



### Barefoot Bowls:

Following the success of the past two seasons Barefoot Bowls competition, Romsey Bowling Club has decided to extend the season to encompass the full daylight saving period.

Barefoot Bowls will commence on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2009, and run each Friday through until Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2010. Start time is 6.00 p.m. 'til finish. Entry Fee is \$5.00. All welcome. BBQ dinner available at a small cost.

**For more detail contact Joanne Bovell on 0410 667 591**

### Romsey Recreation Centre Sport and Leisure Update Romsey Junior Soccer

We have a number of soccer competitions and programs that are now underway at the centre, incorporating programs for 5 year olds all the way through to 17 year old, we still have limited space available if you are interest in joining a competition or program. We would like to welcome Andrea Laing, our new junior soccer head referee and coach. Andrea (Andy) joins us from Gisborne and is a FFA qualified referee and junior coach, she comes highly recommended and she looks forward to meeting you all over the coming weeks.

#### U10 Soccer Competition

The first season of the Under 10 Soccer competition has kicked off on Monday nights. This competition incorporates 20 minutes of coaching and a 30 minute game each week. We still have very limited spaces available for any players interested. The cost for the season is \$85.00

#### U10 Soccer Coaching/Development

This Soccer Clinic program incorporates drills and games to teach the basics of soccer. The program is perfect for new players, between the ages of 5 - 10 years. The cost of the program is \$75.00 for 10 weeks, which includes a junior size soccer ball and shin pads. Starts Friday October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Bookings are essential.

#### U13 & U17 Soccer Competition

Both of our competitions have now started with 4 teams in each competition, we still have limited space if you and a few of your mates are interested in playing. These competitions will run through Term 4, 2009 - Term 1, 2010. This is your last chance to play in these competitions, so call the centre if you are interested.

### Macedon Ranges Touch Football

Macedon Ranges Touch Football is played on Tuesday nights every summer at the Dixon Field reserve in Gisborne. Macedon Ranges Touch is extremely family focused, with children as young as 12 years old playing alongside adults as 'young' as 60 years old. We offer several grades encouraging all different abilities, ages, and backgrounds to get involved, allowing for a relaxed social competition.

Touch Football is similar to rugby-league, but removes the element of tackling and dangerous physical contact. Instead of tackles, players are merely 'tagged' (touched). Like rugby, the object is to carry the ball forward towards your attacking end and eventually score by placing the ball on the ground past your try-line.

Registrations must be received by Tuesday October 13<sup>th</sup>, with games starting Tuesday October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009

We are offering FREE Come & Try Days for all ages in the lead up to the commencement of our competition, so why not get involved and give it a try. Please see the full details below.

#### Junior Touch Football

We offer Under 12 and Under 16 Competitions. Games are from 4.30pm. Fees are \$75.00pp for the season.

Come & Try Days are running on the 6<sup>th</sup> October & 13<sup>th</sup> October from 4.30pm.

#### Senior Touch Football

We offer Mixed A and B Grade Competitions. Team or individual registrations are accepted. A Come & Try Day is running on October 13<sup>th</sup> from 6.00pm.

### Kyneton Squash Club Competition @ the Romsey Rec Centre

The Kyneton Squash Club Competition is off and running, with 2 rounds of very close results so far. The club currently has a mixed competition of 8 teams with A to D graded players in each team. The competition is played across Tuesday

and Thursday nights and you can find out more information about the competition by contacting Bill on 0488 348 898. Watch out for the ladder and results, in our next edition of the Romsey Rec Centre Sport and Leisure Update.

### Junior Squash

Are you interested in learning how to play squash ?? The Romsey Rec Centre is looking at putting together a Junior Squash Program with Clinics held weekly, all run by Steven Lawler, a national level player and also a qualified squash coach. The clinics would be held on Thursday afternoons : Primary School Sessions (8-12) years at 4.00pm. Secondary School Sessions at 5.00pm. Cost only \$40 for 8 weeks which includes equipment hire and coaching fees.

### Romsey Occasional Care

Rebecca Wilson has started a fully licensed occasional care program at the Romsey Recreation Centre. Take advantage of this great opportunity and enrol your child today. Sessions run every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning. Bookings and enquiries should be directed to Rebecca Wilson Ph: 0409 407 696 romseyoccasionalcare@hotmail.com

### Fitness Circuits - Knockout Chicks

Ladies Fitness Circuit Classes are back at the Romsey Recreation Centre every Monday, Wednesday and now Friday morning from 10.15 am to 11.15 am.

Mum's with Kids? - Take advantage of the discount offer when using childcare. Classes cost \$14.00 per session or \$10.00 with childcare\* \*Please note: childcare fees to be paid directly to Romsey Occasional Care Bookings and enquiries should be directed to Melanie Traynor Ph: 0430 370 360 melanie@tpfitness.com.au

### Senior Mixed Basketball / Over 25's Mixed Basketball

Sound Interesting?? We are now taking interest for Senior Mixed Basketball or Over 25's Mixed Basketball. We will start the most popular program so if you are keen to play let us know. Anyone wishing to enrol should contact the Romsey Recreation Centre on 5429 5637.

### Romsey Junior Basketball

We are currently taking enrolments for Term 4, 2009 and Term 1, 2010 for our U10's Basketball Development Program, this program is designed to teach children the basics of basketball including dribbling, shooting, defending and is a great general fitness workout for them. The session is lots of fun and is filled with games and basketball drills. Perfect for new players. Ages 5-10 years. \$75.00 for 10 weeks. Bookings are Essential.

**The Romsey Recreation Centre is also home to the following associations:**

#### Romsey Netball Association

Play: Monday's from 7.00pm, Wednesday's from 5.30pm & Thursday's from 4.30pm Contact: Chris Dickson - 5429 5582

#### Romsey Tennis Club

Play: Midweek & Weekend Competitions: Court Hire Contact: Bev Beaumont - 5429 6189

*If you have any questions relating to the sports, facility or programs that are run at the Romsey Recreation Centre, please contact Brooke or Christina on 5429 5637.*

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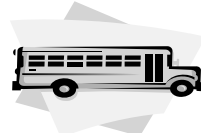
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### Romsey Red Cross Unit

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*Spring and Summer Wear*  
**October 16th at 10.30am.**

**We would enjoy your company and support.**  
**Entry fee is \$10.**  
**There will be a door prize and our usual delicious morning tea.**

**For further information contact Isobel Hood on 5429 5502.**



*The Romsey Red Cross Unit is always looking for more members to undertake the valuable work of Red Cross. With a predicted horror fire season ahead, the red Cross will once again be called upon to offer its services, and the more members there are, the more effective their work is. Contact Isobel for more information.*

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## Matthews Challenge Update



Not sure if the Rag is interested but here's a follow up article in relation to the two dinners that were auctioned off at 'Mathew's Challenge.' The Master Chef who generously donated two silver service, three course dinners for a total of 16 guests, was Romsey's own Tino Fichera.

The first dinner was purchased by Romsey resident Mark Fisher, for the overwhelmingly generous donation of \$2,700. The dinner was held at his private residence on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2009. The magnificent menu comprised of a cheese platter to begin, then entrée quail in consommé. Pork belly and scallops for main followed by strawberry panna cotta with chianti foam for dessert. The evening was capped off with fresh Italian percolated coffee.

The second dinner was purchased by Peter Newell for an equally generous donation of \$2,000. Mr Newell's dinner party for eight guests was held on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2009. The stunning menu comprised of antipasti to begin, quail in consommé for entrée, followed by confit of lamb shoulder and seared lamb loin with potato gratin and caponata for main. Dessert was a heavenly dream of chocolate coated caramel sponge with passionfruit crème and midori gel, washed down with fresh Italian percolated coffee.

Both parties enjoyed an assortment of wine, which was donated by Jacquie Bliss of Willi Willia Winery. Petit fours chocolate was donated by 'Coco Mia Chocolates.' The food was supplied by the following generous local businesses IGA Romsey, Peter O'Rourke of Macedon Ranges Meat Specialist and Scott Taylor - The Fruit Man.

Each dinner party finishing in the wee hours of morning. Both Mr Fisher & Mr Newell commented on the great community support and well wishes for young Mathew Stannard. And of course, overwhelming compliments to

## ROMSEY / LANCEFIELD SENIOR CITIZENS

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For details, please ring Rae Hooke on 54291602.

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Noel Shaw - 5429 5509

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

### Saint Francis' Day Service Blessing of the Animals



Romsey Uniting Church  
9am, Sunday the 25th of October

## Trivia Night Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2009

**Table of 10 - \$100**  
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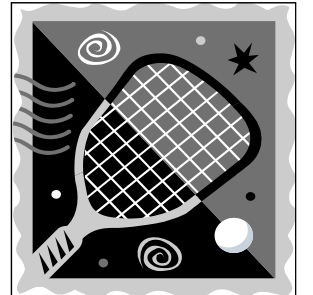
## Squash up and about in Romsey.

After a short introductory season, Romsey competition squash has grown to utilise two nights. Local players starved of the opportunity to play competition are coming out of the woodwork and the competition has gone from 5 teams of 4 to 8 teams of 4.

Club President Bill Hutcheson said "the best thing about the competition is it caters for all levels from juniors and beginners to those with established skills. The club is already taking names for the next competition which will start in early November."

Players who are interested are urged to contact Bill on 0488 348 898 to register their interest. Once registered, a grading hit will be organised and you then have the opportunity to fill-in during the current competition. The competition is an in-house competition, played in Romsey on Tuesday and Thursday nights. It's a social competition with a light supper provided to encourage players to stay for a chat after the matches have been complete. Why not pop down to the courts on a Tuesday or Thursday and introduce yourself.

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President  
Kyneton Squash Club  
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## 2009 CHRISTMAS HOME DECORATION COMPETITION

The Romsey Region Business & Tourism Association invites you to join in their Christmas competition simply by decorating your home in a Christmas theme. Local traders are sponsoring the competition and donating some great prizes.

The three categories of the competition are:

- Best decorated house 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> prize**
- Best theme 1<sup>st</sup> prize**
- Best illuminated window 1<sup>st</sup> prize**

Competition judged from the 1<sup>st</sup> December till 20<sup>th</sup> December  
**Winners announced on [www.romsey.org.au](http://www.romsey.org.au) 20<sup>th</sup> December.**



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## Family Craft Market

*Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> August*

**Saturday October 10<sup>th</sup> 2009**

Romsey Mechanics Hall  
Main Road Romsey

9.00am – 2.00pm

*This is our Fathers Day Market so come along and purchase something for Dad, and support your local Market*

- Variety of stalls
- Childrens activities- plaster painting (cost of purchasing plaster piece up to \$10.00 plus \$2.00 for the cost of the paint)
- Prize for the best Artist and the youngest Artist
- Sausage Sizzle, includes hamburgers, egg & bacon rolls/sandwich, also gluten free food available, lots more.
- Monster Fathers Day Raffle

The Romsey Family Craft Market is held on the second Saturday of each month



## Romsey Primary School News

### New Building Progress

Throughout the term the new building site has been busy with levelling, excavations and truck deliveries. Although it may appear that very little progress is being made all of the underground preparation and readiness for the footings is almost complete. Next term we will see significant progress as the construction continues. Students have enjoyed watching the range of excavating machines and a crane operating over the last few weeks. We look forward to having this modern flexible learning space to complement our school's facilities.



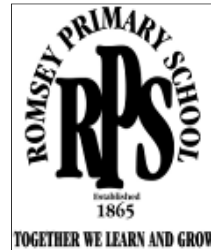
### School's Garden Competition

Once again Romsey Primary School entered the School's Garden competition after a years break. Our school captains Sarah Edward and Tom Green played excellent hosts as they accompanied the regional garden judge June Andrew on a tour of our gardens. Sarah and Tom and explained the numerous garden projects we have had and she was impressed with the growth of the direct seeding project and how it has been used to collect gum leaves to feed koalas after Back Saturday. They also thought that the vegetable garden and orchard is now being well used and were impressed to see the chooks and how we are recycling food scraps. At the Dinosaur Garden she was surprised to find students could be 'junior archaeologists' and uncovered dinosaur foot prints and fossils. They thought this was a unique garden and hopefully were impressed.



### Athletic Sports

A great day of competition and sportsmanship was had by all students at the recent school Athletics Sports Day. As a result a team of over 40 students have competed at Bendigo in the Cobaw Sports. The younger students enjoyed a range of novelty events with the sack race and egg and spoon providing entertainment for parents. All students participated in the sprinting and jumping events. Congratulations to Shaw House who were presented with the shield.



### Literacy And Numeracy Week

For half an hour in the bright sunshine we all read together and enjoyed sharing our books to celebrate National Reading Day. All sorts of reading material was taken outside by the students and staff with several parents and smaller children also joining us. For Numeracy the students measured their height and tallied the combined total of our students' heights. It was 534.21m and adults is 72.05m = 606.26metre. Year 3/4MM measured out the total with the trundle wheel. They started at the White Avenue gate, came up the path all the way to the front gate and then back to the basketball court.

### Enrolments for 2009

Parents who are planning for their child to start school at Romsey Primary School in 2009 should enrol now. You need to bring the enrolment forms, proof of age and record of immunisation. If you would like a tour of the school please ring the office on 5429 5099 and we can show you our extensive facilities.



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### Macedon Ranges Masonic Lodge

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TEAM AWARDS	UNDER 12 ORANGE
BEST & FAIREST	DEAN MAGRI
RUNNER UP BEST & FAIREST	ZANE STEVENSON
MOST IMPROVED	SCOTT SWANN
MOST DETERMINED	ALEX BADGER
BEST FIRST YEAR PLAYER	BEN MITCHELL
BEST TEAM LEADER	DANIEL LIVERMORE
MOST DISCIPLINED	MATTHEW MILNE
MOST CONSISTANT	JACKSON PARTRIDGE
TEAM AWARDS	UNDER 12 BLUE
BEST & FAIREST	SEAMUS WHELAN
RUNNER UP BEST & FAIREST	ROWAN STOTT
MOST IMPROVED	DYLAN ASHLEY
MOST DETERMINED	PHILLIP DURSTON
COACHES AWARD	JACK O'SULLIVAN
COACHES AWARD	JAKE O.BRIEN
MOST DISCIPLINED	KESTON BURLEY
MOST CONSISTANT	LUKE NIKOLIC



TEAM AWARDS	UNDER 16
BEST & FAIREST	ANDREW CULLINGER
RUNNER UP BEST & FAIREST	BEN NOEL
MOST IMPROVED	BEN MUELLER
MOST DETERMINED	SHANNON WRIGHT
COACHES AWARD	HAYDN McLEAN
COACHES AWARD	THOMAS MARTIN
MOST DISCIPLINED	STEPHEN TOBIN
MOST CONSISTANT	DEAN TOBIN

### Club Awards:

*Matthew Little Goal Kicking Award:*

Bryson Scales

*Stephen Skinner Award:*

Andrew Cullinger

*RDFL League Presentation Winners:*

Runner Up Best & Fairest Under 10 Blue: Adam Frost

Runner Up Best & Fairest Under 12 Blue: Seamus Whelan

Runner Up Best & Fairest Under 14 Blue: Angus Storey



### Annual General Meeting:

Lastly the Annual General Meeting will be held at the Romsey Football Club Rooms on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2009 at 7.30pm sharp. As with every success club we need to have a strong committee and I urge you to come along and get involved in your child's junior sport it is a very rewarding experience for you and your family. I look forward to seeing you there.

Melinda Skinner

Secretary Romsey Junior Football Club

# THE WEB



www.romseyredbacks.org.au

The Romsey Junior Football Club has marked its first season as a stand alone club with some very exciting milestones and awards. The club had 4 teams playing off in final series and 3 players receiving awards in the RDFL votes as well as a number of players representing the Riddell District Football League in the Interleague series. A huge 'congratulations' to everybody; the committee, coaches, parents, supporters, sponsors and **most importantly** all the players who participated this year in making our junior club an unprecedented success.

### Interleague Representation:

Over and around the Queens Birthday weekend the club had players from the under 12, under 13 and under 14 age group represent the Riddell District League in the Interleague series they were: Under 12 Seamus Whelan, Rowan Stott, Under 13 Alec Penberthy, Jake Lever and in the Under 14's they were Nathan Blair, Angus Storey and Ben Schuette who unfortunately was injured and could not participate. Congratulations to all you guys! Great effort.

### The Final Series:

**Under 12 orange:** Rod Deans lead his team into the finals series which was no mean feat as 9 of the team members had never played football before, the guys worked hard and try as best they could but could not win through to the next round. Bad luck guys but we are so proud of your effort and the commitment to your team mates it was awesome!!!!

**Under 10 Blue:** Our youngest team that were eligible to play finals led the way and won the right to play in the under 10 age group's first grand final. The team coached by Darren Lingard defeated Riddell in an exciting but one sided match and earned the Romsey Junior Football Club's 1<sup>st</sup> Premiership Cup of the "New Era". The sheer exhilaration of the win reverberated throughout the community and the players proudly wore their well earned medals and jumpers for days.

**Under 12 Blue:** Finishing on top of the home and away ladder our 12 blue team were very workman like in gaining a grand final spot going straight in after the first week of finals. Michael Richardson coached the players brilliantly to win a tight game against Riddell and bring home more silverware, Well done guys a fantastic result for a fantastic season.

**Under 14 Blue:** The guys went into the Grand Final as huge underdogs being beaten by Sunbury Kangaroos 3 times this year but determination and a 'never say never' attitude won out in the end and an elated Alan Lever cleverly coached his young charges to a very sweet premiership win indeed. Well done guys on a magnificent result.

### Presentation Night:

The club held its Presentation night for season 2009 at the Romsey club rooms which was a huge success and a very special Thank you to the Golf Club for assisting us with their club room for the Presentation, it was gratefully appreciated. Award winners are as follows:

TEAM AWARDS	UNDER 10
BEST & FAIREST	JACK COBURN
RUNNER UP BEST & FAIREST	JACK FEEHAN
MOST IMPROVED	ADAM FROST
MOST DETERMINED	MATTHEW DOHERTY
COACHES AWARD BRAEDON SARSON AWARD	MATTHEW PARKER
COACHES AWARD	DAVID SMALES
MOST DISCIPLINED	BRODY WOOD
MOST CONSISTANT	JACK BARRETT

TEAM AWARDS	UNDER 9
BEST & FAIREST	William DiPietro
RUNNER UP BEST & FAIREST	Connor Lever
MOST IMPROVED	Blake Partridge
MOST DETERMINED	Joshua Alford
COACHES AWARD	Matthew Hoy
COACHES AWARD	Hamish Jedwab
MOST DISCIPLINED	Griffen Johnson-Bailey
MOST CONSISTANT	Chelsea Nicol

TEAM AWARDS	UNDER 14 ORANGE
BEST & FAIREST	TOBY CLEMENT
RUNNER UP BEST & FAIREST	DYLAN WILSON
MOST IMPROVED	LUKE RITCHIE-HAYDN
MOST DETERMINED	RYAN MOLONEY
COACHES AWARD	ADAM CAMPBELL
COACHES AWARD	BRANDON DIMECH
MOST DISCIPLINED	JOEL BADGER
MOST CONSISTANT	SAM NEWELL

TEAM AWARDS	UNDER 14 BLUE
BEST & FAIREST	NATHAN BLAIR
RUNNER UP BEST & FAIREST	ANGUS STOREY
MOST IMPROVED	GLEN BUDDE
MOST DETERMINED	TIM MASLIN
COACHES AWARD	JACK HICKEY
COACHES AWARD	JOSHUA DEANS
MOST DISCIPLINED	JACK BURLEY
MOST CONSISTANT	JAKE LEVER

## Macedon Ranges Shire-Wide Koala Survey 24<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> October 2009

Where are our Koalas and when did you last see one in the wild?  
Are Koala numbers lower today?  
Can you help find them?

These are some of the questions being asked in the Macedon Ranges Shire wide Koala survey as part of WAM - Wildlife Awareness Month in October. Macedon Ranges Wildlife Network invites all residents and property owners in the Macedon Ranges Shire to become aware of koalas living in their area and help give better insight to koala populations and distribution throughout the Shire.

Koala surveys conducted over 30 years by the Macedon Ranges Conservation Society Inc. on and around Mt Macedon show that the population of Koalas has declined by 85% and by all indications, numbers are still declining.

Pressures on the Koalas in the last 10 years include increased numbers of fires, clearing of trees for development, Koala disease and an alarming increase in numbers killed on the roads and by dogs.

Apart from the Koala Counts at Hanging Rock Reserve, by the Australian Koala Foundation, Macedon Ranges Shire Council and Hanging Rock Committee ... there appears to be no current documented knowledge or information available on how large, healthy or fragmented the Shires Koalas populations are.



Between 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> October residents are asked to pick ONE day to count koalas on their property and fill in our survey.

Survey forms are available from the Macedon Ranges Wildlife network website: [www.mrwn.org.au](http://www.mrwn.org.au) and also from the Macedon Ranges Shire website: [www.macedon-ranges.vic.gov.au](http://www.macedon-ranges.vic.gov.au) for more information contact email [fau-na1@live.com.au](mailto:fau-na1@live.com.au) or Linda on 0438 363 242.

Our communities must start to take action now, if we don't take care and protect our Koalas, there is a very real probability that they will become rare if not extinct in this Shire in 10 years or so.

During the month of October members of Macedon Ranges Wildlife Network will have an information trailer and raffle at many of the local markets and fairs. Please drop by and say hello. Information on this survey and other Wildlife related topics will be available. All funds raised are used to support wildlife shelters, carers and rescuers to continue their work in the rehabilitation of injured and orphaned Wildlife.

Linda Healy on behalf of Macedon Ranges Wildlife Network.

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## Bushfire Awareness Meetings for Romsey

Romsey Fire Brigade will host two Bushfire Awareness Meetings in Romsey in the lead in to the upcoming Fire Season. The meeting details are as follows:

The meetings will be held on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2009;** and repeated **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2009.**

Both sessions will commence at 7.00pm and will be at **Romsey Community Hub  
98 Main Street, Romsey.**

"We held one of these meetings in November last year and we were extremely disappointed in the response. A meeting held in Lancefield after Black Saturday reportedly had over 300 people attend", said Romsey Fire Brigade First Lieutenant, Trevor Wilson. "We urge all our residents not to wait until the fire season before deciding to do something about the hazards around their properties. They have to act early on."

"We are hoping to pack out the venue on both nights. People need time to properly prepare both themselves and their homes," He added, "Take the opportunity to come to one of this year's sessions and learn about how to best enact your own fire plan. As well, October will also see a Bushfire Awareness Week that will replace the traditional awareness day from this year, so we are really hoping to maximise our profile and educate as many people as we can on how to survive a wildfire."

The sessions are expected to run for about 90 minutes. The experienced speakers from CFA hold a wealth of knowledge and will provide the latest information available to home and landowners on maximising ones chances of surviving a wildfire.

### Other News

Huge thanks to the Romsey Primary School, for as was reported in the August edition of 'The Romsey Rag', members of the Romsey Fire Brigades Group were guests at a morning tea, hosted by Year 6DE pupils of School. The event was in recognition of the fire fighters service to our community and also provided the students with a 'human' link to the theme of their recent studies in the Hazards Of Nature. Those CFA members attending thoroughly enjoyed their time spent at the school and reported that the students were wonderful hosts, who engaged our fire fighters in some quite stimulating and challenging conversation. The morning tea has led to much reflection amongst the CFA members and provided them with the perfect grounding and reassurance, following the harrowing events of this most recent fire season.

Recently, Romsey Fire Brigade members also enjoyed the hospitality provided by Frank and the boys from the Romsey Collision Centre, at another 'thankyou'. Frank was out of bed early one Sunday morning and fired up the bar-b-que with loads of sausages and bacon and eggs for breakfast. This very generous and thoughtful gesture was very much appreciated by our fire fighters, who made short work of the food on a cold morning.

Michael Goldsworthy, of Australian Strategic Services Pty Ltd, was also present at the breakfast. Michael has provided us with assistance in producing all of the posters and brochures for our fundraising appeals and the brigade is both proud of the relationship and very grateful for his ongoing support.



Michael from ASSPL, staff from Romsey Collision Centre and Brigade members following the Brigade breakfast.

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## The Pastor's parables!

### The Boy Who Lost His Boat

Tom carried his new boat to the edge of the river. He carefully placed it in the water and slowly let out the string. How smoothly the boat sailed! Tom sat in the warm sunshine, admiring the little boat that he had built. Suddenly a strong current caught the boat. Tom tried to pull it back to shore, but the string broke. The little boat raced downstream.

Tom ran along the sandy shore as fast as he could. But his little boat soon slipped out of sight. All afternoon he searched for the boat. Finally, when it was too dark to look any longer, Tom sadly went home.

A few days later, on the way home from school, Tom spotted a boat just like his in a store window. When he got closer, he could see -- sure enough -- it was his!

Tom hurried to the store manager: "Sir, that's my boat in your window! I made it!"

"Sorry, son, but someone else brought it in this morning. If you want it, you'll have to buy it for one dollar."

Tom ran home and counted all his money. Exactly one dollar! When he reached the store, he rushed to the counter. "Here's the money for my boat." As he left the store, Tom hugged his boat and said, "Now you're twice mine. First, I made you and now I bought you."

If you ever think that you aren't worth much and if you think you're cheap, just remember what God thinks of you. He loves you and thinks you're His. Twice His. First you're His because He made you. And second you're His because He bought you on the cross when Jesus Christ took your place & paid for all of your past, present & future sins.

If you would like to know more about faith in Jesus please contact Pastor Marilyn or our Church office. We would be happy to help you find true peace and a new joy in life.

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### Goods and Services Auction

An enthusiastic but very small crowd attended our bi-annual Goods and Services Auction in August. An extremely dedicated band of Fundraising and Events sub-committee members were successful in gathering a huge range of items to auction and raffle.

To those that attended, thank you very much for your support, we hope you are enjoying your purchases. To those that donated items for the event, thank you also, for your generous support.

In recognition of the businesses who made donations, their contact details / website information is listed on the kindergarten website.

### Fathers' / Working Parents' Night

A great night was held a couple of weeks ago in conjunction with Fathers' Day celebrations. Dads and parents who do not normally get the chance to participate in kinder duty, were invited to kinder for a short time in the evening. There were some initially reluctant dads in Unit 2 who joined in the singing and dancing but then they got in to the action enthusiastically.

### Emergency services visits

The 4 year old groups had a visit from Tom, an ambulance officer, recently. The children were given the chance to see some of the equipment, be hooked up to a machine for their heart rate testing and have a walk through the ambulance.

Romsey Police and Romsey CFA will be visiting next term.

### Footy comes to kinder

On Thursday, the last day of term, staff and children dressed up in their favourite footy team colours and had a special snack of party pies and sausage rolls, proudly donated / made by committee and some parents.

### Enrolments 2010

The timetable for 2010 has been finalised by staff and committee so letters of offer will shortly be sent to families enrolled for 2010, by Try Youth and Community Services, our Kindergarten Cluster Manager.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0416 066 347.

### Romsey Kindergarten Notice of Annual General Meeting Monday 16 November, 2009 7.30pm at the kindergarten

Purpose: to vote on the Committee of Management positions and distribute 2010 class information.

Information will be distributed to Association Members.

### Romsey Kindergarten Notice of Special Association Meeting Tuesday 13 October, 2009 7.30pm at the kindergarten

Purpose: to vote on the renewal of the Cluster Management Agreement with Try Youth and Community Services.

Information will be distributed to Association Members.

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The Brigade has decided to allow this year's fundraising appeal to continue to run, as donations have continued to trickle in. "We know times are tough and all donations, no matter how small, are very welcomed and will contribute to keeping your brigade supplied with modern and efficient fire fighting equipment", says Romsey Fire Brigade Captain, Robert Smith. "The money previously raised has allowed us to buy our new car and we are nearly finished kitting it out."

The Toyota Hilux dual cab four wheel drive vehicle will be used by the Romsey Brigade for Command and Control at incidents and for general transport duties. The vehicle, shown below, is almost operational now and will be well and truly ready for the upcoming fire season.

In November of this year, the Romsey Fire Brigade will celebrate 125 years of service to our local community. A number of events have been planned to occur during the week of the 21<sup>st</sup> to the 28<sup>th</sup> of November, culminating with a daytime carnival and night time torchlight procession. More about these events will be publicised in the coming weeks.

As has previously been reported, the Romsey Fire Brigade was very active during the past fire season and our Brigade appliances and crews were deployed to all the major fires. It was not unusual for us to supply two tanker crews, as well as a Strike Team Leader crew, for both day and night shifts and have them all away at the same time. This places an enormous strain on the resources of a small Group of Brigades such as Romsey Group. We are therefore always recruiting new members, so if you are interested please make contact with us via the details below.

For fire awareness information please see [www.cfa.vic.gov.au](http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au)

For information on the Romsey Fire Brigade, see [www.romseyfirebrigade.org.au](http://www.romseyfirebrigade.org.au) or telephone 54 296054

For volunteer firefighter information free call Volunteer Hotline 1800 232 636 or email [volrecruit@cfa.vic.gov.au](mailto:volrecruit@cfa.vic.gov.au). You can also visit the CFA website at [www.cfa.vic.gov.au](http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au).





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## St. Mary's Parish, Lancefield and Romsey

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## There will be 2 Sessions: to be held at The Romsey Mechanics Hall

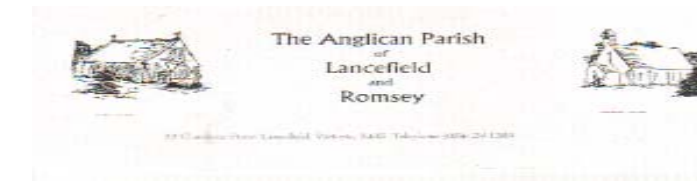
**The opening night will be on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October commencing at 7 pm accompanied by a Finger Food Supper**

**The second showing will be on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October commencing at 11.30 am accompanied by a Basket Lunch**

**RSVP: 6<sup>th</sup> October  
Tickets \$25 per person**

person

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### VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE.

Dear Friends

Commandment number 7 says, "You shall not commit adultery."

Marriage is between one man and one woman. Marriage is the God given sexual relationship between one man and one woman. This gift was given to Adam and Eve right at the time the world was created. It is the most important relationship that God has given a man and a woman to have.

Adultery is sleeping with someone of the opposite sex who is married. It is forbidden because it was the main sexual sin of the day. Until of marriageable age, young people were under the strict supervision of parents, hence the command, "honour your mother and your father". There was no sexual freedom. When old enough, almost everyone married. The only mature 'singles' as a general rule were widows. To have sex with another person's partner was to breach the bond of faithfulness in marriage.

Jesus went even further once again. He said even to think lustfully was as bad as the act itself (Matthew 5:27-28). The apostles also took up this command and forbade all sexual union outside of marriage. They taught sex was a gift from God to express the love of two people for each other, who had publicly declared their commitment in marriage.

Christians all too readily take on the standards of the world, and to day sadly, the world has very low sexual standards. The TV and other media suggests that going to bed, even with virtual strangers, is OK. This is not God's standard. The Christian rule is quite clear, no sexual intercourse before marriage and no sexual intercourse outside of marriage. If you are looking for some help in your marriage, let me suggest the movie, "Fireproof" available at Koorong Books in the city and in Blackburn.

That's this month's view from the Vicarage in a year where I hope and pray we

"Seek the Divine in 2009."

Rev. Leroy Coote  
Vicar

### Romsey & Lancefield Probus Club

**President:** Mrs. Alice Long 5429 6567  
**Secretary:** Mrs. Jeni Clampit 5429 5480

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

Probus is a mixed club for men and women. There is a guest speaker at each meeting. We have an outing on the third Wednesday of the month. (Either a trip or luncheon) We also have Coffee Mornings and Musical Afternoons.

Anyone who is interested in this club and wanting more information is asked to please contact the President or Secretary at the above phone numbers.

### Specific Advertisements.

Our next Sunday @ Six on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2009 with dinner at 5:30pm and a short service starting at 6pm with loud, lively music. **This is located at Christ Church Lancefield – 33 Chauncey St, Lancefield.**

"Does anybody have those unfinished craft projects sitting around?"

Don't have a time or place to finish them?

Then have we got both for you.

The "Unfinished Symphony Group" is starting soon. Details are as follows:

**Date:** Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2009.

**Time:** 1pm – 3pm

**Cost:** Gold Coin Donation.

Bring along your unfinished "symphony" and friends.

For further details, please contact Mrs Jenelle Coote on 5429-1680."

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November – Fete of the century at St. Paul's Romsey. 9:00am – 2:00pm. All welcome and fun for all ages.**

### General Advertisements:

1. 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."

2. Our Church Youth Group meets from 5pm – 7pm every Sunday Evening – in the Lancefield Anglican Church Hall. *Grade 4's welcome this term. Youth group resumes Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October.*

Cost \$4.00 to cover dinner and future activities. Anyone in Grades 5 and up at school is welcome to come along and see what fun activities we do. All our leaders have up to date "Working with Children's Checks".

For further details on any of our activities or a copy of our program, please contact Rev. Leroy Coote on 0417-679-682.

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### From Joanne Duncan

Dear friends

As we all enjoy the warm Spring days and the occasional rainfall, we know that Summer and the bushfire season is just around the corner. As a community who is all too familiar with the devastating affects of bushfire, it is critical that we all ensure that we are prepared for the upcoming bushfire season. I urge everyone, especially new residents to attend a Community Fireguard meeting, contact your local CFA and visit [www.cfa.vic.gov.au](http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au)

In preparation for this year's bushfire season, the Government is holding community bushfire awareness week on **11-18 October** to help make our communities as prepared as we can be. New rules will allow landowners to clear any vegetation including trees within 10 metres of a house and any vegetation except for trees within 30 metres of a building used for accommodation. Fence lines can also be cleared for a combined maximum width of 4 metres either side of the property boundary fence.

These rules only apply to land which you own. You need the written consent of the land owner to clear vegetation on neighbouring land including roadsides. These exemptions seek to clarify and simplify rules around the clearing of vegetation for the purposes of fire protection and will be reviewed within 12 months. It is important to remember that the removal of vegetation is for the purposes of fire prevention and there are many things we can do to manage vegetation to improve our fire safety. Fine fuels (thinner than a finger) contribute most to the heat and speed of fire, so mowing, raking and slashing can reduce fine fuels around the house.

The Government is committed to increased fuel reduction burns subject to suitable weather conditions. Since July, we have undertaken 30 controlled burns across the state, and will continue to control burn throughout October and November when conditions are suitable. As conditions can vary dramatically from day to day, the planned burning in Spring will focus on protecting small ecological areas and townships, and selected roadside reserves in high risk areas

Further changes will allow residents to remove fallen firewood without permit for personal use from the nominated roadside road reserves for 2 weeks prior to the burns. Roadside reserves will be selected by Road Management Authorities in consultation with the CFA and the Department of Sustainability and Environment (DSE) because of an identified fire risk and low biodiversity impact.

You can see where controlled burns are planned, and where burns have already taken place on the DSE website – [www.dse.vic.gov.au](http://www.dse.vic.gov.au)

Knowing that there are many ways to prepare for bushfire, the Victorian Government has adopted all of the 51 recommendations by the Victorian Bushfires Royal Commission in their Interim Report. Most recently, a new national fire danger rating system which introduces a new category 'catastrophic' Over the coming months you will see more of these recommendations put in place.

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

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Romsey & Lancefield District Historical Society Inc.  
 P.O. Box 101 Lancefield.  
 President: Jean Clement 5429 6522

### Local History:

We plan to hold a series of talks on local history at our monthly meetings starting with our Tuesday October 27th meeting at Seymour Cottage, after a business meeting at 7.30pm. All welcome.

Romsey district was famous for potatoes in times past, and the following notice publicized an event on **April 6th, 1975:**

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Some Ideas there for future events?!  
 Jean Clements



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Parish Priest: Fr. George O'Connor  
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 School Principal: Mr. Anthony Falls

Presbytery: 5429 2130  
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Parish Website: [www.users.bigpond.com/stmlancefield](http://www.users.bigpond.com/stmlancefield)

#### MASS TIMES

##### Saturday:

7.00 p.m. (summer time) Lancefield from Sat. Oct 10.

6.00 p.m. (winter time) Lancefield

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

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

##### 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month:

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

#### RECONCILIATION

After weekday Mass or by arrangement.

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

For more information, please phone 5429 2130.

#### REGULAR EVENTS

**SVDP Drop-In:** First Thursday of each month,

10.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m., St. Mary's Church Hall, Romsey.

All welcome to come for a game of cards/chat and free lunch.

**Spiritual Guidance:** Last Wednesday of each month

at the Presbytery, 27 Chauncey Street, Lancefield.

John Stuart, Counsellor and Guide. Tel: 5429 2130 for more information.

#### DAYLIGHT SAVING – MASS TIMES

Daylight Saving changes on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 2am therefore, the first change of Saturday evening Mass to the new time of 7pm will be Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October.

#### Women's Spirituality Reflection Day

##### "Women's Spirituality - My Spirit's Dance".

This day of reflection will focus on important aspects of women's spirituality and help us to understand the gifts we bring to life, to relationships and to the world around us. Through reflection on our own experience and drawing upon the experience and inspiration of women who have gone before us, we will deepen and broaden our appreciation of how our spirituality unfolds throughout our lives and what it can become if we are faithful to the journey.

**Presenter:** Sr Madeline Duckett rsm

Madeline is a Sister of Mercy, Teacher and Spiritual Director. She has a background in education, theology and spirituality.

**Date:** Saturday, 31<sup>st</sup> October **Time:** 9.30am to 4.00pm

**Venue:** St Mary's Parish Hall, Main St, Romsey (next door to Catholic Church)

**Cost:** \$5.00. BYO lunch to share. Tea, coffee and morning Tea provided.

**RSVP:** Joanne Reuther at St Mary's Presbytery 54292130 by Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October.

**All Women Welcome**

#### ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

As term 3 draws to an end we can reflect on a term filled with learning, fun and achievements across the school. The building program is well underway. The portables were relocated and the slab for the new part of the school has been poured. Over the holidays we expect work to continue, including the expansion of the staff room and library. Building of our new classrooms will be underway and we all very excited.

Our prayers and thoughts are with the Year 3 students and their families after the Sacrament of Eucharist. Celebrations were held at the end of August and we congratulate the students, families and teachers on their preparation.

Our annual Drive In and Fireworks night will be held on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November at Lancefield Park. This year the movie will be the Disney Pixar film, "Up". Come along and have a great night.

Several of our grade 5 and 6 students participated at the Tournament of the Minds in Bendigo. Congratulations to the following students as well as Mrs. Jocelyn Devlin for all their hard work leading up to the event: Abbie Bennetts, Abbey Chafer, Eden Alford, Peter Devlin, Fiona Redmond, Erin Mitchell, Tiffany Falcone, Tayla Halpin, Gabby Veal, Brock Fitzgerald, Madalyn Burley, Georgia Linehan, Emily Consiglio, William Foster.

The grade 3/4 students had a great time at their Urban Camp in Melbourne. While they were in the city they visited the Immigration Museum, Queen Victoria Market and St. Monica's Primary School in Footscray. The camp was linked to their Inquiry Unit "Pack Your Bags". Through this inquiry students have investigated the history of migration and how Australia's immigration has helped form our culture and identity.

A big thank you to the parents who attended our information session with Doctor Paul Carter. We are very fortunate to have such a supportive doctor in our community. He spoke to us about the mental wellbeing of our children and how we can best support and nurture them.

Congratulations to Joe and Rina Sculli on the birth of their new baby boy "Josh". A little brother for Philip (Prep) and Isabella. Well done to Jack O'Sullivan who competed in the Regional Golf Playoffs last week, Jack finished 19<sup>th</sup> in the region, an amazing effort for someone who does not play golf on a regular basis! Congratulations to Casey Adamson who represented Victoria in the VPSSA National Netball Championships which were held between August 31<sup>st</sup> and September 4<sup>th</sup> at Waverley Netball Centre.

The Vics competed against teams from NSW, QLD, ACT, NT, and SA, playing 10 games over 5 days. Our girls finished 2<sup>nd</sup> overall!!

Well done to the students in year 5 for their Indigenous Expo. The students presented displays about Indigenous culture, which they have been learning about through Inquiry this term. There were models, posters, Powerpoint presentations, brochures, a colouring competition and even a song.

We had a wonderful day on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September with students and staff dressing up as Book characters. The students enjoyed the day immensely. It was a great celebration of all things related to books and reading.

The Prep/One/Two classes contributed to the 10am Parish Mass on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September. Following the Mass there were activities and a sausage sizzle to celebrate the Parish Feast Day.

On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September, our school athletics team competed at the COBAW district sports in Bendigo. Stay tuned for all the results!

We look forward to a well earned rest before heading into a very busy term 4



#### REFLECTIONS. (6)

**The young are the world's future. Think about it.**

When I discuss with adults the young people of today the responses usually are: "The young do not know what they want, or the young are not interested". I make a suggestion and am told: "we tried that before and it did not work". Ask then: "Why did it not work?" The response is normally a grunt, a growl or some sarcastic comment.

I attended a group, which were going to talk about youth. When I turned up with year 4 and 5 students. I was told that the young were not invited. How are you solving the problems of the young if you are not willing to listen to them? An Inspector of the Police appreciated the contribution the young people made at the meeting and asked if he could come and talk to my students, at school. He came and as he entered the room. I said: "The group is all yours, it is time to listen and learn" I left and had a cup of tea. After he finished he tried to compliment me with the students contribution. I responded: "Do not complement me, compliment the students". He then saw the vice-principal and tell her of the interesting morning, He got from her the same comments. **It is time to learn to listen".**

I attended two meetings called by the young in Romsey. At both meetings I had to say: "The youngsters called for this meeting, let them present their case". At the end of the second meeting I realised the meeting went the adult way and the youngsters lost their case.

What are we forgetting? All children are different. There are fast and slow learners. **I do not believe there are dumb youngsters.** I believe that all people are born with a talent and that should be seriously considered.

There are lots of things young people can engage in, Boy-scouts, Guides, Ambulance-cadets, Sport -groups, Church groups, Air-cadets, Military-cadets, CFA-cadets, SES-cadets

If that satisfies a young person that is fine and should be encouraged. All these organisations provide learning situations and develop leadership and how to work together. It should be all encouraged and **be positive. Being negative destroys the future.**

There are some youngsters who just do not fit in anywhere. These are the forgotten ones. I often think back to my youth. I was an angry young man. Luck was with me as I met my wife, a well-balanced young person with a calming mind.

Having been a volunteer probation officer, I prepared court reports on youngsters in trouble, volunteered at youth services which involved night work, dealt with the homeless youngsters, the drug or alcohol affected youngsters and those suffering the disaster of the pokies. There was anger, a frightening anger amongst the young.

After 15 years of all this work and worry I was tired and worn out. I had to stand aside.

Only a short while ago, when I could still move about, I got into discussion with a group of young and found the traces of the same anger.

Have faith in our young; learn to listen to help them mature.

By the late John Van Arkel.

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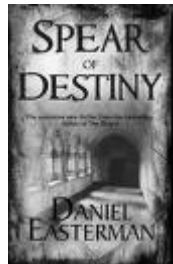
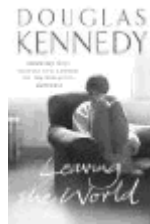
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## Book Review – Fiction

### *Leaving the world* by Douglas Kennedy

Leaving The World is narrated by Jane Howard, an English professor whose life has been characterised by being betrayed or let down by almost every significant person that she has been close to. Finally events drive her to a point where she can take no more and she makes a dramatic decision to "leave the world" by fleeing everything and everyone that she knows. But this in many ways becomes the beginning of her life rather than the end of it. This book starts out slowly, but stick with it as you will be rewarded with a great read.



## Book Review – Fiction

### *Spear of destiny* by Daniel Easterman

The untimely and brutal death of an old man sparks a chain of events that will put his nephew in danger as he races across Europe to Egypt, to solve one of the oldest mysteries in the world: the location of the tomb of Christ and the sword that pierced his body on the Cross. It is a very enjoyable book, with a strong cast of characters, enough plot twists, turns and villains to keep the biggest thriller fans happy. So, for all fans of Dan Brown and the likes, Daniel Easterman is a must read.

## Book Review – Picture

### *One* by Kathryn Otoshi

This is one of the most important picture books of the year, with a message that is simple, powerful, unforgettable, and uplifting. Not preachy, it uses colour, rhythm, and drama to create a short fable about how to overcome oppression. There are many stories about bullies, but few have looked at the subject in such an attractive, original way. Otoshi cleverly offers a way to talk to very young children about the subject of bullying, even as she helps put their imaginations to work on solutions. The final message of the book is that "sometimes is just takes One."



## New service for Mitchell Library Service members

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### **Notice of Special Association Meeting**

**Tuesday 27 October, 2009  
7.00pm at the Romsey Community Hub**

Purpose: to agree to change the constitution to reflect change of name of incorporation to Greater Romsey All Abilities Park.

Further information will be distributed to Association Members.

**GRAAP Inc.**

### **Expressions of Interest**

#### **1. Romsey Street Festival Organising Committee**

Interested in learning how a festival is pulled together and would like to help?

Small jobs available. If you are interested, come to a meeting on Thursday 8 October, 9.30am at Romsey Community Hub.

#### **2. GRAAP Inc Committee of Management (C of M)**

GRAAP Inc currently has vacancies on the C of M for a treasurer and general committee member. If you are interested, please contact Raelene Mottram, President, on 0409148708



Don't forget our Open Day on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October, 10am to 2pm, at the Montessori Pre-school in Riddells Creek. This year there will be a pets corner, pony rides, jumping castle, games and stalls, sausage sizzle, face painting and silent auction. Sounds like lots of fun so make sure you put the date in your diary now. The pre-school is going from strength to strength, thanks to the dedication of the staff, and support of the parents. With 26 children now enrolled and more interested extra sessions are being added to the current program. During this last term the children have been learning about Australia, with show and tell, stories and discussions about Australian animals, and the States and territories within Australia. Father's night, in celebration of Father's Day, was a great success, with children bringing Dad along to show him the different activities they do at school. The children have also had the opportunity to experience yoga this term, which has proved very popular.

#### The Pre-school offers:

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Wednesday 9.30am – 11.00am

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To arrange a tour of the pre-school or receive a Scholarship application form  
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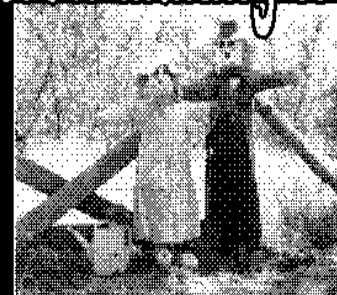
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Expressions of interest for a weekly 1 hour session at \$10 per week. Min. numbers apply.

##### Intuitive Healing and Reiki:

Contact Lindy 0410 692 700 for more information & bookings.

##### Responding to Children's Anger:

November 21st. Cost \$25. Bookings essential.

##### Walk Together Program:

Meets at the Lions park (near the creek) every Tuesday 9.30am.

#### Social & Creative Activities

**Seniors in Action:** Info session as detailed below, \$5 includes lunch

**Sep. 25th:** Services available thru Macedon Ranges Shire Council

**Oct. 30th:** Mental Health & Fitness

**Nov. 27th:** Xmas Party time!

**Knitting Group:** Wednesdays 4-5pm. Adults \$5 Children under 12 \$2.50. Bookings essential.

**Craft Group:** Meets every Thursday 10.00am. Gold coin donation.

**Drop in for a Cuppa:** Any week day 9.30am—5.00pm. Gold coin.

#### Education & Technology:

##### Certificate Course (Non-accredited training):

##### Computer Basics 1:

10 weeks commencing October 6. Tuesdays at 1-3pm. \$160.

Bookings essential.

##### Computer Basics 2:

10 weeks commencing October 8. Thursdays at 1-3pm. \$160.

Bookings essential.

##### Introduction to Microsoft Excel:

8 weeks commencing October 7. Wednesdays 1-3pm. \$160.

Bookings essential.

**Computer Maintenance** One 2hr session \$20. Tutor: Michael Bevan Tues October 13 from 7pm-9pm. Bookings essential.

Alternate Sessions also available November 10 & December 8th.

**Learn to Use the Internet** 2hr session \$20 Tues 27 October. Alternate session available 24 November. Bookings essential

**Cooking for 1 or 2** - 6wk Course starting 14th October. Available to Veterans, spouses and carers \$5 per session. Nutrition Australia.

**Follow Workplace Hygiene Procedures (Food Handlers Certificate)**—Accredited module for Hospitality qualifications: 1 day course—Saturday October 17th 9.30-4.30pm. \$110. Bookings essential. Trainer: Angela (CVGT)

#### Accredited course:

##### Responsible Serving of Alcohol

Run by CVGT (RTO) on behalf of Liquor Licence Victoria. Saturday November 14th 2009, 9.30—1.30pm. \$90. Bookings essential.

#### Other courses available:

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##### Food Hygiene Supervisor's course

##### Coffee Barista—Hands on.

##### First Aid

For information or bookings please contact the Romsey Community House on 5429 6724. Watch the Romsey Rag for further details.

#### Counselling Workshop

This class is run by well known local psychologist Sam Luxemburg. It is designed for those people wanting to improve their communication skills at home, at work or as a volunteer. It involves practical activities and topics covered include (a) Listening, (b) What makes listening difficult and (c) The difference between sympathy and empathy. Date: Saturday 21st November. Time: 10am - 1.00pm Cost: \$25.00 per head. Bookings essential. Phone Romsey Community House on 5429-6724

#### Person Centred Counselling

If you are thinking about a counselling career, or perhaps you are a volunteer who works in a community group, then this 6 week course is designed just for you. Sam Luxemburg, a qualified psychologist, has worked as a counsellor for 25 years and is passionate about training for counselling. Sam believes "everyone can be a better communicator". We are now taking bookings for Term 1 2010. Contact Romsey Community House on 5429-6724 for further information.

Watch your mail box in mid-September for the term 4 brochure of programs at the House. Or call in at the House. for information.

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



### The ODP - It's Back.....

As most residents would now be aware, there has been movement at Council level regarding the Romsey ODP. The latest recommendations include an extension of the Business 1 zoning southwards. This has met with some robust local debate. RRBATA has requested a briefing from Council on the process and detail of this latest variant. Cr. Henry McLaughlin has offered to attend the September meeting of RRBATA for this purpose. A report will follow in next month's Rag.

### Christmas is Coming.....

As reported last month, RRBATA has received funding from the MRSC's Economic Development and Tourism Unit to organise Christmas decorations in the heart of town. Flags in Christmas colours have been ordered which RRBATA will provide to all interested businesses to brighten up the main street. In addition, RRBATA will organise a "focus" decoration within the town. It is anticipated the decorations will be installed prior to the CFA Torchlight Parade and Romsey Festival day of 28<sup>th</sup> November. You will also notice the advertisement in this month's Rag for the Christmas Light Competition. After a short hiatus last year, it is back bigger and better than ever. We encourage businesses and residents alike to get into the Christmas spirit!

### 9: The Expo

RRBATA Committee of Management recently voted to book a space at "9: The Expo" to be held on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October at Sacred Heart College in Kyneton. This event is the only Macedon Ranges' business to consumer exhibition. RRBATA believes it is vital that Romsey be presented at such a forum. A small number of Romsey businesses will have feature presentations, with all businesses being invited to provide advertising and pro-

motional material. A report of this event will feature in the next Rag.

### Local Visitor Services Review

As previously reported, Macedon Ranges Shire Council commissioned a study to review visitor services in the Shire. After several reference group meetings at which RRBATA was represented, Urban Enterprise has been appointed as consultant to conduct this study. They will meet with RRBATA soon as part of the information gathering process to ascertain the provision and usage of visitor information services by the associations and their members, and to identify issues and opportunities for each township.

### Keep Feeding The Website!

The Romsey website ([www.romsey.org.au](http://www.romsey.org.au)) keeps ticking along. New listings are being received and the community is gradually being conditioned to feeding information about Events and News.. Remember, the website is only as good as the information fed to it at [info@romsey.org.au](mailto:info@romsey.org.au). Don't forget that you can register your business or community group on-line!

### Thinking About Membership?

RRBATA is only as good as its membership. The Committee is considering a number of exciting initiatives for the year ahead – consider being a part of these by becoming a RRBATA member so as you can be heard!!  
Membership Enquiries: Tracey Newnham (Secretary)  
0409 511439 [newlec@bigpond.com](mailto:newlec@bigpond.com)

**RRBATA Annual General Meeting:** Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2009 at 7.30pm  
Romsey Community Hub

**November Meeting:** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2009 at 7.30pm

**Romsey / Lancefield  
Little Athletics**

**Registration Day  
Saturday 26th September  
10am—12noon  
Park Lane, Romsey**

Contact Rick on 5429 6885

Season Commences 3 October

**Romsey Kindergarten  
Invites everyone to attend our  
Family Fun Day  
Saturday 17 October  
10am—2pm**

Romsey Kindergarten is taking the opportunity to thank the community for their generous support during 2009.

This is your chance to see the *new playground*, order some Christmas presents from the *Scholastic Book Fair*, have a sausage, buy something yummy from the *cake stall*, have a jump on the *jumping castle* and see the fantastic work the staff and children create during the year.

## "Confessions of a Serial Volunteer" Or "Volunteering – The Good, the Bad and the Ugly"

What is it in the psyche of many of us which entices, cajoles or compels us to put up our hand to assist when the call for volunteers goes out? Or, even worse, we *seek out* the opportunity *before* the call to arms is made. How many of us are serial committee members or volunteers in a smallish community where one often has to struggle to remember which volunteer/community group hat one is wearing? How many of us sometimes get frustrated when only two people in the organization sign up to help with an all day sausage sizzle and yet soldier on so as the whole group/club can reap the benefit for the greater good? Ah, yes – the experience of volunteering can be sometimes a paradoxical one....

### The Good

The friendships made, the new skills acquired and the atmosphere of (mostly) unconditional contribution from those participating are undeniably great. The ultimate joy or reward of volunteering is, essentially, a selfish one in that we usually feel good about the effect of the work we do and the work itself. Satisfying the desire to *make a difference* is a powerful thing.

### The Bad

The mostly precarious balancing of work life, family life and volunteer life can be testing. "What's for dinner, Mum" has a whole new meaning as Mum frantically does kitchen gymnastics having not long returned from swim lessons after school pickup. As the clock ticks towards scheduled departure time for a committee/subcommittee etc meeting and husband has failed to return home, the stress levels start to rise. And yet the need to attend – the sense of commitment and obligation – is strong, despite the washing not yet folded, the dishes from breakfast not yet put away, and some unopened mail piling up! And don't forget the inevitable compromise of one's paid work commitments.

### The Ugly

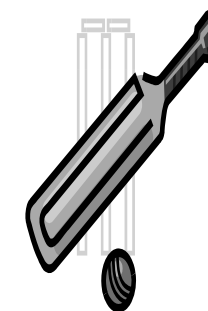
Sometimes, just sometimes, it all goes pear shaped. Despite the best of intentions in volunteer organisations, process can occasionally be abused, egos can corrupt one's original motive and resulting tensions can threaten all that is good. Even worse, is "volunteer burnout" – that state of being when one feels stressed, frustrated, exhausted and lacking in efficiency. It's at that point when we realize that something has got to give, and that maybe it's time to pull back....even just a little.

JS

P/S I asked my children if they thought that volunteering is important. "Yes, because otherwise stuff would not get done." Out of the mouth of babes!

## Romsey Cricket Club

Senior Players Wanted



The Annual General Meeting of the Romsey Cricket Club was held on Wednesday 11 September with the following officer bearers being duly elected:

President – **Michael Richardson**,

Secretary – **Len Devlin**

Treasurer – **Tim McCarthy**.

A new committee to support the executive was also elected.

This year Romsey Cricket Club has appointed **Steve Atkins** as our senior coaching coordinator. Steve is a level 3 accredited cricket coach and the current batting coach at North Melbourne Cricket Club. Matt Cox has been appointed captain of the McIntyre team.

For the 2009-2010 cricket season Romsey will be fielding 4 senior teams, 5 junior teams and again running the popular MILO Program for 6-10 year olds.

With the introduction of a 4<sup>th</sup> senior side we are looking for players of all abilities to come and join in. Seniors train on Tuesday and Thursday evenings with a further session on Sunday morning. Romsey cricket club caters for both the serious and social cricketer. Junior teams will be notified of their training day & time.

The MILO Program is held at the Romsey Primary School oval from 10.00 – 11.30 for 8 weeks commencing Sunday 18 October. Michael Richardson coordinates this program which will commence with a registration day at the clubrooms on Sunday 11 October from 10.30-11.30am.

Please contact Michael on 0437240655 if you are interested in playing cricket at any level with our club or if you would like to register for the MILO Program.

## Lancefield Agricultural Show Sunday October 18 2009

### NEW IDEAS IN HOME CRAFTS SECTION

This year we have included some different items in the schedule. We have a MEN ONLY Cookery Section where blokes can enter a chocolate cake, pikelets or something of their own choice, either sweet or savoury. A special prize of \$10 for 1st prize and \$5 for 2nd prize applies to this section.

A basket of home-grown / home made produce is included in the Home Garden Produce Section. This basket of goodies must include fresh fruit and vegetables, jam / sauce, eggs, herbs and 2 other items made from your own produce. The baskets will be judged on presentation and quality of items.

Some sections have a particular class which will give the winner a \$5 1st prize. Under 10s and Under 14s have the opportunity to go on to the Group Level Finals next year with Decorated Teddy Bear (U 10s) decorated party cakes, plain scones, scrapbooking and homemade cards.

This year we are honouring two loyal supporters of the Homecrafts Section.

The Winnie Fricker Memorial Trophy will be given to the Best in Section for Knitting and Crocheting. The Triz Barnett Memorial Trophy will be given to the Best Pansy in honour of her love of pansies. All ages eligible.

In the Junior Section the Triz Barnett Memorial Encouragement Award will be awarded to a Junior entrant deemed by the judges to be trying hard.

We also have a MASQUEARDE MASK Competition, so get your thinking caps on. The \$2 entry fee will be donated to the Food Bank and the \$2 per vote for the People Choice Aware will also be donated.

Prizes will be awarded for:

Best Decorated  
Most Outrageous  
Antique Style

Made from material found on the farm.

Schedules are now available at shops in Lancefield and Romsey or ring Judy on 0437 566 138 after 6pm.

## Emma Swimming Up A Storm

Swimming Club has been swimming up a storm at the 2008 Victorian Country Championships in Wangaratta on August 22-23.

Emma is a devoted swimmer, training 6 times a week in 2 hour sessions at the Gisborne Aquatic Centre, from 5am to 7am. She also does 3 sessions of gym work. She is captain of the Gisborne Thunder Swimming team. Emma works at the Gisborne Aquatic centre.

Emma won gold in the 200m freestyle, silver in 1hr 100m butterfly and bronze in both the 200IM and 100m backstroke. She also came fourth in her remaining events.

Next up for Emma is the long course session, kicking off with the Victorian Open Water Championships in Hazelwood on October 17th.

Earlier this year Emma flew up to Brisbane to complete the 34th National Masters Swimming Championships, where she brought home 7 medals—2 gold, 2 silver and 3 bronze.

Emma has had a great year so far and it is only going to get better for this young star.



Emma Pendlebury from Gisborne Thunder

### Romsey Region Business & Tourism Association (RRBATA)

#### Notice of Annual General Meeting

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October  
At 7.30pm**

**Mt William Room  
Romsey Community Hub**

**All Welcome and Supper Provided**



### Romsey Community House Inc. Notice of Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Romsey Community House Inc. will be held on Tuesday October 27th at 7.00pm, at the Romsey Hub.

An election will be held for a new Committee of Management, and the AGM will be immediately followed by a normal committee meeting to elect Office Bearers.

To be eligible for nomination for the Committee, you need to be a financial member, which costs \$1 per year. Membership can be organized by visiting the Community House any week morning.

Nomination forms for the Committee of Management are available from the House. Nominations may be lodged from September 29th and will close at 4.00pm on October 26th.

We would encourage all existing members to renew their membership and consider nominating for the Committee of Management, and for non-members to consider joining the house and supporting its efforts.

All enquiries to 5429 6724.

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