

# A Free, Monthly, Community Publication

## The Romsey Rag.

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Caring, Country Community, in the Heart of Victoria.

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The Gallery will be open for an Exhibition and Sale of  
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### WAYNE ROBB - A QUIET ACHIEVER.....

Every now and then there seems to be somebody in our community who bobs up with considerable talent. Wayne Robb is one such person.

Wayne is a distance runner and has been quietly working his way up through the ranks, and has now the distinction of being selected by "Athletics of Victoria Talent Identification Panel" in the "Heart Health 2000 and Beyond Squad" for the 1995-96 season known as "The Peter Norman Squad" - it is for athletes who have won Victorian Titles or made National Finals>

Many people in our area have no doubt seen a lean, sinewy, lad with a mop of black hair and a wide smile on our country roads, on his lonely but rewarding training runs. Our community should be very proud of young folk such as him. Well Done Wayne!

### ROMSEY UNITING CHURCH

During 6 weeks special leave for our Minister Rev Elaine Frager, we are pleased to have Rev. Colin Knox as our relieving minister and any pastoral concerns can be directed via Noel Shaw on 295 509. Elaine and Ray and their family will be grateful for our prayerful support.

Regular weekly worship services continue in Romsey at 9.00a.m. with family worship and Sunday School and at Lancefield at 10.30a.m.

We continue to pray for healing for Doug Green, Chris Johnston and Peter Joiner, remembering all isolated and lonely elderly folk known to us who all appreciate our caring concern.

The Annual Meeting of our Romsey Uniting Church Fellowship will be held on Wednesday, 22nd November at 1.30p.m. in the Sunday School Hall and we will plan towards our aims for 1996 then.



The Anglican Parish of  
**CHRIST CHURCH LANCEFIELD**  
with  
**ST. PAUL'S ROMSEY**

Christ Church Vicarage  
33 Chauncey Street,  
Lancefield. Vic. 3435  
Telephone: (054) 29 1380

Locum Vicar:  
Sunday : 9am.  
Wednesday : 10am.

Rev. Bill Moriarty.  
St. Paul's Romsey. 10.30am Christ Church Lancefield  
Holy Communion - Lancefield

Romsey Ladies Guild meet on the 4th Thursday of each month.  
Lancefield Ladies Guild meet the 2nd Wednesday of each month - after 10am. Holy Communion.  
Rev. Bill Moriarty can be contacted at the church on Sundays and Wednesdays  
or at home on 03 9744 2397.

The office is attended at the Vicarage, Lancefield on Wednesdays between 10.30am - 12.30pm.







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## NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

### HAYFEVER

From now until Christmas is the peak time for Hayfever. It is a condition that can affect all age groups. The most common symptoms are a runny or stuffy nose, sneezing and itchy eyes. The cause is the grass pollens which are around in the air in Spring and early Summer.

There are a number of remedies. Some antihistamine preparations are available "over the counter" and are usually effective. The newer products cause little sedation. It is important to tell your Doctor or check with your chemist if you are taking antihistamines. They can cause harmful effects when taken with some other medications. Simple nose sprays and anti-allergy eye drops can also be bought from the chemist.

In more severe cases, prescription-only antihistamines, eye drops and nose sprays may be given by your Doctor.

For some people, desensitising injections can be very useful. These are given before the start of the hayfever season and are prepared according to the results of skin tests performed by an allergy specialist. They cannot be given during the hay fever season. Your Doctor will be happy to discuss your symptoms and advise on any treatment required.

### RIDDELLS CREEK SURGERY

The Riddells Creek Centre is currently undergoing renovations. Some took place earlier this year when the "dunny" in the back yard was replaced by an indoor loo.

The new reception area has been completed and has been designed to fit in with the "olde worlde" atmosphere of the buildings. Further alterations will be taking place over the next few months.

### ANCILLARY SERVICES

There are a range of paramedical services available at the Romsey Medical Centre. Many are aware of the dental service, physiotherapy, X-Ray and pathology collection. The dental practice hours have recently extended. Bookings can be made through the Medical Centre up to 7.00p.m. on Mondays, 2.30p.m. Tuesdays, 12.30p.m. Wednesdays and 6.00p.m. Thursdays.

The Medical Centre also offers regular sessions for audiology (hearing service), ophthalmology (eye specialist), podiatry and orthotics (orthopaedic shoe fitter).

Please see reception staff for information regarding appointments.

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# ST MARY'S SCHOOL, LANCEFIELD



Applications have been received from Grade 6 students to lead Peer Support Sessions with Grade 3 and Cross Age Tutoring with Prep children. Parents can be proud of the attitude of the students towards these responsible positions.

Our Senior Grades are busily rehearsing positions for this year's Production - "The Time Machine" by John Duff which will be the Grand Finale of the year's Dramatic Arts Program.

Several children enjoyed success in the Cobaw District Athletic Sports Carnival recently. Winners went on to compete at Bendigo (results not available at the time of writing).

"Ball Bonanza" results were very good. We have received 25 balls and expect another 32 soon. Thank you to all who saved coupons for us.

After a vigorous skipping program, Jump Rope for Heart was conducted in extremely cold, windy conditions. 10% of the funds raised is returned to the School - this will be part of our Mission Effort.

In conjunction with "Heart Health Week" the 4th Term Healthy Lunches menu was launched at the Canteen. Amongst other more healthy lunches the children may now order "Big Bird", "Aussie" and "King Neptune" Pitas - (pita rolls with generous fillings of salad with chicken, tuna or ham).

Miss Hiromi Hagihara, Japanese Teacher at St Mary's, recently taught the Senior Grades to make Origami Peace Cranes. These were sent to Japan and placed in the Peace Park in Hiroshima during services for World Peace. Children from all grades were able to try out their language skills when a friend of Hiromi came to visit. They were delighted when they were able to communicate with a mix of gesture and spoken Japanese.

Tennis enthusiasts have been attending coaching sessions each Thursday morning.

The final Family Life Education Program will be held on 1st November for children in the Junior School with their parents. We are fortunate to have a trained presenter (Mrs Kath Addicoat) on our staff.

Staff at St Mary's continue to broaden their understanding and skills through Professional Development. Places have been gained in highly sought after courses - "Readers, Writers & Parents" - (forming literacy partnership with parents), "Paired Reading" - a cross-age tutoring program and "P.M.P. - Perceptual Motor Skills Program for Junior School students.

Parents continue to make a contribution to St Mary's through many varied opportunities. While many parents work with Staff and children in curriculum areas, the school grounds are being

improved through a series of working bees.

St Mary's School Board has its Annual General Meeting on 14th November. Guest Speaker for the evening will be Sr Anne Boyd from the Catholic Family Centre. Sr Anne will speak on the role of the school in the life of the family.

On 20th and 21st November parents will have the opportunity to hear Barry Dwyer, a well known facilitator and lecturer, on Partnership in Education.

A donation from St Mary's Parents and Friends has been used to purchase science resources. The next P. & F. social fundraising activity is the Oaks Day Luncheon and Fashion Parade on 9th November.

If any Mercury readers have photographs of St Mary's School Romsey or Lancefield, we would appreciate the loan of them to copy.

Newspapers are being collected for recycling. They may be left at the school at any time

Several of our children are preparing to receive the Eucharist for the first time at the end of November.

Enrolments for 1996 may be made by contacting the school.

**VOLUNTEER**

**CAREGIVERS**

**WANTED**

**Caregivers are offered:** An allowance for reimbursement of costs, support and training, opportunities for learning about themselves and others in the community.

For further information, contact **Helen Clarke** at St Luke's, Kyneton Office on 226052



**Survey of Parent Opinion:** During term 4 each year the school assesses parent opinion through a survey which addresses a range of important issues. Analysis of the collated material we have received, from the families which were again randomly selected, always reveals some areas which can be improved or policies which need clarification. There was however, overwhelming support for the school's programs and I am most grateful to the parents who responded, providing thoughtful, constructive criticism. Over the next few weeks, points arising from the questionnaires will be featured in the school's newsletters. Although we are proud of our school and community we do need realistically face up to the evaluations provided by our parents. Although we were unable logistically, to survey all parents, there is always an open invitation to meet with school councillors, staff or myself at any mutually convenient time to discuss programs or concerns. If there is any member of the wider community who would like to provide us with comment, I would welcome their contribution.

**Year 5/6 Camp experiences:** I was delighted to receive a very positive letter of appreciation from a parent who accompanied the children to the Little Desert region of Victoria last week. 79/103 Yr. 5/6 children enjoyed the unusual environment and activities, while others were overseas with parents or remained at school for "normal" educational program. The letter praised the co-operative spirit, and good behaviour displayed by the children, the ability of our Junior School Council President's speech of thanks, and the abilities of group 2 in winning the hut building competition. A great time was had by all who attended and again provided proof of the co-operation and mutual support that exists between staff and parents. A pupil's view of the camp will be published in this week's pupil newspaper, "Romsey Kid's Monthly", which is produced by the children themselves and fully

supported by the Junior School Council.

**Concert for Homeless Youth:** It was my honor to act as MC at the Mechanics Hall on October 21st, for an exhibition of youthful talent that was a real credit, not only to the young people themselves but also to their parents. The acts ranged from "Red Faces " type humour to classical ballet. The young ladies who organised the entire program paid credit to their parents and were able to hand over \$460 to the Kyneton support group for specific assistance of youth in crisis in our area. The event was almost an extension of the Melbourne Arts Festival, both in its timing and quality of performers. The Romsey school string group and special choir took part and made us proud of their talents. Well done to all concerned. It really did illustrate that when there is a need the many groups in the locality proved again that we live in a caring, country community. What a shame there were not more adults in attendance to support the performers. Let's hope that next year there will be a bigger and better concert.

**Congratulations** to Braemar's Tournament of Minds National Champions: What a great effort to win the State finals and then travel to W.A to compete and win the National final. Well done to all the young people involved in this challenge!

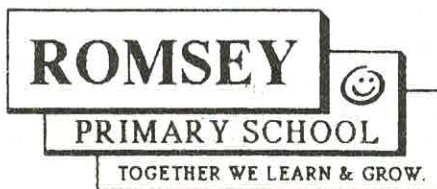
**Are you Sunsmart ?** With the sudden burst of hot weather with us at the moment, what better time to reinforce the need to provide the Slip, Slop, Slap protection of appropriate clothing, action and sunscreen. Each classroom at our school has sunscreen provided for pupil use but did you know that to be really effective you need to put on the cream 20-30 minutes before going out into the sun ? Prepare well and set a good example to others.

**Family Life Movement's visit:** Last Wednesday evening the Parents' Club at our school organised, yet another successful visit by the Family Life Movement.

Educative programs were provided for families at appropriate levels of understanding, on topics that are often avoided by parents. Accurate information provided in the right atmosphere can create the mutual respect and trust for the open communication with parents that is essential during those difficult teenage years. I trust that the visit last Wednesday may open the door to further frank family discussions.

**Programs for 1996:** Staff are currently finalising the programs that will be delivered to our 380 children next year. It is a daunting task to ensure that a recurrent budget in excess of \$1m is wisely spent. Such a huge figure includes all salaries and associated costs, the maintenance of buildings, utilities and services, programs for children and administrative costs. All schools are responsible now for their own budgets. This is not new to Romsey Primary which has, since 1984 developed annual Budgeting Statements and evaluations for all its programs. The details will be examined by a joint Education/ Finance Subcommittee of School Council next Wednesday before being revised and put to the full school council on November 15th. Parents are encouraged to participate in all facets of program evaluation.

**Thanks for the seats:** A note was received last month from one of the children thanking our Grounds committee for their efforts in erecting seating in the junior playground and adventure play area. This has been a major goal of the committee over the past year and has included the addition of seating to the 3/4 classroom area and additional picnic tables. The real thanks should go to the parents who attend the working bees and thus not only complete these constructions but also save thousands of dollars in doing so. Thankyou.!







# Romsey & Lancefield Christian Fellowship



We invite you to our weekly Sunday morning services which are held in the Romsey Mechanics Hall at 10:00am. As a non-denominational and Bible based church, our emphasis is always on gospel of Jesus Christ and the teaching of God's word. As a spirit filled congregation we love to sing the latest songs in christian music, and believe that church is for the whole family to enjoy.

Our programme also includes children's and youth ministry, Bible college and home groups. We welcome your enquiry to either Geoff Holland (minister) on 295673 or Graham mau on 291488.

This month we have a special day for ladies in the community, with one of Australia's most experienced women's speakers attending.

## LADIES MORNING TEA

FRIDAY 17th NOVEMBER 10;00am

ROMSEY MECHANICS HALL

with

**Desma Hewitt**

Desma Hewitt ministers extensively to women both in Australia and internationally. She has ha many years experience in this field, as is a member of the National committee for the Women's Christian Leadership Conferences.

Baby sitting is provided - The morning is sponsorees jointly by Romsey and Lancefield Christian Fellowship and Bread of Life Church in Diggers Rest. Cost - \$4.

## INFORMATION FOR LOCAL MOTORISTS

Due to recent incidents involving motorists who create potentially dangerous situations whilst setting down and picking up children form school, Council Local Laws Officers will be patrolling the vicinity of the school and nearby streets.

For the protection of our children, fines will be issued to motorists who violate traffic regulations whilst setting down and picking up children, particularly in relation to the following:

- Within 18 metres of school crossings (signs displayed)
- Within bus zones
- Blocking Driveways
- Disabled Zone (without authorised disabled label)
- In "No Standing Areas"
- Within 9 metres of an intersection

It is the councils intention to ensure the safety of our children.

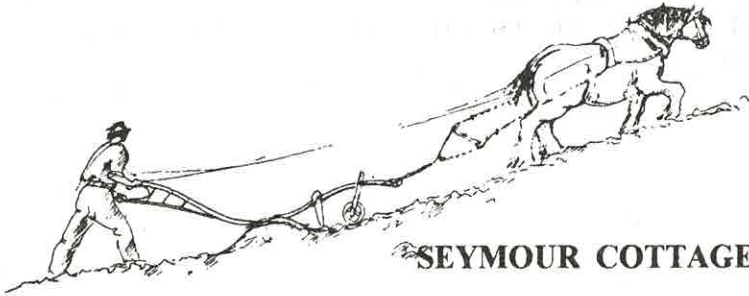
Your co-operation in the above areas of concern would be appreciated.



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# Romsey & Lancefield Districts Historical Society Inc.

P.O. Box 11,  
ROMSEY, 3434.



## SEYMOUR COTTAGE FOR HISTORIC BUILDINGS REGISTER ?

The Historical Society has been notified by the Historic Buildings Council that it is considering adding Sidney Seymour Cottage at Romsey to the Historic Buildings Register, because of its local historical significance. The cottage, named "Barton", in Palmer Street is the earliest building still surviving in Romsey, and is one of the few prefabricated houses from the gold rush days in existence. It was erected about 1855 using ready made panels of meranti from the tropical regions of Asia as the home of Sidney Seymour and his family. In 1982 the cottage was donated to the Romsey and Lancefield Historical Society Inc. by local resident Mrs Isa Allen, to be restored and maintained on behalf of the people of the district.

Since this time a great deal of work has been done by society members to make the cottage available for inspection and functions. The monthly meetings of the society are held there, and the Seymour family hold reunions there every few years. Working bees are held on the second Saturday of the month to keep the nineteenth century style garden in order and work on preserving the building. Any help at these would be greatly appreciated. The next working bee is on 11 November at 9.00 a.m..

A street stall will be held at the Romsey Central shopping centre on Saturday morning, 25 November. Funds raised are needed to pay the rent on the Lancefield Court House Museum and maintenance of it and Seymour Cottage. A special feature will be the sale of tea-towels, teaspoons and mugs with pictures of the courthouse or cottage on them at specially reduced prices -- making them good gifts, especially to send to someone who has left the district.

The society's Christmas break-up will be held on Sunday, 10 December, at Sidney Seymour Cottage. After a barbecue tea in the garden, commencing about six o'clock, Dr Don Garden will present an address on 'The Environmental History of the Macedon Ranges'. All members and any interested people are welcome to attend. Cost to non-members is \$10.

The next historical society meeting will be held at Seymour Cottage on Tuesday, 28 November at 8 p.m.. All welcome.

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## GARAGE SALE -- GARAGE SALE

Sunday 26th November  
142 Barry Street Romsey  
9.00 am - 4.00 pm

- Building odds & ends
- Horse bits, stirrups, leathers
- Aluminium windows
- Drenching gun & cattle ear tags
- Assorted tiles, door furniture, taps
- Books
- General bric a brac

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**FOR SALE:** 1968 Chrysler VC Valiant - Unroadworthy - Ideal for spare parts - \$300....295 365.



**ROMSEY "LIVING WORD" ASSEMBLIES OF GOD CHURCH.**

The Romsey "Living Word" Church belongs to the Assemblies of God (A.O.G.) worldwide. We are a recognised Church by the Australian Government and do not make any claim to be the only true Church. Our way of living is by the Word of God - The Bible; if it is not in the Bible, we do not teach it as a way of living.

The recently formed "Kids Alive" program for the 7 -13 year olds is a great success. The children are taken on adventures, excursions, mountain climbing and other activities where they are free to enjoy themselves and have fun. The next outing is planned for Saturday 18 November. This is available to all children in the Romsey area. For more information and bookings, please phone the number below.

The Christian Book Shop is beginning to stock up for Christmas, with cards and those small interesting gifts that people look for. Our general card range is expanding and our prices are excellent. Come in and have a chat and browse.

Our regular Sunday morning service commences at 10:00am, upstairs, 109 Main Street, Romsey. God is bringing in new people and we love to see new faces. Evening service is at 6:30pm, held monthly at Romsey. For the date of the next evening service, please phone the number below. We have a weekly Home Fellowship meeting, commencing 7:30pm, Thursdays, in the Church. This is usually a time of teaching, predominantly the Bible and sharing. All are welcome to come.

The Woodend A.O.G. is situated at the Neighbourhood Centre, Tylden Road, Woodend. Sunday service begins at 10:00am and Tuesday evening Bible study at 7:30pm. Pastors Sean and Rachel Greenwood will be happy to welcome you.

For all enquiries concerning any of the above information, please phone (054) 296 327 or (054) 296 264.

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**THANK YOU.....**

I sincerely wish to thank everyone for all there cards and telephone calls and good wishes on my retirement from the Shire of Romsey. I am really enjoying being at home but just so busy I wonder how I ever got the time to go to work!  
God Bless, Rose McCarthy.

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**THANK YOU TO THE GOOD SAMARITAN**

On Sunday morning, 29th October, around 12.30a.m. a late model dark coloured car came to my assistance near the Army Camp. I had no head lights and was "struggling home" on the "hazard lights". This kind person passed me then turned around and came back to my aid, when they saw the problem passed me again and slowly went ahead so I could see my way.

I only hope that the above person lives locally so I can thank them personally.

Thank you so much....Vicki Crozier....295 626.

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**ROMSEY POST OFFICE....**

Will soon stock phonecards in Greeting Cards for Christmas presents. Particularly suitable for the "problem" present person such as teenagers or the person who has everything!

Another suggestion for Christmas gifts are self-inking stamps. A variety of these are on special for Christmas and come in an attractive Christmas box.

Also, don't forget you can pay bills at the Post Office and save postage. Write your cheque as normal or pay by post.



## ROMSEY MILK BAR

Dave, Dawn, Luke and Belinda Palmer of William Street, Romsey, are pleased to announce that they are the new proprietors of Romsey Milk Bar. Along with the usual milk, bread, cigs and lollies, we have a full range of Take-Away Food. (Fish & Chips, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Schnitzel, Fresh Salads, Sandwiches, Hot Donuts, Etc.) Phone Orders welcome. Trading Hours: Monday to Friday 7am till 9pm, Saturday 7am till 10pm and Sunday 8am till 10pm. Tel. 295 946.

### ROMSEY VILLAGE SHOPPING CENTRE

**CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL - SATURDAY, 16th DECEMBER.**

FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE - A VISIT FROM SANTA - AND LOTS OF SPECIALS. COME ALONG AND SEE WHAT OUR FRIENDLY LITTLE BLOCK OF SHOPS CAN OFFER!

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All at competitive prices  
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## The Strawberry Patch

### Term 4 Classes

Fabric Painting      Calligraphy  
Folk Art              Quilting  
Beginners Folk Art

### November Workshops

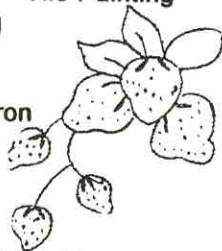
Christmas Paper Tole & Christmas Plaque  
Sunday, 12th November.

Cat Door Stop - Tuesday 14th November

### Coming Workshops

Folk Art Christmas Wreath      Quilling  
Beginners Stencilling              Glass Painting  
Sewing-Boxer Shorts              Tile Painting

Beginners Decorative Painting  
Wool Embroidered Blanket  
Christmas Tree Decorations  
Christmas Stocking and/or Apron  
Folk Art Painted Blackboard  
Sewing - Back Pack  
Pergamano for Beginners  
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Wide range of affordable giftware,  
Arts and Crafts, Dancewear,  
Art and Craft Supplies, Haberdashery,  
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Phone Sandra on 29 6080 for further details  
The Strawberry Patch, 119 Main Street, Romsey.  
(054) 29 6080

### Macedon Ranges Bigger than Health Fair

Sunday, 26th November from 10am to 5pm  
in the Mechanics & Sporting Association Halls, Gisborne.

Be prepared to spend the day and explore what is available to support your wellbeing. Have a reading done or a neck & shoulder massage. Find out other ways of dealing with ailments such as asthma, allergies & eczema as well as life threatening diseases. Have a chiropractic assessment done and experience hands-on healing techniques. Treat yourself to a range of nurturing products (& buy them for your friends for Xmas!) and to a delicious snack or lunch. There are activities for the kids too - storytelling, face painting, music & more!

A wide range of practitioners and natural therapists will be available so make sure you make the most of this opportunity to really explore what's possible. An event not to be missed!

Free lectures and workshops will run all day.  
Entry is \$5 per adult, children U/16 free.



The RVBA-Prime Television  
**Lawn Bowls**



## FREE - FAMILY DAY - FREE SUNDAY DECEMBER 3rd

Bowl along to the Lawn  
Bowls Club near you...  
It's a Fun Day for new  
Bowlers of all ages

Join in the Fun Day at  
**ROMSEY BOWLING CLUB**  
**ROMSEY PARK**  
at 1.00p.m.

PS Just bring yourself, a friend  
and a pair of **FLAT** soled shoes

**LAWN BOWLS**  
The sport for all ages



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PLEASE CONTACT OUR SECRETARY ON 295 421



# St. Mary's Catholic Parish - Lancefield / Romsey

Fr. George O'Connor (Presbytery): 292130; Sr. Patricia Stone (School): 291359; Sr. Frances (Convent): 291582.

**Mass times:** Sat. 7.30pm Lancefield

Sun. for each month	1st & 3rd Sundays	2nd & 4th (& 5th) Sundays
8.00am	Lancefield	Romsey
10.00am	Romsey	Lancefield

Daily Masses: as advertised in weekly bulletin

Reconciliation: (Confession): 11.00 A.M. Saturday. or by arrangement.

## Prayer life:

\* Rosary recited before weekday Masses and before Sat. night Mass.

\* *Holy Name of Jesus Prayer Group:* Mon. 8pm Romsey Church. Contact: Merle De Silva 295672.

## Special events / programs:

\* **Scripture Journey:** A gentle look at the Holy Scriptures. Come and join us for coffee, and an informal chat. Feel free to ask questions or just listen. Play area available for toddlers. Everyone welcome.

Tuesdays 1.30-2.30 Romsey Church Hall. Enquiries: Margaret Holgate: 295907.

### Catholic Charismatic Renewal

Coming events-

18 November Renewal Day 9.30am -4.30pm Diocesan Centre, E. Melbourne

12 January 1996 Barbara Schlemmon & Fr Jack McGinnis: Healing Rally 7.30pm Diocesan Centre, E Melbourne

13 January 1996 Barbara Schlemmon & Fr Jack McGinnis: Healing Seminar & Ministry 9.30am - 5.00pm  
Tickets at door

Earlier this year some members of our community went to the Jesus Is Alive retreat and Healing Mass from 23 January to 5 February this year. After some hours of rain the weather broke and the sun shone. The following testimonies are some of the blessings that occurred.

### Clear Eyesight

My eyesight was very blurred and I could not see the priests at the altar without the help of glasses. During the lay retreat and the healing prayers, my sight became clearer and I could see the priests without glasses from my seat at the very last row of chairs in the room.

On the first day of the retreat I could not see the overheads, even though I was seated behind the projector; then as I was approaching towards the overhead screen, I could read the words very clearly. I have written this without my glasses. Praise God. Alleluia. Christiane Cassaene - Bribie Island, Qld.

### 50 years of asthma

My name is Lorraine, I have had asthma for 50 years, and I have needed my ventolin machine up to 6 times a day. On 31 January 1995, as Fr Tardif said the Lord is healing three people of asthma I felt a warmth go through me from head to toe. Again on 2 February, I rested in the Spirit and could not move during the praise and I heard the healing continue, Father said to continue my medication and the need would ease. Praise the Lord, Thankyou Lord. Lorraine Hunter - Nulkala, NSW

### Hearing restored

Fiona is 39 years of age and has been wearing hearing aid in her left ear since 1985. Her deafness was the result of an ear infection. During the Mass she removed her hearing aid and can hear quite well without it. Fiona Vescio

\*The Holy Name Of Jesus Charismatic Prayer Group of Lancefield and Romsey offers intercessory prayers for individual or family needs. We intercede for these needs during our evening meetings at the St. Mary's school hall, Romsey. The words of Our Lord Jesus Christ give us the confidence that our prayers are always heard, "For wherever two or three gather in my name, I shall be there with them." If you would like to request prayers, please write clearly, no names necessary, and address it to:

The Holy Name Of Jesus Prayer Group, 57 Metcalfe Drive, Romsey.

\* The Catholic Church welcomes those who are searching ... see Fr. George for our special "Enquiry Program". If you: wish to learn about the Catholic faith; have thought of becoming Catholic; wish to rediscover your faith...



## BUNGAWITTA NEWS

### GRAND OPENING : SUNDAY 3RD DECEMBER

We invite all members of the community to come and be a part of the festivities when we celebrate the opening of our new home. **Bungawitta.**

Festivities start at 11am and run until 2pm. There will be a Country Band playing, refreshments available, Helium Balloons, Face Painting, a Clown and more. The Opening Ceremony starts at 1pm and will include the drawing of our **Monster Raffle** at 1.30pm.

Tickets for our **Monster Raffle** will be \$1.00 each and will be on sale in the next week. Prizes include a Night's Accommodation at Centra Melbourne on the Yarra, Mikasa Glassware, a Tablesetting and a hamper of Champagne and chocolates.

We are having a stall at the Romsey Market on 26th November and will be selling a variety of items. However should the weather not be favourable we will be holding an indoor Garage Sale at Bungawitta.

Are you looking for an outdoor setting that is solid, well-made and will last a lifetime. We have for sale - Treated Pine tablesettings through Playgroup for \$195.00. They seat 6 adults comfortably and can be viewed at any time during playgroup sessions or at the Romsey Market. If you have any queries about Playgroup, our Grand Opening or the Tablesettings that we have for sale, please feel free to pop into Bungawitta during any of our playgroup sessions or contact Michelle Hocking on 295 039.

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1st Romsey Scouts  
presents the  
Melbourne Warehouse  
Shopping Tour



Your chance to fill your shopping bags with  
bargains galore. Do your Christmas shopping  
(without the kids !!)

Saturday 18th November 1995  
\$38 per head

includes Tea and Cakes plus  
A Delicious Restaurant & Champagne Lunch

7.00 am pickup from Old Romsey Post Office  
also Sunbury & Gladstone Park

Returning 7.00 pm

\$20 deposit a.s.a.p.

Contact : Pam Horyna 295 986

for information & bookings  
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and many, many more.



## "Bungawitta News"

An innovative LANDCARE ENVIRONMENT ACTION PROGRAM (LEAP) funded by the Commonwealth Department of Employment, Education and Training (DEET) is challenging commonly held views that young people make little contribution to their local community.

Based at the Old Primary School in Romsey, twelve long term unemployed young people are participating in the Romsey "Bungawitta" Restoration LEAP Project. The project focus is on restoring the facade of the 120 year old primary school building, constructing and designing an environmental playground for children, establishing fences around the boundary of the site, revegetating the grounds with indigenous species and completing an oral history of the buildings use over the past century.

The site will be used by the community for classes such as yoga and as the site for the Romsey Playgroup (hence the name of the project "Bungawitta" which means place of little possums). The information gained during the oral history component of the project will be documented in the form of a booklet that will be distributed within the local community. Through participating in the six month project participants are gaining skills in horticulture, carpentry, painting, computers, drawing up of plans, ceramics and community consultation.

The joint sponsors for this youth training initiative are the Romsey - Lancefield Lions and the Romsey Playgroup. An important feature of the LEAP project is that it encourages and supports participants to make links with local employers through work experience placements.

The participants in the project are also undertaking two days per week of accredited TAFE training. This is being delivered by the Kyneton campus of Loddon - Campaspe TAFE, and some of subjects covered include communications, information technology, problem solving and horticulture.

The Department of Business and Employment is the Broker for this project and others throughout Victoria. Speaking on behalf of the Department, Regional LEAP Co-ordinator, Narelle Staub said. "This is a great training opportunity for young people living in the Romsey area who are keen to increase their skills and knowledge in order to get back into the workforce or further training. The enthusiasm and effort of the young people involved has been very inspirational to people such as myself, who have been involved since the inception of the project."

Barry Chapman who is the Supervisor of the LEAP Project added that "In addition to the skills and experience participants will gain during project there is a real opportunity for individuals to become actively involved with and make a contribution to their local community. I am confident that the work we will complete will be of great interest and benefit to the community."

LEAP Regional Co-ordinator, Narelle Staub said she was keen to hear from employers willing to give the young people a job.

For further information on this project or to discuss sponsorship opportunities for LEAP, please contact Narelle Staub on 9655-6061.

The Romsey Playgroup would like to extend an open invitation to those interested to come and visit the Project and witness the work our young people have done in a period of six months ending 8th Dec Also to attend our Grand Opening on December the 3rd.



## LANCEFIELD NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

The last term for the 1995 has started and the house has some wonderful activities to help make your Xmas brighter.

CAKE DECORATING is for beginners and for those more advanced. Come along and learn how to decorate a cake for that special occasion.

CALLIGRAPHY for adults and juniors will add a special touch to your Xmas card writing.

FOLK ART is new to the house this term. Come along and learn the basics of Folk Art. If you would like to attend, ring Nola.

An INTRODUCTION TO LEADLIGHTING is being offered this term. A more advanced course is planned for next year.

KNITTING AND CRAFT GROUP meets every Tuesday at 1.00pm. Come along and swap patterns or get some expert help with your own work. This group is always willing to lend a hand and welcomes any new members.

TAI CHI is on Monday evenings starting at 7.00pm. There is also a day time group starting on Monday mornings. Beginners are most welcome at any time so come along in loose clothing. With the weather warming up, you may even see us in the park!

Adult V.C.E. is nearly finished for the year. The subject for next year is yet to be decided, so if you are interest in doing VCE next year, please ring the house.

The OPPORTUNITY SHOP is open Thursdays 10.00 to 2.00. Come in and have a browse, chat or coffee with our cheerful volunteers. The TOY LIBRARY will also be open at this time, come and see the large range of pre-school toys available.

BUS TRIPS are planned to HIGHPOINT on Friday 17th. November and VIC MARKET Friday 15th December. If you would like to go, please ring Nola to book your seat.

The Lancefield Neighbourhood House would like to invite all members of the community to a COMMUNITY LUNCH to be held on MONDAY 13th.

NOVEMBER commencing at 11.30am at the Lancefield Mechanics Institute. On display will be a sample of groups and activities the House has to offer with a buffet style lunch to follow. Everyone is welcomed and there will be no charge for the lunch. If you would like any more information, ring the house.

If you would like any information regarding any of our activities or would like to share something with others, the Lancefield Neighbourhood House is at 78 High St., Lancefield (next to the primary school) and is opened most days. To contact Nola, the Co-ordinator, please drop in or ring the house on 291 214 Tuesdays and Thursdays 10.00 to 3.00.

Thank you for your support.

LANCEFIELD NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE INC.

Presents a Community Lunch for one and all (kids welcome).

Where: Lancefield Mechanics Hall

When: Monday, 13th November

Time: 1.30a.m.

Cost: A Smile!

Come along and browse at the display of activities the House has to offer. Tutors will be on hand to answer any queries you might have. A Smorgasbord of food, Chinese and Australian cuisine's, will be provided. A raffle will be run on the day with prizes kindly donated by local businesses.





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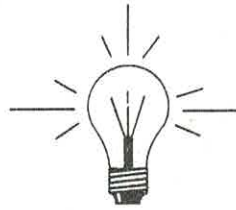
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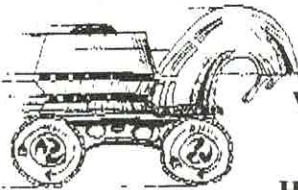
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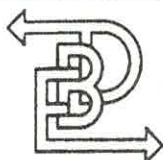
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**ROMSEY RAG** - We would dearly love some more hands on deck to help collate the Rag. This is done at the Romsey Primary School Staffroom from 9.00a.m. every Monday after the first Friday of the month and usually only takes one hour. Its just a matter of us going along a line collecting each sheet of the Rag. A cuppa and a chat goes with the job!!  
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**Monday 13th November, 1995. 8.00pm. at  
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NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!**

**MOVIELAND** - Kim and Alba would like to thank everyone for their support during our stay at Movieland Romsey. We would like to welcome Ken Lambert and his family to Movieland Romsey and wish them all the very best in the future

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Bus will be cancelled if insufficient bookings are made the week before the trip. All monies paid will be carried over till following months trip. Inquiries - Margaret French (Secretary) on 296 377.

**REMINDER - Simply Casual Fashion Parade** on Monday, 13th November at Romsey Mechanics Hall 10.30am till 2.30pm. (Morning and afternoon teas provided) \$3.00 donation - no tickets necessary - just pay at the door.

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The A.G.M. was held on 23rd October, 1995. Returned Office Bearers are:-

President: Eveline Hocter - 296 366

Secretary: Helen Watts - 295 250

Treasurer: Joan Sparkes - 295 848

Reserve Officer: Leonie Armistead - 295 499.

Marlene Shepherd - 295 585 - has offered her services to assist Helen as Secretary. Helen is very grateful!

Next meeting - 27th November, 1995 at 8.00p.m. at the Courthouse.

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to be defeated by just 5 points.

The U12's went undefeated all weekend  
only to be defeated in the grand final by 7  
points.

The players were well behaved and were  
a credit to their Association and town  
both on and off the court. Thank you to all  
those parents who came along to support  
the teams, and to those who worked hard  
all weekend, driving, coaching, supervising  
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been as successful without your efforts.

### LANCEFIELD-ROMSEY LIONS CLUB

Will be having a **CAR BOOT-SALE** on  
**Saturday 9th December** on the corner of  
Barry Street and Main Street, Romsey (next to  
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be \$8.00 and tables will be available for hire.  
For further information contact Rodney  
Stafford after 6pm. 296 438.

### ROMSEY RED CROSS

Our November Meeting will be held on Friday,  
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## ROMSEY CRICKET CLUB

The cricket season is well underway with the fourth game already started at the time this report was prepared. Over the past month the association undertook a major change in the structure of the draw and now Romsey has teams in McIntyre Cup (the highest grade), B1 and C1. The club has also announced the coaches and captains for the upcoming season. The coaches are: Bowling - Geoff Pitts

Batting - Paul Newnham

Fielding - Mal Mottram

The committee took the unusual step of appointing co-captains for McIntyre Cup and at this stage it seems to have been a successful move. The captains are:

McIntyre Cup - Geoff Pitts and Mal Mottram

B1 - Tim McCarthy

C1 - Les Cann

Some new players have joined the club to bolster the playing stocks. These players are Craig Peet, Shane Pratt, Tim Rogers, Mark Wood and Les Cann Jnr and all have shown that they will be handy cricketers representing the town. Steve Smithwick has also returned after a break from playing and is playing McIntyre Cup. The club would still welcome all new players and are especially interested in anyone who has played cricket elsewhere and feel that they may like to represent their own town.

On the field the McIntyre Cup side have won one game out of the first three and look like having their second win in this round to be back near the top four. B grade have been struggling with a young side although this can be improved upon and already the signs of improvement are there. C grade has won one of their games and, with some luck, could have won all their games so far as they have been close in every game.

The performance of the year has come from Benny Dyer in C grade. Against Macedon, Benny made 85 not out including 9 sixes with the innings only lasting around 40 balls. Peter Day has also had a good start to the year making 101 in McIntyre Cup without being dismissed so far. Other highlights have been:

Paul Newnham	51	v Woodend	in McIntyre Cup
Geoff Pitts	4/49	v Macedon	in McIntyre Cup
Aaron Dalton	50	v Gisborne	in B grade
Les Cann	5/9	v Macedon	in C grade
Les Cann Jnr	46	v Macedon	in C grade

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## CANCER NATURAL THERAPY GROUP

This group provides a forum for discussion on issues related to cancer treatment, sharing of information, resources and personal experiences. It is an informal casual group intended for people contemplating or undergoing natural therapy independantly or in conjunction with orthodox treatment. Anyone who is interested is welcome to come along and hear guest speaker Sandra Maqueda on Monday November 20 at 7.30 P.M. at the Uniting Church Hall in Pohlman St. Romsey. For enquiries please phone 295502



## WOMEN'S GOLF ROMSEY

Results for October, 1995

<u>Oct.4th. Stableford.</u>	<u>Oct.11th. Monthly Medal</u>
1st. S.Shelton	1st. M.Crump
2nd. M.Campbell	2nd. S.Shelton
3rd. L. Beasley	3rd. H.Stammers
	N.T.P. B.Cole

<u>Oct.18th. Stroke/Putting</u>	<u>Oct. 25th.</u>
1st. H.Stammers	1st. L.Beasley
2nd. M. Crump	2nd. H. Stammers
3rd. M. Campbell	3rd. M. Crump
	N.T.P. M.Crump

The A.G.M. for the ladies committee was held on November 1st. And the following positions were filled:  
 President: Shirley Shelton/Vice Pres. Hazel Stammers  
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### TWILIGHT GOLF

Thursday evening 2nd November, saw the start of twilight golf. We play a 12 hole round of social golf hitting off between 5-5.30pm so why not join us for a hit, you don't have to be a member to join in, all it costs is \$2 to play and we stay around for a B.B.Q. afterwards with salad and bread provided, B.Y.O. meat. This is a chance for some real social golf in a relaxed and informal setting, all members and non-members most welcome.

## ROMSEY ANGLING CLUB

Final Itinerary for

Melbourne Warehouse Shopping Tour

Date: Saturday, 25th November, 1995

7am. Chicken & Champagne Breakfast

Romsey Lions Park.

7.45am. Bus departs Romsey Lions Park.

8.05am. Sunbury Shire Offices Pick up.....

8.20am. McDonald's Gladstone Park Pick up.

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Stop 4. Clearout Warehouse.

12.15pm. Lunch -

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Stop 6. Newnham's Chocolates

Stop 7. Oz Concepts

Stop 8. Benny's Bazaar

Stop 9. Santa's Showcase

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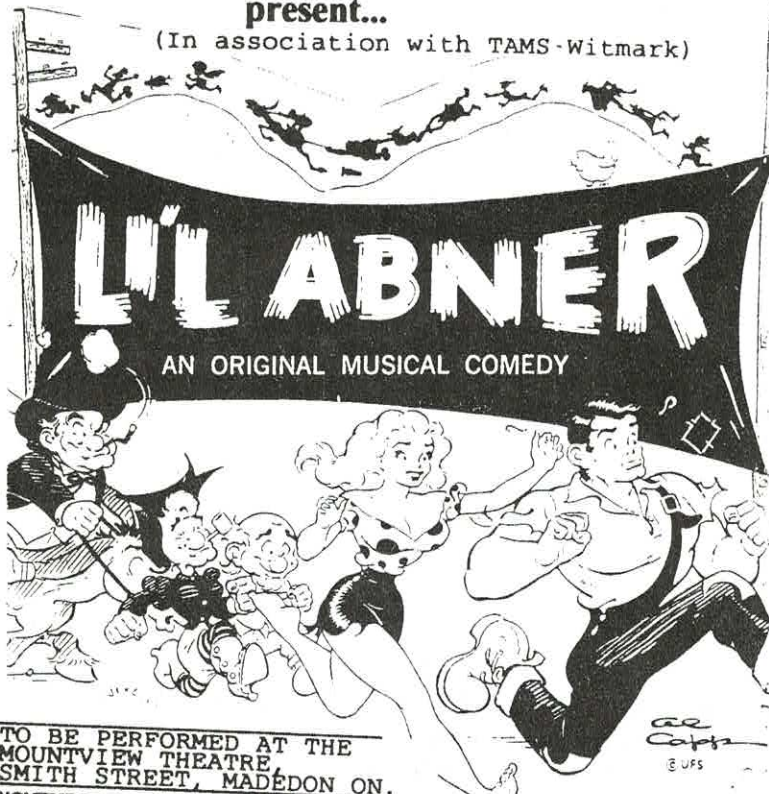
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# Macedon Ranges Computer Club

## Novices & Databases

**W**e were privileged to have a novice computer user at our latest meeting, giving us the opportunity to broaden her knowledge and help prepare the path to future understanding of computers.

Our subject was the creation of databases on MS Works. Everyone joined in with their own input and each person contributed by actually helping to compile the details required.

Stuart McMinn of S.C.M. Computer Solutions created a database of club members. This included such useful information as, contact names and numbers in our local area, which programs each person has experience with and could share the knowledge with others wanting help.

The result of our efforts will be available to members, at our next

meeting, on a print out.

Our competition for a club logo will be run until December 17th. The prize is a software package called Quicken. Details of the requirements for entry were published in last months rag and can be obtained from either Stuart McMinn or myself. It's easy to enter, just telephone for details.

## FUTURE MEETINGS

Every third Sunday of each month  
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## UP AND COMING EVENTS

### NOVEMBER 19th - ASTRAL

Computers have kindly consented to demonstrate a Pentium PC for club members at our next meeting. Dean Racovalis builds computers and has recently deferred studies for a Bachelor of Science, Mathematics and Computing, to dedicate more time to expanding and building his family owned and operated business.

You will have an opportunity to discuss the pitfalls of purchasing a

computer, for the novice and expert alike, with a very knowledgeable technician. Get the latest on minimum entry level PC requirements and get it all in plain english without the pressure sales pitch. A must for anyone thinking of buying a PC this Christmas.

DECEMBER 17th - Once again Stuart McMinn of S.C.M. Computer Solutions has a subject that no home computer user should remain in the dark about. Learn how to back up data.

## LANCEFIELD-ROMSEY LITTLE ATHLETICS CENTRE

Little Athletics has commenced its summer season in Romsey. Our keen 5 to 15 year olds are busy running, jumping and throwing things with gay abandon. So far we have plenty of kids but not enough parent help to run our full range of events. The facilities and equipment levels have improved since last year mainly due to a lot of hard work, some good weather and lot of local sponsorship.

Families are welcome to come to the Centre any Saturday morning between 9 and 11.30 to try us out. They need to register the children for insurance purposes to be able to take part in the events. If the child wants to join LA's it will only cost \$33 for the season (\$61 for two and \$84 for three). Other costs only arise if the children want to go to Open Days at other venues or to the Regional and State Championships.

Competition is usually at our venue at Romsey on Saturday mornings with some Friday Twilight meeting and one visit to the Hume Centre at Kilmore. Training is an option which is available at Romsey on Thursday afternoons from 4.20 for an hour.

Coming events include our Bring-a-Friend day, Relay Championships, AGM and our Kids Vs adults day.

Further information is available from Andy Moore 291 751 and Phil. Francis 295 968

## LANCEFIELD & DISTRICT MEMORIAL POOL

You may have noticed that the Macedon Ranges Shire has asked for tenders to operate and maintain the Lancefield pool.

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