a century. Featuring four hectares of established gardens – including an impressive walled rose garden, mature woodlands and abundant orchard – Bolobek is an apt backdrop for this not-to-be-missed event.

Bolobek is located at **370 Mount Macedon Road, Macedon**. Gates will be open from **10am to 4pm, on Saturday 19 and Sunday 20 September 2015**. Entry to the event is \$10, with proceeds supporting the local SES and Mount Macedon Horticultural Society. Children under 18 are admitted free.



*Are you interested in improving Romsey's streetscape?
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The following working parties still need volunteers:

- *Roads and Lighting*
- *Town Pride*

For further information, please contact

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or go to *Project Romsey Update #2* at Romsey Online (www.romsey.org.au).