

EDITORIAL

The ROMSEY RAG is designed to fill a need. To provide the residents of Romsey with current accurate information regarding the many activity groups that are functioning within our community. This first edition has been distributed voluntarily by some of our young people. Further copies are available at the newsagency.

This edition has been made possible because of the sponsorship provided by the Romsey Primary School Council and our thanks are extended to this group.

Closing dates for future editions of the ROMSEY RAG will be the 10th of each month and copy may be left at the Romsey Post Office. This publication is planned to appear before the 17th of each month.

The editorial committee welcome your contributions, suggestions and comments. - Trevor Turnham, Val Lobb, Bev. Large and Beryl Cole.

THE ROMSEY UNITING CHURCH YOUTH CLUB:

Formed a little over 12 months ago, the Youth Club is designed to cater for any Grade 6 plus young people. Meetings are usually conducted on the first Sunday of the month at 4.30 p.m. but the next meeting is planned for September 9 when members and friends will make a video tape entitled "ROMSEY NEW FACES".

An Olympic-Australian theme was conducted at the last meeting. Members came in "Australian" fancy dress and participated in a range of ten activities. Winners were awarded Gold, Silver and Bronze medals. Parents and other adults are always invited to the family tea which concludes each activity. A Chinese cooking preparation night was one of the highlights of our program earlier this year.

Contact Susan Shaw (Secretary) on 295 509 or Louise Turnham (President) on 295 413 for further details. You are most welcome.

ROMSEY RURAL FIRE BRIGADE

Meetings are held on the 1st Tuesday of the month at Group Headquarters (old Court House) Stawell Street, Romsey.

Radio Schedules, Truck Maintenance and Training every Sunday morning at 8.30 a.m. at the Fire Station. New members welcome.

FIRE CALL ONLY 295 333

For information call Ron Cole 295 411 or Paul Green 295 338

DAVID LARGE

needs help to thread an electric whippersnipper. He also has a Honda Scamp for sale, N.V.C.G. suit spares. \$100. Ring 295 558 evenings.

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ROMSEY RURAL FIRE BRIGADE LADIES AUXILIARY

The Auxiliary wishes to notify all members and welcome new members, to our next meeting which is on Monday, 3rd September at 8,00 p.m. to be held at Group Headquarters, Stawell Street, Business to be discussed:

1. Catering at Community Market.
2. Catering for Region 14 Demo. on November 18.

For further information, ring Elenor Moritz 270 411 or Beryl Cole 295 411

ROMSEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Just what is happening at school?? Many people have queried the reasons for large earthmoving equipment operating on the site where the old Presbyterian Manse was removed earlier this year. The School Council are planning for the future in more that one way. Romsey Primary School is planned to be rebuilt on its present site, retaining the original building. The existing very small asphalt area that currently serves over 200 pupils needs to be extended and rather than upgrade and extend the existing paved area, the School Council are developing a concrete paved area north of Palmer Street which will be large enough for two tennis courts and a basketball court. The tennis courts will be enclosed in cyclone mesh and the whole area landscaped into a sports area which will serve the community and school.

THE COMMUNITY MARKET IS ON AGAIN''

It is because the school is concerned that all community groups have the opportunity to get together and grow through a sharing of resources that the 3rd Community Market will be held on Saturday, October 20. Invitations have been extended to stall holders and further queries can be answered by contacting Sandra Strack on 270 472. Please keep this date free and plan to attend, as a family, and support all the associations with which you are involved.

SCHOOL ENROLMENTS 1985

Advanced warning for parents that the Primary School will call for new enrolments during the last week of September. Pupils should turn 5 years of age on or before 30th June 1985. Parents should bring proof of date of birth, i.e. Health Centre Book, Passport of Birth Certificate. Forms for enrolment will be sent home via the kindergarten and are also available from the school. Further information will be advertised in the next ROMSEY RAG.

ROMSEY YOUTH CLUB:

Is open to young people from Grade 5 thru Secondary School. We hope to provide a variety of activities and outings, with adults supervising. Any parents who would like to join their children in ANY of our programs would be most welcome. Meetings are held fortnightly at various venues from 7.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. Cost is 50 cents per child or \$1.00 per family. A yearly registration of \$2.00 per family is also charged.

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ROMSEY AND DISTRICT NETBALL ASSOCIATION

Competitions are held on Thursdays from Mid-March to Mid-August (approx.) at the Romsey Stadium.

Juniors 8 to 10 years, Intermediates 11 to 13 years and Seniors 14 to 17 years. Advertisements announcing the start of the Netball season will be placed in local papers.

THE ROMSEY UNITING CHURCH

Welcomes the chance to invite readers to share its worship and fellowship. We meet weekly at 9.00 a.m. for Sundar worship and Sunday school.

The Uniting Church Fellowship and Guild meet monthly at 12 noon on the 4th Wednesday. A teenage Youth Group shares a varied program each 1st Sunday of the month. The Young Wives (a fellowship and playgroup) meet fortnightly on Tuesday mornings. There is a Bible Study every Thursday evening at 8.00 p.m. On the 1st Wednesday of every month at 2.00 p.m. we share a service and afternoon tea with the residents of Shamrock Lodge.

Minister - Rev. Adrian Pegler 295 351. Sec. Mrs. Ruth Fan 295 679

THE MACLEOD RANGES AND DISTRICT MOTOR CLUB

Was formed in December 1983 with the aim of encouraging the restoration, preservation and operation of all types of motorized vehicles and stationary engines. Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at "Dromkeen", Main Road, Riddells Creek, commencing at 8.00 p.m. and are usually followed by a Guest Speaker, films or at the very least, lots of "gasbagging" about old cars and motors. As well as the monthly meeting, an outing is held once a month, giving members and their families a chance to get together and enjoy themselves with their club vehicles.

The range of vehicles being restored by members is quite diverse including a 1911 Excelsior Motor Cycle, 1927 Pierce-Arrow Sedan, 1935 Dodge Roadster Ute, 1938 Buick Hearse, Dennis Fire Engine and many more. Membership is open to any interested person. Fees are \$10 per year for family membership, or \$5 per year for junior membership (up to 18 years). Limited registration is available for vehicles 25 years and older. Further information can be obtained by phoning either George Porter, (Pres.) 286 336 or Graeme Lemin (Sec.) on 295 725 or by writing to P.O. Box 210, Riddells Creek.

THE ROMSEY SPORTS AND RECREATION CENTRE

is made up of the Tennis and Squash Clubs and a public stadium which houses a tennis court, netball and basketball courts, badminton and volleyball courts.

There is a very active badminton club and a junior and senior netball competition. The whole centre is run by a management committee. Currently there is very little interest in this committee and we would LOVE some keen people to come and help. Our Annual General Meeting is August 30 at 7.30p.m. at the Centre. Any queries please contact Lee Howells 295 378.

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ST. PAUL'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND KINDERGARTEN, ROMSEY

has one kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Helen Else, and one assistant, Mrs. Lyn Cornish. Currently 46 pre-school children attend, four sessions per week. A playgroup for 3 year olds is run Tuesday afternoons in the kinder building under the guidance of their mothers.

The kindergarten endeavours to provide friendship, stimulation, social contact, skill development, added awareness and confidence for the children who attend in preparation for them to be ready for school the following year. Bookings may be made at any time through Mrs. Else at the kindergarten, 295 294. Currently we are constructing a tricycle track around the perimeter of the playground and hope to have it completed by third term.

ROMSEY AND DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Meetings of the Society are held on the 4th Tuesday of each month, February thru December at 8.00 p.m. when interesting speakers and activities are organised. The next meeting, Tuesday 28th August is at the Romsey Mechanics Hall Meeting Room, and new members are very welcome. Two interesting projects presently being undertaken are the restoration of Sidney Seymour Cottage in Palmer Street, Romsey and the establishment of a local museum at Lancefield Court House to be officially opened by the Attorney-General on Sunday 25th November at 2.00 p.m.

Membership \$3.00 annually. Contact Secretary Mrs. Helen Clement for further information on 295 317.

ROMSEY RED CROSS UNIT:

Meetings held in the Meeting Room of Romsey Mechanics Hall on the 2nd Wednesday of alternate months at 10.00 a.m. when fund raising and welfare activities are planned. Members assist with the Annual Red Cross March Appeal, the delivery of Meals on Wheels, organise First Aid courses, help at Greevale Geriatric Centre, do hospital and home visiting to the ill and elderly and help with transport to medical centres. Catering and first aid teams are ready to assist in times of emergency in the community. New members always welcome. Contact Secretary, Mrs. Shirley Shelton 295 217 for further details.

ROMSEY SHIRE COUNCIL

Have received funding for the employment of a part time social worker. Funding for this position has been made available as one of the community service projects being established to celebrate Victoria's 150th Anniversary.

Lindy Neve will be based at the Shire Office, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday mornings and can be contacted on 295 201.

So, if for example, you are having problems with your marriage or a personality clash with one of your children or want to know more about some health or welfare service and where they are, please contact Lindy. If she is not able to help she can put you on to someone who can. The position is funded until November 1985. Before that time it is hoped to see what social and welfare needs can be serviced within the community.

and more yet...

ROMSEY COMMUNITY LEISURE GROUP

Members of this newly formed group of ladies are enjoying their time together very much. We meet on Thursday mornings from 9.30 a.m to 12.30 p.m. in the Uniting Church Sunday School which has every facility for comfort and work. We average 17 members a session.

Crafts being carried out include, knitting, crocheting, tapestry, sewing, spinning, weaving and toy making. Our aims for the future will include demonstrations and other crafts. A recent bus **trip** to the Annual Sheepbreeders Woolcraft Show to see the crafts was very worthwhile.

New members of any age, both male and female, are very welcome to join us. Admission 50 cents a session.

A chocolate making demonstration will be held on September 6 in the Scout Hall at 9.30 a.m. Admission \$1.00 For further information ring P. Mitchell 295 221 or P. Lobb 295 415.

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