



**Christmas In
Romsey 2017**
REMINDER:
**Invitation to
Community
Groups
to decorate
Main Street Christmas
Trees**

Following on from the successful Main Street Christmas Tree installations of Christmas in Romsey 2016, expressions of interest are invited from Community Groups (not for profit) to be involved in decorating trees for this year's Main Street Christmas Tree installation.

**NUMBERS ARE LIMITED, SO DO NOT
MISS OUT!**

Please register your group's intended involvement by
Monday 31st July 2017.
Contact: Abbey Brown
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Phone: 5429 5800
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Thank You Jay Brookes

Romsey's School Crossing Supervisor Jay Brookes is retiring from her position after 11 years of service to the families of Romsey. Many children and families will know Jay from her dedicated service to keeping our children safe while crossing the Main Road on their way to and from school. We would like to say a huge thank you to Jay and wish her well with whatever happens in the future. A job well done and much appreciated!

Please Use The Romsey Rag!

We encourage all community groups and organisations to make use of the Romsey Rag to publicise any events and services in our community.

Recently we undertook some research into what the people of Romsey think about the Rag, and it was interesting to note that many newcomers to town (and with our town growing that is a significant number!) find the Rag a great source of information.

We also would like to see more "news" contributions a well. Perhaps there is a story of interest occurring in town, or there is someone in our community who deserves some recognition.

Whatever the case, please let us know.

THE ROMSEY RAG

Issue No. 355

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and proudly supported by the Macedon Ranges Shire Council

July 2017

THE JULY EDITION OF THE ROMSEY RAG IS PROUDLY BROUGHT TO YOU BY

Romsey Rag Meeting

Thank you to the large number of Romsey Rag people who attended the Romsey Rag review meeting on June 20th. It was heartening to see that there is so much support for our local Rag in our community!

The discussion at the meeting was healthy, positive and constructive. The outcome of the meeting was the agreement to form a committee of management for the Romsey Rag that is an independent body and representative of the Romsey community.

The first meeting of people who have expressed interest in forming a committee will be held at 7.00pm on Monday July 3rd at the Neighbourhood House. One of the first tasks of the committee may be to make the Romsey Rag an incorporated entity, thus opening up the ability to seek further financial support for the Rag.

Everyone agrees that an overhaul of the Rag is long overdue and it will be exciting to see where this next incarnation of the Rag takes us!

While there may not be immediate or obvious changes to the Rag, rest assured that there will be lots of activity going on behind the scenes.

Keep reading the Rag for further developments. Some changes to contacts for things such as advertising and submission of copy may happen initially—this will become more evident after the first meetings of the committee. Rest assured that all contributors will be updated as changes occur.

Thank you to Romsey Primary School for facilitating the meeting in June, and thank you to Gillian Gorrie for her work over the past month in getting information out to interested people, and for organising to meet with those people. As a result a lot of research has been undertaken by various individuals and the information gathered will no doubt be very useful to the new committee in helping the Rag to move forward.

The closing date for copy for the August 2017 edition of the Rag is July 15th 2017.

We cannot guarantee inclusion of copy received after this date.

Please email your copy to the Romsey Rag email address: romseyrag@romseyps.vic.edu.au We require submissions to be in Word document format, and for graphics to be in Jpeg format. Please ensure that you have permission to use photographs of people depicted in your article.

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Articles should be left at the Romsey Post Office (fax 5429 5134) or Romsey Primary School by 12 noon on the 15th of the month.

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

Articles can be sent via e-mail to: romseyrag@romseyps.vic.edu.au

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

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November 15th 2017	October 15th 2017	Thursday October 26th
December 2017	November 2017	Thursday November 30th

ROMSEY & LANCEFIELD SOCIAL CLUB

Inviting men and women 55 to 105 who are retired, lonely and helpful.

We meet **Every Monday** in the back rooms of the Romsey Mechanics Hall from 11am to 3pm for lunch and afternoon tea. Hot soup, rolls, nibbles and biscuits and cake. Cost \$5. Some groups play cards, others sit and chat or play indoor bowls. For those who don't drive, we have a council bus that will pick you up and drop you off in the afternoon.

Once a month we have professional cooks who come in and give us a 2 course lunch. This meal is \$10. We also have a **Bus Trip** to some very interesting places on the first Wednesday of the month with a 2 course meal and morning tea. Trips are \$40 which includes your lunch.

For more information please contact:
Rae Hooke 54291602
E. Parks 54291314
Come along and give us a try!

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Coffee Shop Conversations 'Responsibility'

1. Notice the choices you make every day. Are you responsible for your thoughts?

A few weeks ago I was talking to some friends about responsibility. The definition of responsibility is the fact of being accountable or to blame for something. On my journey through self-development the realisation that I was responsible for all the choices that I made was a challenge. Think about it.

Yes we are

De Pak Chopra states:
No Secrets Just Choices
Water
Diet
Exercise
Balance
Altogether to create a happy healthy being.
“Everything that is happening at this moment is a result of the choices you've made

responsible for the way we think about things and when we become aware of how we think or react, we are able to change our thoughts and begin to think in a different way creating a different reaction/outcome.

What it does is once you become aware and take responsibility you become empowered to live the life you deserve. Do what you want and be the best you can possibly be. There are two things you can do:

A friend was telling me the other day that she had put on 5 kilos in the last couple of months because her mum was serving her up large meals and dessert every night. Did she have a choice? Yes. Did she have to eat all the food on her plate? No. What are the other choices she could have made? Think about it.

2. Notice how you react to what other people say, when what they say triggers off an uncomfortable feeling inside you? Do you hang onto the feeling? Do you push the feeling away and not deal with it?

Or do you ask the question "Why am I allowing that to affect/bother me?" Good questions create clarity.

When we realise that we have a choice it becomes very Empowering, when we become aware of how we think, then we have the power to change our thoughts and change the outcome. If you would like to learn more please give me a call or come along to one of my workshops.

The programs I am running are full of tips and strategies and tools to help you to move forward. Come along and enjoy a session of self discovery. They range from 2 1/2 hours to 2 days, The Parent Trap, Confidential Communication, From Crap to Happy, Stress less, Empowered Thoughts Inspired Action, The secret of creating anything you want, and more.

Need to talk to us face-to-face?

Visit one of our friendly staff at the Romsey Community Hub during the following opening hours:

Romsey
Monday, 12.30pm–5pm*
Tuesday, 9.30am–5pm
Wednesday, 12.30pm–5pm*
Thursday, 12.30pm–6pm*
Friday, 9.30am–5pm

* Library opens at 9.30am.
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Encouraging men to skill up on youth mental health

Do you want to learn more about how you can support a young person experiencing mental health problems? Each year Council offers fully accredited Youth Mental Health First Aid training courses.

The award-winning courses are available to parents, guardians and teachers in the Macedon Ranges who want to learn how to give initial help to young people who are in a mental health crisis situation or in the early stages of a mental illness.

The next course is specifically for men, and is being held on Tuesday evenings from 7pm to 10pm on 1, 8, 15 and 22 of August at Hologates Brewery in Woodend.

The 14-hour course will cover topics such as anxiety, depression, psychosis, alcohol abuse and other drug issues and eating disorders.

To find out more information or to book your place, visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/live4life or call 5422 0275.



ANTIQUES & COLLECTABLES APPRAISAL DAY

Gisborne Anglican Parish is hosting an Antiques and Collectables Appraisal Day, verbally by an Antiques Guild Member only.

When: Saturday July 8, 10am – 3pm,

Where: at St. Paul's Parish Hall,
cnr. Fisher & Brantome Streets,
Gisborne.

Cost: \$5 per item or 3 for \$10.

Limit 3 appraisals per session.

Max sessions 2 per person.

Soup & other refreshments.

All welcome.

For more information contact
Janine Mc Dougall (m) 0418171092,

Have your say on public art and memorials

Council is seeking feedback on two draft policies about public art and memorials in the Macedon Ranges Shire. The draft Public Art Policy is a new policy that provides a clear framework for people seeking approval for public art projects in the shire.

The revised draft Memorials Policy outlines the process for seeking approval to establish a memorial.

Macedon Ranges Shire Council's Director Community Wellbeing, Karen Stevens encouraged residents to read through the draft policies and share their ideas via a quick online survey.

"We recognise that public art and local memorials have an enormous capacity to enhance our natural environment and create vibrant streetscapes and that these pieces can become treasured community assets.

"We are interested in your thoughts as we want to ensure that both of these policies outline a fair and thoughtful process that will guide future projects," she said.

To have your say, visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/yoursay or drop in to a Council service centre in Kyneton, Gisborne, Woodend or Romsey. The surveys will be open until Friday 21 July or written submissions can be sent to PO Box 151, Kyneton VIC 3444 or mrsc@mrsc.vic.gov.au



Romsey Primary School News

Romsey Primary School is now accepting enrolments for 2018. If you would like further information, to book a school tour or to receive an enrolment pack please contact the school on 5429 5099, call in to the office between 8.30am and 4.00pm Monday to Friday or email romsey.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

Young Scientists at Work

Our Preps recently had their first experiences as young scientists, investigating the states of matter. This involved lots of fun with slime, and jelly, and lots of predictions.



Above: Slime Day in Prep TC

Winter Sports Day

Romsey Primary School played host again this year to students from our district for winter sports. Students participated in football, netball and T-ball, with some closely contested matchups during the day.

Disco

Our Parent Committee organized a very well attended disco for all students in the middle of June. The students thoroughly enjoyed the evening. This was just one of many fund raising activities for the school that Parent Committee has undertaken this year, and we thank them for their support. More members are needed to help with this group so

if you are apparent, friend or relative of a child at the school please get in touch to lend your support.

A Novel Approach to Research

5/6LS has been undertaking some project work where they have been required to research an Australian company without using electronic resources. Each student selected a company and wrote a letter requesting information to include in their final presentation. This has not only enhanced student's research skills, but has also provided an opportunity to develop skills in an often overlooked art of letter-writing. Students have been very pleased so far as responses from various companies have begun to arrive in the mail. There have even been some surprises for the students with the information they have received. We thank those organisations for their support of our students.

Above: Grace was one of the first students to receive a reply from her chosen business.

Year 3/4 Camp

Students in years 3 and 4 are looking forward to their camp at Billabong Ranch, Echuca in August. This will be Romsey's first experience at Billabong and we are sure it will be lots of fun for the students.

Pyjama Day

We discovered a family of dinosaurs at Romsey Primary School when our Junior School Council held a fund-raising Pyjama and Onesie Day. It was great to see almost everyone in their favourite pyjamas and onesies. Thanks to everyone's generous donations the Junior School Council raised \$484.50 for the continuing sponsorship of a child in Africa. Well done everyone!




Macedon Ranges Shire Council Aquatics & Leisure Centres

Get active at Romsey Recreation Centre

Keep fit for life and join in the fun at one of our fitness classes for mature adults.

Staying Strong circuit
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Parish Priest: Fr. Vinoth Santiago School Principal: Ms. Julie McDougall
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St. Mary's Primary: 5429 1359

MASS TIMES

1st & 3rd Sunday of the month:

8:00am Lancefield and 10:00 am Romsey

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

8:00 am Romsey and 10:00am Lancefield

COMMUNION SERVICES

Tuesday & Thursday

9:00am Romsey Church

Saturday

10:00am Romsey Church

ROSARY

Saturdays 9:45am Romsey

RECONCILIATION

By arrangement.

BAPTISMS

2017 – Romsey Church – September 3rd & November 5th.

2017 – Lancefield Church – August 13th, October 8th & December 10th.

For more information, please phone 5429 2130.

SACRAMENTS

Parents with children not attending St. Mary's School who are scheduled to receive Sacraments in 2018 are invited to email their details to the secretary at lancefield@cam.org.a to register your child. Information will be sent out early in 2018 with the Sacramental schedule for the year.

Like us at <https://www.facebook.com/stmarysparishlancefieldromsey> to keep up with parish activities and news.

PARISH NEWS

Thank you to those who have sent messages of support to Fr. Vinoth as he recovers from his injuries in India. He is now doing well and being cared for by family. Fr. Vinoth will be returning to Australia in mid-July and we hope to see him up and about soon after. Fr. Martin will continue to celebrate our Sunday Masses with us during Fr. Vinoth's extended leave.

Year 6 children at St. Mary's School along with Year 6 children from all other local schools within the parish are now preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep them in your thoughts as they continue on their faith journey.



DEEP CREEK LANDCARE GROUP 3434

Covering Lancefield, Romsey & Monegeeta Districts

One of the Deep Creek Landcare Group's biggest projects in recent times would have to be the Sheehans Crossing project in Romsey.

We began years ago by sourcing a natural area restoration management design plan authored by Andrew Pawsey and approached MRSC, Melbourne Water and Park Vic for permission to restore an area that was then degraded from years of overgrazing and pest weed and animal. There was very little biodiversity in this now beautiful site and our work restoring it over a period of time was rewarded when the Port Phillip & Westernport Catchment Management Authority awarded our group the "Caring for public land" award in 2012 for our

work particularly at Sheehans Crossing.

Much volunteer time and effort went into site preparation such as the removal of dumped rubbish and wire, weed removal (to the tune of 3 ute loads), site spraying in preparation of planting out what is now closer to a thousand trees and shrubs so as to restore biodiversity, protect the integrity of remnant vegetation and the intrinsic value of the wildlife corridor and to contribute to the site's environmental assets which are classified as endangered and vulnerable in its environmental vegetation classification (EVC).

In the last few years (and last year with the assistance of DELWP funding), we have successfully established roo exclusion cages (as seen below) which have been incredibly successful and we wish to share this success with the community.

There is often nothing more defeating than planting out hundreds of staked and guarded trees for them to become merely fodder for pest animals but the roo exclusion cages have proved extremely valuable in getting the native vegetation off to a good start by protecting them whilst they are young (tubestock). Once they establish, the fencing then can be moved to another position nearby and we begin the process again. This is a very effective way of establishing vegetation that is prone to pest animal grazing. Fences are 1.2mH and up to 10mL wrapped into a circular cage with galvanised posts and anchored by gal pegs on all sides. If you are doing any revegetation on your property and would like to see the set up, design and success of these roo exclusion cages, feel free to have a gander at those along the Deep Creek on Sheehans Rd Romsey. Deep Creek Landcare Group would also like to take this opportunity to thank our outgoing Landcare Facilitator Grant Godden for all his hard work, attention and assistance to our Landcare Group and wish him well with his future endeavours.



Hayley Goodman
President : deepcreeklandcare@gmail.com



Volunteer with Meals on Wheels

Are you interested in giving back to your community?

Join our team, and deliver meals to the Romsey, Lancefield and Riddells Creek community.

To volunteer, you'll need to:

- Undertake a police check and provide 2 referees
- Have a reliable vehicle and current drivers license
- Be able to spare up to three hours once or twice a month.

For more information, call 5422 0258 or email sharper@mrcs.vic.gov.au



Go after your goals at Romsey Recreation Centre

Register now for one of our junior programs starting on Monday 17 July:

Shooting Hoops basketball development program

Mondays, 4pm-4.45pm

U12 basketball training academy

Mondays, 4.45pm-6pm



Contact 5429 5637 or visit mrcs.vic.gov.au/RRC



Check out what's on offer at your local Neighbourhood House. We are offering nearly 90 courses and activities 6 days a week. Our Term 2 brochure giving loads of details will soon be in your letterbox. Keep an eye out for our big Sustainability Mural which is coming soon, it will be a knockout.

You can also expand your interests by being a Volunteer at The House. We have lots happening. Be part of it!



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Some excellent news with one of our recent applications for funds being successful. The MRSC has approved our Small Community Grant application, these funds will see the RMI purchase two lockable cleaner's cupboards so that cleaning equipment and other materials can be securely stored and out of the way of patrons.

The 2017-18 Bendigo Bank Community Investment Fund has just opened. Over the years the RMI has received wonderful support from this community minded local business. We will be applying for funds to finish off our two-stage heaters improvement project that was begun last year.

The CoM hopes to see the fully repaired and restored WW1 Honour Rolls back within the RMI before the end of June.

These two treasured community artefacts will soon again be on display for all to see

Work to strip back the timber fireplaces and other timber in the Supper Room is continuing. Once all the paint has been removed the bare timber will be sanded back, waxed and then at least three coats of shellack will be applied. This will be a slow process but once it is completed it will really help bring the Supper Room back to its original appearance

Many people who have used the RMI in recent years will be aware of some of the damage to the rendered walls in the main hall and the Supper Room. The CoM has contacted the relevant trades to get quotes for repairs to the obvious damage and for preventative maintenance works to areas where the render is beginning to come away from the bricks.

We hope to present our case to DELWP and gain some funds for these works. The damage was originally caused by the rising damp, now that the building is drying out repairs will stop the areas slowly growing causing damage to the floor and seriously detracting from the look of the hall

If you are planning something, a birthday, an anniversary, an engagement or any other function please consider the RMI our web site gives a good idea as to what we have to offer.

Bookings and all inquiries can be made at;
rmibookings@gmail.com. We are very happy to discuss your function, show you through the hall or supper room and explain the hire process. Anthony Lakey - Chair - RMI - CoM

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 Season starts: 20 July
 Games played from 9.30am
 New and experienced players are welcome.
 The Stadium, 95 Melton Road, Gisborne
 Phone 5428 1619 or visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/thestadium


LOCAL Girl becomes a recipient of The Field Trips 2017 award.
 Local Lancefield resident, Chloe Hansen (12), is the recipient of The Field Trip's 2017 Award for MP for a Day. Courtesy of MP Mary-Anne Thomas, the lucky recipient will have the opportunity to be in the shoes of a real Member of Parliament, participating in a parliamentary sitting and meeting Ministers, and maybe even the Premier. Chloe has been with The Field Trip, a youth movement run weekly in Riddells Creek, since its inception in August 2015. In that time, she has produced podcasts for radio, built cubby houses for charity, been an author in a published book, run a weekend retreat for senior citizens and produced her own YouTube channel, YouFood, presenting on clips on the subject of healthy eating. When asked what she gets out of The Field Trip and the chance to be MP for a Day, she replied: "I'm learning that the world around me doesn't just have one path set out for me, but many. And I'm looking forward to figuring out these paths with the guidance of The Field Trip."



Catch acclaimed Indigenous author Bruce Pascoe in conversation in Kyneton

Council, in partnership with the Macedon Ranges Reconciliation Group, is hosting a unique opportunity to hear award-winning Indigenous writer Bruce Pascoe in conversation during the John Morieson Oration night, at the Kyneton Mechanics Institute on 8 July from 7.30pm to 9pm.

The event will be held during NAIDOC Week, a national celebration from 2 to 9 July that honours the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Accomplished author Bruce Pascoe will be discussing his latest award-winning work, *Dark Emu*, which presents a radically different view of Australia's first peoples as hunter gatherers.

Through extracts of early explorer's journals and records, Bruce asserts that Aboriginal people across the continent were engineering sophisticated dwellings and irrigation systems, along with domesticated plants, sowing, harvesting and storing.

The evening is in honour of the late John Morieson, an academic of Aboriginal history and cosmology, a social activist for Indigenous education, and local member of the Macedon Ranges Reconciliation Group.

Come along to the event, and find out more about the ideas that underpin Bruce's fascinating work, *Dark Emu*, and discover more about the life and work of John Morieson.

The cost is \$15 and bookings are essential.

To book tickets, contact
Jenny on mrreconciliation@gmail.com, or
Emilie on 5422 0333 or ebyrne@mrc.vic.gov.au

Tree works in Romsey to begin in July

Tree works to improve public safety in the Main Street of Romsey will take place in July.

An English Elm tree located in the shopping precinct, opposite Forbes Automotive, has been identified as being in an advanced state of decline, and will be removed due to public safety concerns as the tree has been identified as having extensive internal decay.

Works to remove the tree will begin in July, with a tree of the same or similar species to be planted in the vicinity.

For more information about these works, call Council on 5422 0333.



FROM THE COTTAGE... 'BARTON'

Barton (Seymour) Cottage c. 1855

June/July 2017

Barton (Seymour) Cottage is a heritage listed dwelling built around 1855. 20 Palmer Street, ROMSEY – look for the blue Heritage Plaque on the gatepost on the left.

Open on the last Sunday of the month, from 11-2.
THE FRIENDS OF THE COTTAGE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO WELCOMING VISITORS TO THE COTTAGE ON THE LAST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH THROUGHOUT 2017.

Always a friendly welcome, a cuppa and slice, or a mug of soup.

Or visit us on on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays at 10 am for a history chat (we have some of the local historical society books for sale).
OUR YOUNGEST SCRIBE...

Always interesting is the range of visitors we receive, from the oldest, accompanied by their children, to the youngest accompanied by their adults... *We loved this photo of the superb effort this 3 year old put into signing our Visitor's Book at the last opening. This was after she had enjoyed a vigorous game of Quoits (somewhat adapting the rules!!). Hopefully she will return over the years to again explore and enjoy 'Barton' – and admire her signature... (Photo used with permission)*

Barton (Seymour) Cottage c. 1855
20 Palmer Street, ROMSEY



Looking forward to welcoming you at 'Barton'!

Ruth (0411 812 805); jandrgreen@hotmail.com on behalf of the Cottage Friends
Barton (Seymour Cottage) is a division of Romsey-Lancefield Historic Society

The Mount Players Happenings



Our 14th annual **One Act Play Festival** will be held on 8th – 9th July. An assortment of short plays will be staged across the weekend performed by The Mount Players and guest theatre companies from far and wide. All plays are judged by an adjudicator who will present a variety of awards at the wind up to the festival on Sunday afternoon. This is a lovely opportunity to nestle in and enjoy a cosy weekend of excellent theatre. Come for a session or make a weekend of it.

Tickets can only be purchased at the door.

Our 4th Production **Present Laughter by Noel Coward**, will be staged in Nov/Dec and we invite anyone interested to an **Information Night** at the theatre on Monday 17th July at 7.00pm. **Auditions** will be run on Sat 29th and Sun 30th July. For all enquiries please contact the Director, Andrew Meldrum on 0488 363 222.

You can now book your tickets for our August/September musical comedy, **The Full Monty**. This will be a fabulous production so book early to avoid disappointment. To book your tickets or enquire on session times go to www.themountplayers.com or call our box office on 5426 1892.



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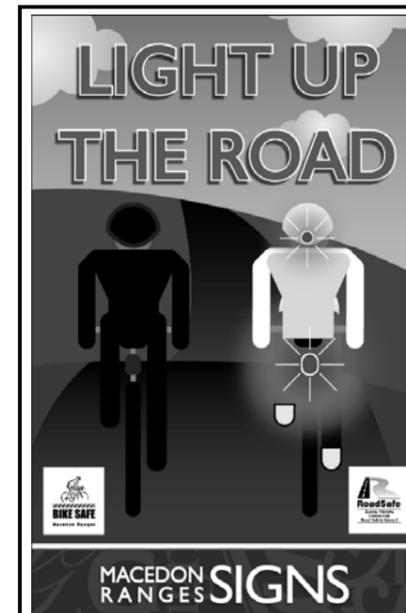
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Bike Safe Macedon Ranges - Light Up the Road

Following on from the terrible events on Black Forest Drive recently, it's that time of year where low light and short days mean we all need to take measures to be visible on our roads. You will soon see our "Light Up the Road" banners on the roadside as part of our winter campaign. With the support of Macedon Ranges Shire Council, Macedon Ranges Signs and funding by VicRoads Road Safety Community Grants we are encouraging all road users to consider their visibility when on the road.

As a cycling safety advocacy group, we recommend the use of lights and visible clothing always. Sunshine and shadows can mean it is all too easy for a cyclist to blend into the background. All road users – pedestrians, horse riders and car drivers to name just a few – need to think about how visible they are on the road. Don't expect that other road users can easily see you.

Don't be the stealth cyclist or car going past that you only see at the last minute! No-one wants to be involved in a collision and we all want to get safely home to our families.

Jem Richards
Bike Safe Macedon Ranges



Council encourages responsible use of wood fire heaters for the comfort of all

Council is reminding residents with wood fire heaters to check their chimneys for excessive smoke, as it can disturb neighbours, affect the environment and cause physical discomfort to those with respiratory illnesses.

Council's Manager Community Safety, Anne-Louise Lindner said while wood heaters can be a great source of warmth during the winter months, they can be a major contributor to outdoor air pollution.

"If not operated correctly, wood heaters and open fire places can cause problems for neighbours and adjoining properties.

"Smoke should almost never be visible from a working chimney, yet we're hearing neighbourhood complaints about air pollution from wood fire heaters," she said.

There are some simple steps that owners of wood fire heaters can take to reduce wood smoke. These include:

- When lighting a cold heater, use plenty of dry kindling.
- Only burn dry and seasoned wood. To check this, knock two bits of wood together. It should make a 'crack' sound rather than a dull thud.
- Use several small logs rather than one large log and stack them loosely in your heater so air can circulate around them. Don't cram the firebox.
- Fire should only smoke when first lit and when adding extra fuel. Open the air controls fully for five minutes before and 20 minutes after reloading.
- Don't let your heater smoulder overnight - keep enough air in the fire to maintain a flame. Expect the ash to be fine white powder. If coals are present after the fire has burnt out, there is a good chance your fire is smoking excessively.
- Inspect and clean the flue at least once a year. Check it regularly to see if smoke is being emitted (wood heaters should only smoke for 20-30 minutes when first lit and for 10 minutes after more wood has been added).

Ms Lindner encouraged people adversely affected by smoke from wood fire heaters to try to resolve the issue amiably.

"Neighbourhood complaints concerning wood heater smoke occur at this time each year, and these issues are best handled by working together.

"If after speaking with your neighbour you don't see an improvement, contact Council", she said.

If you are experiencing excessive smoke emissions from your wood heater or if you are still concerned with smoke coming from a neighbour's wood heater after speaking with them,
contact Council's Environmental Health Unit on 5422 0333.



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Monthly meetings are at 10am, on the 4th Thursday of the month in St.Mary's Church Hall



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Our next meeting is 10am Thursday 27th July, 2017
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2017 Romsey Open Tournament

Saturday June 3rd; The 4BBB Pairs. The 37th Romsey Open began under clear skies, with almost no wind and steady sunshine. This was quite a change from the past four years where the weather had been both wet and very cold. Men's and Women's teams came from Midlands, Lancefield, Kyneton, Romsey, Trentham, Woodlands, Seymour, Gisborne and Woodend Golf Clubs. After the excellent early autumn rains, the mild weather and good dew the fairways and most greens were in excellent condition. Players did struggle with the remains of the summer's bird damage on two greens however in general the greens were very receptive to good approach shots and putted quite true. The field of 44 moved around the course with few hold-ups and the course echoed with shouts as putts dropped or just grazed the side of the cup. At about 3.30 pm the field was in the rooms enjoying a country afternoon tea and chatting while the cards were checked and awards organised.



Men's Pairs winners Darren Newnham & Andrew Evans with event sponsor Phil Newell & CG Vice Pres, Kevin Dunn



Women's Pairs winners Denise O'Meara & Jenny Hartley with RGC V Pres Kevin Dunn

RGC Pres, Anthony Lakey, thanked the day's sponsor **P & V Newell Electricals** and other club sponsors, all the club members who had worked to prepare the course and the members who had make and served the food and look after the day's refreshments. He also acknowledged Dalhousie District president, Sue McCall, RGC life members John Laing, Bruce Robb & Peter Scanlon as well as past club captains and champions who were present. On a beautiful day the results were;

Men's Winners; Darren Newnham (12)/Andrew Evans (9) – 48 pts from Chris vanDerVliet (25)/Scott Williams (19) – 44pts
Women's Winners; Jenny Hartley (36)/Denise O'Mera (45) – 44 pts from Elaine Scanlon (33)/Virginia Newell (20) – 43 pts.

NTPs; 1st – Andrew Evans, 15th – Phil Newell & 16th – Mick Nicholls Snr



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Sunday June 4th – 24 Hole Stroke. Players began arriving at about 8.30 am for a 9.30 am hit-off. The morning had dawned with a heavy frost and there was a distinct chill in the air. This was most noticed by Bob McLennan who braved the elements to mow the greens before the field hit off. Clubs represented were; Lancefield, Euroa, Romsey, Strathbogie, Seymour, Broadford, Mt Macedon, Melton Valley, & Northern. With three ex-champions in the field it was sure to be a tough competition.

The morning round saw a very chilly start, cold air and heavy dew reduced run on the fairways but as the morning warmed up so did the golf. Last week's Lancefield Open winner Chris Lingard and Euroa low marker Mark Corradin put in top 1st 12 holes to be in the rooms for lunch just three over the card. The tight fairways and small greens were very unforgiving and only the most accurate of players was in with a chance of posting a good score off the stick. Other good returns in A Grade were from wily veteran Lance Carracher – 49 with Ian Richardson and Chris Hansen on 50. In B Grade Peter Nelson also turned in an excellent front 12 with a 49 from Graeme Hogg – 51 and Michael McCarten – 52. C Grade, the Munro boys had it with Scott – 55 and Cody – 57.



2017 Romsey Open Champion Chris Lingard with RGC V



B Grade Champ

With the sun out and the air still the back 12 promised a tight finish. At one stage it looked as if B Grade's Peter Nelson (8) was going to upstage everyone before A Graders Chris Lingard and Hugh Parks got really serious over the final few holes. As the players headed for the rooms the title was still up for grabs and many eyed the scoreboard as cards came in and were checked. Good 2nd rounds came from Chris Lingard & Hugh Parks in A Grade, Peter Nelson and Mick Prorok in B Grade and Scott and Cody Munro in C Grade. The day's results were;

	Scratch	H/C
A Grade	Chris Lingard – 94	Dennis Davenport - 92
B Grade;	Peter Nelson -96	Mick Prorok – 89
C Grade;	Scott Munro – 113	Cody Munro – 79
AM H/C;	Cody Munro – 39	PM H/C; Jim Patton – 41 2/3
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Again the day's major sponsor – **Romsey Collision Centre** - as well as Melton Panels and all other club sponsors were thanked for their ongoing support. On both day's the winners and runners-up thanked the club and its members for all the planning and effort involved in running such a successful and enjoyable day' golf.



Junior Scratch winner Riley McDonald



C Grade Champ Scott Munro

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One writer has described the one who received five talents as being the geniuses of this world, the other one receiving 'two' the talented and the one receiving 'one' talent being the ordinary ones - the majority. Just think what will be achieved by the countless numbers using their one talent! No matter how many talents we receive, God expects us to use them in His service, there is no hiding behind the excuse, "I couldn't do that - or I haven't the time" for which we will all have to answer to on the Day of Judgment. He has a plan and purpose for each of our lives. We need perceptive seeing eyes and listening ears to discern what He has planned for each and everyone of us! God's great gift to us was the giving of His Son, Jesus, to die for us - sinners - that we might be reconciled to Him, and being freed from the power of sin and death, have eternal life. (John 3.16.).

God's other great gift is the gift of His Holy Spirit who comes to live in the heart of the believer to empower him/her to use all the gifts and graces He has given. There is always that gap between what we believe and what we practise and it is here that the Holy Spirit steps in to be our Guide and Strengtheners.

Then there are the gifts of His graces - Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Goodness, Long suffering, Hope, Faith, the greatest being LOVE. It is up to each one of us to take these gifts God is offering us, open them up and use them!

- **"To Thee, from Whom we all derive Our life, our gifts, our power to give
O may we ever with Thee live, Who givest all."**
Bishop C. Wordsworth

As the winter months set in, it was a much quieter month for us. A.M.S. is only meeting every second month now. Thank you to all who contributed and supported our successful Street Stall, 3rd June, also the Tony's Pie Drive held this month. The Stall RAFFLE winners were - 1st Prize : Janos Amos; 2nd Prize : Michelle Oakes; 3rd Prize : Barrie Sutton.

JULY 2017
Sun. 2nd.10.30am.COMBINED SERVICE. Christ Church Lancefield.
Farewell Service of Rev. Bill Carroll after seven years of faithful service with us. Morning tea to follow in hall.
We await the appointment of Rev. Bill's successor.

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Up next at Macedon Ranges Film Society.

The Society's July screening is 'Miss Potter' a bio-drama on the life of Beatrix Potter famous children's author, starring Renee Zellweger, Ewan McGregor and Emily Watson. This enchanting biopic about the world of the creator of Peter Rabbit is warm and funny, revealing and moving. 'There's something delicious about writing the first words of a story,' says Renée Zellweger's Beatrix Potter. 'You never know where they will take you. First time writer Richard Maltby Jr has constructed an accessible script that canvasses the life and times of this classic children's author under the baton of director Chris Noonan in his first project since his debut feature, Babe.

At the June screening of the late Paul Cox's film 'Lonely Hearts', members were delighted with the excellent portrayals of two fragile characters attempting to make major changes in their lives, seeking love and companionship. Visit www.mrfilmsociety.org for more.

Macedon Ranges Film Society meets on the second Wednesday each month at Woodend Community Centre. Film notes and an informal supper are part of the evening.



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God does not want us to worship Him because of fear but because of love. That is not to say He is always silent.

He actually talks to us all the time in a whisper-still voice so as not to intrude on our free-

will. We often call the 'Voice of God' our conscience. He speaks to us constantly, and we listen or we tell Him to be quiet or, sadly, we have ceased to listen to Him altogether.

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The course is free (with lunch included) and a laminated aerial property map will be provided to attendees. The course will be presented by David Stewart from Small Farm Services Victoria.

Places on the course are limited to landholders from 15 properties and RSVPs will be accepted on a first-come-first-served basis. Landholders must be able to attend all three days of the course and provide soil test results from their property.

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Church Services & Activities during July 2017

- 2nd 9am. Worship Service.
- 5th 6pm Church Council Meeting at Stracks
- 9th 9am. Worship & Holy Communion Service, conducted by Rev. Wendy Elson.
- 16th 9am Congregation Worship Service
6pm Romsey @ 6 Service conducted by Pastor Annette Buckley
- 23rd 9am Worship Service conducted by Rev. Peter Cannon
- 30th Joint Macedon Ranges Partnership Service

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"At once the man was cured; he picked up his mat and walked."

Scripture Reading John 5: 1-9

It was the Sabbath. Jesus and the disciples were in Jerusalem when they encountered a number of people who were blind, sick, and lame waiting by the pool of Bethesda. These people believed that its water possessed healing powers. While walking by the pool, Jesus encountered a man who had been ill for a long time. Jesus showed mercy to the man and healed him. Jesus' encounter with the man by the pool tugs at the heart. When Jesus asked him if he wanted to get well, the man replied, "I have no one to help me into the pool when the water is stirred. While I am trying to get in, someone else goes down ahead of me." When we read these words, we can picture the man trying to get into the pool and missing his opportunity every time - for 38 years - until the day Jesus walked by and the man's life changed forever.

This passage from John's Gospel reminds us that no matter how hard we try, some things cannot be accomplished without the help of Christ. Too often we have tried to succeed on our own, only to have someone "go down ahead of us." Eventually, Jesus has come along to tell us to "pick up our mat" and to trust his way and his power for our life.

Prayer: Father God thank you for being with us, we cannot make it on our own.

The Upper Room Daily Devotional Guide



What's on @ Romsey Library? Winter Holiday Fun for the Kids @ Romsey Library!

Book in now for the events we have planned. The kids will be spoiled for choice with our winter school holiday program! Highlights include:

Pete the Plumber loves making music as much as he loves water. With his pet drop of water Droppo, Pete tells the story of the water cycle

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Up in Space – Take a journey around the cosmos! Build your own solar system and join in our space activities. **Friday 7 July 11am-12pm.**

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Romsey Golf Club – Men's & Women's Reports

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Saturday June 17th – Stableford

Another wonderful early winter's day for the club's stableford competition. Players found plenty of dew on the fairways and greens and a steady southerly breeze so there was little run once the ball landed. The sun soon broke through and the round was played in beautiful conditions. Again, a number of players put together excellent front nines, even good 15 holes before the wheels fell off after an errant drive or a poorly played approach shot lobbed well over the back of the green. Suddenly a 40+ score was dragged right back. On a beautiful winter's day the results were;
Winner; Michael McCarten (12) – 37 pts from Bob McLennan (13) & Rob Rea (18) 36 pts & Mal Mottram (11) 35 pts
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Thursday June 15th – Avenel Salver

Romsey Golf Club was represented in the annual team's event, the Avenel Salver, by Beryl Cole, Lorraine Robb and Darlene Baker. The weather was perfect from start to finish with dappled to full sunlight and a gentle breeze. There were preferred lies "Through The Green" largely due to bird damage but generally the course was in good condition. All three RGC players adapted well to the sand scrapes and generally enjoyed good golf. Seymour won the day with a team total of 100 pts, Romsey came in 3rd with a respectable 96 pts. A highlight of the day was Lorraine winning C Grade with 34 pts.

Wednesday June 14th – 4th Rd Silver Spoon – Stroke & Putts

The field headed to the 1st tee in lovely sunshine with a strong breeze from the east, the breeze kept up for the round and made the back nine more than challenging. It was good to welcome back Sharon Mathers who had recently competed in the GolfVic Par 3 competition in Kyabram, won, for the 4th time, by Kilmore's Jessica Pickwick. On another wonderful early winter's morning the results were;

Winner; Darlene Baker – 97/22/75 C/B from Elaine Scanlon – 107/32/75 and Jenny Hartley – 109/34/75
Men's Winner; Michael McCarten – 96/12/84
Least Putts; Darlene Baker – 27

Monday June 12th – Queen's Birthday Stableford

A nine o'clock start had a number of players rugged up and some early light rain even had a few umbrellas out. The rain soon cleared, the chill left the atmosphere and the final six holes were played in much warmer, sunnier conditions. The day's results were;

Men's Winner; Michael McCarten (13) – 38 pts
Women's Winner; Elaine Scanlon (33) – 37 pts
NTPs; 15th – Darlene Baker & 16th – Andrew Laing

Saturday June 10th – 4BBB Stroke

The round began on a clear, sunny afternoon. The fairways had good cover but were still soft, shaded areas carried heavy dew so there was little run and plenty of mud once the ball landed; "relief to a handspan" across the course, was given. The field was boosted by a number of members of the Romsey Football/Netball club who were taking advantage of a Saturday without football or netball for a round of golf. As the round progressed the weather improved and made for an excellent afternoon in the park. The 4BBB Stroke format saw a number of pairs playing outstanding front nines and posting good scores but it consistency over the the final nine decided the day's winner. In the end it came down to just who could best handle the most difficult hole on the course, the 18th. On a wonderful, early winter's day the results were;

Winners; Mal Mottram/Anthony Lakey – 80/16/64, Dean Borg/Ethan Bray – 85/21/64, Sherif Abdel-Sayed – 85/19.5/65.5 & Darlene Baker/Bob McLennan – 84/17.5/66.5
NTPs; 15th – Mick Nicholls Jnr

Thursday June 8th – Bacchus marsh West Bowl

Despite Bacchus Marsh West Golf Club (BMWGC) being outside Dalhousie District Romsey and BMWGC have long enjoyed a very positive relationship. The BMWGC annual Bowl was played in still conditions with the field hitting off on a very frosty morning. The RGC team of Wendy Gosden, Kath Jekabsons and Darlene Baker again rose to the occasion and performed well with 96 pts to be runners-up behind Gisborne with 98 pts. Wendy had a great round taking out C Grade with 35 pts.

Wednesday June 7th – Stableford

The mid-week Stableford round hit-off on a crisp early winter's morning. There was plenty of dew on the fairways and greens which rapidly slowed the ball and made putting more challenging than usual. It was not until the middle of the front nine that the sun came out. A of the highlight of the day was a birdie on the long par 4 5th hole to Darlene Baker. The morning's results were;
Women's Winner; Darlene Baker (22) – 34 pts from Wendy Gosden (37) – 32 pts.

Men's Winner; Michael McCarten (14) – 35 pts

Women's 9-hole Winner; Jenny Hartley (34) – 14 pts

Thursday June 1st – Kyneton G. C. 4BBB

Romsey was well represented at the annual Kyneton 4BBB tournament, it was the 1st day of winter and conditions were cool and wet. There was a large field with teams from many Dalhousie and other local clubs. Kyneton made every effort to keep the field well fed, watered and warm with special drinks and snacks on the 5th and 14th tees. Out teams, Beryl Cole/Wendy Gosden, Lorraine Robb/Denise O'Meara and Darlene Baker/Elaine Scanlon all performed well with Elaine (33) and Darlene(22) taking out B Grade with 38 pt

Wednesday May 31st – Monthly Medal Stroke & Putts

The day began under dark skies with a cold, south-westerly wind. The more sheltered areas of Romsey Park were much warmer, especially after the sun broke through. With fairways lush and giving everyone good lies the course was in top nick so there were no excuses for poor scoring. The morning's results were;
Winner & May Medalist; Darlene Baker – 104/22/82 from Lorraine Robb.

Least Putts; Darlene Baker – 34

9-hole Winner; Jenny Hartley – 60/14/78,

Least Putts; Leila Beasley – 15

Men's Comp winner; Michael McCarten – 92/14/78 from Bruce Robb

Saturday May 27th – May Medal – Stroke & Putts (2nd Round Silver Spoon)

The round began with a gusting wind blowing from the north, as the day progressed the wind moved to the east and then shifted back and forth, this caused much havoc for balls in the air and forced players to think carefully before pulling a club from the bag. The course was again in top condition; the fairways were a little soft, they bounced true and had excellent cover ensuring balls sat up. While the field was quite strong a number of members were absent representing RGC at the 2017 Lancefield Open (Shannon Wright/Mick Nichols Jnr winners with 50 pts) so many in the field felt they had a better than average chance of taking the May Medal. The day saw three players putting in good rounds and looking in excellent positions to win the day but when it came down to it one bad hole was all that really separated them. There was also a good field of women competing in the 2nd round of the 2017 Silver Spoon. On a cool, windy day the results were;

Winner & May Medalist; Rob Rea – 85/19/66 from Michael McCarten – 82/15/67 & Anthony Lakey – 92/22/70

Silver Spoon Rd 2 Winner; Darlene Baker – 97/22/75

NTPs; 16th – Bob McLennan,

Least Putts; Rob Rea – 24 & Lorraine Robb – 31



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Wednesday May 24th – Stableford

The round began on a crisp, late autumn morning with a gentle breeze blowing from the south. The cold air and soft fairways made for challenging second shots with many players selecting long irons to approach the green. The fairways were in top condition and the greens continue to putt very true however the heavy dew meant all players had to putt with conviction to the cup, so it was a tough to post a good score. The morning's results were;

Winner; Jenny Hartley (36) – 34 pts from Darlene Baker (23) – 30 pts

Men's Winner; Michael McCarten (15) 30 pts (including a top birdie on the Par 3, 164m 1st

Saturday May 20th – Rd 3 Men's 2017 Club Championships

The final round of the 2017 men's championships had everyone looking to B Grade for a close result. In A Grade Dean Jones seemed to have it pretty much sewn up. The recent warm, late autumn weather saw the course in excellent nick and, despite the 10mm of rain over night, conditions remained fairly consistent for the three weeks of the championships. The day began under cool overcast skies but gradually the sun came out and the afternoon warmed. Again the colder air and the soft fairways saw everyone lose distance off the tee but the greens were holding well so well played approach shots held on the greens. The temporary green, on the bird damaged 16th, was a bit of a gamble and all players really needed to putt with confidence, par on this hole was an excellent score. Despite a number of players putting in good front nines one golfer, playing well under his handicap, jumped ahead and was able to hold his nerve to record an excellent win. On a still, cool day the results were;

Day's Winner – Michael McCarten – 82/17/65 from Andrew Laing – 90/19/71

NTPs; 1st, 15th & 16th – Dean Jones
2017 Romsey Golf Club Champion; Dean Jones – 226

2017 Romsey Golf Club B Grade Champion; Michael McCarten – 271
Laurie Thompson Shield (Best Nett by a junior); Michael McCarten – 217

Peter Scanlon Shield (Best nett by a player 55yrs+); Dean Jones – 220

John Jeffries Shield (best overall nett); Michael McCarten – 217



Seniors Cup (Best nett by a player 70 Yrs+); Bob McLennan 232, C/B from Ron Walker

Wednesday May 17th – Rd 3 2017 Women's Club Championships

Another cool, still morning with plenty of dew across the course however the course was playing longer than over the last few weeks. The final round of the 2017 Club Championships saw previous champion, Kath Jekabsons was paired with relative new comer and 2nd place holder, Jenny Hartley so a tight competition was guaranteed. Other golfers took advantage of the benign conditions to post excellent scores. Highlights included a "gobbler" by Beryl Cole on the 159m Par 3 third and a birdie by Darlene Baker on the 364m Par 5 fourth. In the men's competition exciting junior, Michael McCarten played brilliantly and really had a field day. On a very pleasant morning the day's results were;

Winner; Darlene Barker – 95/23/72 from evergreen veteran Leila Beasley – 114/39/75

Least Putts; Beryl Cole – 29

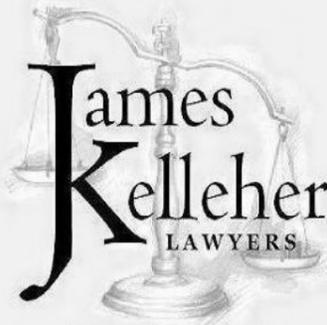
Men's Winner; Michael McCarten (18) – 45 pts

2017 Womens Club Champion; Kath Jekabsons – 328

2017 Women's Nett Champion; Jenny Hartley (38) – 228

Following the round everyone enjoyed a meal in the clubrooms and life member, Helene Newnham, presented the 2017 Championship's Nett award to Jenny.

Many people will remember the very wet spring of last year. It was so wet that the storm water could not get off Romsey Park and the golf course was closed for 7 weeks. A large drain was run along the eastern boundary to clear the water and to cater for similar events in the future. This drain left an area between it and the fence that was impossible to mow etc. Recently RGC successfully applied to the MRSC for funds to purchase and plant native flowering bushes in this area. Members met on Mon June 26th to plant, mulch and put up guards around these new bushes. We hope that the bushes will help stabilize the soil around the drain, bring some extra colour to the park and provide food and habitat for the many insects and small birds that are returning to Romsey Park.



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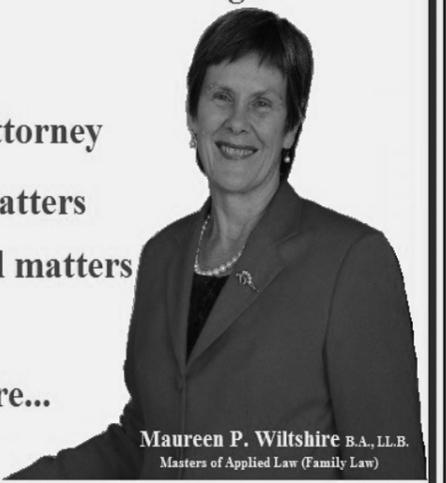
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