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THE NEW ROMSEY KINDERGARTEN STEERING COMMITTEE INCORPORATED:

Dear Romsey Community,

This is the first monthly report to you, via the Romsey Rag, from the Steering Committee elected to hopefully provide Romsey with new Kindergarten facilities. We intend to keep you up to date with our progress as it will be our community as a whole that will benefit!

We have met on three occasions since the Public Meeting on the 2nd November and significant headway has been made.

1. We feel a DOUBLE KINDERGARTEN/INFANT WELFARE CENTRE development is what Romsey requires particularly in light of the fact that 1990 or 1991 will be the finished time of the project.
2. A number of sites are being discussed but nothing definite has eventuated yet!
3. A Christmas Raffle will be running by the time you read this report. The prize is over \$300 worth of toys donated by Doreen and Joe Smith, and was added to by the generous suppliers Zig Zag Stores.

We look forward to your support. Tickets will be available outside Puxley's each Saturday morning. The raffle will be drawn at 11 am on Christmas Eve - "Delivery in time for Christmas".

Secretary: Mr. Bruce Puxley,
8 Bowkett Close, Romsey.
Tel: (054) 295 607.

LANCEFIELD/ROMSEY LIONS CLUB would like to extend an invitation to all the kids in the town, and their friends in neighbouring towns, to the Annual Christmas Carnival.

Be there on Friday 16th December from 5.30 pm and enjoy the spills on the Jumping Castle; test your skills at the Knock 'Em Downs; have a ride on the ponies; see the sights while riding the Merry-Go-Round; and see who you can put in the drink at the Dunking Machine.

Don't worry mums and dads, you won't have to feed them, we'll have the BBQ going and cold drinks will be available. There's hot drinks and seats for those that don't want too much excitement. Santa will be arriving at about 7.30 and there will be "Special Guests" with hand-outs all evening.

And mums and dads if you've spent the last couple of months spending money on raffle tickets, your nights of restlessness and wonder will be over as this will be the night to answer that question... "Have I got the winning ticket?" So come and join the fun, bring your friends and some happiness and have a great evening on Friday 16th December at 5.30 pm Romsey Lions Park. Any enquiries 295 986 - Stuart Horyna.

NEWS FROM LANCEFIELD & DISTRICT BUSH NURSING HOSPITAL INC.:

Lancefield Hospital is intending to join in the Australia Day celebrations in a different way on Monday, 30th January, 1989, at Romsey Park.

Our aim is to raise the community's awareness of health and safety issues and a display is planned which everyone is invited to visit and view. You will undoubtedly learn some useful new facts and skills!

NEWS FROM LANCEFIELD & DISTRICT BUSH NURSING HOSPITAL INC.(cont'd).

Also some of our wonderful nursing staff will be on hand to check your blood pressure and test your blood glucose level. A lot of diabetics in the population are unaware of their condition and therefore at risk. There will also be hearing tests performed and you may take home your audiograph as a record. We are also hoping to arrange for an ambulance officer to demonstrate heart lung resuscitation techniques - something we should all know in case of emergency.

This year has been a trying one for the hospital. Balancing the books has been like walking a tightrope - our safety net being the support we've had from the community. To that marvellous community we'd like to express our grateful thanks and best wishes for a Merry Christmas.

The Committee of Management

RED CROSS NOTES:

We have had a happy and worthwhile year working together as a group in Romsey. Our thanks to all in the community who have supported us. A special thank you go to all the hard working ladies and to Mrs. Helen Clements for guiding us. We look forward to a successful 89.

BROWNIE/GUIDE NOTES:

Thank you to all our guide and brownie parents and the general public for their support for our girls in 1988. A successful year has been experienced with a number of girls progressing on from Brownies to Guides. A big thank you to all our capable leaders who have put in much time and effort to help the girls. A big thank you to our Commissioner Mrs. H. Thompson for her guidance through the year. Thanks to all parents who helped raise \$170 on our last stall in November. God, bless you all in 1989.

P. Corner - Secretary L.A.

ROMSEY (HABIB'S) SUPERMARKET (054)295 420:

The Habib family cordially informs you of our Christmas extended trading hours.

Monday 19th Dec. 88)	
Tuesday 20th Dec.)	8.30 am - 6.00 pm
Wednesday 21st Dec.)	
Thursday 22nd Dec.)	8.30 am - 7.00 pm***
Friday 23rd Dec.)	8.30 am - 8.00 pm***
Saturday 24th Dec.88)	8.30 am - 5.00 pm***

and "NEW" & NORMAL TRADING HOURS from MONDAY 2nd JANUARY, 1989

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday	Opens 8.30 am Closes <u>6.00</u> pm
Thursday	" 8.30 am " <u>7.00</u> pm
Friday	" 8.30 am " <u>8.00</u> pm
Saturday	" 8.30 am " <u>1.00</u> pm

BOARD GAMES AVAILABLE FOR LOAN:

The holidays are coming. Everyone will have more time to relax and play. Are you wondering how to spend lazy hours with your family and friends?

The Riddells Creek Community Centre has a library of Board Games available for loan - great fun for children, adults and the whole family. Games include Balderdash, Electronic Battleship Murder She Wrote, Master Backgammon, Pictionary and many more.

Families paying the fee of \$15 per annum may borrow games for a fortnight, or one game can be borrowed overnight on a casual basis for \$2. Clubs and Youth Groups may borrow up to 6 games for a particular activity for a fee of \$5. A fortnight's notice should be given. A full list of games is available. Please ring Linda Liebich on (054)286 425 for bookings.

MEALS ON WHEELS:

All meals on wheels committee members are reminded that there will be a get together at 10.30 am on the 21st December. We will make up Christmas posies and deliver them to the usual meals on wheels recipients. If you have any flowers or foliage that would make up into a posy it would be appreciated.

P. Corner - Secretary

LIONS CLUB OF LANCEFIELD/ROMSEY:

Last Saturday the 25th November, the Lions Club of Lancefield/Romsey took 23 children to Luna Park. With the help of the Principals from the Romsey and Lancefield Schools the 23 children were selected, the criteria used was not the wealthy or the not so wealthy but children that had not been to Luna Park or who may not ever get there. This is an exercise that is carried out every year by Lions Clubs throughout Victoria, each Club pays \$4.50 for each child which enables the children to take over Luna Park for the morning session, from 9.15 am to 12 noon.

All in all there were approximately 2500 children there for the morning, buses arrived from places as far afield as Wangaratta, Albury, Korrumba and Geelong and many other places, and that is a lot of children in the one place at the one time.

And as I said, it is all funded by the Lions Clubs throughout Victoria, so each time that you see a function being run by the Lions and they are holding raffles etc. buy a ticket as it is things like that where your money is going.

As mentioned previously, our next fund raising function is the Annual Christmas Carnival, on Friday 16th December at the Lions Park. We are drawing the raffle for our trailer load of goodies and what goodies they are, trailer and contents, total value \$2500 and just a \$1.00 a ticket. So bring the kids down to the Lions Park on that date, there will be sideshows, spinning wheels, BBQ, Father Christmas and lots of fun. Romsey Fire Brigade will be involved and will be going around the town prior to the Carnival with Father Christmas on board and everybody will end up at the Lions Park. So we hope to see you there.

Warren B. Opie, Secretary.

ROMSEY AUTHORISED NEWSAGENCY - 109 Main Street - (054) 295 361:

Christmas Sale is on and going well. Plenty of bargains still available, e.g. 10 bon-bons only \$4.60 each.

Back to School Sale begins in mid-January. We have received plenty of book lists so far, if you wish us to fill these lists the sooner we get them the better (e.g. SACRED HEART Year 7 list will have a minimum saving of \$15). PLEASE NOTE: We can fill all of the list that INCLUDES TEXT BOOKS.

SATURDAY 24th DECEMBER the shop will open ALL DAY 5.00 am to 7.00 pm.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our valued customers for their tremendous support during 1988 and wish you and yours a Happy and safe Christmas.

Kerrie, Bruce, Louise and Neville.

ROMSEY FIRE BRIGADE AUXILIARY:

It was most heartening to see the number of Auxiliary members who attended November's meeting. Planning is already under way for next year's Annual Art Show, to be held on Saturday night, February 25th and Sunday (all day) February 26th at the Romsey Mechanics Hall. Several new artists have joined the group and we are expecting an excellent exhibition once again. Please note these dates in your diary.

Also discussed at the November meeting was the apparent apathy with which the Romsey community regards the Romsey Rural Fire Brigade. Recent fund-raising activities (i.e. the Walkathon) and educational sessions (the Fire Prevention Workshop) were almost totally ignored.

Very few people seem to appreciate the facts that:

1. the brigade is ENTIRELY voluntary
2. the members of the brigade devote a very large percentage of their spare time not only to fire call-outs, but also to training sessions to improve their skills and learn about new equipment; to educational sessions to help the community; and to maintaining and repairing equipment
3. the equipment used by the brigade is largely funded by monies raised by the fund-raising activities of the Auxiliary and the brigade itself
4. the increasing size of Romsey's population means that new equipment is urgently needed to meet any fire emergencies that may arise.

It is imperative that the Romsey community supports and encourages our brigade in any way it can. Let's make 1989 a better year for our volunteer firemen than 1988 has been.

The Auxiliary wishes everyone a happy and safe Christmas, and hopes to see lots of new members next year.

Robyn Moore (President) - 295 698

YOUR ROMSEY GARDEN NO. 35: Shrubs and Trees Around The Home Pt.7;

The benefits to be obtained from the establishment of windbreaks and sound barriers around a home have been advocated in earlier articles of this series. Co-operation between neighbours to establish such plantings on both sides of dividing fences will enhance these benefits one of the most important of which is to provide privacy beyond that obtainable from even the best of fences which, like all solid barriers, create some degree of turbulence on the windward side as well as above and from a certain distance beyond them and which, in the case of timber fences, usually begin to deteriorate after a few years with consequent potential arguments with neighbours over maintenance, repairs or renewal. To establish such a boundary planting with reasonable success requires more than the purchase of a few dozen trees or shrubs haphazardly selected at some "stock clearance" sale followed by the digging of holes among grass and weeds and "jumping back quick" in the expectation of rapid growth. Careful selection based on observation of successful local plantings, seeking advice from knowledgeable people, preparation of site by cultivation of a strip 2M or more wide with complete elimination of grass and weeds, filling of hollows and reduction of rises where necessary with follow up weed control, mulching to conserve moisture; adequate watering during dry weather and frequent attention to tree shape by elimination of undesirable growths - especially multiple trunks - are among the most important matters to be attended to as to achieve satisfactory results.

Syd Wheller.

COUNCIL NEWS:

Permits were granted to develop Shamrock Lodge into three retail shops along Main Street with professional suites in the rear portion of the building fronting Stawell Street, a 1036 sq.m. supermarket and two retail shops at Main/Barry Streets intersection (south-east corner), a 39 lot sub-division on the south-west corner of Hutchinsons Lane and Tickawarra Road and 15 lot sub-division at 123-125 Barry Street.

Comalco are promoting the recycling of aluminium cans and have written requesting the names of organizations interested in participating. Please contact the Health Surveyor (Dave Ireland) for more details. As mentioned last month, the survey carried out to extend the garbage collection along Woodend Road showed the majority of residents were not in favour of the proposal. Council voted against the extension. Your big bin is coming. The hold-up apparently has been caused by equipment failure at the manufacturers. Some have been delivered and distributed in the Riddells Creek area.

The Shire is looking for a motto. A public competition is to be held (local papers for further details). The Australia Day Committee are seeking nominations for the Shire "Citizen of the Year". Please contact Cr. John Green (285 347) or the Shire Office for further details. Another four attacks by dogs on stock was reported (1 x Riddells Creek, 3 x Lancefield). Finally, as this is the last Romsey Rag for 1988, we would extend to all Christmas cheer and goodwill and a safe and prosperous 1989.

Till next year,
Doreen Smith
Doug Newnham
Geoff Neil

HOBBYTEX SUPPLIES available in Romsey and Lancefield including all regular fabric paints and special effects colours (including puff paints). Paint your own Christmas gifts or select a gift from our screen printed T-shirts and windcheaters, perfumes, jewellery, home care and car care products, tapen ari skin care, make-up, personal care and aloe-vital vitamin products and "Bronson" men's toiletries. Hobbytex proudly Australian.

Ring

Wendy Brants (Romsey) 295 913

Richard Oglesby (Lancefield) 291 679

KINDER FOR 3 YEAR OLDS:

What will your 3 year old be doing in 1989? He/she is ready for activities outside the home but not yet eligible for traditional kindergarten.

Parents are now advised to start their children at school after they turn 5, which often means holding them back even when they are eligible for kindergarten. Yet they are ready to learn and mix with other children.

Macedon Ranges Montessori Pre-School in Riddells Creek invites parents in this situation to consider the alternative.

The Montessori Pre-School will have a second group for the first time in 1989 and still has a few vacancies for 3 and 4 year olds. There will be up to 20 children in each group and each child will attend for 2 morning and 2 afternoon sessions of 2.5 hours. There are a number of children enrolled from the Romsey area so carpooling should be possible to ease the load of travelling.

The Pre-School offers an excellent educational programme running for 2-3 years. Parents are encouraged to start their children as soon as possible after their third birthday. Parents are welcome to make an appointment to visit the Pre-School before the end of term (16th December). For further information please contact Debbie Garner on 286 459 or Debbie Maxwell on 286 381 (AH).

FOR SALE: 1 refrigerator 16 cubic foot 2 door Amana (Kelvinator). Excellent order.

This refrigerator is only for sale because we moved house, and the alcove provided for the refrigerator is not wide enough for it to fit in. Completely frost free. 5 cubic foot freezer compartment. \$300 ONO. Doss Keating 295 840.

POLICE NEWS:

Seems to be no time at all and it is that time of the year again, so once again we start to plan where we are going for the holidays, so whilst we think about that, spare a thought for the caravan, trailer or boat trailer, are the brakes, lights and everything else working and in good order, especially when you think that the caravan may have been standing for the past 6 months or so and brakes start to seize up if they have not been used for awhile.

Whilst on the subject of Christmas and of course Christmas presents, think about the bicycle safety flags for the new bikes and also the old bikes, in conjunction with the Lions Club we have the flags on sale at the Police Station, \$5 each, good value and may help to save a life.

Remember if you are going away, don't forget to get a form from your Local Police Station, it helps us to keep an eye on the place and also if we have to contact you. Don't forget to let your neighbours know that you are away so that they can also keep an eye on the place and at the same time you get to know your neighbours, if you don't already know them.

This year as in the past there will be heavy traffic blitzes on the road, so with a little bit of care you shouldn't get caught and that helps towards a troublefree and costfree holiday.

People must be starting to take notice of strange vehicles in the area as our reported burglaries are down this year in the Romsey area and that is the good news. The bad news is that our accident rate is still too high, 12 reported accidents and one of those reported was a double fatality which is far too high for this area, so for 1989 a bit more care is needed. On behalf of the Police at Romsey we wish you all the best for Christmas and the New Year, drive safely and we look forward to seeing you all in 1989.

Warren B. Opie Snr/Constable, 16679

Officer in Charge .../6

ROMSEY DRAPERY: (next to Bread Shop) - Now stocking fashion jewellery. Just arrived summer range Flying Colours/Malika (ladies clothing). Also Stafford sports for men. Will be open till 5.30 pm Fridays, and all day Saturday 10th and 17th December. See us for your Christmas gifts. Gift wrapping available.

"HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL".

PIONEER CONCRETE have taken over the concrete sections of the Tylden & Romsey Pre Mix Concrete from 1st December 1989.

However all existing facilities curently available to clients at Kyneton, Romsey and Castlemaine will remain with plant managers, drivers and staff all joining the new company.

The prospect of greater techmology, increased plant and truck capacity and a secure future has made our staff keen to look forward to 1989.

On behalf of our total team at Kyneton, Romsey & Castlemaine I wish to take this oppportunity of saying "THANK YOU" for your loyal support and I wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year and may the best of health, wealth and happiness come your way in the future.

Ian J. Lee
Managing Director

THE HEAT IS ON! Insulate now with fibrefluf premium insulation. Ring Val or Graham for a quick quote. Phone 295 352.

AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATION to be at Romsey on Monday 30th January 1989.

A Procession is to assemble in White Avenue at 10.30 am for an 11 am start, proceeding to the Park. The theme is "Towards 2000". The classes in the Procession will be -

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| Best Float depicting "Towards 2000" | Best Restored Vehicle |
| Most Interesting Mode of Transport | Best Children's Float |
| Best Equestrian Turnout | Best Decorated Bike |
| Best Pedestrian Group | Best Individual Pedestrian |
| Best Horse Drawn Vehicle | |

There will be a "Fun Run", about 7 kilometres, with four classes -
Boys and girls under 15 years Men & Women 15 years and over.

A picnic atmosphere is planned for the Park, with dancing, ballet, calisthenics, karati and many other activities and stalls.

Scouts are to provide hot dogs, tea and coffee, hamburgers, cold drinks and sandwiches.

The theme for the post competition is "When I grow up". There are seven classes and posters will be displayed in the Scout Hall.

Nominations are invited for "Citizen of the Year" and should be in by the end of December.

All are encouraged to take part in this celebration to make it the best ever!

John Green Secretary
Romsey Shire Australia Day Committee.

It is now 3 weeks since the Romsey Fire Brigade walkathon and I am sorry to say I still remain bitterly disappointed. A very proud band of 8 families held their heads high, hats on and walked, rode bikes and pushed toddlers for our brigade.

It was a marvellous walk, all finishing in fine style and although the day was very warm the wind was pleasant.

We have a number of very generous people in Romsey, some sponsoring more than one of us and we raised in the region of \$800. We are extremely grateful to all those who gave but when you consider that I know \$150 of this came from outside the district and if every person who is serviced by the C.F.A. had given \$1 the amount would have been more like \$3,000. It speaks for itself. (cont'd.)

Some of the responses we received when seeking sponsorship or a donation were astounding. Some people who were asked to sponsor walkers were negative in their response, so here are a few facts that they may not be aware of.

Does the Romsey community realize that the Romsey Fire Brigade area is from Boundary Road to the north, to Black Range Road and Kettlewells Road to the south, Monument and Vinicombe Roads across the Black Range, to the west and Deep Creek to the east? The Brigade has three trucks to protect this area. One truck has been supplied by the C.F.A., the other trucks (one is 8yr. old, the other 18 yr. old) have been purchased and maintained by the Brigade. The Brigade is currently working towards replacing the 18yr. old truck.

Well, if a fire should threaten your property and lives one day, please don't complain or criticize a very hard working, conscientious group of men and women whose equipment maybe inadequate to do the job.

Helen Watts.

LANCEFIELD AND DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB NOTES:

Did you know there is a Lancefield and District Garden Club? If you did, why haven't we seen you, and if you didn't, you know now, and I'm sure we'd love you to join us.

The club has had a successful year, running street stalls to raise funds. A display was held at the local agricultural show, and a flower show held at the Lancefield Hall in March. A lasting effort, of which all members are very proud, can be seen in the main street, where a rose garden has been planted in the area surrounding the time capsule lawn. This was dedicated on the Australia Day weekend, as part of the Shire's Bi-Centennial Celebrations.

Any persons from the Romsey/lancefield areas, starting new gardens, growing flowers or vegetables, or just interested in meeting new friends are most welcome to come along each fourth Tuesday of the month (except December) 8 pm. at the Lancefield Hall. Much can be learnt from our guest speakers, whose topics this year ranged from dahlias, to fuschias, herbs, dried arrangements and orchid growing. Monthly flower and vegetable competitions are held amongst members, to create interest. Also bus trips are arranged to visit nurseries, gardens and displays, near and far to wherever the members choose to go (number permitting).

Sounds pretty good! So why not give it a try? For more information

Lancefield	Greg Parks (President)	291 314
	Joan Severson (Secretary)	291 757
	Trish Barnett (Publicity)	291 296
Romsey	Doss Keating (Publicity)	295 840.

Next meeting 24th January (Tuesday) 8 pm at Lancefield Hall.

LIBRARY BUS BORROWING:

A dramatic drop off in borrowing from the local Mobile Library has occurred. During the previous 12 months there has been a 35% drop off in borrowing from the Library bus when it visited the Romsey town site. This compared with a 3% drop off at the school site and a 22% reduction in total borrowing throughout the whole Romsey Shire. Reading is an essential skill and books can help develop the individual's understanding, appreciation and knowledge as well as providing a great recreation. Remember that there is a "Return Box" for books in the Shire Office. Drop them off at any time.

If a need exists then it should be serviced. Your local Shire Council financially supports the Mobile library but with such a dramatic reduction in borrowing is their support justified? Come on. Look at a book and visit your new Mobile Library.

As from December 5th, a new Librarian will be in charge of the mobile library, Sue McNamara used to be on the old Library bus and will be remembered by a number of residents.

Despite very poor attendances at information and participation meetings held for parents, we have continued to provide such opportunities for those interested. Just two local parents recently heard Lyn Martin, a visiting speaker from Melbourne, explain how the "L.O.T.E." (Languages Other Than English) frame work has been operating in schools. Next year our school will host a Japanese intern for a nine month period, during which time the pupils will receive instruction in Japanese language, culture, arts, history and geography. This exciting project will involve all children at all grade levels. On October 27th five families were represented at a "FAMPA" (Family Maths Program Australia) activity evening, which was designed to demonstrate how children can be surrounded by real life maths activities at home. A fun, activity evening which catered for all age groups. On October 12th Alan Clifford, Manager of the Castlemaine Support Centre, spoke to seven families and staff regarding the Reading Recovery Program. This innovative program which runs nation wide in New Zealand has proven to be extremely effective in tackling the Reading faults of Grade 1 pupils and returning them, after intensive, individualised instruction to the achievers in the mainstream.

After an extended period of instruction and practice, our Grade 6 pupils successfully completed the Red Cross First Aid Program. Our thanks to Trish Corner, Helen Clement, Carol Graco and Dr. Allison Kiloh for their assistance. The children will receive their certificates at their Special Graduation Ceremony which will be held on the 20th December at the Tye Estate.

Interschool Athletic Sports, which were postponed because of rain, will be held at the Lancefield oval on Thursday 8th December. Any interested readers who wish to attend are most cordially invited.

School Term Dates 1989. Please note that two extra days have been added to Easter 1989.
PUPIL ATTENDANCE DATES:

Term 1	Feb. 2 - March 23
Term 2	April 5 - June 23
Term 3	July 10 - Sept. 22
Term 4	Oct. 9 - Dec. 21

CHRISTMAS IN ROMSEY:

All Churches offer an extremely warm welcome to you to attend any of the following Christmas Church Services.

SUNDAY 18th DECEMBER 8 pm Carol Service at the Uniting Church Romsey - Items by David Allen - All welcome.

CHRISTMAS EVE:
 8 pm Mass - St. Mary's Romsey
 Open House at the Anglican Church Vicarage from 9 pm (BYO plate)
 11 pm Service Anglican Church Lancefield
 Midnight Service, St. Mary's Catholic Church Lancefield

CHRISTMAS DAY, Dec. 25th
 8 am Mass St. Mary's Catholic Church, Romsey
 9 am Anglican Church, Lancefield
 9.30 am Uniting Church, Lancefield
 10 am Mass St. Mary's Catholic Church, Lancefield
 10.30 am St. Paul's Anglican Church, Romsey

SEASONS GREETINGS TO ALL!

May the Peace, friendship and Joy of Christmas stay with all of our readers throughout the New Year to reinforce the fact that Romsey is a great supportive community in which to live.

ENJOY A SAFE & HAPPY HOLIDAY PERIOD.

The Editorial Committee, "The Romsey Rag". .../9

A special word of Appreciation to Mrs. Bev Large who not only has served on the Editorial Committee of this publication since its inception, but has assisted in many ways to make the Romsey Rag a success. Bev has recently resigned from the Committee. We wish to thank her for her contribution in the past and know we can count on her assistance on occasions in the future.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: Items marked * are detailed in this edition of the Romsey Rag.

DECEMBER

- Thursday 8th Interschool Athletic Sports
- Tuesday 13th Orientation Day for Secondary Schools
- Friday 16th * Lions Club Christmas Carnival
Romsey Uniting Church Youth Club Social BBQ
7.30 pm all young people and families invited
- Sunday 18th * Carol Service Romsey Uniting Church - 8 pm all welcome
- Wednesday 21st * Meals on Wheels - Get together
* Last day of school for children
- Sunday 25th * 9.30 Church Service - Lancefield Uniting Church

JANUARY

- Tuesday 24th *Lancefield & District Garden Club
- Monday 30th *Australia Day Parade
*Lancefield Bush Nursing Hospital Community Awareness Programme

FEBRUARY

- Wednesday 2nd School resumes for pupils
- Thursday 3rd Last day to receive copy for the Romsey Rag.
- Saturday 11th Golf Club Progressive Dinner
- Saturday 25th *Romsey Art Show.

ITEMS FOR THE FEBRUARY ISSUE OF THE ROMSEY RAG TO BE AT THE POST OFFICE BY 2 pm on WEDNESDAY 3rd FEBRUARY 1989 - THANK YOU. We are always looking for additional assistants in compiling, sponsoring and delivery. If you can assist please contact any of the Editorial Committee.

Compilers reserve the right to reject or include any item presented for print.

I would like to sponsor an edition of the Romsey Rag Yes.....

I would like to help with the delivery of the Romsey Rag Yes.....

EDITORIAL COMMITTEE: Trevor Turnham, Bev Large, Beryl Cole, Laurel Miles, Pam Neil, Kerrie Lemin, Elsie Patterson.

ENJOY A SAFE & HAPPY WINTER HOLIDAY

The Editorial Committee, The Romsey Rag

Sporting News in Romsey

REBELS NETBALL TEAM:

The Rebels Netball team once again had a very successful season playing in the Sunbury Ladies Netball Association C Grade section. After finishing 3rd in the summer competition we managed to make it to the Grand Final in the winter comp. All girls put in a terrific game in the final but unfortunately were beaten by Sunbury team Nivek S.P.

Congratulations to all the girls in the team: Merryn Bonafede, Rhonda Campbell, Jenny Clement, Bev Gaunt, Sue Glasby, Donna Newnham, Carolyn Reilly, Heather Zawilla and Kerry Campbell. Special thanks to Joy Dyer for coming each week to score for us.

CONGRATULATIONS TO DONNA NEWNHAM: after putting in a very consistent effort all season, Donna was rewarded by winning Best and Fairest in the Sunbury Ladies Netball Assoc. C grade section.

ROMSEY FOOTBALL CLUB NOTES:

At the Annual General Meeting held last month, a new committee was elected for the 1989 season.

PRESIDENT:	David Knight 295 889
VICE-PRESIDENTS	Russell Neyland, David Schneeberger
SECRETARY	John Miksa 295 346
TREASURER	Rob McIntyre 285 276
COMMITTEE	Alan Matherson, Jim Zonneveld, Helen Barrow, John Carter, Mick Morrison, Karen Joiner, Gerry Brinkhuis, Peter Gay, Cheryl Raines.

Life member of the club, Lou Day, has been appointed senior coach with Albert Caneva as his assistant. Reserves coach is Gary Walters with Bernie Millburn appointed as chairman of selectors. Training will commence in early January. New players will be most welcome and can contact any committee member for further information.

Finally, our trainer, Peter Gay, requires an assistant who is either trained or willing to be trained in various aspects of the assessment and treatment of sports injuries. Interested persons can contact Peter on 295 749. If you have long fingers and enjoy inflicting pain, then this position should suit.

* ROMSEY FOR MINE IN '89*

KILMORE SHOW MONUMENT CLASSIC 8.7KM RUN:

Romsey Primary School were represented by a team of 11 children. Eight participated in the relay section and three ran the whole 8.7km course in the U/18 section.

Wayne Robb won the U/18 section with a time of 44 mins. 38 sec.

Liesje Tommey was first female competitor overall and first U/18 girl in a time of 48 mins. 42 sec. Emily Shanahan was second U/18 girl with a time of 50 mins. 42 sec.

In the Schools Relay Section: Broadford Primary School won the event. Romsey Black team (Tim Shanahan, Scott Dyer, Andrew Graco, Daniel Gaunt) was second with a time of 44 mins. 17s. Romsey Brown team (Tamara Davis, Carmel Miles, Katie Glasby, Rebecca Cole) was third with a time of 47 mins. 29 sec.

Congratulations to all those who participated and thanks to Ron Cole, Elizabeth Toomey, Lorraine Robb and Chris Shanahan for their support.

Bob Sherren.

GISBORNE DISTRICT JUNIOR TENNIS - SECTION 6: The section 6 tennis team are have a successful season having been beaten only once. The team is second on the ladder so keep up the good play.