

**Romsey Golf Club****Ladies report**

## Ladies Report

Changes to the layout of the course made it necessary to have the course re-rated. The ladies now have a par of 72 and an AWCR of 72. This has been quite an exercise and we have trialled several options before settling on the par 72.

This month Hilda, Lorraine and Jan were runners up at the Seymour Bowl. Lorraine and I won the Doris Chambers Foursomes and will play off at a state level later in the season. Hilda and Helen won the RWH 4BBB and will play off at district level late July. Jan has also broken her handicap and is now playing off 42, well done Jan.

With winter coming on too fast we need something to look forward to so have started talking about our weekend away at Numurkah, which is late August. Remember our antics with the golf carts.

**Recipe for this month.****Crunchy Tuna Pie**

1 ½ cups cheese biscuits crushed

Small can evaporated milk

Small can tuna

1/4 cup finely chopped celery

3 tablespoons melted butter

2 lightly beaten eggs

2 teaspoons dry mustard

salt and pepper.

Mix biscuits and butter. Press into a medium pie plate, reserving 2 tablespoons for the top. Bake in moderate oven for ten minutes. Combine rest of the ingredients and pour into baked crust. Sprinkle over remainder crumbs, bake 30 mins. Serve hot or cold.

Beryl Cole  
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THE JUNE EDITION OF THE ROMSEY RAG IS PROUDLY BROUGHT TO YOU BY  
- The Romsey Community House -

## A home at last!

**The Romsey Community House will be conducting activities and programs from Monday June 2nd at the new Romsey Hub.**

At the moment we have volunteers there each morning between 9.30am and 12.00noon, so please call in and say g'day and have a cuppa. Have a look at our craft room, our computer lab, our kitchen and meeting rooms.

For the rest of this term we are phasing in our term 2 program—Yoga on Wednesday nights, Writer's Group each first Monday evening of the month, Drop-in Craft Morning every Thursday morning and Scrapbooking once a month on Saturday evening.

Commencing in term 3 and 4 we have a whole new range of programmes planned including

- **Level 2 First Aid (running over 2 Saturdays in August), Bookings essential.**
  - **Food Handlers Certificate (August), Bookings essential.**
  - **THUMP Boxing for Fitness Circuit Classes (commencing Monday July 14th twice a week on Mondays and Fridays at 9.30am)**
- Contact Melanie Traynor for further information on 0430 370 360**
- Information sessions on a variety of topics such as All You Need To Know About Wills, Navigating CentreLink, Health and wellbeing topics
  - Cooking for kids with special needs
  - And more....

We are also planning a "Try It Out Day" where you will be invited to sample activities for free before we lock them in to our program, such as line dancing, computers and the internet for older community members, crafts and more.

Community groups are welcome to use the facility by booking a room for meetings and activities. Bookings can be made at the service desk in the Hub.

### Now we need your help:

We are looking for more volunteers to assist with the day to day running of the Community House. This is a great chance to meet people in our community, while providing much-needed support to help get the house fully functional. If we get enough people it would involve a couple of hours of your time a week to help out with things such as taking bookings for classes, answering the phone, showing people around, etc.

We also want to hear from anyone in the community who can lead activities and programs—whether it be a hobby you are passionate about and would like to share, or a particular skill you would like to teach to others, or a group you would like to start up.

If you would like to offer your services to the House in any way please contact Robyn Moore on 0412 275 152 or 5429 6445 or email us at romseycommunityhouse@yahoo.com.au, or write to P.O. Box 418, Romsey or leave your details at the Community House or the Service Desk in the main Hub area.

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December 2008	Friday November 21st	Thursday November 27th

### From The Rag Team

Thank you to the people who responded to our recent call for additional volunteers to help out with the Rag. We look forward to welcoming a number of new people to the crew in various roles—copy setting, printing and collating. We still need more people for the collating team. With just a few it takes many hours, but with lots it is a short and enjoyable task. So give it some thought—if you can spare even an hour on one Thursday morning a month (see dates above) we would love to see you! Just come along to the Romsey Primary School front desk and ask to be directed to the Romsey Rag collating team.

### ROMSEY LIONS CLUB SUNDAY MARKET— 4th SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

The market is now in winter recess,  
and the next Romsey Market will be held in August  
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### Supporting local farming

Dear Friends

We are very fortunate in the Macedon Ranges to have access to award winning local wine and produce.

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The Victorian Government recently announced a \$205 million *Future Farming* package to support farmers to have productive farms by using the latest technology and the best farming practices.

The *Future Farming* strategy will tackle some of the key agriculture issues in our area such as; weeds and pests, eliminating phylloxera, supporting organic farming and developing systems for controlling animal disease.

Weeds are a big issue in the Macedon Ranges, and as part of this strategy a \$20 million fund has been established for councils and shires to manage roadside weeds and more effective control of weeds and pests on public land through the Government's Good Neighbour Program.

\$3 million over four years will be spent on a targeted program to improve the biosecurity of Macedon's grape-growing region. The region will be surveyed for phylloxera to enable the area to be declared as a phylloxera exclusion zone.

If you would like more information about the *Future Farming* strategy, or if you have any concerns that you would like assistance with, please telephone my office on 5428 2138.

Warm regards,  
**JOANNE DUNCAN MP**  
State Member for Macedon

## WOODEND WINTER ARTS FESTIVAL

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June to Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June

For the fourth year, the Woodend Winter Arts Festival will ensure that the Queen's Birthday Weekend is a huge one for Woodend. This year, jazz lovers will see **James Morrison** and his sextet with a 'Jazz Indulgence' at Braemar's Heyward Hall. Discover the origins of opera with performances of the baroque opera *Dafne* in its 400<sup>th</sup> year, with some of Australia's best baroque opera singers and musicians, including **Sara Macliver**, **Sally-Anne Russell** and **Paul McMahon**. Children and families will delight in Prokofiev's *Peter and the Wolf* with the Scotch College Orchestra and narration by **Rod Quantock**. Individual concerts include **Michael Keiran** Harvey on piano, **Nick Parnell & Graeme Burgen** in a Percussion Spectacular, the beautiful *Stabat Mater* by Pergolesi performed by **Sally-Anne Russell**, **Sara Macliver** and **Academia Arcadia**, **Riley Lee** playing Shakuhachi and more. Literary buffs have many options too, with a family history workshop with **Hazel Edwards**, a panel session on Melbourne's Marvellous Magazines, Sophie Cunningham in conversation with **Mary Delahunty**, and poetry with **Robyn Rowland** and **Rodney Hall**. There's even pub philosopher **Dr Roger Sworder**, who will delight with a discussion at Holgate's Brewhouse. Add to these three free fabulous visual arts events and a free children's literary event and all ages are catered for. Tickets for concerts can be purchased through **Ticketmaster on 136100** or at the door. **Some events must be pre-booked**. For more information and greater detail visit [www.woodendwinterartsfestival.org.au](http://www.woodendwinterartsfestival.org.au)  
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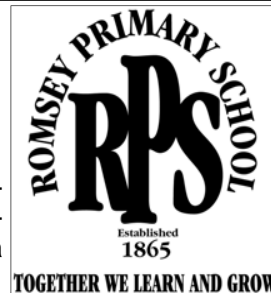
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## Romsey Primary School News

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### Education Week

One of the highlights of Education Week was the Family Science Evening. A large number of families enjoyed interacting in the four classrooms. Featured during the evening were colour, magnetism, minibeasts and flight. The microscope connected to the interactive whiteboard attracted a lot of attention. On our 'Open Morning' we were able to demonstrate some of the exciting ways the interactive whiteboards are being used to enhance learning. Recently five of our teachers have received coaching on a new form of technology called wikispace. This is a secure web site where students can interact with their teacher and other members of their class both during class time and from home. Some of the amazing achievements students have learnt are to:-

- use discussion boards
- create their own pages
- create and display videos that show their understandings
- use the editing features of the wikispace to complete literacy tasks.
- enable students conducting research to share their findings.



A second highlight was the Mini Olympics held by the Prep Unit. With the large number of parent volunteers it all ran smoothly. It was impressive to see the range of events like show jumping, javelin, shot putt, ice hockey, soccer and even a marathon. The students had a huge amount of fun and loved receiving their gold medals in the closing ceremony. Congratulations to Mrs Baker, the Mini Olympics coordinator, Mrs Emond and Miss Elliot for organising such an interesting event and thank you to all the parents who helped to make it so successful.

### ANZAC Day

Recently the importance of ANZAC DAY has been a focus for learning in the Senior Unit. In 5/6 DE and 5/6 VJ students participated in making ANZAC biscuits with some yummy results. Throughout the activities students learnt the significance of many things related to ANZAC DAY commemorations including – The Last Post, The Ode to the Fallen, Flanders Poppies and the poem – In Flanders Fields, the eternal flame, the tomb of the unknown soldier, the slouch hat, the geography of Gallipoli and the casualties. Overall a lot of fun was incorporated into learning about a significant part of Australia's history and culture.

Student leaders from the Student Council made the wreaths for the ceremony at Lancefield with the assistance of Rebecca from *Romsey Florist*. I would like to thank her for donating the bases and her time to assist our students with their floral art skills. Gathered at the cenotaph at Lancefield early on ANZAC Day, with the sun glinting in our eyes we were moved by the annual RSL ceremony. I was proud to stand with Romsey Primary School students as our school captains laid their wreaths.



### The Junior Classes connect with the Community

This term our Junior Unit has been learning about how our local community help us. A recent street walk helped them to discover the range of businesses available and how they help us. Last week classes visited the CFA and Police Station to provide a deeper understanding of their roles and were very motivational for class discussions and story writing. The Library is also a new facility for families in Romsey and classes will be visiting The Romsey Hub and the library. We would like to encourage families to join up and enjoy this first class facility.



Joan Gibbs  
Principal

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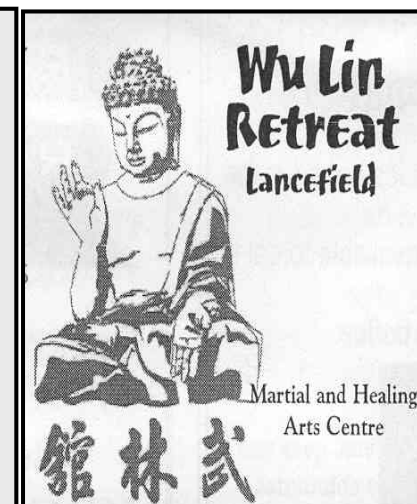
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KIDZ UNPLUGGED is a community service non profit music program that includes movement to music, dance, singing and instrument play in an exciting environment that enables children to explore and enjoy a wide range of musical experiences. Participation with other children provides a social environment that helps children develop self-confidence and positive self-esteem.

Parent participation enables mums, dads or carers to incorporate many of these activities into the children's play and daily routines such as bath time, packing up time and sleep time.

All sessions are followed by a morning tea where children and parents can meet new people or chat among friends.

This program is currently being successfully run in Sunbury, Gisborne and Riddells Creek and we would like to start a morning group in Romsey in July this year. The music activities last for 45 minutes, followed by morning tea for the adults and children.

Fees may be paid in advance per term with a discount, or on a weekly basis. Discounted fees are applicable for Health Card holders.

Term fees are 1 child \$7 per session, 2 children \$10 per session and 3 or more children \$12 per session. Health Card holders pay \$5 for 1 child, \$7 for 2 children and \$10 for 3 or more children.

Weekly fees are 1 child \$10, 2 children \$15 and 3 or more children \$18. Health Card holders weekly fees are 1 child \$7, 2 children \$9 and 3 or more children \$12.

### EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST REQUIRED

The program would be held in the Uniting Church Hall in Pohlman Street, Romsey and is organised through Uniting Care Orana Family Services. We need to have expressions of interest from families interested in attending, so we can make plans to get this community program happening.

Everyone is welcome and there would be volunteers in attendance to help. Please call Jenny Elliott on 5427 0230 for further information or to register your interest as soon as possible. Messages may be left on this number if no-one is in attendance.





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### From Cr Henry Bleeck

#### Here's to the Hub – and thanks to the Bank

Residents can feel proud of our Romsey Integrated Library & Community Hub, opened almost a year after the old Romsey Shire Offices were vacated. The facility has transformed the old post office and offices from a multi-level mixture of small office and work spaces to a bright and airy air-conditioned facility. The construction work has been of excellent quality and any visitor and user of the facility will be impressed.

Users will be able to access Council customer service staff, tourism information, VicRoads learner licence issuing, library facilities, the toy library, playgroup, Neighbourhood House, arts workroom and display area, IT training areas, a Council meeting chamber and medical and other consulting rooms.

And thanks to our Romsey Community Bank for sharing its premises with our Council officers while Hub construction took place. This excellent partnership with our own community-owned Bank ensured that residents in Romsey and the east of the Shire were still able to access Council services close to home.

#### Not having a whine: Tourism's vital for us

My complaint last month about the Macedon Ranges being left off a key winery district map was not just sour grapes – our wineries and tourism are vital to our local economy! New figures out of Canberra show that our Macedon Ranges region attracts an average 126,000 domestic overnight visitors per year – and food and wine outlets are a huge drawcard. And with the National Wine Centre of Australia having left us off its display of Australia's wine districts at its Adelaide centre, how many

more are missing out on visiting us because they just don't know about our premier wineries and vineyards!



The Canberra tourism figures show that as well as the 126,000 domestic overnight visitors, we had a further 526,000 Australians who came into the Macedon Ranges Shire on day trips. Of the 126,000 overnighters, 35,000 came from interstate – and if they've been to Adelaide they would not have known to come here because of our wines!

These latest tourism figures show that we need to capitalise on our tourist potential to benefit the local economy. The overnight visitors spend around \$26 million per year in our Shire, while the day-trippers spent a further \$31 million. The overnighters average 2.5 nights in the Shire – so that's a big boost to the bed-and-breakfast operations, the hotels and motels and the wineries which offer accommodation.

We're getting a good spread of age groups as part of our tourists – 47% are aged 15 to 44, 34% are aged 45 to 64 and 19% are older. We're especially popular with young midlife singles and couples, and with parents with children, and the majority of the overnight visitors are travelling with family and/or friends and relatives.

**Henry Bleeck.**  
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### The Uncommon Reader – Alan Bennett

A delightful little spoof about the Queen's latently awakened desire for a good read. "Had the dogs not taken exception to the strange van parked in the royal grounds, the Queen might never have learnt of the Westminster travelling library's weekly visits to the palace. But finding herself at its steps, she goes up to apologise for all the yapping and ends up taking out a novel by Ivy Compton-Burnett, last borrowed in 1989." And so her journey of self-discovery begins, much to the chagrin of her equerries and government ministers. A subversive and enjoyable read.

### Because it's there: the life of George Mallory – Dudley Green

#### Ghosts of Everest – Jochen Hemmleb

#### Into thin air – Jon Krakauer

Nepal is a fascinating country. Apart from a population of exceedingly friendly and welcoming people it also has three distinct geographical areas that run the length of its east/west axis. In the south the Terai emerges from India with its jungles, flat paddy fields and humidity. The terraced foothills rise up from this and villages are scattered along their length and north of all this, as the majestic scenic backdrop, looms the mighty Himalayan mountain range. Dwarfing everything south of the magnificent peaks one is overawed by their sheer size and beauty. Although there are many spectacular peaks the mother of them all: Sagamatha – goddess, mother to the world (or Everest as we know her) is a stark, usually black, pyramid with a snow plume trailing across the sky. This little hat trick of books deals with men and women who have tried to conquer her mighty peak.

Dudley Green's book deals with the life of George Mallory who, along with Andrew Irvine, may or may not have reached the top almost two decades before Edmund Hillary and Tenzing did. He appears to have been an interesting chap who not only managed to survive the ravages of the Western Front but who was also a superb mountain climber. Unfortunately his body still lies on Everest's upper slopes.

In 'Ghosts of Everest' Jochen Hemmleb documents the 1999 expedition to try and find the bodies of Mallory or Irvine and tries to discover whether they did in fact reach the top of the world. It is a fascinating read about both the recovery expedition and the original ascent.

1996 was a particularly busy year for climbers on Everest and Jon Krakauer was one of them. His riveting book documents those who did and didn't make it and questions whether Mallory's original claim of "Because it's there" (when asked why he wanted to climb Everest) has now morphed into "Because I can afford to". All are great reads.

### Hoot – Carl Hiasen

This is Hiasen's first book for children and he does an excellent job of transferring from one audience to another. Roy Eberhardt has just recently moved to Florida and as the new boy on the block is attracting unwelcome attention from the local bully. As a result of having his face mashed against the bus window he notices a boy running effortlessly away from the bus, with no school bag and most curiously, in bare feet. He is intrigued and decides to find out who he is. At the same time as Roy starts his investigations the site for a new Mother Paula's All-American Pancake House is being sabotaged so that construction is continually delayed. Is there a connection between the two occurrences and why does anyone want to stop Mother Paula from selling her pancakes? Throw in a couple of really cute burrowing owls and it makes for a great story.

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### Combined Probus Club of Romsey / Lancefield

Our last outing to The Tuscan Sensation in Sunbury was a self drive.

The service was a bit slow but the meal was enjoyable. Our monthly meeting in April was well attended and we had guest speakers from the Broady Museum. The "old time" information was amazing.....how things have changed with the modern world we now live in. A very informative talk by Elaine Whatman.

Our next meeting is June the 26<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at St Mary's Church Hall in Romsey @10 a. m.

### Combined Probus Club of Romsey/ Lancefield Inc.

Meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of the month at St. Mary's church hall beginning at 10.00am.

The June meeting is on Thursday 26th June.

## Bolinda P.S.

Principal: Mr. John Mackintosh Tel: 5428 5317



## Bolinda Primary News

### New playground

One of the many recent upgrades to our school has been our new playground. Funded with a grant from the Federal Government's 'Investing in Schools Program' it has become an exciting area for our students to play as well as a bright entrance to our school.



### What's been happening?



Our Year 3 – 6 students were recently involved in the 'Resuscitate a Mate' program conducted by Lifesaving Victoria. This was a part of our safety theme. Students were taught what to do in emergency situations and the basics of resuscitation. There were demonstrations and hands on activities which our students found interesting and enjoyable.

We also had a visit from Motorcycle Victoria to speak to our students about recreational motorcycle riding as we have a number of students who are regular riders. There was a discussion and display of appropriate safety equipment and how to put it on correctly. Several unsafe behaviours were identified amongst our students and it is hoped that with the information and advice given, these students will now be safer riders. There was also a demonstration of riding skills by two members of the Melton Motorcycle Club. We also had the Riddells Creek CFA speak to our students about fire safety and demonstrate how their fire truck operated.



Our Footy Day was a great success. Essendon AFL players Ricky Dyson and Henry Slattery took our students through a skills session and answered questions about what it is like to be an AFL footballer. This was followed by a footy lunch and activities.

### Family Fun Night

Late last term we had a "Family Fun Night" where almost every family in the school came together to play a number of games and have a sausage sizzle. Parents brought salads and sweets. It was a great night and there was lots of fun enjoyed by all. The night only ended when it was too dark to play!



### Prep enrolments for 2009

We are now taking Prep enrolments for the 2009 school year. If you missed the recent open days, please call the school to make arrangements for a tour or ask for an information package.



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Romsey Kindergarten joins with the rest of Romsey in welcoming the opening of the Community Hub which will, no doubt, be a marvelous asset to the town. The kindergarten, geographically, sits in its own "hub" – that of an early childhood development precinct. It shares a building with the Maternal and Child Health Service and is a "stone's throw" from the Romsey Primary School. As recently outlined in a State Government's Blueprint for Early Childhood Development and School Reform, the early years (0 to 8 years) "are the foundation stage for learning and development". The Federal Government has recently indicated its support for such early years "hubs" to be developed in the future. There are already close relationships between MCH, Kindergarten and the Primary School in Romsey – we are ahead of our time in this respect! Such relationships are likely to be even further encouraged at government level over coming years. The end goal must be a best practice "beginning" for our young children!

### When Is the Right Time - School Readiness Evening

On Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May, Romsey Kindergarten hosted a Readiness for School presentation from the Romsey Primary School Prep Unit staff. An audience of interested Kindergarten parents listened intently to strategies for assessing and assisting a child's readiness for taking the big step from kindergarten to school. Many thanks are extended to Jo Emond, Karren Baker, Diana Craig and Joan Gibbs for their presentations. A thank you also needs to be given to Samantha Ball and Anita Wilson for providing babysitting to allow many extra parents to attend the evening.

### A Special Kinder Event - Mother's Day Morning Tea

Scones, sponge, slice and sandwiches were on the menu in the week preceding Mother's Day when Mother's Day morning teas were held at the Kindergarten for the 4 year old groups. In addition to a sumptuous morning tea provided by Committee members, the children spent time with their mums, nans, grandmas or other special ladies doing classroom and playground activities.



The sessions were highlighted by a musical performance from the children followed by the presentation of handmade, individually decorated Mother's Day gifts! These were truly special times for all involved!

### Management Review – The Process Continues

As part of the current management review process, a community information forum was held on the evening of Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May at the Kindergarten. The evening aimed to reflect on the Kindergarten's current system of management (that is, independent parent-based committee of

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management), whilst also being informed about other management models. A guest panel included Ms. Joanne Duncan (State MP), Ms. Mary O' Brien (Family and Children's Services, Shire of Macedon Ranges) and Ms. Lyn Foster (North West Region, TRY Youth and Community Services). Mrs. Joan Gibbs (Principal, Romsey Primary School) and Mr. Geoff Neil (Shire of Macedon Ranges Council) were also in attendance. The evening was well attended, with an energetic question and answer session concluding the presentations. Many thanks go to Sue Hayes for her assistance in the presentation of the forum. A questionnaire relating to Kindergarten management issues has been circulated to all Kindergarten community parents. It and other submissions from the general community will be considered by the Committee of Management in June as part of the review process. Any person wishing to make a submission on this subject should address do so by *Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June*, addressing it to President, Committee of Management, Romsey Kindergarten, P.O. Box 84, Romsey, 3434.

### Enrolments Are Go, Go, Go!!!

Just a reminder that enrolments are being taken **NOW** for 3 and 4 year old Kindergarten classes in 2009. Closing date is 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2008. Pre-enrolment forms are available on the Kindergarten website ([romseykindergarten.com.au](http://romseykindergarten.com.au)) or at the Kindergarten. Please contact Tracey Newnham (54 296269, 0409 511439) or Samantha Ball (54 296472, 0409 830628) if you have any queries.

Jenny Stillman (0412-349849),  
Committee of Management



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### Coming Events

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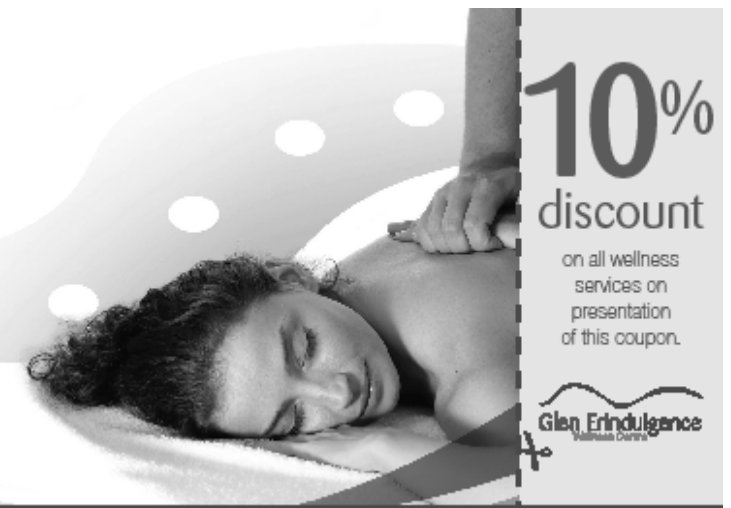
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Church Council Chairperson: Noel Shaw - 5429 5509  
Secretary: Jeni Clampit - 5429 5480



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

**June 11<sup>th</sup>.** The Romsey UCAF invites you to join them for our annual Winter Luncheon at 12noon at the Romsey Uniting Church, Pohlman Street, Romsey. Cost \$10.00.

Our casserole lunch will be followed by an interesting talk from Leonie Christopherson AM. Past President of the National Council of Women. She is a very entertaining speaker and has written several children's books. There will be a Trading Table and Door prize.

### Meditation

On 18<sup>th</sup> May the Church Calendar celebrated Trinity Sunday.

The fellowship of the church, in God and with each other, derives from the very personal nature of God.

A sharing in God's sharing.

*I bind unto myself this day  
the strong name of the Trinity.*

*The Creator's gifts of earth and sky,  
the flowing creeks and fertile land,  
the winter sun and summer moon,  
the roaring sea and golden sand.*

*I bind unto myself this day the Christ  
who wears our human clay.*

*The baby sleeping in a stall,  
the Healer touching our disease,  
the Man of love upon the Cross,  
the risen Friend who hears our pleas.*

*I bind unto myself this day  
the Spirit who is here to stay.*

*The Breath that makes the broken whole,  
the truth that flows like liquid light,  
the Wind that sweeps my dusty soul,  
the Fire that warms the darkest night.*

*I bind unto myself this day*

*the Fellowship that's our mainstay.  
The Grace that holds us all in thrall,  
the Love that links us one and all,  
the Peace that sweeps away our fears,  
the Joy that wipes away all tears.*

*From now unto infinity,*

*The strong name of the Trinity.*

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### Church Services during June, 2008

1st	9am.	Worship Service and Sunday School.
8 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Worship and Communion Service conducted by Dr. Avril Hannah-Jones
15 <sup>th</sup>	9am.	Worship service and Sunday School conducted by the Worship Team
22 <sup>nd</sup>	9am.	Worship service and Sunday School conducted by Dr. Avril Hannah-Jones
29 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Combined Service at Riddells Creek, Including Mt.Macedon, Romsey & Lancefield Churches

## Living Word Christian Church



~ Inspire Women's Meeting ~

Saturday 14th June 2008

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Saturday  
14th June

9am

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### Registration Enquiries:

Contact: Denise Eddy  
Phone: (03) 5429 6327

Venue: Living Word Christian Church  
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## Letter To the Editor:

Dear Editor

It's 4 years – would you believe it – since some people took on community work that they didn't expect in Romsey. The pub wanted to put in 50 poker machines. Was it important to the town? Between Geoff and Pam and Jay and Noel and Kym and Leanne & myself – who talked to this one and that one - it seemed it was. People didn't want them.

I'm just writing to the Rag to say "Where have we got to?"

More than 100 people helped in letterboxing and in a video to show the Gaming Commission what Romsey was like – a family town, friendly, children are safe, not up market but OK. Many many people wrote letters. And the survey –using the 2004 electoral roll – showed pretty strong feeling against. But I think it has been far more drawn out than anyone expected. What have we gained?

Well, there are children now, who for 4 years, have had money for school outings and holidays and other things, where mum or dad haven't blown it all when there's been a blue or disagreement at home (don't we all get them sometimes?) and one or other has gone to the pub for a bit of personal space.

Somehow, going to the pub for a drink, even putting some money on the horses, is a lot less expensive, than \$200-

\$500 on a machine, looking for a quick 'fix' to feel better. So many children are better off already.

Romsey hotel was always a place to go for a good meal, even 15-20 years ago. But as a mum of teenagers said "The price (the effect of pokies on families) is too high to pay if that's the price (of hotel improvements)." Maybe the earlier pub owners were in a better position, and maybe other pub owners will be in future. What about Hologates and the other Woodend pub – they've kept doing improvements without pokies.

There is still another court hearing to go. And people are still talking around the town. Quite a few new people don't want pokies. One guy had a shop in a small town that got pokies – he said the effect on families was not pretty "you don't want them here". The way that courts operate, you have to keep repeating what you want in a town. At least the last court hearing said that residents' views are important.

So - don't write off your chance to say what you want in Romsey. The court has said it will listen. No matter whether you've been here 3 years or 30, you know what you want - and that's important.

Name and address supplied.

## Can I be paid for farming nature? - Port Phillip and Westernport Catchment Management Authority

A series of free information seminars for landholders  
These seminars will outline how landholders may be able to earn income by providing environmental services on their land.

If you have heard of schemes such as BushTender, Eco-Tender, Bush Broker, vegetation offsets, and carbon trading and want to know about the obligations and potential returns, then this seminar is the place to start. It will explain in simple terms, some of the emerging market options, how they work, the risks and potential benefits, and whether they can offer you realistic economical return.

The seminar is designed for all landholders, whether a large-scale farming business, or a small rural property. Landholders who have participated in these schemes will relate their experiences with the schemes. Opportunities for further information about the schemes will be provided after the presentations.

The seminars will be held at three venues across the Port Phillip and Westernport region.

The seminars are free but you need to register – details overleaf:

DATE: Saturday 14 June 2008 - RSVP by June 7

LOCATION: Frankston

TIME: 9am registration for 9:15am start – 1:30pm (including lunch)

VENUE: Frankston Arts Centre, Cnr Young & Davy Streets, Frankston (Melway 100A D8)

DATE: Saturday 21 June 2008 \*\* RSVP by June 14

LOCATION: Doncaster

TIME: 9am registration for 9:15am start – 1:30pm (including lunch)

VENUE: Manningham Function Centre, Manningham Civic Centre, 699 Doncaster Road, Doncaster (Melway 33 F12)

DATE: Saturday 28 June 2008 \*\* RSVP by June 21

LOCATION: Rockbank

TIME: 9am registration for 9:15am start – 1:30pm

(including lunch)

VENUE: Witchmount Estate Winery Function & Convention Centre, 557 Leakes Road, Rockbank (Melway 338 J9)

Program:

**9:15am Topic**

**Welcome and introduction**

**The emerging markets for landholders**

David Buntine, CEO, Port Phillip & Westernport Catchment Management Authority

**Auction and Tender schemes**

**What they are and how they work**

Gary Stoneham/Mark Eigenraam, Environmental Economics Unit, Department of Sustainability and Environment

**A user's view**

The experience of a landholder

**10:35am Morning tea**

**Native Vegetation Offsets**

**What they are and how they work**

Mark Smith, Biodiversity Coordinator, Port Phillip & Westernport Catchment Management Authority

**A user's view**

The experience of a landholder

**Carbon Offset and trading schemes**

**What they are and how they work**

Dr Tony Richardson, Director TreeSmart Australia

**Closing comments**

David Buntine, CEO, PPWCMA

**12:40pm Lunch and information**

**To RSVP:**

Please register online at [http://www.ppwcm.vic.gov.au/events\\_current.htm](http://www.ppwcm.vic.gov.au/events_current.htm) or contact the Port Phillip and Westernport Catchment Management Authority to register on Ph. 8781 7900

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This popular event will have a new theme this year—"Tea-rific Lunch" - bring along an interesting teapot or tea caddy if you wish, or just come along anyway! There will be soup, sandwiches and sweet slices, served with tea and coffee, all for just \$5, plus raffles. Members are asked to contribute food or assist with the washing up! Enquiries to Meryl Green on 5429 1392, or Jean Clement on 5429 6522.

### New Secretary:

As from June 16th we will have a new secretary, Shirley Kishere of Lancefield, as Jean Clement is retiring. Thank you Shirley—your long term knowledge of the district will be invaluable. Jean will continue to be a contact person for Seymour Cottage.

### History Snippet— From the Romsey Examiner April 5th, 1907.

"Rainfall in Romsey for March 83 points. Total for the first three months of the year 190 points. In March 1906 437 points. The continued dry weather is causing anxiety to graziers and dairymen as their stock are getting out of condition and it is almost too late for autumn rains."



### Guest Speakers

- David Jenkins*  
Central Highlands GP Network
- Danielle Lachlan*  
Macedon Ranges Health Service
- Alan Mathieson*  
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**Time:** 7pm to 9pm

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**Saturday:**  
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8.00 a.m. Lancefield and 10.00 a.m. Romsey  
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**REGULAR EVENTS**

**SVDP Drop-In:** First Thursday of each month, 10.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m., St. Mary's Church Hall, Romsey. All welcome to come for a game of cards/chat and free lunch.

**Spiritual Guidance:** Last Wednesday of each month at the Presbytery, 27 Chauncey Street, Lancefield. John Stuart, Councillor and Guide. Tel: 5429 2130 for more information.

**NOTICES**

**MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE**

Congratulations to the winners of our Mother's Day Raffle. 1<sup>st</sup> prize: A. Barry, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize: C. Shanahan, 3<sup>rd</sup> prize: T. Hoban.

**ST. MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT ENROLMENTS FOR 2009 PREPS CLOSE ON THE 20<sup>th</sup> JUNE**

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**ST. MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS**

We are half way through the term and we have all been so busy!

The Grade 6 children were blessed with the Sacrament of Confirmation on the 27<sup>th</sup> April and the Grade 3 students received the Sacrament of Reconciliation on the 17<sup>th</sup> April.

All of the students have been learning about the environment and the impact all of us can have on it. The Preps have visited a farm and the Grade 6s visited CERES in Brunswick. The children have been spreading the word on how we can conserve endangered species and also how to lower the level of carbon dioxide in our atmosphere. The Grade 3 and 4 students are heading off to Queenscliff where they will explore the ecosystem of the ocean.

Several of the grades will be participating in a replanting program at Lancefield Park.

During Family Week we had an open day for current and perspective parents. During that week we also raised \$250 for Centacare who seek to provide support to families and individuals to help them get through difficult times.

The Prep students and their parents were involved in a session on Prayer in the Family which was presented by our Zone Religious Education Advisor, Mrs Denise Arnell. One very important message was that as parents we need to model prayer at home.

A Mother's Day stall was held by the Parents & Friends Committee. The mothers of St Mary's received lovely gifts and had a wonderful day.

The whole school walked to Lancefield P.S. to enjoy a 50 minute version of Cinderella presented by Opera Australia. There were many tiaras and bow ties on show.

The Grade 6 students participated in the CO-BAW Summer Sports earlier this term. The cricketers and volleyball players had a wonderful day. The winter sports day will be held at Boardman Reserve in Sunbury. The children will play football and netball. Some of our students are also involved in the Zone Cross Country Carnival.



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**HOUSE NEWS**

**Programs for Term 3:**

**In term 3 watch out for:**

- **Level 2 First Aid—August. Bookings essential, subject to a minimum number of participants.**
- **Food Handlers Certificate—August. Bookings essential, subject to a minimum number of participants.**
- **THUMP Boxing Circuit For Fitness every Monday and Friday at 9.30am –contact Melanie Traynor 0430 370 361**
- **Try It Out days—watch the Rag and the noticeboard at the Hub for details.**
- **Information sessions—watch out for further details**

**As well as**

**Art Classes: For Children and Adults:**

Contact Gillian on 5429 3996 Wednesdays-Sundays

**Art & Craft Market for Romsey**

The Romsey Art and Craft Market each month (details are published elsewhere in this edition of the Romsey Rag).  
For information phone Gillian on 5429 3996 Wed—Sun.

**Yoga with Kym Oliver** Wednesdays 7.00 pm—8.30pm at Romsey Primary School. (At the Hub from term 3).

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For further information or bookings contact Kym Oliver on 54292134.

**Writer's Group with Dee White**—Please contact 0412 275 152 if you are interested in joining. Meets once per month usually on the first Monday night at 7.00pm at Romsey Primary School (at the Hub from term 3). Please ring to confirm dates as these can sometimes vary.

**Crop till you Drop:** Each third Saturday of the month for all you Memory Makers and Scrapbookers. Starts at 5.00pm. For further information contact Belinda Williams 54291693 / 0407 203 826.

**Drop In Craft Morning** every Thursday from 10.30 at the Romsey Community House. Gold coin donation.

For information, to express interest or suggest new activities please contact Robyn on 0412 275 152 or 5429 6445

Email [romseycommunityhouse@yahoo.com.au](mailto:romseycommunityhouse@yahoo.com.au)

**What's happening at the Hub?**

**At last we are moving in!**  
It has taken over 4 years since the first public meeting was held in Romsey to look at establishing a Community House. A hard working committee has kept this project afloat through many hours of voluntary work, and finally we have a space to call home. The House is for everyone—even if you just feel like dropping in for a cuppa and a chat, or if you would like to join in with any of the activities being offered. It is also a place where other groups and organizations can meet by booking one of the meeting rooms. It is also a place where you can learn and extend your skills and qualifications. For those who are passionate about a hobby or interest, why not consider being a program leader?

Thank you:  
We are hugely indebted to the Romsey CFA and the Romsey Primary School for allowing us the use of their premises to run activities (in however a limited capacity) over the past few years. Without their support and co-operation we would not have been able to offer any programs at all. So thank you to those two organizations.

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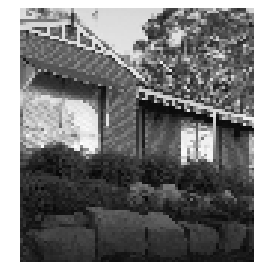
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If you're interested in becoming a member call Michelle on 0419 381 008 or email [m.andrews@cfa.vic.gov.au](mailto:m.andrews@cfa.vic.gov.au).

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### Connecting with God and our Community.

#### VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE.

Dear Friends

Jesus was a master at meeting the needs of the community he lived in. No! I'm not trying to be Jesus but I believe all churches should be founded upon the model of Jesus. Jesus identified the basic needs of people to be fed and clothed and loved. Something we try and do as a church. Over the last month of sickness especially in Lancefield, when we have known about it, we have fed and loved people that we have known that are unwell during this time – and that's only within our church community.

This has got me thinking! How best can we, as a community (one that is still founded upon Christian principles and values), care for one another? There are many options available to us such as each person having a spare meal in the freezer just in case we hear of someone in need. There could also be a central freezer for the community so that a prepared meal could be pulled out as needed. I'm sure there are other suggestions around.

The reality is that this freezer plus a facility for non-perishable item has been created through the generosity of many people in the church and the community. The goal of this facility is to create a place where people who are struggling can have their present needs met but also start the process of creating a positive independent future for themselves. This will open soon. Stay tuned to the windows of the local shops.

I believe this facility is a great example of God's love with skin on and I look forward to seeing many at its opening hopefully around the end of June.

That's this month's View from the Vicarage.

Rev. Leroy Coote  
Vicar  
Christ Church Lancefield with St. Paul's Romsey.

Our next Sunday @ Six on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June with dinner at 5:30pm and a short service starting at 6pm.  
**The topic next month is: A Jazzy Bushy Christmas.**

You are cordially invited to any of our Services: 9:00am at Romsey located at 77 Main Street, Romsey and 10:30am (with children's program) at Lancefield located at 33 Chauncey St., Lancefield. All our Services are "Worshipful, Anglican and Relevant."

Our Church Youth Group meets from 5pm – 7pm every Sunday Evening in the Lancefield Church Hall. Cost \$3.00 to cover dinner. Anyone in Grades 5 – 9 at school welcome. Come along and see what fun activities we do. All welcome and all our leaders have up to date "Working with Children's Checks".  
For further details on any of our activities, please contact the office on 5429-1380.

### **LOANS SCHEME GOOD NEWS FOR FAMILIES IN MACEDON RANGES**

A no interest loans scheme is now available to low income people in the Macedon Ranges. The program provides loans of up to \$1200- for individuals and families to purchase essential household items, medical equipment or computers. This is a community run program which is distributed to the community by the Macedon Ranges No Interest Loans Committee.

To be eligible for the loan people need to have lived in the Macedon Ranges for 6 months, be a low income earner and have the capacity to repay the loan. The loan application involves an interview where people bring details of their income and expenditure, tenancy and personal identification. There is no interest, fees or charges on the loan. If the application is successful the money is repaid fortnightly at a low rate over 12 months to 2 years.

The no interest loans program is delivered from the Kyneton Community & Learning Centre and works on the principle of recycling funds throughout the community. As a person repays the loan another person will receive those funds. For more information phone the Kyneton Community & Learning Centre on 54223433.

## **MACEDON RANGES WALK TOGETHER**

Are you unhappy?

Is your week long and lonely?

Have you been told to incorporate more activity into your life for health and wellbeing?

Have you been given walking as part of a life script from your GP?

Would you like company when you walk?

Would you feel safer walking with others?

Do you fancy having a cuppa at the end?

### Join Macedon Ranges Walk Together

Each group has a volunteer trained group leader

### **Discover walking**

Up to 30 minutes

This walk is a circuit that means you walk till tired, sit, catch your breath, start again or chat with the other walkers.

Designed for people of any age

- Low level fitness
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- People with disabilities
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You are not pushed to walk, but left to walk in your own time and at your own pace with in a social environment.

### **Puff n Sweat**

30-45 minutes

You do not have to puff and you do not have to sweat but this is the group for you if you want to stride out.

### **Pram Plus**

This is a social group for mums, dads, carers, bubs and pram toddlers.

The emphasis is on social interaction and fun.

Romsey is outdoors and a combined Discover Walking, Puff n Sweat and Pram Plus.

This is fantastic if you have a partner, friend, mum, dad, that is faster or slower than you but you still want to get out and walk together.

### **Please Contact**

Heather- 5429 5895

Monday

1.00pm

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THUMP Boxing Classes are taught by highly qualified and experienced instructors. Everyone is welcome to join in our classes and most of all, no experience is necessary. Most of the class is done in pairs. You do not have to have a partner, the instructor will assign one to you. This is a great way to meet new people and encourage each other to work hard."

The above information is courtesy of [www.thumpboxing.com](http://www.thumpboxing.com)

Session dates and times commencing Monday 14th July 2008

Every Monday and Friday 9.30am  
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For further information contact  
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Advanced "THUMP" Instructor  
(m) 0430 370 361





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### Junior Programs

• Aussie Hoops Junior Basketball	5 - 10 years	\$70.00
• 12 & Under Basketball Competition	8 - 12 years	\$95.00
• Goal Kick Junior Soccer	5 - 10 years	\$70.00
• 12 & Under Soccer Competition	8 - 12 years	\$95.00
• 14/16 & Under Soccer Competition - <b>NEW</b>	12 - 16 years	\$95.00
• Junior Netball Competitions	8 - 18 years	TBA
• Junior Netball Development	5 - 7 years	TBA
• Kidz Danz - Music & Movement - <b>NEW</b>	2 - 5 years	TBA

### Senior Programs

• Daytime Ladies Netball Competition - <b>NEW</b>	\$49.00 team	p/w	\$10 Rego pp
• Evening Ladies Netball Competition	TBA		
• Beginner and Intermediate Pilates - <b>NEW</b>	TBA		
• Senior Mixed Volleyball Competition - <b>NEW</b>	\$42.00 team	p/w	\$10 Rego pp
• Senior Mixed Badminton Competition	\$50.00 pp		N/A
• Senior Squash Competition	\$50.00 pp		N/A
• Senior Mixed Netball Competition	\$49.00 team	p/w	\$10 Rego pp
• Senior Mixed Soccer Competition - <b>NEW</b>	\$35.00 team	p/w	\$10 Rego pp
• Daytime Ladies Basketball Competition - <b>NEW</b>	\$35.00 team	p/w	\$10 Rego pp

### Timetable - Term 3, 2008

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Daytime Ladies Netball From 9.00am	Aussie Hoops Basketball From 4.30pm	Junior Netball From 5.30pm	Junior Netball From 4.30pm	Daytime Ladies Basketball From 9.00am
Under 14/16 Indoor Soccer From 4.50pm	12 & U Basketball From 5.20pm	Senior Squash From 7.00m	Junior Netball From 5.30pm	Kidz Danz Starts term 4 From 10am
Evening Ladies Netball From 7.00pm	Senior Volleyball/ Badminton From 7.00pm	Senior Mixed Soccer From 7.30pm	Senior Mixed Netball From 7.20pm	Goal Kick & 12&U Soccer From 4.00pm

For more information and registrations contact the Romsey Recreation Centre on (03) 5429 5637 or email: [rrc@macedon-ranges.vic.gov.au](mailto:rrc@macedon-ranges.vic.gov.au)

More information and registration forms are also available online at [www.macedon-ranges.vic.gov.au](http://www.macedon-ranges.vic.gov.au). Follow the prompt to the Romsey Recreation Centre



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## The Romsey UCAF

Invites you to join them for their annual

### Winter Luncheon

**What Time: 12 noon**

**When: 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2008**

**Where: Romsey Uniting Church Pohlman Street, Romsey 3434**

**Cost: \$10.00**



Our casserole lunch will be followed by an interesting talk from Leonie Christopherson AM, Past President of the National Council of Women. She is a very entertaining speaker and has written several children's books.

Trading Table and Door Prize.

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## Lancefield Romsey Lions Club

### Lions Children of Courage Awards 2008

The Lions International District 201v1-4 Children of Courage Awards were held at the Mechanics Hall in Romsey on My 4th. The Lancefield Romsey Lions Club was proud to be able to hold these awards again in Romsey for the second year. Our District had other recipients who unfortunately lived too far away to attend, so another Lions Club will hold a ceremony for these people.

On Sunday the awards were presented by the District Chairperson P.D.G. Lion John Thorpe and assisted by Lion Julie Starec. Also present were our district Governor Ross Wood and President Lion Fred Jacobs of Castlemaine Lions Club, and representatives from other Lions Clubs. There were also over 50 family members and friends of the recipients. After the awards a morning tea was enjoyed by all, provided by the members of the Lancefield Romsey Lions.

The truly amazing stories of the young people honoured on the day were read out. The recognition of these young people's achievements will hopefully inspire them to continue to believe in themselves and increase their self-esteem. The children received an inscribed trophy.

Awards are given in three categories:

**Special Needs**—Children with special needs who have shown courage in the face of adversity. This includes children with disabilities or those who have undergone long periods of medical treatment, surgery or hospitalization.

**Courageous Act**—Children who, without regard for personal safety, have been instrumental in preservation of life and property, or who have rendered assistance in an accident, or whose concern for others is worthy of recognition.

**Sporting Achievements**—children who have overcome personal hardship and/or disadvantage to achieve a high degree of sporting prowess, either individually or as a team member.

Children aged between 5 and 15 years are eligible for these awards.

This year there were 3 recipients in Special Needs category and one in the Courageous Act category.

**Tate Kemp** from New Gisborne was sponsored by Lancefield Romsey Lions Club. Tate is a 6 year old boy with cerebral palsy. He sees nothing is impossible for him to achieve, is full of smiles and communicates really well with the aid of his picture book.

**Hannah Thompson** from Castlemaine was sponsored by the Castlemaine Lions Club. Hannah, who is 10, has cystic fibrosis, and was recently diagnosed with diabetes related to this condition. This has added 2 insulin shots and four finger pricks to her daily routine of twice daily physiotherapy and 35 vitamins. Hannah has been in and out of hospital since she was 4. Despite this condition that affects her lungs and digestion, she is constantly smiling.

**Daniel Pappalardo** was sponsored by the Lancefield Romsey Lions Club. Daniel is 6 years old and has aplastic anaemia. This causes his bone marrow to break down and he required a bone marrow transplant. In preparation for this he underwent chemotherapy, showing incredible courage through this process. His transplant went well, and he is now out of hospital and off medication.

**Samantha Paapalardo** was also sponsored by Lancefield Romsey Lions Club. Samantha is Daniel's 13 year old sister, who gave him a second chance at life by being the donor for his bone marrow transplant, after it was found out that she was a perfect match. Samantha was happy knowing that she had been able to help her little brother.

Unfortunately Daniel and Samantha were unable to attend the awards day, but were presented with their awards later in May at a special Lions dinner.

Congratulations to all this year's award recipients.

The Lions Children of Courage Awards are now an important and extremely worthwhile annual project for the Lancefield Romsey Lions Club.

If you know of any children between the ages of 5 and 15 who would qualify for one of these awards please let me know. If they live outside our area I would be happy to pass their details on to the relevant Lions Club.

If you would like to know more about other Lions projects—we meet every second Monday evening for a Business Meeting, and every fourth Monday evening is a Dinner Meeting. I can be contacted on 0411 643 407 or 5429 1990.

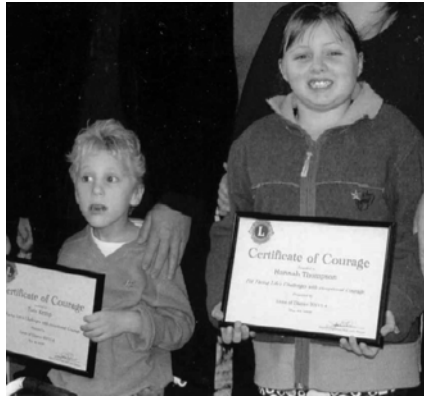
Lion Julie Starec.

### Some of our other recent activities include:

The Lancefield Romsey Lions Club held a bar-b-cue at Granite Hills Winery in March, with the proceeds going to the foundation for prostate cancer research. Various items were auctioned, and a Kyneton band played some great music to keep the atmosphere really moving. The event was put together by Andrea Knight, who organized sponsors and advertising, and co-ordinated the whole day. It was a real credit to her, and we know how much hard work she put into it. This event raised over \$9,300.

A thank you also goes to Heather and Gordon Knight for supporting this cause and supplying the venue for such a great day. I would like to thank all the people who attended, helping out with desserts and salads, which were much appreciated. Congratulations Andrea on such a successful event.

On April 26th and 27th we were busy again helping with the catering for the Heathcote Dog Show. There were over 1000 dogs competing, and we were snowed under selling over 600 bacon and egg sandwiches, not to mention the sausages and hamburgers, that were sold to their owners and other visitors to the show,



## Revegetation Days with Baynton-Sidonia Landcare

Would you like to help make a difference to the environment? Come and plant local trees and shrubs with us this winter!

The Baynton Sidonia Landcare Group has an ambitious aim to get about 6,000 seedlings into the ground this planting season. And we need help! These are the dates of our Planting Bees:

- Saturday 31st May
- Sunday 22nd June
- Saturday 19th July
- Saturday 16th August includes a Direct Seeding of native vegetation Demo
- Sunday 31st August

Anyone who is enthusiastic and energetic is most welcome to join us. Families are (obviously!) welcome. All tools are provided. And we always provide excellent refreshments and/or a meal (usually including local wine) and a very friendly, fun atmosphere. The projects we are planting up this season include:

- Saving several species of local trees and shrubs that are on the verge of extinction locally (banksias, casuarinas and dianellas)
- Creating a demonstration garden of local native understory plants.
- Restoring understory plants to Prendergasts Lane to replace all that gorse that will be gone by August

Where: Contact Clare or Carl for Details

When: Saturday 31st May

Sunday 22nd June

Saturday 19th July

Saturday 16th August

Sunday 31st August

What to Bring: Other Requirements

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