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Welcome to the May Edition

What a shock to wake up and leave the house in a chilly 2°, ok so it was 5.30am when most sensible people are still in bed, but feels like winter is well and truly on its way! I have decided to upgrade my heating system to a far more efficient 6 star unit, due in part to rising gas bills but to coin my Dad's phrase, "I'm a cold tattie!" so need all the warmth I can get. It made me think though it is a good time to get your heating checked out to ensure there are no issues. Heaters are responsible for too many people losing their lives each year, through fires or noxious gases, so don't be a statistic and get yours checked out.

Thank you to all contributors who managed to get their articles/ adverts in by the early deadline, it was much appreciated. Hopefully this will be the last early deadline for the year. Next month is back to the usual date, the 15th.

Just a reminder to ensure you are using the new email address for all correspondence:

email@theromseyrag.com.au

Also check out the new website, where you can download this and previous editions:

<http://www.theromseyrag.com.au/>

WHAT'S ON in & around Romsey

5th May - Gilbert & Sullivan's Patience, Romsey Uniting Church Hall at 1:30pm.

9th May - Author Talk with Noel Braun at 2pm, Romsey Library.

3rd - 26th May - 12 Angry Men, The Mountview Theatre, 56 Smith Street, Macedon.

Meet the Romsey Rag Committee of Management - Pam Neil

Pam was one of the members of the original Romsey Rag's distribution team back in the 1980's and remembers when the Romsey Rag was printed on the old gestetner! She re-joined as a committee member of the steering committee in 2018.

Pam:

- Has been married to Geoff since 1973.
- They have lived in Romsey since 1977.
- Geoff and Pam have 2 daughters and are the proud grandparents of 4 grandchildren.
- Worked in Administration of various companies.
- Is currently the Administrator of Encourage Church.

Pam has a keen interest in Romsey and has been involved in many community groups from Playgroup and Kindergarten committees, which involved raising funds for the then new Kindergarten and Maternal Health premises in 1991. She was part of the Romsey C.F.A. Auxiliary – remember when we used to run the annual art shows for local artists? She was also involved in various areas within the local Primary school and Calisthenics group which her daughter's participated in.

Current involvements include:

- Active involvement in Encourage Church in Romsey - we love God and love people.
- Ambulance Auxiliary member,
- Assisting Geoff in his many areas of community

- involvement, and
- Enjoying the many hours of Gran'ma duties.



Romsey Mechanics Institute



In recent months the MRSC has set up a website and facebook page for Shire owned and operated halls. The Macedon Ranges Community Halls (MRCH) group now meet four times a year and work together to share experiences as well as items such as sound and lighting equipment. The RMI, being built on crown land, is owned by you, the people of Victoria. However, we, and other non Shire owned halls, have been invited to attend some of these MRCH meetings. It is hoped that we can work within this group to provide our community with new and interesting shows or exhibitions.

Each year one of our regular users, Cowboys & Angels Dance Academy, heads off to Tamworth to compete for the **Mayworth Trophy** at the Australian Country Dance Festival, the 2019 championships will be held between May 2nd and 5th. This year 22 Romsey dancers will be competing in a wide variety of events, **GOOD LUCK** everyone.

In 2018 the RMI was successful in winning a grant from the MRSC for the design and drawing up of working

plans for a toilet renovation and extension. These planning works are progressing well,. we hope to have everything ready by the middle of the year. Our thanks to Julie Wynd (DELWP) Ivor Nelson (MRSC Heritage Consultant) and Graham Connell (Black Forest Drafting).

With the Antiques Fair successfully completed for the year plans are now afoot for our annual Art Show in November. We will soon be contacting art groups in and around Romsey to gauge their interest in exhibiting works. This will again be a joint activity between the RMI and the RNH, more to come.

We would like to welcome Trish Vowels who was elected to the CoM at the Triennial General meeting in March and to say **THANK YOU** and **VERY WELL DONE** to **Alan Woolacott**. Alan has been the caretaker at the RMI for many years and he has decided that, as he heads deeper into his 80s, it is time to sit back have a bit of a spell.

Our web site gives a good idea as to what we have to offer. Bookings and all inquiries can be made at; rmibookings@gmail.com, or via the web site. We are more than happy to discuss your function, show you through the hall or supper room and explain the hire process.

www.romseymechanicsinstitute.com



Romsey Region Business & Tourism Association (RRBATA)

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Romsey Online Remember Don't forget, ANYONE CAN BE A REPORTER! Whether it is sporting results, photos, reports on events etc, the website is waiting for your "news".

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RRBATA Update

RRBATA Support of the Bendigo Bank Business Breakfast

The recent Bendigo Bank Business Breakfast event, held at Cope Williams Winery, was proudly supported by RRBATA. Davis Robertson was the entertaining keynote speaker on the subject of the Economic Outlook. RRBATA's President, Jenny Stillman, gave a short presentation focussing on the importance of collaboration in order to collectively grow prosperity.



The event was a success, with a broad cross section of Romsey businesses having a valuable opportunity to glean some insight as well as catch up with fellow business-operators. RRBATA will be hosting its 10th Annual Business Breakfast later in the year which will

be a very special event STAY TUNED!

Romsey Five Mile Creek Master Plan Development Works Update

RRBATA has been represented in the reference group for the drafting of the Five Mile Creek Master Plan funded through last year's Macedon Ranges Shire Council (MRSC) Community Funding Scheme. Feedback from the reference group members has been sought ahead of further community consultation. The development of a Master Plan to make the Creek Precinct more accessible, user friendly and sustainable is important for both the local community and those that visit it.



Christmas In Romsey 2019 Update


ACE welcomes Shane Pettingill as a new member of the working group.

Arts Culture Events (ACE) working group recently welcomed Shane Pettingill as a new member of the working group.

ACE has recently made a submission under MRSC's Events and Festivals Funding Scheme for a grant to support CIR 2019 and will soon be seeking expressions of interest from prospective sponsors. Planning for the Launch Event (30th November), Main Street Christmas Tree Installation,


Community Carols (14th December) and Lights and Decorations Competition is already underway. With Lancefield and Riddells Creek making Christmas plans, the Eastern Corridor of the Macedon Ranges promises to be "Christmas central"!

Volunteers are needed both for general help-out duties (re the Christmas Tree installations, lights and decorations competition etc) and with more specialized roles (e.g. festival marketing manager). If you can help with any of these, please contact Sandra Chestnutt (0409 724189 schestnutt@rocketmail.com).



The Mount Players

IN COURT & ON TRIAL DURING MAY!



A jury trial, or trial by jury, is a lawful proceeding in which a jury makes a decision or findings of fact. It is distinguished from a bench trial in which a judge or panel of judges makes all decisions.

The Mount Players VDL entry for 2019, 12 Angry Men, by Reginald Rose is a drama set in the 1950's in an American court room. An 18 year old coloured boy's life is on the line after being convicted of murdering his father. 2 witnesses attest the fact – a cut and dried case.....or is it?

An intense drama that betrays the good, the bad and the vulnerability of human nature.....also, the courage of one person to seek justice for another.

This play has been a dream of co-directors, Frank Harvey and Leo Vandervalk for over 20 years and finally they have brought it to the stage in Macedon! The stellar cast will

ensure this show will not disappoint. The season runs from Friday 3 May – Sunday 26 May at The Mountview Theatre, 56 Smith Street, Macedon. To book tickets go to www.themountplayers.com

Karen Hunt



L to R - Co-Directors Frank Harvey & Leo Vandervalk. Photo by Newham Photographer, Bruce Hedge



Romsey - Lancefield Probus
Welcome to Friendship

Our club provides an opportunity for retirees or semi retired people to relax and enjoy the welcoming company of those at the same stage of life.

Our monthly meeting (4th Thursday of the month) is a chance to catch-up with new and old friends, share a pleasant morning tea, and hear interesting speakers on a wide variety of topics.

Meetings are held at St. Mary's Catholic Church Hall, Main Street, Romsey.
The May meeting will be on Thursday 23rd May, 2019

After the meeting, people so inclined, have lunch at a nearby restaurant. There are many activities members can be part of (including Trips and Outings); some being regular, and others planned from time to time.

Join us for coffee at one of the venues in Romsey or Lancefield every second Friday; or join the ten-pin bowling group for a bit of fun on the alternate Friday. Or form a group with others of similar interests at a time that suits.

We are a friendly welcoming group from diverse backgrounds and with a variety of interests, and we'd love to meet you!

Visit our WEB-Site: www.rlprobud.org.au

Phone: Tony (President) 0408536290; Allan (Vice President) 0408098428 or Jeni (Secretary) 5429 5480

New Podiatrist in Romsey!

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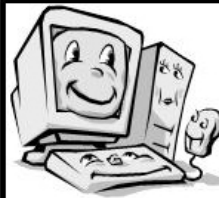
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Opportunities for Your Business in May

Record keeping, tips on tax and workshops on social media marketing are a few of the workshops on offer for local business owners and entrepreneurs during May.

Tax essentials for small business workshops

The Australian Taxation Office are holding two free workshops for new businesses or for those who are thinking of starting a business.

The first is a tax essentials workshop on Wednesday 8 May from 10am–12pm and is followed by a record keeping for businesses not registered for GST on Wednesday 15 May from 10am–12pm.

Both workshops are free and being held in the Newman Room, Kyneton Town Hall, 129 Mollison Street in Kyneton.

Boost Business Facebook advertising workshop (ASBAS – Digital Solutions Program)

Want to learn more about using Facebook to advertise your business?

Register for the Boost Business Facebook advertising workshop on Thursday 16 May from 9.30am–12.30pm at the Kyneton Community & Learning Centre.

The session will explore the essentials of Facebook advertising, including topics such as how to build custom audiences.

This workshop is part of the Australian Small Business Advisory Service (ASBAS) Digital Solutions program.

Participants who sign-up for the yearly program pay \$55 and have access to workshops, tailored mentoring, webinars and an online learning portal throughout the year that explore topics such as social media marketing, Facebook advertising, Instagram and more.

Advanced business Instagram workshop

Designed for existing Instagram users, participants at this interactive workshop will learn how to advance their skills and knowledge of Instagram.

This session is being facilitated by the Macedon Ranges Women in Business networking group, with social media specialist Zali Garrety, Director of The Online Wordsmith.

The workshop is being held on Saturday 18 May from 9am–12.30pm at Baringo Food and Wine Co, 283 Station Road, New Gisborne.

The cost is \$55 for Macedon Ranges Women in Business members, and \$85 for others.

Building business profits

Find out how to improve your business profits at this mentoring session with The Business Action Coach, Milton Collins.

The session will explore:

- how to grow your profits
- tools you can use to measure how well you're doing
- marketing, and more.

The session is being held on Tuesday 21 May from 6pm–8pm at The Victoria Hotel, Woodend.

The cost is \$20.

Places are limited, and bookings are essential.

Many of the events in our program are being held in partnership with the Australian Small Business Advisory Service, Melbourne Innovation Centre, Australian Taxation Office, Macedon Ranges Women in Business, Small Business Victoria and the Kyneton Community and Learning Centre.

For more information or to book, visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/business-events or call 5421 9616.



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What's on at Romsey Recreation Centre—Term 2

Junior Programs

Basketball and indoor soccer—Shooting Hoops and Goal Kick

Give your child the chance to learn the skills before progressing into our junior competitions.

Shooting Hoops and Goal Kick are development skills program for children aged 5 to 10 years.

Shooting Hoops sessions are held on Mondays, 4pm–4.45pm and Goal Kick sessions are held on Fridays, 4pm–4.45pm.

Soccer—Under 12s and Under 16s

Under 12 games are played Fridays from 4.50pm with training on Tuesdays at 5.30pm, and Under 16 games are played from 6.30pm on Fridays.

Registration is open for our winter competition. Call 5429 5637 or email your interest to rrc@mrsc.vic.gov.au

Basketball—Under 13s

Under 13 games are held from 4.50pm on Mondays.

Senior Programs

Indoor mixed soccer

Indoor men's and women's basketball

Players must be over 15 years old Team and individual registrations accepted.

Men's basketball games are played on Tuesdays from 7.30pm. Women's basketball games are held on Thursdays from 7.40pm.

Senior mixed soccer is on Tuesdays from 6.30pm.

Staying Strong circuit classes

High intensity, group circuit classes for the mature adult. Increase muscle and cardiovascular strength. Enrol now to keep fit and healthy over the winter months. Classes are held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings.

Romsey Recreation Centre also offers squash, karate, netball, occasional care, room-hire and more!

For more information, visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/rrc or call 5429 5637.

Come and try free fitness classes as part of This Girl Can

Aqua aerobics, boxing and muscle-building sessions are a few of the free classes being offered to local women to celebrate the This Girl Can initiative.

This Girl Can, supported by VicHealth, aims to encourage more women to give physical activity a go, or return to exercise after a break.

The sessions are being held throughout the shire, and will focus on the over-50 age group, and women are encouraged to come and give one of them a go regardless of their abilities and past experiences. The session will include a free morning tea, and giveaways.

Sessions are being held at the following locations:

Kyneton

Aqua Aerobics, Friday 5 April from 1pm–1.45pm (Kyneton Toyota Sports & Aquatic Centre)

Strength for Health, Wednesday 17 April from 11am–11.45am (Kyneton Toyota Sports & Aquatic Centre)

Boxing, Saturday 4 May from 9.30am–10.30am (Kyneton Toyota Sports & Aquatic Centre)

Introduction to Running, Wednesday 8 May from 9.30am–10am (meet on corner Campaspe Crescent and Piper Street rotunda, Kyneton).

Woodend

Strength for Health, Tuesday 9 April from 2pm–3pm (Buffalo Sports Stadium)

Introduction to Running, Wednesday 8 May from 12pm–12.30pm (meet at Woodend Information Centre).

Gisborne

Aqua Aerobics, Wednesday 1 May from 9.15am–10am (Gisborne Aquatic Centre)

Introduction to Running, Wednesday 8 May from 2.30pm–3pm, (meet at Gisborne Aquatic Centre).

Participants are encouraged to wear comfortable clothes, closed-toes shoes, and bring a towel and water to the fitness sessions. Bathers are required for the aqua aerobics classes.

For more information or to RSVP contact Stephanie on 5422 0246 or svassilios@mrsc.vic.gov.au

May events at Kyneton Town Hall

Friday's just got a whole lot better with Council's month-long program bringing the best of arts and culture to Kyneton Town Hall.

From comedy and live music, to award-winning theatre and classical music, clear the calendar and make a date to spend Friday's with us.

Get the giggles as the Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow comes to town

Some of the funniest comedians from the Melbourne International Comedy Festival are headed to Kyneton Town Hall on Friday 3 May at 7.30pm as part of the Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow.

Grab a mate and grab a date—the line-up of artists are sure to tickle your funny bone.

Tickets are \$45, \$38 seniors and \$35 concession.

Shake your tail-feather with Melbourne band The Meltdown

Soul outfit The Meltdown pay homage to the late, great rhythm and blues pioneer, Ray Charles in this hip-shaking performance.

On Friday 10 May at 11.30am, the band offer a morning musical experience you won't forget, capturing the iconic sound and energy of this legendary artist.

Tickets are \$25, \$20 concession or \$10 child/student.

Be inspired by the story of The Sapphires

This heart-warming play charts the journey of four young

women from regional Australia as they bring music and joy to the battlegrounds of the Vietnam War.

If you've seen the award-winning film and loved it, don't miss this life-affirming live theatre work, on at Kyneton Town Hall on Friday 17 May at 8pm.

Tickets are \$52, \$45 seniors, \$39 concession and \$10 student/child.

Catch acclaimed theatre work Swansong

Step back in time to Ireland in the 1960s with Swansong, an award-winning drama from writer/director Connor McDermottroe.

It tells the story of Occi Byrne, a lost soul and illegitimate child of a single mother, who fights his way into adulthood.

Violent, tragic and hauntingly tender, Swansong is being performed on Friday 24 May at 7.30pm at Kyneton Town Hall.

Tickets are \$25, \$22.50 concession and \$10 student.

Fall in love with The Naked Cello

The Naked Cello is a collection of original musical works, developed by popular cellist and composer Helen Mountfort.

On Friday 31 May at 8pm at Kyneton Town Hall, the performance draws inspiration from the music of Eastern Europe, India, Papua New Guinea, and the cello music of J.S. Bach.

Tickets are \$45, \$40 seniors, \$35 concession and \$10 student/child.

To find out more or to book tickets, visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/buytickets or call 1300 888 802.

Life on the Line at Kyneton Museum

Council is shedding light on what life was like a hundred years ago for workers on the Queensland Railways in the new photographic exhibition Life on the Line, showing now at Kyneton Museum.

The exhibition features more than 60 photographs portraying the many and varied tasks performed by people on the railways over more than 140 years.

From track builders and train drivers to ticket sellers and safety engineers, the exhibition goes behind-the-scenes to illustrate scenes of railway staff engaged in a variety of duties, documenting this unique aspects of Australia's history

The exhibition has been developed and presented by The Workshops Rail Museum, as part of the Queensland Museum Network.

Life on the Line is on at Kyneton Museum, 67 Piper Street, until Sunday 9 June and will be open Friday to Sunday from 11am–4pm. Entry fees apply.

Upgrades

Visitors to Kyneton Museum will notice improvements to the historic building, with the recent addition of new display cabinets, repairs to the roof and works to ensure the preservation of the building.

Originally built in 1856 as a Bank of New South Wales, Kyneton Museum features changing exhibitions in the original banking chamber, with the bank manager's residence (upstairs) preserved in time.

Outdoor exhibits include original bluestone stables, servant's kitchen, laundry and Theaden Cottage. The museum is also home to a wide variety of carriages and historical agricultural equipment.

For more information, visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/museum or call 1300 888 802.



Romsey Lancefield Senior Citizens Bendigo Bank Monthly Bus Trips

Come and join us on our monthly bus trips on the first Wednesday of the month. Our trips are to a variety of places and include morning tea and lunch and only cost \$40 (entry fees included).

Our visit to the National Wool Museum in Geelong was very enjoyable, with 28 taking part in our day trip. Not only did we have members from Lancefield and Romsey but we also welcomed 5 people from Kilmore Seniors.

This month we will be visiting the Silo Art at Rochester. This silo was only completed in June last year. Rochester is part of the Silo Art Trail that sees a variety of art work painted on GrainCorp wheat silos across Victoria. Jimmy DVate is the artist and he specialises in plants, birds or native animals that are endangered or threatened. The trip is on Wednesday 1st of May. We will be stopping at Heathcote for morning tea. Lunch will be at the Colbinabbin Country Hotel.

Depart:

- Romsey Mechanics Institute – 9:15am – out the front.
- Lancefield Post Office – 9:30am

Future trips will be: 5th June Harcourt – to visit Harcourt Perry & Cider Makers.

For further information please contact Helen on 0409 064 303 or Rae on 0408 338 759.

Hope to see you soon.

Remember we meet every Monday at the rear of the Romsey Mechanics Institute for lunch, some card games and a chat, for just \$5 – everyone is more than welcome. On the 2nd Monday of the month we have some professional cooks come in to prepare a 2 course meal, costing only \$10. We would love to see you.



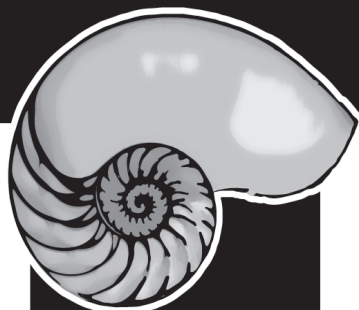
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Library News

DIARY DATES

Author talk with Noel Braun Thursday May 9 from 2pm

In his late 70's and early 80's Noel Braun embarked on a spiritual quest of self-discovery after the suicide of his wife Maris, walking two of the more popular routes of the Camino de Santiago Trail in Spain. Two more Camino journeys of different routes followed and another fifth journey at the ripe old age of 84! Join us at Romsey Library to hear Noel share his fascinating insights into his spiritual and emotional journey. Book sales and signings. ** BOOKINGS REQUIRED via Eventbrite on our website or by phoning the Library on 54293086.

Fun Night In Trivia Night (putting the FUN back into fundraising!)

Friday 21 June from 7pm

\$10 per head. Tables of 8. BYO refreshments. Tea and coffee provided. Join us for another FUNtastically FUN, **FUN NIGHT IN TRIVIA NIGHT**. Grab some friends, book a table and pack some snacks for a FUN evening of trivia, games, prizes and many laughs! All monies raised go to The Indigenous Literacy Foundation ** BOOKINGS REQUIRED by phoning the Library on 54293086. Payment is due at time of booking.



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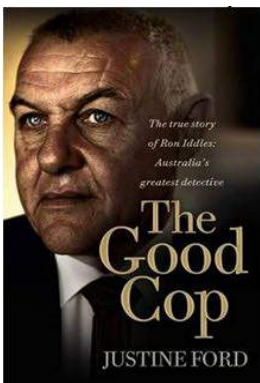
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Book Review by Romsey Library Manager, Trish Gauci

The Good Cop by Justine Ford



For lovers of Australian true crime and fans of the TV show of the same name, this book is a captivating read. Ron Iddles is a retired police detective with 43 years experience and a 99% conviction rate. Ron was first interested in joining the police force after watching the 70s TV show, Homicide. What followed was an incredible career solving many high-profile murder cases.

What stands out though is his respect and commitment to the victims' families to get justice and closure for them. The book details the investigative process Ron undertook in six cases. It also explains his background, growing up, marriage, family and his rise through the police ranks. While much of the content is of a serious nature, it is told with respect, empathy and at times, humour. ** *I could not put this book down. The investigations were compelling but I also enjoyed the human-interest side of the story; how Ron gave his utmost to the victims and their families to seek the truth. Highly recommended.*

Available to borrow from Romsey Library in printed book or audio book format.

DVD Review by Romsey Library Manager, Trish Gauci

The Glass Castle



Based on the memoir of the same name by Jeannette Walls, it tells her story about growing up in the wilderness with her dysfunctional parents. The title relates to the home her father always promised he would build: a glass castle. Woody Harrelson and Naomi Watts give a sterling performance of the offbeat and slightly neurotic parents. As Jeannette gets older, she looks to escape for a more "normal" existence but her parents question her loyalty to them and thinks she is betraying their values.

**While I had not heard of the book on which the movie is based, I have since learned that it stayed on the NY bestseller list for over seven years! The movie had a lot of depth and layered characters. It was, at times, funny, poignant and sad. **Highly recommended.

To reserve a copy of the movie or book, please visit our website at www.ncgrl.vic.gov.au or phone us on 54293086. You will need to have your library membership card (or borrower barcode number) to hand. If you are not a member, please pop and join, it only takes a few minutes and you can borrow straight away!

Cooking with Peter Russell-Clarke 'Gob Pad Krapow'



My daughter-in-law is American-Thai - classically beautiful, physically as well as mentally. Her Western name is Jan and she is married to Peter my clever son.

My English wife, who too is physically beautiful and mentally too was christened Jan and I am, of course, Peter. Bloody hell!!

Anyway, if that complicates things, this recipe doesn't. It's Thai inspired and it's simple. I've made it so. For instance,

originally the recipe calls for frog meat. I've altered that to chicken meat. The original uses 4 hot red chillies - I've suggested 2. Also, I've substituted beef stock instead of water - and instead of Basil I've chosen Oregano leaves. If you don't have fresh leaves, use dried, but remember dried leaves have four times the flavour.

My daughter-in-law will probably faint at my next thought - serve it over a lightly poached egg and scatter young fresh spinach leaves over the dish before presenting it.

INSTEAD OF A HANDSOME PRINCE - AN EGG DISH (ORIGINALLY A THAI DISH 'GOB PAD KRAPOW').

the oregano and cook for a few seconds. Serve.

- 3 tablespoons oil;
- 3 garlic cloves;
- 180g minced chicken;
- 2 small red chillies;
- 2 tablespoons fish sauce;
- 1 tablespoon light soy sauce;
- 1 teaspoon sugar;
- 4 tablespoons beef stock;
- 2 tablespoons fresh oregano leaves or good sprinkle of dried oregano leaves.

Heat the oil in a wok or frying pan until it's hot. Chop the garlic finely and fry it in the oil until it's golden brown. Chop the chillies finely and stir them and the minced chicken into the pan too. Cook, stirring, for a minute - no more. Stir in the fish sauce, soy sauce, sugar and stock and cook for another couple of minutes until the chicken's cooked. Add



Romsey Business Community Welcomes David Robertson

An audience of around 60 local business people enjoyed excellent facilities and a delicious breakfast at Cope-Williams Winery on 26 March.

Hosted by the Lancefield and Romsey Community Bank® branches and supported by Romsey Region Business and Tourism Association (RRBATA), the event welcomed Bendigo Bank's Head of Economic and Market Research, David Robertson as guest speaker.

David presented a detailed analysis of the current state of the global, national and local financial conditions in a very entertaining manner. In addition, he reviewed his 2018 predictions and offered his predictions for 2019 and beyond. The key points for 2019 included:

- Slowing global growth due to China slowdown / Brexit / changes to US trade policy
- Australian growth remains steady, but with downside risks, stable interest rates and unemployment
- Victorian regional housing prices will continue to rise, but at reduced levels

David Robertson provides regular financial market updates - available via the Bendigo Bank website at <https://www.bendigobank.com.au/news-and-media/financial-markets->

[and-economic-update](#)

Towards the end of the breakfast, Ron Blackmore - local Business Banking Manager - gave a brief overview of Bendigo Bank's business products and services and the ways in which local business development can be supported. The offering includes a full range of financial and insurance products for business, plus great service. To learn more about how Bendigo Bank can help you in this area, drop into your nearest branch and speak with a member of the friendly team:

- Lancefield Community Bank® Branch of Bendigo Bank - 20A High Street or 5429 1977
- Romsey Community Bank® Branch of Bendigo Bank - 105 Main Street or 5429 5526



Letter to the Editor

This month Margaret Winniak wrote in to tell us about the rubbish she has observed on her walks in the area. While not residing in Romsey, Margaret visits family annually and recently noticed a significant amount of rubbish, specifically plastic bottles, beer and soft drinks cans that people have carelessly discarded. Her walks have taken her from the Romsey Road, Romsey Library end to Glenfern Road, and Ochiltrees Road to the Romsey/Lancefield walking track which provides great views of rolling hills, the sound of birds and other wildlife en route.

As Margaret mentions this type of rubbish, is harmful to local wildlife, as the sharp edges of cans can cause injury to animals and birds, who are attracted to the smells, and while exploring the can, not only can cut themselves, but can also get their beak or mouth caught in the opening. The same applies for the plastic bottles discarded.

Margaret cares about the environment and the health and safety of wildlife, so during the course of her walks, she began to pick up the assortment of plastic and glass bottles and cans, etc, and took photos before disposing of the items in the recycle bin, or general rubbish waste.

Thanks to Margaret for taking the time to write in. We can only hope this will prompt people to think about their actions and to take the time to dispose of their rubbish properly.



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Linda 0408 476 317

Exciting and diverse music, including international and national musicians, author line-ups of nationally well-known names and personalities, including a special celebration of 30 years of Writers Victoria, free events and something for all ages and tastes – tickets for the 15th annual Woodend Winter Arts Festival are now available.

Musical events include local and international artists, including:

- Hommage á Chopin – a concert by London-based pianist, Piers Lane
- Viennese Classicism for Four Strings – presented by Concilium musicum Wien
- Inspiration Tango – a dance workshop followed by a stunning concert by Firebird Trio
- Vivaldi L'estro Harmonico Accademia Arcadia, led by Davide Monti
- Schubert's Trout Quintet with Timothy Young and ANAM musicians
- The Salley Gardens with John O'Donnell, Christopher Watson & Michael Leighton Jones
- The Art of the Oud with Joseph Tawadros
- Kreisler & Rachmaninoff with Simon Tedeschi and Andrew Haveron
- A Song & Dance presented by Marshall McGuire and Ben Opie
- How to Disappear Completely: Songs of Love & Loss by Christina Russo & Konrad Olszewski
- Sketches of Mesopotamia with the Alwan Trio
- Mozart Vesperae Solennes de Dominica, Haydn Theresienmesse presented by Ensemble Gombert and Accademia Arcadia
- Davide at the Pub – Davide Monti performs a supper

concert at the Vic Hotel

The Words and Ideas program includes stalwarts of politics, publishing and media, including George Megalogenis, Gabrielle Chan, Michael Bachelard, Clare Wright, Elizabeth Kleinhenz, Sally Warhaft, Toni Jordan, Robert Hillman, Jan McGuinness, Mark Brandi, Kelly Gardiner, Eliza Henry-Jones, Robert Gott, Angela Savage – and one for the kids – the enormously popular Leigh Hobbs (at the Woodend Library Children's session).

Local authors Dee White and Ann Bolch offer up a range of writers workshops on self-publishing, blogging and plot development, while David and Sara Gormley-O'Brien present a salon-style event, inspired by Roger Sworder's passion for philosophy and open conversation at the Cravat Club, and the Victoria Hotel will again host to enormously popular Poetry Slam thanks to the Chamber Poets.

Art exhibitions by the Macedon Ranges Potters, the Gallery Members of Mt Macedon and the stunning Macedon Ranges Art Trail presenting a literal journey to the works of local sculptors and visual artists in a range of locations across the weekend.

The Woodend Winter Arts Festival is held over the Queen's Birthday long weekend: 7– 10 June, with free Fireworks on opening night (7 June) at Buffalo Stadium in Woodend. Full details of the Festival program and ticket purchases are available at www.woodendwinterartsfestival.org.au

Submitted by: Woodend Winter Arts Festival Committee

The Early Settlement of the Chintin District

By Peter Mitchell

The Tom family were amongst the earliest settlers in the NSW district of Orange during 1823.

Two of their sons, James and William, were outstanding horsemen who drove cattle over long distances. James travelled over a large area of Australia, often accompanied by an aboriginal companion. James has many stories to tell of his experiences whilst travelling. The brothers were the first to drover large mobs of cattle over the Blue Mountains to Gippsland.

Following their discovery of gold in 1856, James married Marion Caw, and bought Cowl Cowl Station on the Lachlan River near Broken Hill.

In 1858 James bought Cameron's Run of about 4,000 acres in Chintin and named their property Chintin Grange. He was soon joined by two close friends who both bought properties in the Lachlan River area. Donald McRae and his son-in-law Duncan McGregor later owned 10,000 square miles of farming country near Wilcannia and Birdsville.

The Clunie homestead was built by Dame Nellie Melba's

father and is a grand two-storey house built of stone and is still standing in Chitin.

Unfortunately, Mr McGregor lost most of his farming land in the Federation drought and depression which happened during the 1890's and lasting until the early 1900's.

McGregor also played a major part in the drainage of the Koo-we-rup Swamp.

James Tom was a foundation member of the Springfield Council, and was responsible for the naming of Springfield after their property near Orange in NSW.

James' grandsons William, James and Douglas were prominent men in the Romsey area and William's wife Jean became national president of the CWA. The Tom family were recognised as one of the most respected families in the district.

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



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As the temperatures drop and the nights have become colder our corellas have moved on. It is now up to the club to repair their damage and have the course in good nick for weekly competitions and the three coming DDGA pennant matches. Continuing with the good news, recently the Romsey Park trees were inspected and 15 have been marked for removal. These works will make Romsey Park safer for all who use it. As the years pass more and more of the old pine trees will have to be watched and assessed.

Many of the residents of Ascot Rise are keen golfers and have joined the club, at the moment these people have to go on to Woodend/Wallan Rd to get into the course. The club is currently working with the MRSC to have an entrance built on the eastern boundary to allow these golfers & other community members quicker & safer access to Romsey Park.

The 2019 Romsey Challenge Bowl, sponsored by T. J. Scott & Sons, was played on Thurs, April 4th. Members had spent many hours raking up bark, leaves/pine needles

and twigs, trimming low hanging branches and attending to other works across Romsey Park to have the course in its best possible condition. It was a very successful day seeing 52 players from 16 clubs take to the course.

We would like to thank Mick Bannon, Romsey Mowers, for his very generous donation of a renovated, pre-loved ride-on mower, (no cutting deck), that can be used to spread fertilisers and other materials. Thanks Mick the Husqvarna runs like a treat and is greatly appreciated



Kelly Scott (T. J. Scott & Son) with Bev Bellman, Helen Howard, Jenny Coleman – Marysville G. C

RGC Weekly Competition Results:

Mar 16 – Stroke	K Hocking – 99/30/69, C vanDerVliet – 96/26/70, P Chisholm – 86/15/71 & C Lingard – 72/1/71
Mar 20 - RWH 4BBB	E Scanlon/W Gosden – 49 pts, L Robb/K Jekabsons – 42 pts
Mar 23 - Stableford	M Squire (7) – 40 pts, S Williams (16) – 39 pts M Reid (29) – 38 pts A Lakey (21) – 37 pts
Mar 27 - M Medal	D Baker – 93/18/75, E Scanlon – 106/30/76
Mar 30 - M Medal & Algie Mitchell Final	P Chisholm – 81/15/66, M Squire – 76/7/69 J Laing (7) D M Nicholls Snr (0) - 2/1 (Played earlier in the week)
Apr 3 - Foursomes	D O'Meara/J Hartley – 50/16/34, from B Cole/K Jekabsons – 48/13.25/34.75

For more detailed reports please go to; <http://www.romseygolfclub.net/results/2019/>

SEND HER DOWN!

by Jim Haynes

We used to say 'Send her down Hughie,'
'Send her down,' that's what we'd say.
After straining our eyes
At endless blue skies,
When we saw the clouds gather - we'd pray.

We'd crack the old jokes - 'Get Don Talbot,
Teach the frogs how to swim once again.'
'We'd love to see showers,
For the kids' sake not ours,
Well, the missus and me have seen rain.'

'It's the sheep that I worry about,
They'll faint 'cos they've never seen rain,
To revive 'em you must
Get a bucket of dust
And throw on 'em to wake 'em again!'

And then there'd be ants in the sugar
And there'd be a ring round the moon –
And there would be smiles

Round the country for miles,
'Cos we knew it was gonna rain soon.

And then, when it came, you could smell it,
A scent as the cool breeze unfurled –
A wonderful smell
As the first big drops fell –
The most beautiful smell in the world.

And boy, that tin roof took a beating,
Couldn't hear yourself talk for the sound,
But still you would pray
In that strange outback way,
'Thanks Hughie – keep sending her down.'

We used to say, 'Send her down Hughie,'
'Send her down,' that's what we'd say –
After straining our eyes
At endless blue skies,
When we saw the clouds gather - we'd pray.

Feed it Forward

The Lancefield and Romsey community meal is going from strength to strength as we plan our sixth get together. Put May 28th in your calendar so you can be sure you don't miss out. The May lunch will be back in Lancefield. The meals are open to the whole community and so far have attracted a wide range of diners. Gluten-free and vegetarian options are also available. At our lunch in February we served over sixty meals and also preserved over fifty frozen meals and many attendees were able to take home leftover fresh produce.

The Feed it Forward movement came out of a couple of community consultation sessions where the community was asked what they'd like to see happen in terms of food security and food services. There has been a food bank service at the Romsey hub for more than three years where food parcels have been distributed to people in need and now with Feed it Forward this food is supplemented with frozen meals.

Locals can join our cooks to prepare and cook meals, or they can simply come and eat. The meals cost \$5: pay what you can, if you can, or what you feel it's worth. Feel free to pay a bit more for somebody else's lunch!

Any extra food will supply the local Food Bank in Romsey and people needing more-regular low-cost meals.

Lunch made for and by locals from fresh, reclaimed produce.

Feed It Forward takes excess and donated produce and uses it for unique monthly cook-ups where locals are the cooks, making nutritious shared-table meals for themselves and their neighbours.

Feed It Forward monthly lunches will reduce food waste, give people confidence to learn how to prepare inexpensive meals from fresh produce that may be new to them, bring together disparate segments of our communities, provide short- and longer-term food support for people with illnesses or on low incomes provide purpose and connection for those feeling isolated and importantly make more people well-fed and happy!



People can get involved by nominating themselves to be a generosity grower and growing an extra row of produce in their existing vegie patches to be donated to the initiative.

Gardeners will be able to donate their excess food or produce during our monthly harvest weeks which coincides with the Lancefield Farmers market and runs until the following Tuesday. That food will be made into meals for harvest luncheons, frozen meals for the foodbank and monthly community cook-ups where we will teach people to make low cost meals and freeze them.

Volunteers are always needed in various jobs such as meal preparation, setting up the hall, serving, cooking, washing up – you get the idea! Feed it Forward is a joint initiative of the Lancefield and Romsey Neighbourhood Houses – ring



or drop in for more information. Come along and meet some of our volunteers at the Farmer's Market in Lancefield on Saturday May 25. If you have any spare produce from your garden, bring that along to be added to the Tuesday meal ingredients or simply drop it in to the Romsey Hub.

Andy Moore

History on Our Doorstep

Since the mid 19th century education has been a large part of daily life in and around Romsey. The Romsey P. S. was established in 1865, Darraweit Guim in 1870 (although a Wesleyan Church school had been open in 1866), Bolinda in 1870 and Heskett in 1870. Over the years hundreds of children from Romsey and surrounding districts have attended these schools and each school has a unique story to tell. In 2020 both Heskett and Bolinda will turn 150. In this edition of the Romsey Rag we have a little of the history of Heskett P. S. We hope to run a similar article on Bolinda later in the year.

Early History - Heskett derived its name from Low Heskett and High Heskett, two small towns, near the Lakes District, in the south-west of England. Our Heskett is prettily situated at the foot of the north-eastern slopes of the Macedon Ranges, between the towns of Woodend (west) & Romsey (east). "The Camel's Hump" to the south and "Hanging Rock" to the north-east are clearly visible from the school.

The early settlers to the area included members of the O'Connor, Dryden, Saxon, Officer, Brock, Beattie and Bowen families. At the time of settlement Heskett and surrounding districts were thickly timbered, chiefly with White Gum, Stingybark, Messmate and Peppermint Gum. The trees were very large so saw-milling was carried out in the area for many years. By the 1860s, when the mills were in full swing, Heskett was growing steadily with more workers, and their families, arriving every week.

Heskett soon became a thriving community with a public hall (later moved to Kerrie) an Anglican Church, Catholic Church school, eight sawmills, five hotels, drapers shop, general store, blacksmiths, guest houses, tuberculosis sanatorium Sunday School, two post offices, bluestone quarry, gypsum mines and at least one gold mine.

As all the best timber was cut, the sawmills began to close down and good land was cleared for cultivation. The land consisted of red and dark soils suitable for growing oats, barley and potatoes; these rapidly became the main crops grown in the area.

After the sawmills had all closed many people began to move away from the area to look for other employment. The district, having such a mild climate, became very popular and soon tourism was growing. People came to see the mountains, Mt Macedon, Camel's Hump, The Monument and Hanging Rock, and to take in the fresh air and the beautiful scenery.

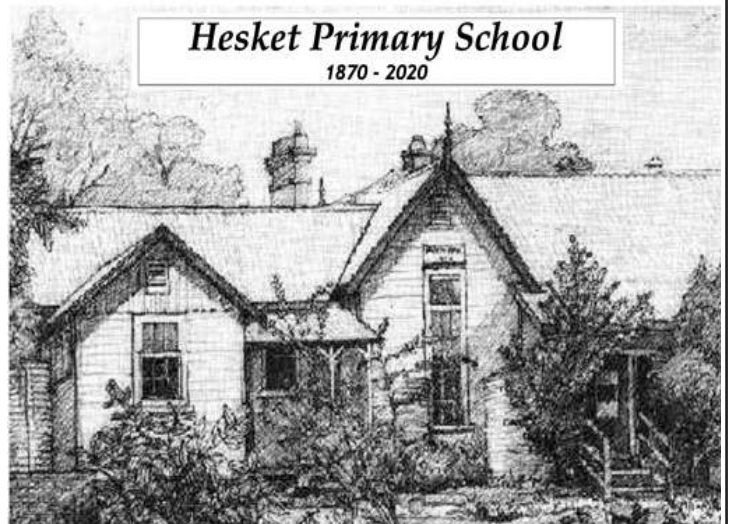
Heskett Primary School - In 1844 a circular was issued by the Select Committee on Education. Alexander F. Mollison, in his response to this circular, recommended a "general system of education for all classes and sects". This was the beginning of the state-wide education system we have today. At that time many children received no formal education at all. For rural areas, Mr Mollison suggested that people co-operate with the general education fund by donating land for schools and associated facilities, by assisting with; the building of these facilities, with provisions required by the school and by supplying provisions and lodgings for the teacher. Education was not free; residents needed to meet half the costs.

In May 1869, Inspector Sasse recommended aid for a school with an annual attendance of more than forty.

On the 18th of June 1869, residents of Newham and Rochford applied for a school. The committee was; William Brooks Hoffman, Richard Bowen, James O'Connor, Edward Bowen, John Saxon, R. W. King and Charles James Row. They sent a list of seventy-one children in the district. Richard Bowen donated half an acre for the new school.

In November 1869 a grant of fifty pounds and salary (the community was expected to match this amount) was made by the board. Residents built a ten metre by five metre wooden building with a brick chimney and shingle roof on the site donated by Richard Bowen.

Heskett School, No 1004, opened on Monday 30th of May 1870. It was known as The American Steam Sawmill School until 1879. James Grey was the first Head teacher. He occupied the detached residence of two rooms for one pound, seventeen shillings and sixpence a year rent.



Term 2 – What’s Happening at the House

Hi All, Term 2 is busy at the House with the introduction of many new courses and activities. Hope by now you’ve grabbed a copy of our Term 2 Brochure. If not, there are always copies available at Romsey IGA, various places around town, as well as at the Hub. For regular updates, you can find us on Facebook and like us to spread the word of the great things that are happening in our community.

Already the term looks busy with many upcoming events. We also have many community initiatives on the go, all of which are aimed at supporting and enhancing our local community – there are so many ways to be involved! As we are not for profit, we are constantly in need of volunteers to help make things happen...so Be Part of It!

Sooo Many Ways to Be Involved! Be Part of It...

Feed It Forward Community Harvest Luncheons – Just to alleviate any misunderstandings out there- The Community Harvest Lunches held monthly and located alternately between Romsey and Lancefield are ‘whole’ community lunches, all ages, groups, everyone including workers and tradies are welcome! Come grab a great nutritious lunch for only \$5. Our lunches are aimed at building a greater sense of community by giving people the opportunity to meet, get to know one another and socialize with their ‘neighbours’.

The next one scheduled for **Tuesday 28th May at the Lancefield Mechanics Hall at 12 noon**. Make sure you ring to book at either Lancefield or Romsey Neighbourhood House to avoid disappointment as this ever-growing popular event is now getting booked out fast!

You can also be involved by donating extra produce, to help prevent food wastage, or growing an extra row of veggies, volunteering on the committee, or at each monthly lunch as a helper, food collector, cooking team or come as a diner! You can also FEED IT FORWARD a Meal by purchasing a meal for someone. Make sure you join our Facebook page.

The other aspect to the initiative is that we also produce extra meals which are frozen and donated to the foodbank services at Kyneton Caring Community, Romsey and now to Kilmore Foodshare. We now are producing over 50 frozen meals to support people in need each lunch!

Community Transport Initiative – Yeah! Thanks to Zonta we now have a community car to help transport people in need of getting to medical appointments. Drivers are always in need to meet the growing demand for this service so if you have some spare time, we’d love to hear from you! This worthwhile initiative is really having a huge impact on the lives of many. If you are in need of transport assistance for medical appointments you can either ask for assistance via either Romsey or Lancefield Medical centres or through Lancefield and Romsey Neighbourhood House.

What’s NEW!

Postural Alignment Therapy - We welcome Anne Leirsch to our team of facilitators with her Postural Alignment Therapy, both individual or group sessions helps with chronic or long term pain relief.

Women’s Chainsaw Program – in conjunction with the Macedon Ranges Shire and Safer Together we are hosting a FREE women’s chainsaw program for 10 successful applicants with preference given to women in high fire prone areas. This accredited training in safe and effective chainsaw use, fire safety awareness and chainsaw sculpting to name a few

components covered in this three-weekend intensive training course. See Council website for application form.

Boomerang Bag Initiative – Help Romsey to become greener by supporting this plastic bag free community initiative and help us to make reusable material shopping bags for the community. We have a small band of volunteers who meet weekly on a Wednesday and would truly love some help!

Patchwork Club – Always wanted to learn or have the time to work on your own patchwork project? Join us the group every Tuesday for only a gold coin donation.

Shared Reading- A bit similar to a book club but with a twist! Hosted reading and discussions of short stories and poems. Meets every Thursday 6.00pm-7.30pm FREE

Melbourne Shopping Tour – Join us for our ever-popular fun bus trips. Visiting a huge range of genuine factory outlets and stopping for lunch, all is included for \$55 per head. You’re sure to grab a bargain. You can even pay via a payment plan, so contact the House to book in. Limited spaces available! Don’t miss out on this huge event!

Welding Courses – Our ever popular welding courses are up and running again. We are also now offering Flexi Shed Space – buy blocks of time or by the hour to work on your own project with no need for your own equipment! It’s all provided as well as the helpful guidance of a trained TAFE facilitator!

SOOO Much More – Too much more to name all! As mentioned, keep in touch with what’s happening on our Romsey Neighbourhood House Facebook page. Also keep us informed of what YOU or your group is doing and we will help to spread the word....

We are also always interested to hear what you’d like to see on offer so make sure to let us know!

Cheers for now!

Michelle Balthazar - Coordinator

Mother’s Day

Lancefield Cemetery Trust

Invite you to join us for Morning Tea at the Cemetery in the Rotunda

12th May 2019

9:00am - 12:00noon

Many locals mark Mother's Day by visiting their deceased mothers who are resting within the Lancefield Cemetery.

The Cemetery Trust would like to offer you a cuppa and share information about the Cemetery with you and any other interested persons who might like to visit on the day. Visit the rotunda and listen to stories about the history of the Cemetery and the local identities who are interned within.

We look forward to seeing you there.

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(Rev. Deacon Wendy Elson has resigned from the Partnership, we wish her well in her future ventures. A farewell High Tea was held at Riddells Creek Uniting Church on April 21st.)



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*Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts and homes.
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God bless you every day.*

Romsey Church Services & Activities during May 2019

Monday 6, 13, 20, 27. 2pm Coffee Get-together Romsey Uniting Church

Wednesday 1st 6pm Church Council meeting at Stracks.

Sunday 5th 9am Worship Service conducted by Lorraine Saultry

1.30pm Musical Afternoon from the Singularity Choir performing Gilbert & Sullivan's '*Patience*.'

Sunday 12th 9am Partnership Worship and Holy Communion Service

Sunday 19th 9am Worship Service

Sunday 26th 9am Worship Service

Patience

We invite you to join us for an afternoon of music, fun and laughter

from Gilbert & Sullivan's '*Patience*' performed by the Singularity Choir

Sunday, 5th May, 2019 at 1.30pm in the Romsey Uniting Church Hall, 25 Pohlman Street Romsey followed by afternoon tea

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RSVP. as soon as possible

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MASS TIMES

1st & 3rd Sunday of the month:

8:00am Lancefield and 10:00 am Romsey

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

8:00am Romsey and 10:00am Lancefield

1st Saturday of the month:

10:00am Romsey – Healing Mass

Reconciliation available from 9:30am

COMMUNION SERVICES

Tuesday 9:00am Romsey Church

Saturday 10:00am Romsey Church

ROSARY

Saturdays 9:45am Romsey

RECONCILIATION

By arrangement.

BAPTISMS

2019 – Romsey Church – June 2nd, August 4th, October 6th & December 1st.

2019 – Lancefield Church – July 14th, September 8th & November 10th.

For more information, please phone 5429 2130.

SACRAMENTS

Registrations are now open for all Sacraments to be received in 2019.

Please send your details to the secretary at lancefield@cam.org.au to register your child.

ST. MARY'S 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.



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*** CHILDRENS COMPETITION TIME ***

As promised here is another competition for the Children out there. The competition is split into three age categories:

- Prep to Grade 2
- Grade 3-4
- Grade 5-6



The prizes this time are gift vouchers for Reading Cinemas in Sunbury, with prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd! An ideal prize for the June school holidays, perhaps theres a new movie coming out that you and your family would like to see!

To be in with a chance to win we would like you to write an answer to the following question in no more that 50 words.

What do you like to do in the school holidays?

All answers can be emailed to email@theromseyrag.com.au. We are happy for parents/guardians to help with the typing and sending in the responses. To qualify for a prize you must include:

- Childs Name
- Age Group
- Address
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